Minutes

At a meeting of the Full Council held at Council Chamber, County Hall, Preston, on Thursday, 11 February, 2016

Present:

County Councillor Margaret Brindle (Chairman)

County Councillors

T Aldridge J Fillis M Otter A Ali J Gibson M Parkinson T Ashton G Gooch N Penney A Atkinson M Green S Perkins A Barnes J Hanson M Perks C Pritchard M Barron Dr M Hassan P Hayhurst S Prynn L Beavers D Borrow C Henig P Rigby N Hennessy A Schofield P Britcliffe S Holgate K Sedgewick I Brown K Brown D Howarth S Serridge T Brown K Iddon J Shedwick R Shewan P Buckley M Igbal D T Smith T Burns A James K Snape Mrs S Charles M Johnstone A Cheetham D Stansfield A Jones A Clempson A Kay J Sumner D Clifford J Lawrenson V Taylor Mrs F Craig-Wilson D Lord M Tomlinson C Crompton T Martin C Wakeford M Dad J Mein D Watts D Westley B Dawson G Molineux F De Molfetta D Whipp Y Motala C Dereli **B** Murray P White R Newman-Thompson **G** Wilkins M Devaney **B** Winlow G Dowding D O'Toole G Driver Mrs L Oades **B** Yates K Ellard J Oakes

1. Apologies and Announcements

There were no apologies.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Name of Councillor	Agenda Item No.	Nature of Interest
		(non-pecuniary unless stated)
M Brindle	Part A – Item 3	Member Burnley Borough Council
A Cheetham	Part A – Item 3	Non-Executive Director Rossendale
		Transport
M Green	Part A – Item 3	Cabinet Member South Ribble
		Borough Council and responded to
		the consultation
D Howarth	Part A – Item 3	Member South Ribble Borough
		Council
D Lord	Part A – Item 3	Member Pendle Borough Council
J Sumner	Part A – Item 3	Member Burnley Borough Council
D Whipp	Part A – Item 3	Member Pendle Borough Council

3. The County Council's Budget

County Councillor Borrow, Deputy Leader of the Council, moved the report of the Cabinet from its meeting on the 21 January 2016. It contained recommendations on the:

- Revenue Budget 2016/17 and Financial Strategy 2017/18 to 2019/20
- Capital Investment Programme 2016/17 and beyond
- Council Tax and Precept 2016/17

In moving the report County Councillor Borrow outlined an adjustment to the proposals contained within the report. Details of the adjustment were set out in a document circulated to all members, which is appended to these minutes as Annex 1.

The motion was seconded by County Councillor Jennifer Mein, Leader of the Council.

County Councillor Geoff Driver, Leader of the Conservative Group, then made his Budget speech and moved an Amendment to the Budget proposals on behalf of the Conservative Group, which was seconded by County Councillor Albert Atkinson.

A copy of the Amendment was circulated to all members and is set out at Annex 2 to these minutes.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for a period of thirty minutes to give members the opportunity to consider the Amendment.

Following a period of debate it was moved and seconded, in accordance with Procedural Standing Order 15.10.1(a), 'that the question be put'. On being put to the vote the procedural motion was carried and the debate was brought to a close.

A recorded vote on the Amendment was then taken. The names of county councillors who voted for or against the Amendment and those who abstained are set out below:

For (35)

T Ashton	G Driver	A Schofield
A Atkinson	G Gooch	K Sedgewick
M Barron	M Green	J Shedwick
P Britcliffe	K Iddon	D Smith
K Brown	A James	D Stansfield
I Brown	T Jones	V Taylor
P Buckley	A Kay	C Wakeford
S Charles	J Lawrenson	D Westley
A Cheetham	D O'Toole	P White
A Clempson	M Otter	G Wilkins
F Craig-Wilson	M Perks	B Yates
M Devaney	P Rigby	

Against (43)

T Aldridge	J Fillis	R Newman-Thompson
A Ali	J Gibson	E Oades
A Barnes	J Hanson	J Oakes
L Beavers	M Hassan	M Parkinson
D Borrow	P Hayhurst	N Penney
T Brown	C Henig	S Perkins
T Burns	N Hennessy	C Pritchard
D Clifford	S Holgate	S Prynn
C Crompton	M Iqbal	S Serridge
M Dad	M Johnstone	R Shewan
B Dawson	T Martin	K Snape
F De Molfetta	J Mein	M Tomlinson
C Dereli	G Molineux	D Watts
G Dowding	Y Motala	
K Ellard	B Murray	

Abstain (6)

M Brindle	J Sumner
D Howarth	D Whipp
D Lord	B Winlow

The Conservative Group's Amendment was therefore lost.

