



Tuesday, 21 February 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday, 1 March 2023 in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Foster Avenue, Beeston NG9 1AB, commencing at 7.00 pm.

Should you require advice on declaring an interest in any item on the agenda, please contact the Monitoring Officer at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

To Councillors: E H Atherton  
D Bagshaw  
S A Bagshaw  
L A Ball BEM  
M Brown  
B C Carr  
S J Carr  
M J Crow  
T A Cullen (Mayor)  
S Dannheimer  
S Easom  
L Ellis  
L Fletcher  
J C Goold  
D Grindell  
T Hallam  
M Handley  
M Hannah  
R I Jackson  
E Kerry  
S Kerry  
H G Khaled MBE

L A Lally  
P Lally  
H Land  
R D MacRae  
G Marshall  
J W McGrath  
J M Owen  
P J Owen  
J P T Parker  
S Paterson  
J C Patrick  
D D Pringle  
M Radulovic MBE  
R S Robinson  
P Roberts-Thomson  
C M Tideswell  
I L Tyler  
P D Simpson  
H E Skinner  
D K Watts  
E Williamson  
R D Willimott

## A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies and to be notified of the attendance of substitutes.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interest in any item on the agenda.

3. MINUTES

(Pages 7 - 14)

Council is asked to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2022.

4. MINUTES OF THE FREEMAN AND ALDERMAN COUNCILS

(Pages 15 - 16)

Council will receive the minutes of the Freeman and Alderman Councils which took place on 14 December 2022.

5. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. REFERENCES

6.1 Independent Remuneration Panel

(Pages 17 - 30)

25 January 2023  
Members' Allowances

The Panel discussed Members' allowances to recommend for the financial year 2023/24. It was noted that an increase of 5% for the employee pay award had been set aside in the budget, and it was agreed that Councillors be awarded the same.

There followed a debate about the Business Manager Roles that had been removed from the scheme of Members' allowances in September. It had been considered that there was a lack of evidence for the usefulness of the roles. However, the feedback from Councillors cross party had

been that the Business Managers were essential in organising attendance at Committees and mentoring new Councillors. It was agreed that there should be two Business Managers, one for the administration and one for the opposition. It was also agreed that the allowance for the role should be £315 per annum.

**RECOMMENDED to full Council that there should be a 5% increase in Member's allowances at an increased cost of £14,302 per annum and that the two Business Managers role be reinstated with an allowance of £315 each per annum.**

6.2 Cabinet

(Pages 31 - 34)

20 December 2022  
Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2023/24

Members considered the arrangements to operate the Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2023/24. The level of Local Council Tax Support Scheme had risen slightly in 2020/21 as a result of the pandemic. However, the last and current year was showing a reducing spend. It was noted that any alterations to the scheme would have to go through a formal consultation process. The scheme was incorporated within the Council Tax Base calculation.

**RECOMMENDED to Council that the current Local Council Tax Support Scheme remains in place for 2023/24.**

Reason

Under section 13A (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the Council as billing authority must make a localised Council Tax Reduction Scheme in accordance with Schedule 1A to the Act. Each financial year the Council must consider whether to revise its scheme, or to replace it with another scheme.

7. PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2023-2024

(Pages 35 - 62)

To enable Council approval for the Pay Policy statement for 2023/24

8. DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACES

Since the meeting of Council on 14 December 2022, it has become necessary to change the following 3 polling places:

<b>Polling district</b>	<b>Current polling place</b>	<b>Proposed polling place</b>
BCT2	Creo, Seven Oaks Crescent, Bramcote	BCT2/1 – SW Hair, Seven Oaks Crescent, Bramcote BCT2/2 – Temporary unit, Eastcote Avenue, Bramcote (subject to agreement from Via to use the land*)
KIM1	Temporary units, Sainsbury's car park, Main Street, Kimberley	Kettlebrook Lodge, Eastwood Road, Kimberley
KIM6	Kettlebrook Lodge, Eastwood Road, Kimberley	Holy Trinity Church Hall, Church Hill, Kimberley

\*If agreement is not forthcoming from Via, an alternative site will need to be identified for part of BCT2 and the Chief Executive, as Returning Officer, will be asked to approve the alternative polling place for the elections on 4 May 2023 under delegated powers. The situation in BCT2 will be reviewed for future elections.

**Council is asked to RESOLVE that the amendments to the designation of polling places be approved.**

9. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

The Discretionary Financial Assistance Regulations 2001 state that it is the responsibility of the individual Local Authority as to which body considers appeals regarding the making, cancellation or recovery of discretionary housing payments. At Broxtowe, this has been undertaken by the Discretionary Housing Payments Panel, although over recent years the Panel has met so infrequently that Council voted to remove payments for Panel members in 2022. It is necessary to retain a body to undertake these functions and it is considered that transferring the responsibilities to the Licensing and Appeals Committee and creating panels as necessary will allow for a greater pool of Councillors to

consider the appeals. Furthermore, this will bring the procedure in line with other appeals considered by members.

