

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, CORKS LANE, HADLEIGH ON
TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2014

PRESENT: Mr N A Ridley – Chairman

Mrs J Antill	Mr R E Kemp
Mr C W Arthey	Mr F R Lawrenson
Dr M F M Bamford	Mr J A B Long
Mr S R Barrett	Mrs M O Munson
Mr A C Bavington	Mr M Newman
Mr P K Beer	Mrs A M Norman
Mr N A Bennett	Mr J M Nunn
Mr P D Burgoyne	Mr A F D W Osborne
Mr D M Busby	Mr J M Owen
Mrs S Carpendale	Mrs A K Pollard
Mr J R Cartlidge	Mr C A Roberts
Mr J R B Cave	Mr D C Rose
Mr M J Deacon	Mr R W Thake
Mr A J Hinton	Mr A J Ward
Ms J A Jenkins	Mrs S M Wigglesworth
Mr P Jones	Mr D L Wood
Mr D H Keane	

The following Members were unable to be present:

Mrs K S Grandon, Mr D G Grutchfield, Mr B D Hurren, Miss D L Kendall, Mr N MacMaster, Mr B Riley, Mr J R A Sayers, Mr R C Smith and Mr L H Young.

47 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on [17 December 2013](#) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

48 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Mr A C Bavington declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No 51 (a) by virtue of his membership of the Co-operative Party, but stated that he was able to speak and vote on the matter.

49 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Events Attended

The Chairman referred to [Paper N113](#) outlining recent events attended by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council.

50 PETITIONS

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule No.13, it was noted that the following petitions had been received:

- (a) Planning Application No B/13/01519/ROC – Application under Section 73 of Town and Country Planning Act (1990) to vary conditions 8 and 9: reduce the potential number of Friday events from 52 to 27 per calendar year (Condition 8) and increase number of weekend events from 25 to 50 per calendar year (Condition 9) – Wherstead Park, The Street, Wherstead

Petition signed by approximately 25 residents of Babergh objecting to the proposal. The petition was reported to the meeting of the Planning Committee on 19 February 2014 and will be taken into account when the application is determined at a future meeting of the Committee.

- (b) Planning Application No. B/13/01107/FUL – Change of use of agricultural land to use as solar farm together with associated works, Rogers Farm, Rogers Lane Newton

Petition signed by approximately 50 persons objecting to the proposal. The petition was taken into account when the application was determined at the Planning Committee meeting on 19 February 2014.

51 RECORDED VOTES AT BUDGET MEETINGS – THE LOCAL AUTHORITY (STANDING ORDERS) (ENGLAND) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2014

The Strategic Director (Corporate) reported that the Government has made Regulations coming into force on 25 February 2014 which make it mandatory for Councils, as soon as is practicable after the Regulations come into force, to amend their standing orders so as to include provisions requiring recorded votes on budget and council tax matters in the interests of 'transparency and democratic accountability'.

The necessary amendments to both Councils' Procedure Rules are being made as part of the current review of their Constitutions.

In the meantime, the Government's expectation is that all Councils will implement at their Budget meetings this year the practice of recording votes on any decision relating to the budget or council tax. In addition to substantive motions agreeing the budget, setting council taxes or issuing precepts, this practice will be applied to any amendments proposed at the meeting relating to budget decisions.

Members were therefore asked to note that the names for and against any motion or amendment or abstention from voting on any decision relating to the budget or council tax will be taken down in writing and entered into the minutes of the meeting.

RESOLVED

That the requirements for the recording of votes on matters related to the budget and council tax, as set out above, be noted.

52 RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- (a) Treasury Management Strategy 2014/15 (Babergh Audit Committee – Minute No 6 and Strategy Committee 13 February 2014)

Ms J A Jenkins, Chairman of the Strategy Committee, introduced the Committee's recommendations, following its consideration of the Babergh Audit Committee's recommendations ([Paper N102](#) setting out the Borrowing and Investment Strategy refers).

[Paper N102R](#) (circulated with the Council agenda) incorporated minor amendments identified by the Strategy Committee during its discussion.

