Committee: Full Council Agenda Item

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Title: General Fund and Council Tax 2012/13

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## **Summary**

1. The attached report was received by the Cabinet on 16 February. The Cabinet endorsed the document, and decided to recommend its approval to the Council. The Council is required to make the final determination.

- 2. The Scrutiny Committee reviewed the report on 7 February and endorsed the recommendations.
- 3. The attached report is as submitted to the Cabinet except for the following:
  - Adjustment to Appendix E, to clarify the fees payable by customers joining the garden waste service
  - New Appendix G setting out Parish/Town Council precepts and the formal Council Tax resolution.
- 4. Appendix G includes a proposed resolution for the setting of the Council Tax, including amounts which are required by statute to be calculated and approved by the Council. These amounts are based on the recommended Capital Programme and Housing Revenue Account Original Budget considered earlier in the Council agenda, and the recommended General Fund budget contained within this report. Any changes may affect the statutorily required calculations in which case a brief adjournment may be required while Officers determine the revised figures for approval by the Council.
- 5. This report must be considered alongside the report made by the Section 151 Officer under Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003, to be received by the Council earlier in today's agenda.

## Recommendations

- 6. The Council is recommended to:
  - Approve the 2012/13 General Fund Budget and Council Tax requirement of £4,972,771, as summarised in paragraph 23 and detailed in Appendices A to C.
  - b) Approve the schedule of fees and charges at Appendix E.
  - c) Approve proposals for use of New Homes Bonus as set out in Appendix F.
  - d) Approve the Council Tax Resolution as set out in Appendix G.

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