County Councillor Bill Winlow, Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group, then made his Budget speech and moved an Amendment to the Budget proposals on behalf of the Liberal Democrat Group, which was seconded by County Councillor David Whipp.

A copy of the Amendment was circulated to all members and is set out at Annex 3 to these minutes.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for a period of ten minutes to give members the opportunity to consider the Amendment.

On resumption of the meeting there followed a period of debate after which a recorded vote on the Amendment was taken.

The names of county councillors who voted for or against the Amendment and those who abstained are set out below:

For (6)

M Brindle	J Sumner
D Howarth	D Whipp
D Lord	B Winlow

Against (42)

T Aldridge	J Fillis	B Murray
A Ali	J Gibson	R Newman-Thompson
A Barnes	J Hanson	E Oades
L Beavers	M Hassan	J Oakes
D Borrow	P Hayhurst	M Parkinson
T Brown	C Henig	N Penney
T Burns	N Hennessy	S Perkins
D Clifford	S Holgate	C Pritchard
C Crompton	M Iqbal	S Prynn
M Dad	M Johnstone	S Serridge
B Dawson	T Martin	R Shewan
F De Molfetta	J Mein	K Snape
C Dereli	G Molineux	M Tomlinson
K Ellard	Y Motala	D Watts

Abstain (35)

T Ashton	G Dowding	A Schofield
A Atkinson	G Driver	K Sedgewick
M Barron	G Gooch	J Shedwick
P Britcliffe	M Green	D Smith
K Brown	K Iddon	D Stansfield
I Brown	A James	V Taylor
P Buckley	T Jones	C Wakeford
S Charles	A Kay	D Westley
A Cheetham	J Lawrenson	P White
A Clempson	D O'Toole	G Wilkins
F Craig-Wilson	M Otter	B Yates
M Devaney	P Rigby	

The Liberal Democrat Group's Amendment was therefore lost.

County Councillor Paul Hayhurst then moved an Amendment to the Budget proposals on behalf of the Independent Members and the Green Member, which was seconded by County Councillor Gina Dowding.

A copy of the Amendment was circulated to all members and is set out at Annex 4 to these minutes.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for a period of ten minutes to give members the opportunity to consider the Amendment.

On resumption of the meeting a recorded vote on the Amendment was taken. The names of county councillors who voted for or against the Amendment and those who abstained are set out below:

For (43)

T Aldridge	J Fillis	R Newman-Thompson
A Ali	J Gibson	E Oades
A Barnes	J Hanson	J Oakes
L Beavers	M Hassan	M Parkinson
D Borrow	P Hayhurst	N Penney
T Brown	C Henig	S Perkins
T Burns	N Hennessy	C Pritchard
D Clifford	S Holgate	S Prynn
C Crompton	M Iqbal	S Serridge
M Dad	M Johnstone	R Shewan
B Dawson	T Martin	K Snape
F De Molfetta	J Mein	M Tomlinson
C Dereli	G Molineux	D Watts
G Dowding	Y Motala	
K Ellard	B Murray	

Against (6)

M Brindle	J Sumner
D Howarth	D Whipp
D Lord	B Winlow

Abstain (34)

T Ashton	G Driver	K Sedgewick
A Atkinson	G Gooch	J Shedwick
M Barron	M Green	D Smith
P Britcliffe	K Iddon	D Stansfield
K Brown	A James	V Taylor
I Brown	T Jones	C Wakeford
P Buckley	A Kay	D Westley
S Charles	J Lawrenson	P White
A Cheetham	D O'Toole	G Wilkins
A Clempson	M Otter	B Yates
F Craig-Wilson	P Rigby	
M Devaney	A Schofield	

The Amendment was therefore carried and became part of the Substantive Motion.

County Councillor Vivien Taylor then moved a further Amendment to the Budget proposals, which was seconded by County Councillor Craig Wilson. A copy of the Amendment was circulated to all members and is set out at Annex 5 to these minutes.