Members' attention was drawn to the changes proposed to the Investment Strategy and the effect of the Council's Transformation Programme on the Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the key factors and information relating to and affecting treasury management activities set out in Appendices A and B to [Paper N102R](#) be noted.
 - (2) That the following be approved:
 - (a) The Treasury Management Policy Statement set out in Appendix C to [Paper N102R](#).
 - (b) The Draft Treasury Management Strategy for 2014/15, incorporating the proposed changes referred to in paragraphs 8.16 and 8.17 of [Paper N102R](#) and including the Annual Investment Strategy as set out in Appendix D to [Paper N102R](#).
 - (c) The Prudential Indicators and MRP Statement set out in Appendices F and G to [Paper N102R](#).
 - (3) That Santander UK Plc be included on the counterparty list (for short-term lending only).
 - (4) That it be noted that actual borrowing for the period 2014/15 to 2016/17 and the impact on future revenue budgets will be dependent on the development of business cases for capital/project investment to date and the income generated by these.
- (b) Babergh Core Strategy and Policies (2011-2031) – Adoption (Strategy Committee 13 February 2014)

Ms J A Jenkins, Chairman of the Strategy Committee, introduced the Committee's recommendations.

She summarised the steps in the process leading to the current recommendations being put forward for the adoption and implementation of the Core Strategy, which will be followed by further work on other planning documents and guidance.

The Corporate Manager – Spatial Planning Policy responded to questions from Members about various aspects of the Strategy including the result of the further hearing regarding the Brantham allocation, affordable housing viability, five year land supply and the evidenced-based approach. Members generally welcomed the document and recognised the considerable time and effort represented by the Core Strategy Document.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Inspector’s Report be accepted and the Babergh Core Strategy and Policies (2011-2031) be adopted, in accordance with the conclusions of the Inspector’s Report, incorporating the proposed changes required for soundness (Main Modifications).**
- (2) That this new Plan document be introduced and implemented for all operational planning purposes (including determining planning applications) with immediate effect following the decision in (1) above and subject to any amendments made under the delegation referred to in (3) below.**
- (3) That the Corporate Manager – Spatial Planning Policy be authorised to make such typographical corrections and other minor amendments to the Core Strategy and Policies document as he considers necessary, prior to publication of the final document.**

53 FINANCIAL OUTLOOK INCLUDING THE 2014/15 GENERAL FUND AND HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGETS AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Ms J A Jenkins introduced the recommendations of the Strategy Committee relating to the General Fund and HRA Budget proposals for 2014/15 ([Paper N114](#) submitted by the Heads of Corporate Resources and Housing). She also referred to the recommendations of the Babergh Scrutiny Committee which had been fully considered by Strategy Committee. The Scrutiny Committee recommendations were set out on the agenda paper together with revised recommendations from Strategy Committee.

Members also had before them a comprehensive list of all the recommendations, which had been re-ordered to assist in meeting the requirements of the legislation regarding Recorded Voting which apply to the Council Tax elements of the Budget (2.1, 2.2 and 2.3) but not to those elements relating to the HRA (2.4) or the revised recommendations on the Scrutiny Committee’s proposals (2.5).

Members had also been advised as follows in relation to Appendix G to [Paper N114](#) (pages 37/38 refer):-

The following late notifications and amendments to parish precepts have been notified, with the impact on Band D Council taxes indicated:

Parish	Precept		Council Tax Band D		Increase/decrease	
	Paper N114 £	Revised £	Paper N114 £	Revised £	Paper N114 %	Revised %
Copdock and Washbrook	21,531	22,450	53.70	55.99	-2.18	+2.00
Semer	400	405.25	5.84	5.92	-8.77	-7.64
Stanstead	8,202	9,359	57.41	65.51	-4.10	+9.42

The above amendments result in changes to Council Taxes for Band A to H for those parishes in Appendix G (pages 39 to 41).

Recommendations 2.1 to 2.5 were proposed and seconded, following which the Chairman opened the debate on those recommendations for which a Recorded Vote is now mandatory.

