

Council

Tuesday, 28th February 2023, 6.30 pm
Council Chamber, Town Hall, Chorley and YouTube

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at the above meeting of the Council, the following reports that were unavailable when the agenda was published.

Agenda No	Item	
5	Revenue Budget 2023/24, Medium Term Financial Strategy and Capital Programme 2023-2026	
	To seek approval to recommendations from the Executive contained in the attached report of the Chief Finance Officer (Introduced by the Executive Member for Resources) and within the appendices listed below.	
	Appendix A: Formal Council Tax Resolution including Special Expenses & Parish Precepts 2023/24	(Pages 141 - 148)
	Appendix D: Cumulative Budget Deficit & Budget Strategy 2023/24 to 2025/26	(Pages 149 - 150)
6	Any urgent business previously agreed with the Mayor - Notice of Motion	(Pages 151 - 152)
	With the agreement of the Mayor an urgent Notice of Motion has been accepted, on the basis that it is time constrained.	
	The enclosed Notice of Motion has been submitted by Councillor James Nevett.	

Chris Sinnott
Chief Executive

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FORMAL COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION***Draft resolution on setting of the 2023/24 Council Tax for the Borough to be passed in approving the Executive Cabinet's recommendations for the Council's Budget.***

1. It be noted that on 31st January 2023 the Director of Finance as Statutory Finance Officer calculated the Council Tax Base 2023/24

(a) for the whole Council area as 38,342.53 [Item T in the formula in Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")]; and

(b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates (as in the attached Table 2).

2. Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2023/24 (excluding Parish precepts) is £7,807,800

3. That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2023/24 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:

(a) £58,579,500 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.

(b) £49,925,923 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.

(c) £8,615,281 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. (Item R in the formula in Section 31B of the Act).

(d) £224.69 being the amount at 3(c) above (Item R), all divided by Item T (1(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 (including Parish precepts).

(e) £1,644,127 being the aggregate amount of all special items (Special Expenses and Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as in the attached Table 1).

(f) £181.81 being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above by Item T (1(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 Parish precept relates.

4. To note that the County Council, the Police Authority and the Fire Authority have issued precepts to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated in the table below.

5. That the Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in the tables below as the

amounts of Council Tax for 2023/24 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

VALUATION BANDS

CHORLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
121.21	141.41	161.61	181.81	222.21	262.61	303.02	363.62

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1,049.81	1,224.77	1,399.74	1,574.71	1,924.65	2,274.58	2,624.52	3,149.42

POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LANCASHIRE

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
167.63	195.57	223.51	251.45	307.33	363.21	419.08	502.90

LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
54.85	63.99	73.13	82.27	100.55	118.83	137.12	164.54

AGGREGATE OF COUNCIL TAX REQUIREMENTS

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1,393.50	1,625.74	1,857.99	2,090.24	2,554.74	3,019.23	3,483.74	4,180.48

6. That the Statutory Finance Officer and his officers be authorised to take any action necessary to ensure collection and recovery of the Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rates.

7. As the Council's basic amount of Council Tax has increased by 1.99% for 2023/24, it is considered not excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZB Local Government Finance Act 1992.

EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL TAX SETTING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 1

(a) Before we can calculate the Council Tax to be charged, we first have to calculate the Council Tax base. The Council Tax base is the amount which a Band D Council Tax of £1.00 would raise. For 2023/24 we estimate that a £1.00 Council Tax at Band D would raise £38,342.53 in the Chorley area.

(b) This shows the “base” figure for each Parish in the area. For example, a £1.00 Band D Council Tax in Adlington would raise £2,105.11.

RESOLUTION 2

This shows the Council’s net spending for 2023/24 excluding the cost of Parish precepts.

RESOLUTION 3

(a) This is the grand total of money which the Council estimates it will spend on all services in 2023/2. It also includes £807,481 which Parish Councils need to run their services.

(b) This is the grand total of money which the Council estimates it will receive from various sources in the year. This includes Central Government and business rates, car park charges, investment income, government grants in respect of benefits, etc.

(c) This is the difference between 2(a) and 2(b) and is in effect the Council’s and Parishes net spending on services.

(d) The difference between 2(a) and 2(b) is £8,615,281 and this is the amount we need to charge Council Taxpayers. This is divided by the base (see 1(a) above) and the resulting figure of £224.69 is the average Band D Council Tax for all Borough and Parish services.