**Council is asked to RESOLVE that the responsibilities for the Discretionary Housing Payments Panel be transferred to the Licensing and Appeals Committee.**

10. ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

The Local Government Act 1972 states that when a Councillor fails to attend any meeting for six consecutive months from the date of their last attendance, then, subject to certain exceptions, they cease to be a Member of the authority, unless the Council accepts a reason for the failure to attend before the six months expires. Councillor Eileen Atherton is currently unable to attend Council meetings and in the circumstances, it is put before Members to consider a dispensation under Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 for the period of six months from 1 March 2023 before which forfeiture applies.

**Council is asked to CONSIDER a dispensation for Councillor Eileen Atherton for a period of six months from the date of this meeting and RESOLVE accordingly.**

11. TO APPROVE THE REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS, CAPITAL STRATEGY, TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY, INVESTMENTS STRATEGY, MEDIUM TERM GENERAL FUND FINANCIAL STRATEGY AND FIX THE COUNCIL TAX FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING 1 APRIL 2023

(Members should note that, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment Regulations 2014, there will be a recorded vote on this item).

Cabinet, at its meeting held on 7 February 2023, considered a Budget Proposals and Associated Strategies report dealing with:

- Impact Analysis;
- Housing Revenue Account Budget and Council House Rents 2023/24;
- General Fund Revenue Budget 2023/24;
- Capital Programme 2023/24 to 2025/26;
- Capital Strategy 2023/24 to 2025/26;
- Treasury Management Strategy 2023/24 to 2025/26;

- Investments Strategy 2023/24 to 2025/26; and
- General Fund Medium Term Financial Strategy to 2026/27.

The report is available in the Members Room and is also included at <https://democracy.broxtowe.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=229&MId=816&Ver=4>. Paper copies are also available upon request. The minutes which reflect the recommendations as agreed by Cabinet are available at <https://democracy.broxtowe.gov.uk/documents/g816/Printed%20minutes%20Tuesday%2007-Feb-2023%2018.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=1>

The recommendations from that report have been referred to the Council for resolution and these are set out below together with the resolution to fix the Council Tax for the 2023/24 financial year.

The precept figure for Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire and Rescue Authority had not been confirmed at the time of printing these papers. These will be considered and resolved at its meeting to be held on 24 February 2023. Any changes resulting from this meeting will be reflected in sections 4 and 5 of the resolution and presented at the Council meeting on 1 March 2023.

**The Council is asked to RESOLVE that:**

1. **The recommendations arising from the Cabinet meeting of 7 February 2023 as set out below be approved and adopted.**
  - **The Housing Revenue Account budget as submitted be approved.**
  - **The General Fund revenue budgets as submitted be approved.**
  - **The capital submissions and priorities within them be approved and the Deputy Chief Executive be authorised to arrange the financing of the capital programme as necessary.**
  - **An amount of £25,000 be provided for a General Contingency in 2023/24.**
  - **The Council Tax Requirement for 2023/24 including special expenses (but excluding local precepting requirements) be £6,372,250.**
  - **An amount of £1,190,742 be withdrawn from the General Fund reserves in 2023/24 to include:**
    - a) **£938,181 from General Fund balances.**
    - b) **£252,561 from the General Fund earmarked reserves.**
  - **The Capital Strategy 2023/24 to 2025/26 be approved.**
  - **The Minimum Revenue Provision policy as set out be approved.**

- The Treasury Management Strategy 2023/24 to 2025/26 be approved.
  - The Investments Strategy 2023/24 to 2025/26 be approved.
  - The General Fund Medium Term Financial Strategy to 2026/27 be approved.
2. It be noted that Cabinet, at its meeting on 20 December 2022, approved the following amounts for the year 2023/24 in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012:

(a) 34,861.86 being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, as its council tax base for the year.

(b) Part of the Council's area

Parish of Awsworth	577.62
Parish of Brinsley	713.48
Parish of Cossall	248.54
Parish of Eastwood	3,050.06
Parish of Greasley	3,732.76
Parish of Kimberley	1,883.90
Parish of Nuthall	2,265.27
Parish of Stapleford	4,206.21
Parish of Trowell	841.96
Beeston Special Expense Area	17,163.57

being the amounts calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations as the amounts of its council tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

The amount calculated for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates is 178.49.

3. The following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2023/24 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (the Act) as amended:

(a) £55,280,783 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (2) of the Act.

(b) £47,948,445 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act.