The result of the recorded vote was as follows:-

For the Motion

Mrs J Antill
 Mr C W Arthey
 Mr S R Barrett
 Mr A C Bavington
 Mr P K Beer
 Mr N A Bennett
 Mr P D Burgoyne
 Mrs S Carpendale
 Mr J R Cartlidge
 Mr J R B Cave
 Mr M J Deacon
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 Mr J M Owen
 Mr N A Ridley
 Mr D C Rose
 Mr R W Thake
 Mr A J Ward
 Mrs S M Wigglesworth
 Mr D L Wood

Against the Motion

Dr M F M Bamford
 Mr D M Busby
 Mr C A Roberts

Abstentions

Mrs M O Munson
 Mrs A K Pollard

The result of the recorded vote was 29 Members in favour of the recommendations with 3 Members against and 2 abstentions.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the overall Budget proposals and the General Fund Budget for 2014/15 set out in [Paper N114](#) be approved, based on:-**
 - (a) Realigning funding to deliver the Council's Transformation Programme and Strategic Priority outcomes.**
 - (b) Investing New Homes Bonus as indicated in section 12.1 of the report.**
 - (c) The proposed General Fund Capital programme in Appendix D to the report.**
- (2) That the statement from the Chief Financial Officer under section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003 covering the robustness of estimates and adequacy of reserves set out in Appendix F to [Paper N114](#) be noted.**
- (3) That the following recommendations relating to the General Fund Budget be approved:-**
 - (a) accepting the council tax freeze grant equivalent to a 1% increase in council tax**
 - (b) the 2014/15 Precept Dates shown in Appendix E to [Paper N114](#)**
- (4) That it be noted that it is a requirement for the billing authority to calculate a council tax requirement for the year as opposed to its budget requirement.**
- (5) That it be noted that the Council, as delegated to the Section 151 Officer, calculated the taxbase:**
 - a) for the whole Council area as 30,959.06 and,**
 - b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates as shown in Appendix G to [Paper N114](#).**
- (6) That the council tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2014/15 (excluding Parish precepts) is £4,453,770. Further, that the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2014/15 is not excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZX of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (inserted by Schedule 5 to the Localism Act 2011).**
- (7) That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2014/15 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:**

(a)	£56,041,036	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 (gross expenditure)
(b)	£49,295,059	Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act (gross income)
(c)	£6,745,977	Being the amount by which the aggregate at 7(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 7(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 31A(4) of the Act) (net expenditure)
(d)	£217.90	Being the amount at 7(c) above (item R) all divided by item T ((5) above), calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year (including Parish precepts) (average council tax)
(e)	£2,292,207	Being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as set out on pages 9 and 10 of these Minutes)
(f)	£143.86	Being the amount at 7(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 7(e) above by item T ((5)(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 (basic council tax)

Note: The figures shown in sections (a) to (e) above reflect the amendments made in accordance with Resolution 11 below.

- (8) That it be noted that Suffolk County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner 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 Resolution 10 below.
- (9) 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 table below and on pages 11 to 13 of these Minutes as the amounts of council tax for 2014/15 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.
- (10) That it be noted that Suffolk County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner 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 Babergh District Council's area as indicated in the table below.

	Suffolk County Council	Police and Crime Commissioner	Babergh District Council	Aggregated Council Tax requirement
Valuation Bands	£	£	£	£
A	751.02	111.18	95.91	958.11
B	876.19	129.71	111.89	1,117.79
C	1,001.36	148.24	127.88	1,277.48
D	1,126.53	166.77	143.86	1,437.16
E	1,376.87	203.83	175.83	1,756.53
F	1,627.21	240.89	207.80	2,075.90
G	1,877.55	277.95	239.77	2,395.27
H	2,253.06	333.54	287.72	2,874.32

- (11) That the Town and Parish Council Precepts for 2014/15 as detailed in Appendix G to Paper N114 be approved, subject to the Corporate Manager – Finance being authorised to make the necessary amendments to reflect the final precepts issued by the parishes of Copdock and Washbrook: Semer: and Stanstead.