(e) The total of all the amounts needed from Council Taxpayers by the Parish Councils in the area and for Chorley Borough Special Expenses.

(f) This is the Band D Council Tax for Chorley Borough Council’s own services, ie. excluding Parish Council spending and Special Expenses

RESOLUTION 4

Lancashire County Council, Lancashire Fire Authority and the Police & Crime Commissioner for Lancashire are separate bodies who have worked out their own estimates of spending and income for 2023/24 and have set taxes in a similar way to Chorley Borough Council. This resolution notes their final decision.

RESOLUTION 5

This pulls together the Council Taxes for Chorley Borough Council, Lancashire County Council, the Police & Crime Commissioner for Lancashire and Lancashire Fire Authority. For example, the aggregate amount for Band D is £2,090.24 made up as follows:

	£
Chorley Borough Council	181.81
Lancashire County Council	1,574.71
Lancashire Police Authority	251.45
Lancashire Fire Authority	82.27

The rate for each property Band is calculated by reference to the Band D charge. The following ratios apply:

Band A	$\frac{6}{9}$ ths of Band D
Band B	$\frac{7}{9}$ ths of Band D
Band C	$\frac{8}{9}$ ths of Band D
Band D	$\frac{9}{9}$ ths of Band D
Band E	$\frac{11}{9}$ ths of Band D
Band F	$\frac{13}{9}$ ths of Band D
Band G	$\frac{15}{9}$ ths of Band D
Band H	$\frac{18}{9}$ ths of Band D

The aggregate charge for Band A, for example, the charge is £2,090.24 x $\frac{6}{9}$ = £1,393.50; for Band B it is £2,090.24 x $\frac{7}{9}$ = £1,625.74.

RESOLUTION 6

Formally authorise the necessary staff to take legal action to collect arrears as and when this is necessary. ***For the vast majority of taxpayers, this is not needed***

		Band A		Band B		Band C		Band D		Band E		Band F		Band G		Band H	
Lancashire County Council			1,049.81		1,224.77		1,399.74		1,574.71		1,924.65		2,274.58		2,624.52		3,149.42
Chorley Borough Council (Excluding Special Expenses)			121.21		141.41		161.61		181.81		222.21		262.61		303.02		363.62
Police & Crime Commissioner for Lancashire			167.63		195.57		223.51		251.45		307.33		363.21		419.08		502.90
Lancashire Fire Authority			54.85		63.99		73.13		82.27		100.55		118.83		137.12		164.54
Sub Total			1,393.50		1,625.74		1,857.99		2,090.24		2,554.74		3,019.23		3,483.74		4,180.48
Parish and town councils	Total Parish precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept	Special Expenses	Parish Precept
Adlington	£20,900.00	3.69	6.23	4.30	7.26	4.92	8.30	5.53	9.34	6.76	11.42	7.99	13.49	9.22	15.57	11.06	18.68
Anderton	£5,500.00	1.57	6.91	1.83	8.06	2.09	9.21	2.35	10.36	2.87	12.66	3.39	14.96	3.92	17.27	4.70	20.72
Anglezarke	£0.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Astley Village	£24,420.00	20.71	14.67	24.16	17.11	27.61	19.56	31.06	22.00	37.96	26.89	44.86	31.78	51.77	36.67	62.12	44.00
Bretherton	£16,950.00	-	35.39	-	41.28	-	47.18	-	53.08	-	64.88	-	76.67	-	88.47	-	106.16
Brindle	£7,500.00	3.57	10.38	4.17	12.11	4.76	13.84	5.36	15.57	6.55	19.03	7.74	22.49	8.93	25.95	10.72	31.14
Charnock Richard	£34,055.00	2.95	32.94	3.44	38.43	3.93	43.92	4.42	49.41	5.40	60.39	6.38	71.37	7.37	82.35	8.84	98.82
Clayton le Woods	£166,210.00	28.79	20.00	33.59	23.33	38.39	26.67	43.19	30.00	52.79	36.67	62.39	43.33	71.98	50.00	86.38	60.00
Coppull	£121,900.00	6.05	31.54	7.06	36.80	8.07	42.05	9.08	47.31	11.10	57.82	13.12	68.34	15.13	78.85	18.16	94.62
Croston	£27,250.00	7.08	15.87	8.26	18.52	9.44	21.16	10.62	23.81	12.98	29.10	15.34	34.39	17.70	39.68	21.24	47.62
Cuerden	£1,290.00	8.69	20.37	10.13	23.76	11.58	27.16	13.03	30.55	15.93	37.34	18.82	44.13	21.72	50.92	26.06	61.10
Eccleston	£49,626.00	3.70	19.18	4.32	22.38	4.93	25.57	5.55	28.77	6.78	35.16	8.02	41.56	9.25	47.95	11.10	57.54
Euxton	£179,909.00	12.99	24.11	15.15	28.12	17.32	32.14	19.48	36.16	23.81	44.20	28.14	52.23	32.47	60.27	38.96	72.32
Heapey	£9,160.00	13.27	15.82	15.48	18.46	17.69	21.09	19.90	23.73	24.32	29.00	28.74	34.28	33.17	39.55	39.80	47.46
Heath Charnock	£8,500.00	16.13	6.77	18.81	7.89	21.50	9.02	24.19	10.15	29.57	12.41	34.94	14.66	40.32	16.92	48.38	20.30
Heskin	£14,196.00	1.66	24.87	1.94	29.02	2.21	33.16	2.49	37.31	3.04	45.60	3.60	53.89	4.15	62.18	4.98	74.62
Hoghton	£6,000.00	5.22	10.59	6.09	12.36	6.96	14.12	7.83	15.89	9.57	19.42	11.31	22.95	13.05	26.48	15.66	31.78
Mawdesley	£36,486.00	1.03	27.77	1.20	32.40	1.37	37.03	1.54	41.66	1.88	50.92	2.22	60.18	2.57	69.43	3.08	83.32
Rivington	£2,500.00	-	27.58	-	32.18	-	36.77	-	41.37	-	50.56	-	59.76	-	68.95	-	82.74
Ulnes Walton	£6,340.00	-	15.57	-	18.16	-	20.76	-	23.35	-	28.54	-	33.73	-	38.92	-	46.70
Wheelton	£15,425.00	-	23.44	-	27.35	-	31.25	-	35.16	-	42.97	-	50.79	-	58.60	-	70.32
Whittle le Woods	£59,660.00	16.07	15.33	18.74	17.89	21.42	20.44	24.10	23.00	29.46	28.11	34.81	33.22	40.17	38.33	48.20	46.00
Withnell	£32,000.00	6.59	16.06	7.68	18.74	8.78	21.41	9.88	24.09	12.08	29.44	14.27	34.80	16.47	40.15	19.76	48.18
All other parts of the Council's area		20.35	-	23.74	-	27.13	-	30.52	-	37.30	-	44.08	-	50.87	-	61.04	-