A recorded vote was taken and the names of county councillors who voted for or against the Motion and those who abstained are set out below:

For (34)

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T Ashton	G Driver	K Sedgewick
A Atkinson	G Gooch	J Shedwick
M Barron	M Green	D Smith
P Britcliffe	K Iddon	D Stansfield
K Brown	A James	V Taylor
I Brown	T Jones	C Wakeford
P Buckley	A Kay	D Westley
S Charles	J Lawrenson	P White
A Cheetham	D O'Toole	G Wilkins
A Clempson	M Otter	B Yates
F Craig-Wilson	P Rigby	
M Devaney	A Schofield	

Against (42)

T Aldridge	K Ellard	Y Motala
A Ali	J Fillis	B Murray
A Barnes	J Gibson	E Oades
L Beavers	J Hanson	J Oakes
D Borrow	M Hassan	M Parkinson
T Brown	P Hayhurst	N Penney
T Burns	C Henig	S Perkins
D Clifford	N Hennessy	C Pritchard
C Crompton	S Holgate	S Prynn
M Dad	M Iqbal	S Serridge
B Dawson	M Johnstone	R Shewan
F De Molfetta	T Martin	K Snape
C Dereli	J Mein	M Tomlinson
G Dowding	G Molineux	D Watts

Abstain (6)

M Brindle	J Sumner
D Howarth	D Whipp
D Lord	B Winlow

The Amendment was therefore lost.

County Councillor Graham Gooch then moved a further Amendment to the Budget proposals, which was seconded by County Councillor Alan Schofield. A copy of the Amendment was circulated to all members and is set out at Annex 6 to these minutes.

County Councillor David Whipp suggested that the following wording, under the heading 'Subsidised Bus Routes' be removed from the Amendment:

"Retain all existing subsidised bus routes until 30th September 2016 to allow consultation with all interested parties to identify a 50% reduction in subsidised bus routes. The remaining 50% of the subsidised routes to be continued into 2017/18."

County Councillor Gooch accepted this change.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for a period of five minutes to give members the opportunity to consider the revised Amendment.

On resumption of the meeting a recorded vote on the revised Amendment was taken.

The names of county councillors who voted for or against the Amendment and those who abstained are set out below:

For (40)

T Ashton	G Gooch	K Sedgewick
A Atkinson	M Green	J Shedwick
M Barron	D Howarth	D Smith
M Brindle	K Iddon	D Stansfield
P Britcliffe	A James	J Sumner
K Brown	T Jones	V Taylor
I Brown	A Kay	C Wakeford
P Buckley	J Lawrenson	D Westley
S Charles	D Lord	D Whipp
A Cheetham	D O'Toole	P White
A Clempson	M Otter	G Wilkins
F Craig-Wilson	P Rigby	B Winlow
M Devaney	A Schofield	B Yates
G Driver		

Against (42)

T Aldridge	K Ellard	Y Motala
A Ali	J Fillis	B Murray
A Barnes	J Gibson	E Oades
L Beavers	J Hanson	J Oakes
D Borrow	M Hassan	M Parkinson
T Brown	P Hayhurst	N Penney
T Burns	C Henig	S Perkins
D Clifford	N Hennessy	C Pritchard
C Crompton	S Holgate	S Prynn
M Dad	M Iqbal	S Serridge
B Dawson	M Johnstone	R Shewan
F De Molfetta	T Martin	K Snape
C Dereli	J Mein	M Tomlinson
G Dowding	G Molineux	D Watts

Abstain (0)

The Amendment was therefore lost.

County Councillor Michael Green then moved a further Amendment to the Budget proposals, which was seconded by County Councillor David Whipp. A copy of the Amendment was circulated to all members and is set out at Annex 7 to these minutes.

A recorded vote was taken and the names of county councillors who voted for or against the Motion and those who abstained are set out below:

For (81)

T Aldridge	C Crompton	M Iqbal	S Prynn
A Ali	M Dad	A James	P Rigby
T Ashton	B Dawson	M Johnstone	A Schofield
A Atkinson	F De Molfetta	T Jones	K Sedgewick
A Barnes	C Dereli	A Kay	S Serridge
M Barron	G Dowding	J Lawrenson	J Shedwick
L Beavers	G Driver	D Lord	R Shewan
D Borrow	K Ellard	T Martin	D Smith
M Brindle	J Fillis	J Mein	K Snape
P Britcliffe	J Gibson	G Molineux	D Stansfield
T Brown	G Gooch	Y Motala	J Sumner
K Brown	M Green	B Murray	V Taylor
I Brown	J Hanson	E Oades	M Tomlinson
P Buckley	M Hassan	J Oakes	C Wakeford
T Burns	P Hayhurst	D O'Toole	D Watts
S Charles	C Henig	M Otter	D Westley
A Cheetham	N Hennessy	M Parkinson	D Whipp
A Clempson	S Holgate	N Penney	P White
D Clifford	D Howarth	S Perkins	G Wilkins
F Craig-Wilson	K Iddon	C Pritchard	B Winlow
			B Yates

Against (0)

Abstain (0)

The Amendment was therefore carried and became part of the Substantive Motion.