PRECEPTS AND COUNCIL TAX BAND D FOR PARISHES

Parish / Town Council	2013/14			2014/15			Increase / Decrease
	Tax Base	Precepts	Council Tax Band D	Tax Base	Precepts	Council Tax Band D	
	No.	£	£	No.	£	£	
Acton	585.12	£44,000	£75.20	596.75	£44,880.00	£75.20	0.00
Aldham	74.56	£1,100	£14.75	78.79	£1,100.00	£13.96	-5.37
Alpheton	101.70	£2,613	£25.69	108.68	£2,847.00	£26.20	1.96
Arwarton	50.34	£0	£0.00	54.10	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
Assington	158.91	£7,000	£44.05	167.15	£7,362.96	£44.05	0.00
Belstead	82.02	£7,000	£85.35	87.62	£7,000.00	£79.89	-6.39
Bentley	294.43	£12,000	£40.76	310.90	£12,000.00	£38.60	-5.30
Bildeston	367.80	£17,835	£48.49	349.86	£17,476.00	£49.95	3.01
Boxford	466.58	£30,768	£65.94	488.75	£32,778.00	£67.06	1.70
Boxted	48.90	£369	£7.55	50.99	£400.00	£7.84	3.90
Brantham	817.06	£41,001	£50.18	831.30	£41,800.00	£50.28	0.20
Brentleigh	75.34	£1,000	£13.27	80.11	£2,000.00	£24.97	88.09
Brettenham	107.02	£3,763	£35.16	115.07	£4,150.00	£36.07	2.57
Bures St Mary	347.49	£26,435	£76.07	358.34	£26,435.00	£73.77	-3.03
Burstable	83.13	£4,200	£50.52	90.03	£4,284.00	£47.58	-5.82
Capel St Mary	1,034.78	£73,862	£71.38	1,107.31	£79,040.00	£71.38	0.00
Chattisham / Hintlesham	287.94	£5,750	£19.97	308.44	£5,750.00	£18.64	-6.65
Chelmondiston	379.48	£23,481	£61.88	385.03	£23,951.00	£62.21	0.53
Chelworth	76.18	£900	£11.81	83.55	£900.00	£10.77	-8.82
Chilton	138.32	£7,250	£52.41	148.33	£7,773.96	£52.41	0.00
Cockfield	346.34	£17,000	£49.08	361.34	£19,000.00	£52.58	7.13
Copdock / Washbrook	392.25	£21,531	£54.89	400.98	£22,450.00	£55.99	2.00
East Bergholt	1,026.42	£67,000	£65.28	1,077.88	£68,000.00	£63.09	-3.35
Edwardstone	151.14	£5,325	£35.23	164.74	£5,625.00	£34.14	-3.09
Elmsett	283.60	£9,500	£33.50	294.03	£9,500.00	£32.31	-3.55
Freston	45.05	£724	£16.07	51.18	£800.00	£15.63	-2.74
Glemsford	1,110.82	£85,400	£76.88	1,113.16	£87,100.00	£78.25	1.78
Great Cornard	2,573.43	£190,711	£74.11	2,520.67	£186,807.00	£74.11	0.00
Great Waldingfield	544.63	£40,000	£73.44	557.33	£41,728.48	£74.87	1.95
Great Wenham	55.38	£0	£0.00	54.58	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
Groton	116.63	£4,049	£34.72	124.39	£4,149.00	£33.35	-3.92
Hadleigh	2,601.38	£269,008	£103.41	2,674.29	£284,838.00	£106.51	3.00
Harkstead	106.80	£2,301	£21.54	109.32	£2,500.00	£22.87	6.14
Hartest	204.75	£9,180	£44.84	222.75	£10,187.00	£45.73	2.00
Higham	72.35	£0	£0.00	73.24	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
Hitcham	273.40	£6,300	£23.04	281.75	£6,300.00	£22.36	-2.96
Holbrook	578.87	£19,400	£33.51	608.11	£21,400.00	£35.19	5.01
Holton St Mary	83.73	£4,500	£53.74	89.93	£4,590.00	£51.04	-5.03