PARISH COUNCIL PRECEPTS							
	2022/23			2023/24			
Parish Council	Tax Base	Precepts £	Council Tax Band D (£)	Tax Base	Precepts £	Council Tax Band D (£)	C Tax Increase
Adlington	2,035.80	19,000	8.44	2,042.62	20,900	9.34	0.90
Anderton	499.80	5,200	9.82	502.45	5,500	10.36	0.54
Anglezarke	20.20	-	0.00	19.80	-	0.00	0.00
Astley Village	927.20	24,274	22.00	933.68	24,420	22.00	0.00
Bretherton	303.50	15,450	49.54	311.54	16,950	53.08	3.54
Brindle	466.10	6,800	14.00	464.26	7,500	15.57	1.57
Charnock Richard	681.90	32,000	46.42	682.25	34,055	49.41	2.99
Clayton le Woods	5,140.20	139,963	25.00	5,158.41	166,210	30.00	5.00
Coppull	2,330.20	110,330	42.81	2,353.31	121,900	47.31	4.50
Croston	1,081.70	25,970	22.68	1,084.09	27,250	23.81	1.13
Cuerden	41.80	1,290	30.81	42.15	1,290	30.55	-0.26
Eccleston	1,673.30	47,480	27.40	1,667.86	49,626	28.77	1.37
Euxton	4,914.50	176,000	35.46	4,927.56	179,909	36.16	0.70
Heapey	371.80	9,150	23.73	372.23	9,160	23.73	0.00
Heath Charnock	806.90	8,200	9.75	804.74	8,500	10.15	0.40
Heskin	370.40	14,196	36.86	365.86	14,196	37.31	0.45
Hoghton	362.70	6,000	16.08	367.11	6,000	15.89	-0.19
Mawdesley	848.60	33,169	38.15	856.79	36,486	41.66	3.51
Rivington	54.70	2,500	42.61	56.34	2,500	41.37	-1.24
Ulnes Walton	261.00	6,300	23.35	262.73	6,340	23.35	0.00
Wheelton	413.90	14,976	35.14	426.41	15,425	35.16	0.02
Whittle Woods	2,563.20	59,070	23.05	2,593.57	59,660	23.00	-0.05
Withnell	1,249.90	31,000	23.62	1,266.73	32,000	24.09	0.47
All other parts of the Council's area	10,688.70	-	-	10,780.03	-	-	
TOTAL / AVERAGE	38,108.00	788,318	19.68	38,342.53	845,777	21.06	1.38

