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BRECKLAND COUNCIL

At a Meeting of the

COUNCIL

Held on Thursday, 26 February 2015 at 10.00 am in the
Anglia Room, The Conference Suite, Elizabeth House, Dereham

PRESENT

Mrs S Armes	Mrs S.M. Matthews
Mr S.G. Bambridge	Mrs K. Millbank
Mr W.P. Borrett	Mrs L.H. Monument
Councillor C Bowes	Mr M J Nairn
Mr A.J. Byrne	Mrs J A North
Mr C G Carter	Mrs K. Pettitt
Mr T R Carter	Mr R. R. Richmond
Councillor M. Chapman-Allen	Mr W. R. J. Richmond
Mr P.D. Claussen	Mr J.D. Rogers
Mr J.P. Cowen	Mr B. Rose
Mr P.J. Duigan	Mr F.J. Sharpe
Mr K.S. Gilbert	Mr I. Sherwood
Mr R.F. Goreham	Mr B J Skull
Councillor E. Gould	Mr W.H.C. Smith
Mr T. J. Jermy	Mrs P.A. Spencer
Mrs E. M. Jolly	Mr A.C. Stasiak
Mr C.R. Jordan	Mrs L.S. Turner
Mr R.G. Kybird (Chairman)	Mr M. A. Wassell
Mr T.J. Lamb	Mr N.C. Wilkin
Mr K. Martin	

In Attendance

Julie Britton	- Senior Democratic Services Officer
Ralph Burton	- Strategic Property Manager
Sue Daniels	- Electoral Services Manager
Anna Graves	- Chief Executive
Julie Kennealy	- Executive Director (Place) (S151 Officer)
Helen McAleer	- Senior Democratic Services Officer

1/15 MINUTES (AGENDA ITEM 1)

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9 December 2014 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2/15 APOLOGIES (AGENDA ITEM 2)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Askew, Canham, Childerhouse, Clark, Darby, Duffield, Irving, Joel, Kiddle-Morris, T Monument, Nunn, Robinson, Steward and Williams.

3/15 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (AGENDA ITEM 3)

The Chairman advised Members that his Reception would be held on Tuesday 27 April 2015 at the Thetford Academy. There would be a raffle at the event in aid of East Anglian Children's Hospice (EACH) and he asked Members to pass any donated prizes to his Secretary, Susan Allen.

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He referred to the list of engagements which had been tabled and drew attention to the Awards Dinner held at RAF Marham. Breckland Council had received a Silver award for supporting the Armed Forces by allowing Mr Lloyd Gibson (at that time the Council's Industrial Solicitor) to undertake duties in his role as a Reserve's Officer.

4/15 LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (AGENDA ITEM 4)

The Leader of the Council gave a short presentation on the Corporate Plan.

Firstly he looked back at the previous Plan which had run from 2011-2015 and noted that the defining phrase from that Plan had been the Vision "a better place with a brighter future for everyone".

The key achievements from that Plan had been:

- a balanced budget;
- no reduction in services;
- additional staffing resources for Housing and Planning;
- regeneration
- supporting local businesses;
- income generation; and
- transformation.

The new Corporate Plan (2015-19) would build on those successes moving forward. Its vision was "Breckland is a place of opportunity and ambition for all". A new booklet of the Plan was available which replaced the one in the Agenda.

He did not go into detail about the new Plan as it was an item on the agenda, but he explained the future priorities and that each had a delivery plan. Digitalisation was key to achieving the vision and enabling services to be accessed at times and in ways that were convenient to residents, but choice would be maintained for those that preferred to interact with the Council in other ways.

As well as Digitalisation, Transformation, Partnership Working, Housing Delivery and Increased Business Opportunity were all important parts of the new Plan. Growth had to be meaningful, acceptable and sustainable.

Anti Social behaviour had reduced over the life of the former Plan and should continue to decrease through improved partnership working.

Progress would be monitored and reported quarterly to Cabinet and to the Overview & Scrutiny Commission. The new Plan would also be communicated to residents, Members, staff and Partners.

The Leader gave a brief update on Participatory Budgeting; advising that the Watton event had been held that week and ten projects had been given funding. He concluded his announcements with the information that the short-listing for the Pride in Breckland Awards had taken place.

Councillor Jermy was pleased that the new Plan included the word 'all' in its Vision. He asked the Leader if there was one area of the District that he thought needed greater improvements.