Parish / Town Council	2013/14			2014/15			Increase / Decrease
	Tax Base	Precepts	Council Tax Band D	Tax Base	Precepts	Council Tax Band D	
	No.	£	£	No.	£	£	
Kersey	171.55	£6,375	£37.16	177.72	£6,604.00	£37.16	0.00
Kettlebaston	34.90	£1,000	£28.65	36.94	£1,000.00	£27.07	-5.52
Lavenham	787.73	£65,000	£82.52	805.70	£65,000.00	£80.68	-2.23
Lawshall	339.56	£6,332	£18.65	347.93	£6,459.00	£18.56	-0.45
Layham	223.71	£8,500	£38.00	237.21	£8,500.00	£35.83	-5.69
Leavenheath	538.50	£17,021	£31.61	582.68	£19,000.00	£32.61	3.16
Lindsey	78.71	£1,950	£24.77	83.63	£2,072.00	£24.78	0.00
Little Cornard	129.80	£3,250	£25.04	140.29	£4,460.00	£31.79	26.96
Little Waldingfield	139.70	£3,835	£27.45	138.28	£4,061.00	£29.37	6.98
Little Wenham	18.02	£0	£0.00	20.10	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
Long Melford	1,356.65	£112,000	£82.56	1,347.64	£113,484.75	£84.21	2.00
Milden	48.04	£771	£16.05	51.40	£881.75	£17.15	6.89
Monks Eleigh	222.58	£14,803	£66.51	237.40	£15,789.00	£66.51	0.00
Nayland with Wissington	481.54	£29,807	£61.90	503.58	£31,773.25	£63.09	1.93
Nedging with Naughton	155.08	£4,650	£29.98	155.03	£4,700.00	£30.32	1.11
Newton	197.03	£9,000	£45.68	198.49	£9,067.02	£45.68	0.00
Pinewood	1,343.60	£122,549	£91.21	1,395.41	£132,527.35	£94.97	4.13
Polstead	344.11	£16,500	£47.95	371.43	£17,810.06	£47.95	0.00
Preston St Mary	87.02	£3,810	£43.78	91.64	£4,000.00	£43.65	-0.31
Raydon	193.86	£10,000	£51.58	201.60	£11,000.00	£54.56	5.78
Semer	62.45	£400	£6.41	68.45	£405.25	£5.92	-7.64
Shelley	28.99	£0	£0.00	30.19	£0.00	£0.00	0.00
Shimpling	173.41	£6,500	£37.48	185.08	£6,630.00	£35.82	-4.43
Shotley	700.05	£47,233	£67.47	701.07	£53,500.09	£76.31	13.10
Somerton	34.91	£420	£12.03	40.08	£420.00	£10.48	-12.90
Sproughton	499.27	£46,540	£93.22	531.78	£49,573.00	£93.22	0.00
Stanstead	137.00	£8,202	£59.87	142.86	£9,359.00	£65.51	9.42
Stoke by Nayland	286.97	£11,000	£38.33	282.40	£11,000.00	£38.95	1.62
Stratford St Mary	285.70	£14,850	£51.98	310.68	£15,200.00	£48.92	-5.87
Stutton	317.93	£11,300	£35.54	324.47	£11,600.00	£35.75	0.59
Sudbury	4,130.77	£575,077	£139.22	3,942.27	£559,526.00	£141.93	1.95
Tattingstone	206.93	£7,375	£35.64	223.93	£8,150.00	£36.40	2.12
Thorpe Morieux	102.87	£2,000	£19.44	106.41	£1,650.00	£15.51	-20.24
Wattisham	40.86	£1,500	£36.71	39.84	£1,500.00	£37.65	2.56
Whatfield	114.40	£3,231	£28.24	118.08	£3,334.00	£28.24	0.00
Wherstead	105.09	£2,649	£25.21	111.72	£2,649.00	£23.71	-5.93
Woolverstone	89.99	£2,496	£27.74	94.88	£2,619.00	£27.60	-0.48
	30,353.35	£2,240,182	£73.80	30,959.06	£2,292,206.92	£74.04	

TOTAL AMOUNT OF COUNCIL TAX FOR 2014/15

	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Babergh District Council	95.91	111.89	127.88	143.86	175.83	207.80	239.77	287.72
Suffolk County Council	751.02	876.19	1,001.36	1,126.53	1,376.87	1,627.21	1,877.55	2,253.06
Police and Crime Commiss	111.18	129.71	148.24	166.77	203.83	240.89	277.95	333.54
Aggregate of Council Tax P	958.11	1,117.79	1,277.48	1,437.16	1,756.53	2,075.90	2,395.27	2,874.32