As no further Amendments were moved, the Chairman put the Motion on the County Council's Budget and asked the Full Council to approve the recommendations of the Cabinet, as adjusted at **Annex 1**, and as amended according to the Amendments set out at **Annex 4 and Annex 7** to these minutes on the:

- The Revenue Budget 2016/17 and Financial Strategy 2017/18 to 2019/20.
- The Capital Investment Programme 2016/17 and beyond.
- The Council Tax and Precept 2016/17.

A recorded vote was taken and the names of county councillors who voted for or against the Motion and those who abstained are set out below:

For (42)

T Aldridge	K Ellard	Y Motala
A Ali	J Fillis	B Murray
A Barnes	J Gibson	E Oades
L Beavers	J Hanson	J Oakes
D Borrow	M Hassan	M Parkinson
T Brown	P Hayhurst	N Penney
T Burns	C Henig	S Perkins
D Clifford	N Hennessy	C Pritchard
C Crompton	S Holgate	S Prynn
M Dad	M Iqbal	S Serridge
B Dawson	M Johnstone	R Shewan
F De Molfetta	T Martin	K Snape
C Dereli	J Mein	M Tomlinson
G Dowding	G Molineux	D Watts

Against (39)

T Ashton	G Gooch	K Sedgewick
A Atkinson	M Green	J Shedwick
M Barron	D Howarth	D Smith
M Brindle	K Iddon	D Stansfield
P Britcliffe	A James	J Sumner
K Brown	T Jones	V Taylor
I Brown	A Kay	C Wakeford
P Buckley	J Lawrenson	D Westley
S Charles	D Lord	D Whipp
A Cheetham	D O'Toole	P White
A Clempson	M Otter	G Wilkins
F Craig-Wilson	P Rigby	B Winlow
G Driver	A Schofield	B Yates

Abstain (0)

The Motion was carried and it was,

Resolved:

1. Revenue Budget 2016/17

Allocation of the 2016/17 Revenue Budget to Services

Revenue Budget 2016/17	Net Budget £m
Adult Social Care	332.663
Chief Executive	1.035
Children's Services	100.771
Community Services	129.638
Corporate Commissioning	13.715
Customer Access	3.607
Development and Corporate Services	39.496
Governance, Finance and Public Services	13.992
Lancashire Pension Fund	-2.097
Corporate & Other	41.149
Public Health and Wellbeing	24.013
Sub-Total	697.982
Financing Charges	33.324
Use of one off resources	-18.286
Revenue budget 2016/17	713.020

2. Capital Investment Strategy 2016/17 and future years

The adoption of the proposals for the Capital Investment Strategy 2016/17 and future years as set out at Appendix A to the report now presented be approved.

3. Council Tax and Precept 2016/17

The Full Council authorises, in pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, and in order to meet the general expenses of the County Council for the financial year 2016/17:

a) Budget, Council Tax Requirement and Precept for 2016/17:

	£m
Budget Requirement	713.020
Less RSG	118.841
Less Retained Business Rates	177.985
Less New Homes Bonus grant	5.084
Less Transformation Grant	1.108
Equals council tax cash	410.002
Divided by tax base	348,980.09
Gives Band D council tax for 2016/17	£1,174.86
2015/16 council tax	£1,129.78
Percentage increase	3.99%

b) Council Tax (on the basis of a budget requirement of £711.912m and the Council Tax base for each property valuation band:

Council Tax Band	£
Band A	783.24
Band B	913.78
Band C	1,044.32
Band D (basic)	1,174.86
Band E	1,435.94
Band F	1,697.02
Band G	1,958.10
Band H	2,349.72

c) The share for each District Council of the net total raised from the Council Tax of £410,002,748:

District	£
Burnley	25,930,335
Chorley	41,333,596
Fylde	33,773,700
Hyndburn	22,426,903
Lancaster	46,641,942
Pendle	27,223,034
Preston	41,359,771
Ribble Valley	25,875,117
Rossendale	23,118,895
South Ribble	40,903,456
West Lancashire	39,969,865
Wyre	41,446,135
Total raised from the Council Tax	410,002,749

4. Lancashire County Council Treasury Management Policy and Strategy 2016/17

The Cabinet had considered at its meeting on 4 February the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for 2016/17 as set out at Appendices A, B and C to the report now presented. County Councillor David Borrow recommended it to the Full Council for approval.

Resolved: That the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for 2016/17 as set out in Appendices A, B and C to the report now presented, be approved.

Part B - Matters for Information

No matters were reported.

Part C - Notice of Motion

No Notices of Motion had been received.

Jo Turton
Chief Executive

County Hall, Preston