The Leader responded saying that there were areas of concern across the District

and he relied on Ward Representatives to come forward with initiatives or to highlight requirements in their areas. With the dualling of the A11 there would be additional opportunities and he would be focussing on that going forward.

5/15 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (AGENDA ITEM 5)

No declarations were made.

6/15 THE CORPORATE PLAN, BUDGET, MEDIUM TERM PLAN AND CAPITAL STRATEGY (AGENDA ITEM 6)

Attention was drawn to the copies of the amended version of the Corporate Plan available in the room. An additional Item 9 to the Recommendation had also been tabled. There would be a Recorded Vote at the end of the item.

The Executive Member for Finance presented the budget with assurance that it was affordable, transparent and not reliant on reserves. Due to the technical detail the report was not particularly easy to understand and she asked the S151 Officer to point out the key items.

The S151 Officer drew attention to the table on page 11 which showed the Council's current position compared to previous predictions and indicated its financial strength and sustainability. There was a clear plan to close the budget gap and a lot of work had already been done over a long period of time securing efficiencies and value for money. In trying to forecast the future there were inevitable 'unknowns' and austerity measures would continue, but the Council was well placed to face any storm.

At the bottom of page 12 was a summary overview of what would be left if the budget was approved. There was a healthy and improved balance from the last year.

The Executive Member for Finance thanked the S151 Officer and reiterated that the report demonstrated that the Council was well placed to face challenges. It had been considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Commission (O&SC) and discussed at the Town & Parish Forum where feedback had been received and the Leader would elaborate on that.

She was happy to present a balanced budget with no reliance on reserves which included a freeze on Council Tax, continued support for Town & Parish Councils, no reduction in services and free car parking.

The Leader of the Council referred to para 1.4 on page 11 regarding support for Neighbourhood Plans. The suggestion had been investigated but was not considered to be the best route for all. Funding was available from the DCLG and each organisation could apply for up to £8,000. The additional recommendation that had been tabled was a proposal to match fund up to 50% of any successful bids for that funding to those organisations that pre-notified the Council of their intention to bid. Any organisations that had already applied for funding would also be considered. Those parishes which were not using the Neighbourhood Plan route could also apply for match funding.

He noted the headlines in para 1.8 on page 12 and asked the relevant Portfolio Holders to give an explanation of what they were going to do.

The Executive Member for Communications, Organisational Performance &

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Development said there would be changes through digitalisation and the transformation programme to make services available 24 hours a day. Grant funding had been secured and he was pleased to announce an on-line book and pay scheme with supported digital access points available for residents with help from staff.

The Executive Member for Assets said that the Council's entrepreneurial approach and its acquisition of assets provided an income of between £2-3million per year. The partnership with Land Group for the regeneration of Thetford Riverside showed how the Council could be involved in local housing development. There were opportunities to deliver a variety of projects for the benefit of the local community.

The Deputy Leader & Executive Member for Community & Environmental Services referred to the 100% take-up of new waste bins, the new recycling initiative and community safety. Looking forward there would be match funding from the Health & Wellbeing Board for projects aimed at addressing obesity and dementia and supporting carers. There would also be a farewell parade for the Light Dragons.

The Executive Member for Planning, Building Control & Housing was delighted that the Council would be able to deliver affordable housing through the LABV project and that her Portfolio would be delivering all sorts of housing ensuring the right homes were in the right places. The Council would use its own land holdings to move housing projects forward and would work with Registered Social Landlords to provide affordable housing. Innovative proposals would be considered by Cabinet on 24 March.

The Executive Member for Democratic Services & Public Protection said that investment in internet technology would provide benefits for residents. The Council was already accepting on-line payment and would be extending its facilities. Training courses for food and licensed businesses were being expanded. Officers were supported in achieving qualifications. A new, lower cost Dog Warden Contract had been awarded. The Democratic Services team were improving relationships with residents. The Town & Parish Forum was a good example.

The Leader concluded by saying they had tried to put real context into the budget report.

Councillor Lamb questioned the accuracy of the headline that said there had been no reduction in services. The Council had transferred responsibility for public conveniences and play areas to the Towns.

The Leader pointed out that that had occurred before 2011 and that when those facilities were transferred they had been accompanied by funding. It had been up to the Towns how that funding was used.

Councillor Goreham asked what the Council was doing to actively support small and medium sized businesses.