Parish	Total Amount of Council Tax for 2014/15							
	6/9 ths	7/9 ths	8/9 ths		11/9 ths	13/9 ths	15/9 ths	18/9 ths
	Band A £	Band B £	Band C £	Band D £	Band E £	Band F £	Band G £	Band H £
Acton	1,008.24	1,176.28	1,344.32	1,512.36	1,848.44	2,184.52	2,520.60	3,024.72
Aldham	967.41	1,128.65	1,289.88	1,451.12	1,773.59	2,096.06	2,418.53	2,902.24
Alpheton	975.57	1,138.17	1,300.76	1,463.36	1,788.55	2,113.74	2,438.93	2,926.72
Arwarton	958.11	1,117.79	1,277.48	1,437.16	1,756.53	2,075.90	2,395.27	2,874.32
Assington	987.47	1,152.05	1,316.63	1,481.21	1,810.37	2,139.53	2,468.68	2,962.42
Belstead	1,011.37	1,179.93	1,348.49	1,517.05	1,854.17	2,191.29	2,528.42	3,034.10
Bentley	983.84	1,147.81	1,311.79	1,475.76	1,803.71	2,131.65	2,459.60	2,951.52
Bildeston	991.41	1,156.64	1,321.88	1,487.11	1,817.58	2,148.05	2,478.52	2,974.22
Boxford	1,002.81	1,169.95	1,337.08	1,504.22	1,838.49	2,172.76	2,507.03	3,008.44
Boxted	963.33	1,123.89	1,284.44	1,445.00	1,766.11	2,087.22	2,408.33	2,890.00
Brantham	991.63	1,156.90	1,322.17	1,487.44	1,817.98	2,148.52	2,479.07	2,974.88
Brent Eleigh	974.75	1,137.21	1,299.67	1,462.13	1,787.05	2,111.97	2,436.88	2,924.26
Brettenham	982.15	1,145.85	1,309.54	1,473.23	1,800.61	2,128.00	2,455.38	2,946.46
Bures St Mary	1,007.29	1,175.17	1,343.05	1,510.93	1,846.69	2,182.45	2,518.22	3,021.86
Burstall	989.83	1,154.80	1,319.77	1,484.74	1,814.68	2,144.62	2,474.57	2,969.48
Capel St Mary	1,005.69	1,173.31	1,340.92	1,508.54	1,843.77	2,179.00	2,514.23	3,017.08
Chattisham	970.53	1,132.29	1,294.04	1,455.80	1,779.31	2,102.82	2,426.33	2,911.60
Chelmondiston	999.58	1,166.18	1,332.77	1,499.37	1,832.56	2,165.76	2,498.95	2,998.74
Chelsworth	965.29	1,126.17	1,287.05	1,447.93	1,769.69	2,091.45	2,413.22	2,895.86
Chilton	993.05	1,158.55	1,324.06	1,489.57	1,820.59	2,151.60	2,482.62	2,979.14
Cockfield	993.16	1,158.69	1,324.21	1,489.74	1,820.79	2,151.85	2,482.90	2,979.48
Copdock & Washbrook	995.43	1,161.34	1,327.24	1,493.15	1,824.96	2,156.77	2,488.58	2,986.30
East Bergholt	1,000.17	1,166.86	1,333.56	1,500.25	1,833.64	2,167.03	2,500.42	3,000.50
Edwardstone	980.87	1,144.34	1,307.82	1,471.30	1,798.26	2,125.21	2,452.17	2,942.60
Elmsett	979.65	1,142.92	1,306.20	1,469.47	1,796.02	2,122.57	2,449.12	2,938.94
Freston	968.53	1,129.95	1,291.37	1,452.79	1,775.63	2,098.47	2,421.32	2,905.58
Glemsford	1,010.27	1,178.65	1,347.03	1,515.41	1,852.17	2,188.93	2,525.68	3,030.82
Great Cornard	1,007.51	1,175.43	1,343.35	1,511.27	1,847.11	2,182.95	2,518.78	3,022.54
Great Waldingfield	1,008.02	1,176.02	1,344.03	1,512.03	1,848.04	2,184.04	2,520.05	3,024.06
Great Wenham	958.11	1,117.79	1,277.48	1,437.16	1,756.53	2,075.90	2,395.27	2,874.32
Groton	980.34	1,143.73	1,307.12	1,470.51	1,797.29	2,124.07	2,450.85	2,941.02