- (c) £7,332,338 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A (4) of the Act, as its council tax requirement for the year.
- (d) £210.33 being the amount at 3(c) above divided by the amount at 2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year.
- (e) £985,388 being the aggregate amount of all special items (including parish precepts and special expenses) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- (f) £182.06 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by the amount at 2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates.

(g) **Part of the Council's Area**

Parish of Awsworth	£316.61
Parish of Brinsley	£284.35
Parish of Cossall	£228.92
Parish of Eastwood	£220.51
Parish of Greasley	£243.01
Parish of Kimberley	£253.29
Parish of Nuthall	£235.34
Parish of Stapleford	£209.30
Parish of Trowell	£281.24
Beeston Special Expense Area	£183.53

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(f) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.



PART OF THE COUNCIL'S AREA	VALUATION BANDS							
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Parish of Awsworth	211.07	246.25	281.43	<b>316.61</b>	386.97	457.33	527.68	633.22
Parish of Brinsley	189.57	221.16	252.76	<b>284.35</b>	347.54	410.73	473.92	568.70
Parish of Cossall	152.61	178.05	203.48	<b>228.92</b>	279.79	330.66	381.53	457.84
Parish of Eastwood	147.01	171.51	196.01	<b>220.51</b>	269.51	318.51	367.52	441.02
Parish of Greasley	162.01	189.01	216.01	<b>243.01</b>	297.01	351.01	405.02	486.02
Parish of Kimberley	168.86	197.00	225.15	<b>253.29</b>	309.58	365.86	422.15	506.58
Parish of Nuthall	156.89	183.04	209.19	<b>235.34</b>	287.64	339.94	392.23	470.68
Parish of Stapleford	139.53	162.79	186.04	<b>209.30</b>	255.81	302.32	348.83	418.60
Parish of Trowell	187.49	218.74	249.99	<b>281.24</b>	343.74	406.24	468.73	562.48
Beeston Special Expense Area	122.35	142.75	163.14	<b>183.53</b>	224.31	265.10	305.88	367.06
All other parts of the Council's Area	121.37	141.60	161.83	<b>182.06</b>	222.52	262.98	303.43	364.12

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 3(f) and 3(g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in Valuation Band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

4. That it be noted for the year 2023/24, the Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire and Rescue Authority, Nottinghamshire County Council and the Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner are proposing the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

PRECEPTING AUTHORITY	VALUATION BANDS							
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
<b>Nottinghamshire County Council</b>	1,149.11	1,340.62	1,532.14	<b>1,723.66</b>	2,106.70	2,489.73	2,872.77	3,447.32
<b>Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner</b>	179.46	209.37	239.28	<b>269.19</b>	329.01	388.83	448.65	538.38
<b>Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire and Rescue Authority</b>	59.71	69.67	79.62	<b>89.57</b>	109.47	129.38	149.28	179.14

5. That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3(h) and 4 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of council tax for the year 2023/24 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

PART OF THE COUNCIL'S AREA	VALUATION BANDS							
	A £	B £	C £	D £	E £	F £	G £	H £
Parish of Awsworth	1,599.35	1,865.91	2,132.47	<b>2,399.03</b>	2,932.15	3,465.27	3,998.38	4,798.06
Parish of Brinsley	1,577.85	1,840.82	2,103.80	<b>2,366.77</b>	2,892.72	3,418.67	3,944.62	4,733.54
Parish of Cossall	1,540.89	1,797.71	2,054.52	<b>2,311.34</b>	2,824.97	3,338.60	3,852.23	4,622.68
Parish of Eastwood	1,535.29	1,791.17	2,047.05	<b>2,302.93</b>	2,814.69	3,326.45	3,838.22	4,605.86
Parish of Greasley	1,550.29	1,808.67	2,067.05	<b>2,325.43</b>	2,842.19	3,358.95	3,875.72	4,650.86
Parish of Kimberley	1,557.14	1,816.66	2,076.19	<b>2,335.71</b>	2,854.76	3,373.80	3,892.85	4,671.42
Parish of Nuthall	1,545.17	1,802.70	2,060.23	<b>2,317.76</b>	2,832.82	3,347.88	3,862.93	4,635.52
Parish of Stapleford	1,527.81	1,782.45	2,037.08	<b>2,291.72</b>	2,800.99	3,310.26	3,819.53	4,583.44
Parish of Trowell	1,575.77	1,838.40	2,101.03	<b>2,363.66</b>	2,888.92	3,414.18	3,939.43	4,727.32
Beeston Special Expense Area	1,510.63	1,762.41	2,014.18	<b>2,265.95</b>	2,769.49	3,273.04	3,776.58	4,531.90
All other parts of the Council's Area	1,509.65	1,761.26	2,012.87	<b>2,264.48</b>	2,767.70	3,270.92	3,774.13	4,528.96