

To: All Members of the Council.  
c.c. Circulation list of the Council agenda.

17 February 2010

Dear Councillor

### **SPECIAL COUNCIL**

Councillors are summoned to a Special Meeting of Council, to be held at the conclusion of the Policy and Resources Committee or **8pm (whichever is the later) on Thursday, 25 February 2010** in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Harlow.

Yours sincerely

Malcolm Morley  
Chief Executive

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### **AGENDA**

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest

Members' declarations of interest (if any) in relation to any matters on the agenda.

3. Council Tax Resolution

### **SETTING THE AMOUNT OF COUNCIL TAX FOR THE COUNCIL'S AREA**

#### **Recommended:**

- (1) That Council approve the following, as submitted in the General Fund budget report:-

- (a) the revenue estimates for 2010/11.
- (2) That it be noted that at its meeting on 10th December 2009 the Council calculated the amount of 28,541.23 as its Council Tax base for the year 2010/11 in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 made under Section 33 (5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- (3) That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2010/11 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 :-
- (a) £115,610,800 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32 (2) (a) to (e) of the Act.
  - (b) £99,568,110cr being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32 (3) (a) to (c) of the Act.
  - (c) £16,042,690 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3 (a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3 (b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 32 (4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.
  - (d) £8,863,065cr being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund in respect of redistributed Non-Domestic Rates and Revenue Support Grant less the amount of the sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its General Fund to its Collection Fund in accordance with Section 97 (4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 and the amount of any sum which the Council estimates will be transferred from its Collection Fund to its General Fund pursuant to the Collection Fund (community charges) Directions under Section 98 (4) of the Local Government Finance Act made on 7<sup>th</sup> February 1994.

(e) £251.55 being the amount at 3 (c) above less the amount of 3 (d) above, all divided by the amount at 2 above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33 (1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.

(f) Valuation Bands

A	B	C	D
167.70	195.65	223.60	251.55
E	F	G	H
307.45	363.35	419.25	503.10

being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at 3 (e) by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5 (1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36 (1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

(4) That it be noted that for the year 2010/11 Major Precepting Authorities have 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 the dwellings shown below :-

<u>Precepting Authority</u>	<u>Valuation Bands</u>			
	A	B	C	D
Essex County Council	724.50	845.25	966.00	1,086.75
	E	F	G	H
	1,328.25	1,569.75	1,811.25	2,173.50
Essex Police Authority	A	B	C	D
	88.08	102.76	117.44	132.12
	E	F	G	H
	161.48	190.84	220.20	264.24

	A	B	C	D
Essex Fire Authority	44.28	51.66	59.04	66.42
	E	F	G	H
	81.18	95.94	110.70	132.84

- (5) That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3 (f) and 4 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 the year 2010/11 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below :-

***Valuation Bands***

	A	B	C	D
	1,024.56	1,195.32	1,366.08	1,536.84
	E	F	G	H
	1,878.36	2,219.88	2,561.40	3,073.68

4. Matters of Urgent Business