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Hadleigh	1,029.11	1,200.63	1,372.15	1,543.67	1,886.71	2,229.75	2,572.78	3,087.34
Harkstead	973.35	1,135.58	1,297.80	1,460.03	1,784.48	2,108.93	2,433.38	2,920.06
Hartest	988.59	1,153.36	1,318.12	1,482.89	1,812.42	2,141.95	2,471.48	2,965.78
Higham	958.11	1,117.79	1,277.48	1,437.16	1,756.53	2,075.90	2,395.27	2,874.32
Hintlesham	970.53	1,132.29	1,294.04	1,455.80	1,779.31	2,102.82	2,426.33	2,911.60
Hitcham	973.01	1,135.18	1,297.35	1,459.52	1,783.86	2,108.20	2,432.53	2,919.04
Holbrook	981.57	1,145.16	1,308.76	1,472.35	1,799.54	2,126.73	2,453.92	2,944.70
Holton St Mary	992.13	1,157.49	1,322.84	1,488.20	1,818.91	2,149.62	2,480.33	2,976.40
Kersey	982.88	1,146.69	1,310.51	1,474.32	1,801.95	2,129.57	2,457.20	2,948.64
Kettlebaston	976.15	1,138.85	1,301.54	1,464.23	1,789.61	2,115.00	2,440.38	2,928.46
Lavenham	1,011.89	1,180.54	1,349.19	1,517.84	1,855.14	2,192.44	2,529.73	3,035.68
Lawshall	970.48	1,132.23	1,293.97	1,455.72	1,779.21	2,102.71	2,426.20	2,911.44
Layham	981.99	1,145.66	1,309.32	1,472.99	1,800.32	2,127.65	2,454.98	2,945.98
Leavenheath	979.85	1,143.15	1,306.46	1,469.77	1,796.39	2,123.00	2,449.62	2,939.54
Lindsey	974.63	1,137.06	1,299.50	1,461.94	1,786.82	2,111.69	2,436.57	2,923.88
Little Cornard	979.30	1,142.52	1,305.73	1,468.95	1,795.38	2,121.82	2,448.25	2,937.90
Little Waldingfield	977.69	1,140.63	1,303.58	1,466.53	1,792.43	2,118.32	2,444.22	2,933.06
Little Wenham	958.11	1,117.79	1,277.48	1,437.16	1,756.53	2,075.90	2,395.27	2,874.32
Long Melford	1,014.25	1,183.29	1,352.33	1,521.37	1,859.45	2,197.53	2,535.62	3,042.74
Milden	969.54	1,131.13	1,292.72	1,454.31	1,777.49	2,100.67	2,423.85	2,908.62
Monks Eleigh	1,002.45	1,169.52	1,336.60	1,503.67	1,837.82	2,171.97	2,506.12	3,007.34
Nayland with Wissington	1,000.17	1,166.86	1,333.56	1,500.25	1,833.64	2,167.03	2,500.42	3,000.50
Nedging with Naughton	978.32	1,141.37	1,304.43	1,467.48	1,793.59	2,119.69	2,445.80	2,934.96
Newton	988.56	1,153.32	1,318.08	1,482.84	1,812.36	2,141.88	2,471.40	2,965.68
Pinewood	1,021.42	1,191.66	1,361.89	1,532.13	1,872.60	2,213.08	2,553.55	3,064.26
Polstead	990.07	1,155.09	1,320.10	1,485.11	1,815.13	2,145.16	2,475.18	2,970.22
Preston St Mary	987.21	1,151.74	1,316.28	1,480.81	1,809.88	2,138.95	2,468.02	2,961.62
Raydon	994.48	1,160.23	1,325.97	1,491.72	1,823.21	2,154.71	2,486.20	2,983.44
Semer	962.05	1,122.40	1,282.74	1,443.08	1,763.76	2,084.45	2,405.13	2,886.16
Shelley	958.11	1,117.79	1,277.48	1,437.16	1,756.53	2,075.90	2,395.27	2,874.32
Shimpling	981.99	1,145.65	1,309.32	1,472.98	1,800.31	2,127.64	2,454.97	2,945.96
Shotley	1,008.98	1,177.14	1,345.31	1,513.47	1,849.80	2,186.12	2,522.45	3,026.94
Somerton	965.09	1,125.94	1,286.79	1,447.64	1,769.34	2,091.04	2,412.73	2,895.28
Sproughton	1,020.25	1,190.30	1,360.34	1,530.38	1,870.46	2,210.55	2,550.63	3,060.76
Stanstead	1,001.78	1,168.74	1,335.71	1,502.67	1,836.60	2,170.52	2,504.45	3,005.34
Stoke by Nayland	984.07	1,148.09	1,312.10	1,476.11	1,804.13	2,132.16	2,460.18	2,952.22
Stratford St Mary	990.72	1,155.84	1,320.96	1,486.08	1,816.32	2,146.56	2,476.80	2,972.16
Stutton	981.94	1,145.60	1,309.25	1,472.91	1,800.22	2,127.54	2,454.85	2,945.82
Sudbury	1,052.73	1,228.18	1,403.64	1,579.09	1,930.00	2,280.91	2,631.82	3,158.18

