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**Part A – Items considered in public**

4	Minutes of the previous meeting	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 January 2017 be approved, as amended.</p>
8	Report from Cabinet: Budget and Council Tax Report 2017/18	<p>Councillor Sharer moved the Liberal Democrat Group alternative budget proposals, as tabled at the meeting. This was seconded by Councillor Akhoon.</p> <p>The Speaker invited Council to vote on the Liberal Democrat Group alternative budget proposals.</p> <p><b>For:</b> Cllrs Sharer and Akhoon (2)</p> <p><b>Against:</b> Mayor Glanville and Cllrs Adams, Adejare, Bell, Bramble, Brett, Burke, Chapman, Coban, Conway, Demirci, Desmond, Etti, Fajana-Thomas, Gordon, Gregory, Hanson, Hayhurst, Kennedy, Lufkin, Maxwell, McKenzie, McShane, Moema, Moule, Mulready, Munn, Nicholson, Odze, Oguzkanli, Ozsen, Patrick, Peters, Plouviez, Potter, Rahilly, Rathbone, Rennison, Rickard, Sales, Sharman, Snell, Steinberger, Stops, Taylor, Webb and Williams (47)</p> <p><b>Abstentions:</b> None (0)</p> <p><b>Not Present:</b> Cllrs Buitekant, Bunt, Cameron, Ebbutt, Hercock, Levy, Papier and Selman (8)</p> <p><b>The vote was not carried.</b></p> <p>Councillor Steinberger moved the Conservative Group alternative budget proposals, as tabled at the meeting. This was seconded by Councillor Odze.</p>

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		<p>The Speaker invited Council to vote on the Conservative Group alternative budget proposals.</p> <p><b>For:</b> Cllrs Steinberger and Odze (2)</p> <p><b>Against:</b> Mayor Glanville and Cllrs Adams, Adejare, Akhoon, Bell, Bramble, Brett, Bunt, Burke, Chapman, Coban, Conway, Demirci, Desmond, Etti, Fajana-Thomas, Gordon, Gregory, Hanson, Hayhurst, Kennedy, Lufkin, Maxwell, McKenzie, McShane, Moema, Moule, Mulready, Munn, Nicholson, Oguzkanli, Ozsen, Patrick, Peters, Plouviez, Potter, Rahilly, Rathbone, Rennison, Rickard, Sales, Selman, Sharer, Sharman, Snell, Stops, Taylor, Webb and Williams (49)</p> <p><b>Abstentions:</b> None (0)</p> <p><b>Not Present:</b> Cllrs Buitekant, Cameron, Ebbutt, Hercock, Levy and Papier (6)</p> <p><b>The vote was not carried.</b></p> <p>The Speaker then invited Council to vote on the recommendation in the substantive report.</p> <p><b>For:</b> Mayor Glanville and Cllrs Adams, Adejare, Bell, Bramble, Brett, Bunt, Burke, Chapman, Coban, Conway, Demirci, Desmond, Etti, Fajana-Thomas, Gordon, Gregory, Hanson, Hayhurst, Kennedy, Lufkin, Maxwell, McKenzie, McShane, Moema, Moule, Mulready, Munn, Nicholson, Oguzkanli, Ozsen, Patrick, Peters, Plouviez, Potter, Rahilly, Rathbone, Rennison, Rickard, Sales, Selman, Sharman, Snell, Stops, Taylor, Webb and Williams (47)</p> <p><b>Against:</b> Cllrs Akhoon, Odze, Sharer and Steinberger (4)</p> <p><b>Abstentions:</b> None (0)</p>

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		<p><b>Not Present:</b> Cllrs Buitekant, Cameron, Ebbutt, Hercock, Levy and Papier (6)</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To bring forward into 2017/18 the Council’s projected General Fund balances of £15.0m and to note the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) balances of £10.2m.</li> <li>2. To agree for approval the directorate estimates and estimates for the General Finance Account items set out in <u>Appendix 2</u>, and to take into account the comments arising from scrutiny of the budget by a meeting of the Governance and Resources Scrutiny Commission on 20 February 2016.</li> <li>3. To note that the budget is a financial exposition of the priorities set out within the Corporate Plan and Business (Divisional–level) Plans.</li> <li>4. To note that in line with the requirements of the Local Government Act 2003, the Group Director, Finance and Corporate Resources, is of the view that: <p>The General Fund balances of £15.0m and the level of reserves, particularly in relation to capital, are adequate to meet the Council’s financial needs for 2017/18 and that in light of the economic uncertainty they should not fall below this level. This view takes account of the reserves included in the Council’s latest audited Accounts as at 31 March 2016, the movements of those reserves since that date – which have been tracked through the Overall Financial Position (OFP) Reports, the financial data included in the quarterly reviews and the latest OFP projections. Note also, that the projections in the HRA to maintain the balance at £10.2m by 31 March 2017 are also considered to be adequate at this point in time but will need to continue to be reviewed in the light of the challenges facing the HRA.</p> </li> </ol>