The Leader responded on behalf of the Executive Member for Strategic Development & LABV who was not present. The Economic Development team were very active and Grants4Growth supplied funding to a large number of businesses. The Council was working with the Local Enterprise Partnership to get central government funding. An Open for Business event had been held at Snetterton. Rate Relief was available for small businesses. There were a wide ranging set of initiatives to support businesses and the Council was striving to do

more.

The Executive Member for Finance advised that there was an initiative to encourage speculative building for businesses which provided an 18 month rate relief holiday.

Councillor Jordan mentioned that Town centres needed looking after as out of town and e-shopping options were a danger to their vitality. He agreed that small businesses should also be supported.

The Leader confirmed that the Council was involved in a number of things including the Thetford and Attleborough Development Partnerships. The Retail Study which was part of the Local Plan evidence base would also be taken into account.

Councillor Gilbert hoped that the Planning Officers would be robust enough to ensure that the right houses were built in the right place and were able to stop unsuitable development.

Councillor Jermy offered an alternative view. He thanked the Officers for the amount of detail in the report and the S151 Officer for her informative presentation to the O&SC. He was pleased the Council was in a good position but offered one improvement. He proposed the following amendment:

- a) the New Homes bonus income, as outlined in Appendix B, not required to support the revenue budget and currently being proposed to be transferred to reserves for an unspecified purpose, to be ring-fenced for 'community housing projects'; and
- b) Officers be asked to investigate options for utilizing this money, with a specific focus on creating 1 and 2 bedroom properties, with options to be tabled to a future Cabinet meeting.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Goreham.

The Leader of the Council pointed out that the Council had demonstrated flexibility in the use of its reserves and they could be utilised, under the direction of the S151 Officer, to do the projects suggested. However, he did not think it would be good to ring-fence the money as flexibility was needed to meet the needs of the District.

Councillor Goreham pointed out that there might be a different make-up to the Council after the election which could change its future intentions. The Council had a duty to provide good services and amenities for the community and to provide value for money. It should do all in its power to protect the vulnerable and needy and to enable affordable housing to be built and targeted where it was most needed.

The Executive Member for Finance said that treasury management was very important. The Council would work with partners to secure income and support from Registered Social Landlords to ensure the provision of housing. Everyone was aware of the shortage of one and two bedroom properties and the Council was continually looking at appropriate ways to fund that, but ring-fencing the money might not provide the best outcome.

The Executive Member of Planning, Building Control and Housing was delighted to say that the Council spent more money doing its best than it got from the NHB.

Councillor Lamb asked how much money the Council got from NHB and the S151

Officer advised that it would total £2.66million by 2019.

The vote on the amendment was not supported.

The Executive Member for Communications, Organisational Performance & Development then presented the Corporate Plan, reminding Members that there was an amended version in booklet form. He thanked everyone involved in its production. At the heart of the plan was the Council's vision and every organisation needed to have a vision. It was still aiming to involve 'all' and would help residents, Members and Officers. The Communications team was looking at ways of publicising the Plan to ensure that it was available to everyone.

Councillor Jermy had commented on the Plan at the O&SC meeting and was pleased to see that those comments had been taken on board and amendments made. His only other comment was that at the Member Development Panel meeting it had been mentioned that the official photographs of the Councillors needed to be updated.

The Executive Member thanked him for that and said that they would be refreshed after the election.

A recorded vote was then taken on the recommendations for the combined budget and corporate plan, including the additional recommendation No 9.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) the Breckland revenue estimates and parish special expenses for 2015-16 and outline position through to 2018-19 as set out in Appendix B be approved;
- 2) the capital estimates, capital carry overs and associated funding for 2015-16 and outline position through to 2018-19 (as set out in appendix H) be approved;
- 3) the fees and charges shown at Appendix D and D2, for adoption 1 April 2015 be approved;
- 4) the Council Tax for a Band D property in 2015-16 be frozen at £69.03 (as set out in Appendix B)
- 5) the financial Medium Term Plan at Appendix A be approved;
- 6) the capital strategy at Appendix G be approved;
- 7) the use of the Council's discretionary power (S47 Local Government Finance Act) to provide the transitional relief be approved and delegated authority be given to the Executive Director (Place), in consultation with the Executive Member for Finance, to determine the final guidelines for the operation of the transitional relief for 2015/16 and 2016/17 following the current scheme and guidance issued by Government
- 8) the Corporate Plan and appendices be approved; and
- 9) the Council encourages and supports town and parish councils to bid to central government for the recently announced 2015/16 basic grant funding for the delivery of local neighbourhood plans. Breckland Council will match

fund 50% of the successful bid (up to a maximum of £4000 per submission) for those organisations provided they have pre-notified this council of their intention to bid. Any bids which have already been approved will be considered for the same match funding.