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Tattingstone	982.37	1,146.10	1,309.83	1,473.56	1,801.02	2,128.48	2,455.93	2,947.12
Thorpe Morieux	968.45	1,129.85	1,291.26	1,452.67	1,775.49	2,098.30	2,421.12	2,905.34
Wattisham	983.21	1,147.07	1,310.94	1,474.81	1,802.55	2,130.28	2,458.02	2,949.62
Whatfield	976.93	1,139.76	1,302.58	1,465.40	1,791.04	2,116.69	2,442.33	2,930.80
Wherstead	973.91	1,136.23	1,298.55	1,460.87	1,785.51	2,110.15	2,434.78	2,921.74
Woolverstone	976.51	1,139.26	1,302.01	1,464.76	1,790.26	2,115.76	2,441.27	2,929.52

Members then debated the remaining recommendations, which had been proposed and seconded. Some views were expressed in relation to rent levels and the Corporate Manager – Finance responded to questions.

RESOLVED

(12) That the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Investment Strategy 2014/15 to 2018/19 and the HRA Budget proposals for 2014/15 be approved and based on:

- (a) Housing and garage rents being increased by an average of 7.46% (Option 3) and a Transitional Discretionary Housing Support Fund created to help tenants who will see the biggest increases.**
- (b) Sheltered communal service charges being increased by 12%.**
- (c) Sheltered heating and utility charges being increased by 1.44%.**
- (d) The re-let of vacant HRA properties from 1 April 2014 being at target rent levels.**

Further, that (i) the 10 year revised HRA Business Plan in Appendix C to Paper N114 be noted and (ii) the HRA Capital Programme in Appendix D to the report be approved.

(13) That in relation to the Babergh Scrutiny Committee's recommendations on the Budget proposals, it was resolved that

- (a) in view of the increasing financial risks and uncertainties, consideration be given to reserves policy as part of the review of the Medium Term Financial Strategy**
- (b) the community grants budget be reviewed as part of the priority based budgeting exercise, which will review all our spend and how it contributes towards our priorities.**

54 JOINT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REPORT

Members received [Paper N115](#), a summary of key items considered by the Joint Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 5 February 2014. The report was presented by the Babergh Chairman of the Joint Committee, Mrs J Antill.

RESOLVED

That the contents of [Paper N115](#) be noted.

55 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None received.

56 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

None received.

57 PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2014/15

The Strategic Director (Corporate) introduced [Paper N116](#) recommending for adoption the single pay policy statement for both Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils. The Chief Executive clarified the references to the Red / Green Books national schemes, which would be amended as necessary within the Statement.

RESOLVED

That the Pay Policy Statement for 2014/15 attached as Appendix 1 to [Paper N116](#) be approved.

The business of the meeting was concluded at 7.00 p.m.

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Chairman