

# **Supplementary Information**

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL  
CABINET  
3 February 2016

Dear Councillor

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at meeting of the Cabinet, to be held on 3 February 2016 the following supplementary information that was unavailable when the agenda was printed.

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**3 February 2016**

**DRAFT REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET 2016-17**

**Recommendations of the Five Councils' Procurement Scrutiny Panel**

**Cabinet Lead: Councillor Michael Cheshire**

**Key Decision: No**

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## **1.0 Purpose of Report**

1.1 At its meeting held on 26 January 2016, the Scrutiny Board considered that, in view of the delay in issuing the budget papers, it was impracticable for the Board give proper consideration to the Budget. It was therefore

*RESOLVED that*

- (i) authority be delegated to the 5 Councils' Procurement Scrutiny Panel to complete the scrutiny of the budget and make recommendations, on behalf of the Scrutiny Board, to Cabinet: and*
- (ii) that members of the Scrutiny Board be appointed as members of the 5 Council's Scrutiny Panel to be held on 2 February 2016.*

1.2 At its meeting held on 2 February 2016 the Panel considered the draft budget report

## **2.0 Recommendations**

The Panel recommends that

- (i) The proposed Revenue & Capital budgets for 2016/17.(The proposed revenue budget will maintain the Council tax Band D charge at the current rate of £192.78); and
- (ii) The Treasury Management Strategy & Prudential Indicators, movements in specific reserves and the General Fund, and the Prices for Services

as submitted be recommended to Council for approval subject to:

- (a) CCTV being retained until all alternative options for providing this service have been fully explored; and
- (b) The Deputy Leader providing answers to all the questions set out in paragraph 3.2 of this report

### **3.0 Subject of Report**

3.1 The Board was given an opportunity to consider and comment upon the draft Revenue Budget for 2016/17. The Deputy Leader, Cabinet Lead for Marketing and Development, Chief Financial Officer, the Service Manager (Finance) and the Principal Accountant answered members' questions.

3.2 During the question and answer session, the Deputy Leader of the Council agreed to:

- investigate whether the discount previously given to residents in receipt of Council Tax Benefit, Pension Credit and/or Housing Benefit for the collection of garden waste sacks also applies to garden waste bins
- clarify the fees and charges which appeared to prohibit the parking of coaches and cars with trailers at Beachlands Car Park between June and August
- investigate whether Bowls Clubs, which leased the greens from the Council, were complying with the terms of their lease relating to the charges to be applied for the link to be made available for use by the public
- investigate whether the sponsorship money for roundabouts and floral displays is used for these displays

3.3 The key consideration of the Panel related to the retention of the CCTV system. The Panel was advised that in addition to the reasons given by the Cabinet for the removal of the system at the last meeting of the Scrutiny Board ( Minute 45/1/2016), the Cabinet did not support the retention of the system because:

- The evidence submitted was not sufficient to justify claims that CCTV was or was not effective in preventing criminal activity;
- The angle of vision of the cameras was very limited
- A majority of cameras were located in areas which were no longer considered trouble spots.

- 3.4 The Panel questioned the robustness of the case for the removal of the CCTV system. The majority of the Panel considered that alternative ways of maintaining a CCTV system at a lower cost had not been properly explored e.g. replacing a live monitoring service with a remote monitoring system or the use of a mobile remote CCTV system.

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