Parish	Tax Base	Borough General Expenses	Borough Special Expenses	Borough Services Council Tax	Parish Precept	Parish Top-up	Parish Yield	Band D Parish Charge	Band D Parish Charge	Change in Parish Charge	Total Charge	Total Charge
	2023/24	2023/24	2023/24	2023/24	2023/24	2023/24	2023/24	2023/24	2022/23	2023/24	2022/23	2023/24
	No	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	%	£	£
Adlington	2,042.62	181.81	5.53	187.34	20,900	1,816	19,084	9.34	8.44	10.66%	192.12	196.68
Anderton	502.45	181.81	2.35	184.16	5,500	294	5,206	10.36	9.82	5.50%	190.38	194.52
Anglezarke	19.80	181.81	-	181.81	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%	178.26	181.81
Astley Village	933.68	181.81	31.06	212.87	24,420	3,877	20,543	22.00	22.00	0.00%	230.71	234.87
Bretherton	311.54	181.81	-	181.81	16,950	414	16,536	53.08	49.54	7.15%	227.80	234.89
Brindle	464.26	181.81	5.36	187.17	7,500	273	7,227	15.57	14.00	11.21%	197.52	202.74
Charnock Richard	682.25	181.81	4.42	186.23	34,055	345	33,710	49.41	46.42	6.44%	229.01	235.64
Clayton Le Woods	5,158.41	181.81	43.19	225.00	166,210	11,458	154,752	30.00	25.00	20.00%	245.61	255.00
Coppull	2,353.31	181.81	9.08	190.89	121,900	10,576	111,324	47.31	42.81	10.51%	229.97	238.20
Croston	1,084.09	181.81	10.62	192.43	27,250	1,440	25,810	23.81	22.68	4.98%	211.35	216.24
Cuerden	42.15	181.81	13.03	194.84	1,290	2	1,288	30.55	30.81	-0.84%	221.85	225.39
Eccleston	1,667.86	181.81	5.55	187.36	49,626	1,636	47,990	28.77	27.40	5.00%	211.10	216.13
Euxton	4,927.56	181.81	19.48	201.29	179,909	1,709	178,200	36.16	35.46	1.97%	232.82	237.45
Heapey	372.23	181.81	19.90	201.71	9,160	327	8,833	23.73	23.73	0.00%	221.50	225.44
Heath Charnock	804.74	181.81	24.19	206.00	8,500	335	8,165	10.15	9.75	4.10%	211.73	216.15
Heskin	365.86	181.81	2.49	184.30	14,196	544	13,652	37.31	36.86	1.22%	217.56	221.61
Hoghton	367.11	181.81	7.83	189.64	6,000	167	5,833	15.89	16.08	-1.18%	202.02	205.53
Mawdesley	856.79	181.81	1.54	183.35	36,486	794	35,692	41.66	38.15	9.20%	217.92	225.01
Rivington	56.34	181.81	-	181.81	2,500	169	2,331	41.37	42.61	-2.91%	220.87	223.18
Ulnes Walton	262.73	181.81	-	181.81	6,340	205	6,135	23.35	23.35	0.00%	201.61	205.16
Wheellton	426.41	181.81	-	181.81	15,425	432	14,993	35.16	35.14	0.06%	213.40	216.97
Whittle Le Woods	2,593.57	181.81	24.10	205.91	59,660	-	59,660	23.00	23.05	-0.22%	224.94	228.91
Withnell	1,266.73	181.81	9.88	191.69	32,000	1,483	30,517	24.09	23.62	1.99%	211.57	215.78
Other parts of the Borough	10,780.03	181.81	30.52	212.33	-	-	-	-	-		208.18	212.33
	38,342.53	181.81	21.82	203.63	845,777	38,296	807,481	21.06	19.68	7.01%	210.63	224.69