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		<p>The General Fund estimates are sufficiently robust to set a balanced budget for 2017/18. This takes into account the adequacy of the level of balances and reserves outlined above and the assurance gained from the comparisons of the 2016/17 budget with the projected spend identified in the December 2016 OFP. The overall level of the corporate contingency has been set at £2m.</p> <p>5. To approve the proposed General Fund fees and charges as set out in <u>Appendix 8</u> for implementation from 1st April 2017.</p> <p>6. To continue the policy requiring the Group Director, Finance and Corporate Resources to seek to mitigate the impact of significant changes to either resources, such as Top Up Grant changes, or expenditure requirements.</p> <p>7. To note the summary of the HRA Budget and Rent setting report agreed by Cabinet on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017.</p> <p>8. To authorise the Group Director, Finance and Corporate Resources to implement any virements required to allocate provision for demand and growth pressures set out in this report subject to the appropriate evidence base being provided.</p> <p>9. To approve:</p> <p>The allocation of resources to the 2017/18 Non-Housing capital schemes referred to in Paragraph 24 and <u>Appendix 7</u>.</p> <p>The allocation of resources to the 2017/18 Housing indicative capital programme referred to in Paragraph 24 and <u>Appendix 7</u>, including the HRA approvals previously agreed by Cabinet on January 23 2017.</p>

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		<p>10. To note that the new capital expenditure proposals match uncommitted resources for the year 2017/18.</p> <p>11. To agree the prudential indicators for Capital Expenditure and the Capital Financing Requirement, the Authorised Limit and Operational Boundary for External Debt, the Affordability prudential indicators and the Treasury Management Prudential Indicators for 2017/18 as set out in paragraph 25, and <u>Appendix 4</u>.</p> <p>12. To confirm that the authorised limit for external debt of £506.873m agreed above for 2017/18 will be the statutory limit determined under section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2003. Further reassurance about the robustness of the budget is the confirmation that the Council's borrowings are within the boundaries of prudential guidelines.</p> <p>13. To continue to support the approach of using reserves to manage emerging risks and liabilities and to note the latest reserve position.</p> <p>14. To note that at its meeting on 23 January 2017 the Council agreed its Council Tax Base for the 2017/18 financial year as 68,399 in accordance with regulations made under section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992. The Council Tax Base is the total number of properties in each of the eight council tax bands A to H converted to an equivalent number of band D properties.</p> <p>15. To agree that the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2017/18 in accordance with Sections 31A to 36 of the Localism Act 2011.</p> <p>(i) The authority calculates the aggregate of: (in accordance with Section 31A (2) of the Act)</p>

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		<p>(a) £1,087.368m being the expenditure which the authority estimates it will incur in the year in performing its functions and will charge to a revenue account, other than a BID Revenue Account, for the year in accordance with proper practices.</p> <p>(b) £2m being such allowance as the authority estimates will be appropriate for contingencies in relation to amounts to be charged or credited to a revenue account for the year in accordance with proper practices.</p> <p>(c) £nil being the financial reserves which the authority estimates it will be appropriate to raise in the year for meeting its estimated future expenditure.</p> <p>(d) £nil being such financial reserves as are sufficient to meet so much of the amount estimated by the authority to be a revenue account deficit for any earlier financial year as has not already been provided for.</p> <p>(e) £nil being the amount which it estimates will be transferred in the year from its general fund to its collection fund in accordance with section 97(4) of the 1988 Act, and</p> <p>(f) £nil being the amount which it estimates will be transferred from its general fund to its collection fund pursuant to a direction under section 98(5) of the 1988 Act and charged to a revenue account for the year.</p> <p>16. (2) The authority calculates the aggregate of: (in accordance with Section 31A (3) of the Act)</p> <p>(a) £1,014.094m being the income which it estimates will accrue to it in the year and which it will credit to a revenue account, other than a BID Revenue Account,</p>

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		<p>for the year in accordance with proper practices.</p> <p>(b) £3.526m being the amount which it estimates will be transferred in the year from its collection fund to its general fund in accordance with section 97(3) of the 1988 Act.</p> <p>(c) £nil being the amount which it estimates will be transferred from its collection fund to its general fund pursuant to a direction under section 98(4) of the 1988 Act and will be credited to a revenue account for the year, and</p> <p>(d) £nil being the amount of the financial reserves which the authority estimates it will use in order to provide for the items mentioned in subsection (2) (a), (b), (e) and (f) above.</p> <p>17. (3) £71.748m being the amount by which the aggregate calculated under subsection (1) above exceeds that calculated under subsection (2) above, the authority calculates the amount equal to the difference; and the amount so calculated is its Council Tax Requirement for the year.</p> <p>18. £1,048.97 being the amount at (3.2.17) divided by the amount at (3.2.14) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with section 31A of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year</p> <p>19. 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 2017/18 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.</p> <p>VALUATION BANDS</p>

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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
699.31	815.87	932.42	1048.97	1282.07	1515.18	1748.28	2097.94

20. That it be noted that for 2017/18 the Greater London Authority has stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

VALUATION BANDS							
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
186.68	217.79	248.91	280.02	342.25	404.47	466.70	560.04

21. That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3.2.19 and 3.2.20 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for 2017/18 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

VALUATION BANDS							
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
885.99	1033.66	1181.33	1328.99	1624.32	1919.65	2214.98	2657.98

