

Suffolk County Council meeting Thursday 9 February 2023, vote taken on Agenda Item 7 Revenue Budget 2023-2024 and Capital Programme 2023-2027.

Motion – Proposed by Councillor Richard Rout and seconded by Councillor Matthew Hicks.

Motion Text: Council is recommended to agree:

the Cabinet recommendations on the Revenue Budget 2023-24 (Appendix E) and Capital Programme 2023-27 (Appendix F), having regard to Scrutiny Committee's recommendations (Appendix I), the 2023-24 Budget Consultation (Appendix G), and the report of the Chief Financial Officer (Section 151 Officer) on the robustness of the estimates and adequacy of reserves (Appendix A);

the attached proposals (summaries in **Tables 1, 2 and 4**) leading to a 2023- 24 budget requirement of **£545,141,409**;

An increase in **Council Tax of 3.99 per cent**, equating to a £57.51 rise for a Band D property, from £1,438.92 in 2022-23 to **£1,496.43** in 2023-24. Council Tax comprises an element relating to county-wide services and an element for the Social Care Precept, with the rise consisting of:

- an increase in the Council Tax relating to county-wide services of £28.73 for a Band D property, from £1,279.17 in 2022-23 to £1,307.90 in 2023-24 (Table 4), a rise equivalent to a 1.99 per cent increase in Council Tax (paragraph 38);
- an increase in the Social Care Precept ringfenced to help fund Adult Social Care of £28.78 for a Band D property, from £159.75 in 2022- 23 to £188.53 in 2023-24 (Table 4), a rise equivalent to a 2.00 per cent increase in Council Tax (paragraph 38);

a Council Tax requirement/total precept on the Collection Funds of Suffolk's District and Borough Councils of **£393,643,828** which includes the precept to fund Adult Social Care of **£49,593,814** (paragraph 39);

the Reserves Strategy and reserves plans for the period of the 2023-26 Medium Term Financial Plan as detailed in **Appendix D**;

the Capital Strategy, and Capital Programme for 2023-27 totalling **£436,851,000**, of which **£150,005,000** is due to be spent in 2023-24, as summarised in (**Table 6** and **paragraphs 40 to 42** of this report, and detailed further in **Appendix F, Section 1 & Section 2**,);

the policy on Minimum Revenue Provision, the Treasury Management Strategy, Prudential Indicators and the Investment Strategy (**Appendix F, Section 3, Section 4 & Section 5**);

the 2023-24 Annual Plan (Appendix H and paragraph 28).

Total results	
For	41
Against	8
Abstain	5

Conservative Group

Councillor's Name	For	Against	Abstain
Edward Back	For		
Peter Beer	For		
Bobby Bennett	For		
Stuart Bird	For		
Elaine Bryce	For		
Stephen Burroughes	For		
Nadia Cenci			
Jenny Ceresa			
Chris Chambers	For		
Judy Cloke			
Andy Drummond	For		
Robert Everitt	For		
Philip Faircloth-Mutton	For		
James Finch	For		
Jessica Fleming	For		
Mick Fraser	For		
David Goldsmith			
Peter Gould			
Georgia Hall	For		
Liz Harsant			
Ryan Harvey	For		
T-J Haworth-Culf			
Matthew Hicks	For		
Rachel Hood	For		
Beccy Hopfensperger	For		
Christopher Hudson	For		
Michael Ladd	For		
Stuart Lawson	For		
Joe Mason	For		
Debbie McCallum	For		
Patti Mulcahy			
Sam Murray	For		
David Nettleton			
Alexander Nicoll	For		
Colin Noble	For		
Kay Oakes			
James Reeder	For		
Andrew Reid	For		
Debbie Richards	For		
Craig Rivett			

David Roach	For	
Keith Robinson	For	
Richard Rout	For	
Richard Smith MVO	For	
Karen Soons	For	
Heike Sowa	For	
Joanna Spicer	For	
Lance Stanbury	For	
Jamie Starling		
Peter Thompson	For	
Melanie Vigo di Gallidoro	For	
Paul West	For	
Steve Wiles	For	
Nathan Wilson		

Green, Liberal Democrat and Independent Group

Councillor's Name	For	Against	Abstain
Jessie Carter		Against	
Annette Dunning			
Simon Harley		Against	
Richard Kemp			
Ash Lever		Against	
Robert Lindsay		Against	
Inga Lockington			
Victor Lukaniuk			
Andy Mellen		Against	
Penny Otton			
Caroline Page			
Keith Scarff			
Andrew Stringer		Against	
Caroline Topping		Against	
Keith Welham		Against	

Labour Group

Councillor's Name	For	Against	Abstain
Sarah Adams			
Rob Bridgeman			Abstain
Elizabeth Johnson			Abstain
Sandy Martin			Abstain
Bill Quinton			Abstain