



Council
Wednesday, 23rd February, 2022 at 4.30 pm
**in the Corn Exchange, Tuesday Market Place, King's
Lynn**

**Reports marked to follow on the Agenda and/or Supplementary
Documents**

1. **FINANCIAL PLAN 2022/2026 AND COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION
2022/23** (Pages 2 - 3)

Pursuant to Minute CAB104 : Financial Plan 2021/2026 of the Cabinet Meeting held on 9 February 2022, the "Financial Plan 2021/2026 and Council Tax Resolution 2022/2023" the document attached as a supplementary to the agenda for consideration and decision includes an updated summary of the Financial Plan 2021/2025, the County Council, the Police and Crime Commissioner - Council Tax for 2022/2023 and details of Parish Precepts and Internal Drainage Boards levies for 2022/2023.

NOTE: In accordance with Statutory Instrument 2014 No. 165, Local Government, England, The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, any decision taken on the Council's Budget or Council Tax setting must be taken with a recorded vote

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Agenda Item 6

Amendments for 23 February 2022 Budget item

1 Amendment from Cllr Joyce

Pursuant to Minute CAB 104 Financial Plan 2021/2026 of the Cabinet Meeting held on 9 February 2022 the Financial Plan 2021/2026 and Council Tax Resolution 2022/2023 **with the following adjustments:**

Reduction of £390,000 of revenue contribution to the General Fund Reserve:

£100,000 to Alive West Norfolk to fund local young people free entry to venues during the school summer holidays

£50,000 to local Foodbanks

£50,000 to fund 3rd sector organisations who combat domestic abuse and violence.

£100,000 to fund the recruitment of senior staff to the Planning Department and other departments.

£90,000 to a special reserve to enable recruitment of less senior staff.

£85,000 from the Communications Budget to fund special advice and support for businesses and residents to help combat climate change, and additional advice and support to local businesses.

£40,000 to fund a rats and mice pest control service free to homeowners.

£150,000 to fund free collection of bulky waste items. and to investigate and prosecute persistent fly-tippers and those who recklessly discard hypodermic needles. (Reallocation of funding in same Budget heading - not part of amendment only identification of funding source)

Funding to provide 100% Council Tax Support to all families who qualify for 84% (zero impact on revenue budget - not part of amendment only identification of funding source)

the document attached as a supplementary to the agenda etc. as written.

2 Amendment from Cllr Moriarty

"The increase of over £160,000 for Communications shown on page 46, which shows a rise of some 60 per cent from £266,690 to £429,920, be reallocated to the Planning Department figures shown on pages 58 and 59 which feature a cut in real terms in staff resources.

The apportionment of this additional and much needed funding being delegated to the Cabinet Member for Development and Regeneration in consultation with the appropriate Executive Director."

3 Amendments from Cllr Kemp

a) Affordable Energy for King's Lynn and West Norfolk

The Council will set up a company to produce affordable renewable energy to sell to West Norfolk residents to reduce fuel poverty and the District's Carbon footprint and provide a sustainable income stream for the Council. The company will consider Solar, Wind, Tidal and large-scale District Heat Pump and Air Source Technology to be sited in sustainable locations acceptable to the public.

b) Pest Control Service

Building on the success of the handyman service for vulnerable residents and bearing in mind that Lynn is built on a river delta susceptible to rodent activity, the Borough Council will provide a free pest control service to households in the Borough, in accordance with its corporate objectives to create healthy communities and to improve West Norfolk as a place to live.

4 Amendment from Cllr Ryves

"That £20k be allocated to support the QEH rebuild campaign through signage, events and leaflets to promote civil participation with the objective of getting a petition of 60,000 signatures, to be funded by a reduction from the proposed transfer to general reserves."