Note subject to GLA confirmation of precept



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		<p>22. To agree, subject to the decision of Members on recommendations 3.2.15 to 3.2.17 that Hackney’s Council Tax requirement for 2017/18 be £71.748m which results in a Band D Council Tax of £1,048.97 for Hackney purposes and a total Band D Council Tax of £1,328.99 including the Greater London Authority (GLA) precept. An analysis of the tax base total Band D Council Tax across Council Tax Bands is shown in 3.2.21 above and an exemplification of the taxbase and discounts by band, is shown in <u>Appendix 6</u>.</p> <p>23. To agree that in accordance with principles approved under section 52ZB of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, and the new provisions included in the Localism Act 2011, the increase in the Council’s Council Tax requirement for 2017/18 as shown at <u>Appendix 9</u> is not excessive (5% or above) and therefore does not require the Council to hold a referendum.</p> <p>24. To agree the Treasury Management Strategy for 2017/18 to 2019/20, set out at <u>Appendix 4</u>.</p> <p>25. To agree the criteria for lending and the financial limits set out at <u>Appendix 4</u>.</p> <p>26. To approve the MRP statement setting out the method of calculation to be used, as set out in <u>Appendix 4</u>.</p>
9	Report of the Chief Executive: Overview and Scrutiny Review Report	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p><b>In respect of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel:</b></p> <p>1. The Scrutiny Chairs Group be disbanded and replaced with the Overview and Scrutiny Panel. The responsibilities of the Overview and Scrutiny Panel will include: maintaining an overview of the scrutiny work programme; invoking the call-in procedure; co-ordinate the</p>

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		<p>involvement of scrutiny in the budget process; identifying cross cutting reviews to deal with scrutiny opportunities which fall in-between the remits of the topic-specific commissions; operate as a forum of shared learning to share good practice and hold question time for the Mayor and Chief Executive.</p> <p>2. The Overview and Scrutiny Panel’s membership will consist of the chairs and vice-chairs of the proposed four thematic Commissions and a member of the larger opposition party.</p> <p>3. The Overview and Scrutiny Panel will meet quarterly. The frequency of thematic Commission meetings to reduce from monthly to six-weekly. Meetings to include site visits and informal meetings.</p> <p><b>In respect of Overview and Scrutiny Commissions. Proposal to reduce to 4 thematic scrutiny commissions as follows:</b></p> <p>4. Children and Young People Scrutiny Commission’s remit to remain unchanged.</p> <p>5. Health in Hackney Scrutiny Commission’s remit to remain unchanged.</p> <p>6. The Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission with the remit of quality of life in local communities covering neighbourhoods, place, wellbeing, amenities and the added remit of scrutiny of the formal crime and disorder partnership function.</p> <p>7. The creation of a new scrutiny commission called Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission, with the remit of the prosperity of the borough and development, in particular economic development, employment and large scale schemes.</p> <p>8. The Community Safety and Social inclusion Commission and the Governance and</p>

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		Resources Commission to be disbanded.
<b>10</b>	Report of the Chief Executive: New Overview and Scrutiny Arrangements - Changes to the Constitution	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the amendments to the Constitution as set out in appendices 1 to 4 of the report with effect from the start of the 2017/18 Municipal Year, be approved.</p>
<b>11</b>	Report of the Chief Executive: New Overview and Scrutiny Arrangements - Proposed changes to the Council's Members' Allowances Scheme	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the report of the Council's independent adviser on Members Allowances, be noted.</li> <li>2. To agree to include the Chair and Vice Chair of the Scrutiny Panel in the Members Allowances Scheme from 2017/18.</li> <li>3. To agree the recommended Special Responsibility Allowance for the role of Chair of the Scrutiny Panel be set at £8,224.73.</li> <li>4. To agree the recommended Special Responsibility Allowance for the role of Vice Chair of the Scrutiny Panel be set at £5,483.15.</li> </ol>
<b>12</b>	Report of the Chief Executive: Hackney's Integrated Commissioning Committee - Changes to the Constitution	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To approve that the terms of reference for the Hackney Integrated Commissioning Committee and Integrated Commissioning Board, as attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be included in the Constitution in Part 3.3.</li> <li>2. To approve other amendments to the Constitution to reflect the establishment of the Integrated Commissioning Committee as detailed in paragraph 3.5 of the report.</li> </ol>

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13	Report of Audit Committee: Annual Report 2016/17	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the Annual Report of the Audit Committee set out in Appendix 1 to the report be noted.</p>
14	Draft Programme of Meetings 2017-18	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That indicative approval of the programme of meetings for the Municipal Year 2017/18 be granted, subject to the following amendment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Council scheduled for 29 November 2017 be moved to 25 October 2017.</li> </ul>
15	Council Appointments and Nominations to Outside Bodies	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>To agree the following appointment to Outside Bodies on behalf of the Council, as set out in the schedule tabled at the meeting:</p> <p>Cllr Clare Potter appointed to the Finsbury Park Trust</p>
16	Appointments to Committees and Commissions (standing item)	<p>There were no appointments to Committees/Commissions.</p>