- i) The sum of £372,000 be earmarked from the Communities Reserve (Developing Stronger Communities Element) for the neighbourhood plan grant match funding for town & parish councils
- ii) A further £80,000 be earmarked from the Council Tax & NNDR Reserve to top up the Communities Reserve (Developing Stronger Communities Element) if required.
- iii) The sum of £50,000 be allocated from the Organisational Development Reserve for a fixed term planning resource to provide additional capacity within the Council's retained planning function to support the development of the funded neighbourhood plans.
- iv) Any additional specific funding contribution the Council receives from Central Government for completed neighbourhood plans will be allocated to the Community Reserve.

A copy of the Recorded Vote record is attached.

7/15 COUNCIL TAX SETTING 2015-16 (AGENDA ITEM 7)

The Chairman reminded Members about the requirement to disclose the fact and to refrain from voting if they were more than two months in arrears with their Council Tax. There would be a Recorded Vote at the end of the item.

The Section 151 Officer asked Members to note two amendments: on page 173 (point 1.2) and page 175 (point 1.4.4) the dates should be 2015-16 not 2014-15.

The Executive Member for Finance then presented the report with a brief overview. She explained that the Special Expenses for footway lighting services referred to those parishes/towns which had not taken on that responsibility.

Councillor Jermy noted that footway lighting was a significant issue in his Ward with some lights being out all the time and others being on all the time. He had reported the problems but there was a significant delay in repairing them and he asked if the budget was adequate.

The Executive Member said it was regrettable but there were complicated responsibility issues. The Chairman advised that there was a Working Group looking at that.

Councillor Borrett applauded the figures in the report and said that some village precepts were in excess of Breckland Council's.

Councillor Cowen regretted that yet again there was an increase in the Police precept despite the helicopter and office closure. He thought it was odd that they were asking for more money when their visible service was reducing. He was also disappointed that when the PCC and Inspector had attended the Overview & Scrutiny Commission they had not mentioned the cuts.

Councillor Sherwood supported those remarks.

Councillor Lamb responded to Councillor Borrett's comments about large parish precepts and said that to some extent they were due to the passing down of responsibility from the District to the towns/parishes which was passing lots of costs on.

The Chairman also noted that unlike the District the towns and villages did not receive any direct grants.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) the special expenses for 2015-16 be approved; and
- 2) the formal council tax resolutions for 2015-16 (at paragraph 1.4.1 to 1.4.5 set out below) be approved.

1.4.1 It is to be noted that on 26 February 2015 the Council has calculated: -
a) the Council Tax Base 2015-16 for the whole Council area as 39,654.4 (item T in the regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended) and
b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates as in the attached **Appendix A**.

1.4.2 Calculate that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2015-16 (excluding Parish precepts) is £2,794,028.

1.4.3 That the following amounts be calculated by the Council for the year 2015-16 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended (the Act): -

- a) £77,929,470 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the expenditure items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act;
- b) £72,139,300 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the income items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act;
- c) £5,790,170 being the amount by which the aggregate at 1.4.3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 1.4.3(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year;
- d) £146.02 being the amount at 1.4.3(c) above, divided by the amount at 1.4.1(a) 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);
- e) £3,052,831 being the aggregate amount of all special items (including Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the attached **Appendix A**);
- f) £69.03 being the amount at 1.4.3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 1.4.3(e) above by

the amount at 1.4.1(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 areas to which no special item relates;

- g) The figures shown in **Appendix B**, being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 1.4.3(f) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 1.4.1(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate;
- h) The figures shown in **Appendix C**, being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 1.4.3(f) and 1.4.3(g) above 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.

1.4.4 That it be noted that for the year 2014-15 the Norfolk County Council and Norfolk Police & Crime Commissioner 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 dwellings shown below:-

	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
NCC	£763.38	£890.61	£1,017.84	£1,145.07
NPCC	£139.20	£162.40	£185.60	£208.80
	Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
NCC	£1,399.53	£1,653.99	£1,908.45	£2,290.14
NPCC	£255.20	£301.60	£348.00	£417.60

1.4.5 That having calculated the aggregate in each case the amounts at 1.4.3(h) and 1.4.4 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts shown in **Appendix D** as the amount of Council Tax for 2015-16 of the categories of dwellings shown.