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Analysis of Budget Variations 2023/24 - 2025/26

	2023/24 ESTIMATE £	2024/25 ESTIMATE £	2025/26 ESTIMATE £
BASE BUDGET REQUIREMENT	11,003,927	11,780,900	12,089,700
Pay (Inc NI and Pay award)	1,612,000	462,000	264,800
Utility Costs	426,000	85,000	102,200
Provision for Cost of Living Crisis and related cost pressures	418,000	0	0
Increase in External Audit Fees	100,000	0	0
Additional Provision for Inflation	201,000	206,000	0
Impact of Pension Triennial Actuarial Valuation	(327,000)	(17,000)	0
National Insurance Changes	(73,000)	0	0
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	(599,000)	0	599,000
Volume Expenditure	79,000	88,100	58,700
Savings Achieved and Additional Income	(311,000)	(300,000)	0
Tatton Gardens	(298,000)	0	0
Volume Income	(101,057)	0	0
Market Walk	(419,100)	0	0
Strawberry Fields - Digital Office Park	(146,170)	0	0
Planning Appeals & Local Plan	100,000	(100,000)	0
Capital Expenditure (Short Life Assets)	115,300	(115,300)	0
TOTAL SERVICE EXPENDITURE	11,780,900	12,089,700	13,114,400
Net Financing Transactions:			
- Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP - capital financing)	1,530,400	2,297,200	2,380,500
- Interest Payable - Capital Expenditure	2,197,000	2,326,100	2,284,700
- Net Interest/Premiums/Discounts	(20,000)	(20,000)	(20,000)
sub total	3,707,400	4,603,300	4,645,200
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	15,488,300	16,693,000	17,759,600
Financed By:			
Council Tax - Borough	(7,667,800)	(7,827,800)	(8,017,800)
Council Tax - 1.99% increase 23/24, 2.99% 24/25 & 1.99% 25/26	(140,000)	(210,000)	(140,000)
Parish Precepts	807,481	807,481	807,481
Council Tax Parishes	(807,481)	(807,481)	(807,481)
Lower Tier Services Grant Allocation	0	0	0
Services Grant	(119,000)	(416,000)	(416,000)
Minimum Guarantee Grant	(1,146,000)	(1,146,000)	(1,146,000)
Retained Business Rates	(2,982,200)	(3,322,200)	(3,322,200)
Government Section 31 Grants	(3,234,000)	(3,234,000)	(3,234,000)
Business Rates Exceptional Payments Reserve	(261,800)	0	0
Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit - Business Rates	261,800	0	0
Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit - Council Tax	97,700	0	0
New Homes Bonus	(297,000)	0	0
Transfers to/(from) Earmarked Reserves	0	0	0
TOTAL FINANCING	(15,488,300)	(16,156,000)	(16,276,000)
Net Expenditure / Budget Gap	0	537,000	1,483,600

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The week 27th February to 5th March marks Eating Disorders Awareness Week (EDAW) in the UK, a time marked annually to increase awareness of the more than 1.25 million people who suffer from eating disorders in the United Kingdom (according to Beat, the UK eating disorder charity) and the millions of people who are indirectly affected as family, friends and loved ones. For 2023, the theme of EDAW is raising awareness about male sufferers of eating disorders who often go ignored or overlooked. One in four sufferers of eating disorders are men, yet harmful stereotypes about eating disorders only affecting girls and women, that they are about attention-seeking, that male sufferers just enjoy ‘working out’, or they are ‘fussy eaters’, persist. Research from Beat suggests that 1 in 5 male sufferers have never spoken out, 3 in 5 were disappointed with the support available, and 4 in 5 believed greater awareness would help men to access treatment sooner.

Therefore, this motion calls on the council to acknowledge the importance of Eating Disorders Awareness Week and raising the profile of male sufferers. This motion encourages the council’s Lead Member for Health Services and the Champion for Mental Health Awareness to raise the importance of improving NHS eating disorders services for both children and adults wherever possible, and to highlight these issues in their work with community groups and partner organisations. This motion calls on the council to establish an eating disorders support page on its website in the residents section, alongside the current pages on alcohol, drugs, smoking and adult mental health, to signpost members of the public to the support available from Beat and the Lancashire & South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust. The council should have available the range of digital and print resources published by Beat which provide useful information on eating disorders, how sufferers can access treatment, and advice to family and friends who support loved ones suffering from eating disorders.

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