A copy of the Recorded Vote record is attached.

8/15 CABINET MINUTES (AGENDA ITEM 8)

RESOLVED that the confirmed Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 13 January 2015 be adopted.

9/15 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMISSION (AGENDA ITEM 9)

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Councillor Cowen was aware that Councillor Goreham was not standing for re-election and so he took the opportunity to thank him, as a previous colleague on the Commission for the work he had done and said it had been a privilege and a pleasure working with him. All Members supported his comments.

Councillor Goreham appreciated the comments and thanked Councillor Cowen for his support. He thanked all Members for playing their part and wished them all success in the future.

9 .a Confirmed minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission meeting held on 20 November 2014

RESOLVED that the confirmed Minutes of the Overview & Scrutiny Commission meeting held on 20 November 2014 be adopted.

9 .b Confirmed minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission meeting held on 8 January 2015

RESOLVED that the confirmed Minutes of the Overview & Scrutiny Commission meeting held on 8 January 2015 be adopted.

10/15 PLANNING COMMITTEE (AGENDA ITEM 10)

10 .a Confirmed minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 22 December 2014

Councillor Lamb spoke in general terms about the matter of social housing and the reduction of developer contributions because of viability issues. He was also concerned about developers using the Council's Five Year Housing Land Supply shortage as an excuse for not abiding by Settlement Boundaries.

The Chairman suggested that he should attend the Local Plan Working Group meetings to put forward his views, but he responded that he was talking about what was happening now.

The Executive Member for Planning, Building Control & Housing agreed it was a difficult situation because the Council only had 3.3 years of Housing Land Supply. However, as Councillor Lamb sat on the Planning Committee, if an application was clearly not suitable or sustainable he could vote to refuse it.

The Chairman referred the matter back to the Planning Committee.

RESOLVED that the confirmed Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 22 December 2014 be adopted.

10 .b Confirmed minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 19 January 2015

RESOLVED that the confirmed Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 19 January 2015 be adopted.

11/15 GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (AGENDA ITEM 11)

11 .a Confirmed minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 17 December 2014

RESOLVED that the confirmed Minutes of the General Purposes

Committee meeting held on 17 December 2014 be adopted.

11 .b Unconfirmed minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 4 February 2015

a) Change of Name of Parish (Minute No 71/15)

Councillor Cowen thanked the Committee on behalf of Stow Bedon & Breckles Parish Council for approving its change of name.

RESOLVED that an Order be made to effect the change of name (to Stow Bedon & Breckles) from the date of the next parish elections.

b) Swanton Morley Community Governance Review – Final Recommendations (Minute No 72/15)

RESOLVED that an Order be made to effect the change (to increase the size of Swanton Morley Parish Council from seven to nine) from the date of the next parish council elections.

c) Adoption

RESOLVED that the unconfirmed Minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on 4 February 2015 be adopted.

12/15 APPEALS COMMITTEE (AGENDA ITEM 12)

RESOLVED that the now confirmed Minutes of the Appeals Committee meeting held on 7 January 2015 be adopted.

13/15 AUDIT COMMITTEE (AGENDA ITEM 13)

RESOLVED that the confirmed Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 12 December 2014 be adopted.

14/15 NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE AND OTHER SEATS (AGENDA ITEM 14)

RESOLVED that:

- 1) Councillor Turner should replace Councillor T Carter as Chairman of the Member Development Panel.
- 2) Councillor Williams be removed from the General Purposes Committee.
- 3) Councillor Williams be removed from the Local Joint Consultative Committee
- 4) Councillor Nunn be appointed as the Council's representative on the Keystone Development Trust.

15/15 ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR MAY 2015 (AGENDA ITEM 15)

The Electoral Services Manager gave a short update on the key elements in the timetable for the Parliamentary, District and Parish elections to be held 7 May 2015.

- Commencement of pre-election period communication protocol (formerly Purdah) – 30th March (guidance on the BIZ - Members webpage)

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- Notice of (Local) Elections – 30th March
- Notice of (Parliamentary) Election – 31st March
- Receipt of Nominations (Local) – 31st March
- Receipt of Nominations (Parliamentary) – 1st April
- Close of nominations (all) – 4pm Wednesday 9th April
- Last date for voter registration – Monday 20th April (Registration via GDS website www.gov.uk/register-to-vote)
- Last date for applications to vote by post – 5pm Tuesday 21st April
- Postal Vote despatch overseas – Friday 13th April
- Postal vote despatch – Thursday 23rd April
- Postal Vote opening – daily sessions from 27th April to 6th May 1:30 and 5:00
- 7th May all day – with final opening at the count venue after close of poll for ballots delivered to polling stations during the poll
- Mid Norfolk Parliamentary Count - Dereham Leisure Centre, Station Road, Friday 8th May 2am
- District and Parish Count – Dereham Leisure Centre, Station Road, Friday 8th May 2pm
- South West Parliamentary Count – Lynn Sport, Kings Lynn
- Candidates and Agents briefing session 2pm, 5th March – Elizabeth House, Committee Suite, Norfolk Room.

It was clarified that the ballot papers for all three elections would be put into one ballot box. Some of the Council's ballot boxes would be taken to King's Lynn as they fell within the South West Parliamentary area. However, the District and Parish ballot papers from those boxes would be returned to Dereham and all District and Parish counts would take place at the Dereham Leisure Centre.

Councillor Jermy asked if there had been a reduction in the number of people on the electoral roll due to the change in the registration process and the Electoral Services Manager confirmed that there was very little difference with about 100,000 people on the roll.

It was agreed that the timetable would be e-mailed to all Members.

16/15 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC (AGENDA ITEM 16)

RESOLVED that under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

17/15 THE BRECKLAND BRIDGE LIMITED - DIRECTORS LIABILITIES (AGENDA ITEM 17)

The Leader of the Council explained the background to the report and the reasons for the recommendation. The Strategic Property Manager gave further details.

Members unanimously agreed to the proposal.

RESOLVED that Option 3 of the report be approved.

The meeting closed at 12.15 pm

CHAIRMAN

BRECKLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORDED VOTE

Date: 26 February 2015 11.23

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MEMBER	FOR	AGAINST	MEMBER	FOR	AGAINST
MRS ARMES	✓		MR KYBIRD	✓	
MR ASKEW	✓		MR LAMB	ABST.	
MR BAMBRIDGE	✓		MR MARTIN	✓	
MR BORRETT	✓		MRS MATTHEWS	✓	
COUNCILLOR BOWES	✓		MRS MILLBANK	✓	
MR BYRNE	✓		MRS MONUMENT	✓	
MRS CANHAM	✓		MR MONUMENT	✓	
MR CHARLES CARTER	✓		MR NAIRN	✓	
MR TREVOR CARTER	✓		MRS NORTH	✓	
COUNCILLOR CHAPMAN-ALLEN	✓		MR NUNN	✓	
MR CHILDERHOUSE	✓		MRS PETTITT	✓	
MR CLARK	✓		MR ROBERT RICHMOND	✓	
MR CLAUSSEN	✓		MR WILLIAM RICHMOND	✓	
MR COWEN	✓		MR ROBINSON	✓	
MR DARBY	✓		MR ROGERS	✓	
MR DUFFIELD	✓		MR ROSE	✓	
MR DUIGAN	✓		MR SHARPE	✓	
MR GILBERT	✓		MR SHERWOOD	✓	
MR GOREHAM	ABST.		MR SKULL	✓	
COUNCILLOR GOULD	✓		MR SMITH	✓	
MR GREEN	✓		MRS SPENCER	✓	
MRS IRVING	✓		MR STASIAK	✓	
MR JERMY	ABST.		MRS STEWARD	✓	
MR JOEL	✓		MRS TURNER	✓	
MRS JOLLY	✓		MR WASSELL	✓	
MR JORDAN	✓		MR WILKIN	✓	
MR KIDDLE-MORRIS	✓		MR WILLIAMS	✓	

BRECKLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORDED VOTE

Date: 26 February 2015 11.45

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MEMBER	FOR	AGAINST	MEMBER	FOR	AGAINST
MRS ARMES	✓		MR KYBIRD	✓	
MR ASKEW			MR LAMB	ABST.	
MR BAMBRIDGE	✓		MR MARTIN	✓	
MR BORRETT	✓		MRS MATTHEWS	✓	
COUNCILLOR BOWES	✓		MRS MILLBANK	✓	
MR BYRNE	✓		MRS MONUMENT	✓	
MRS CANHAM			MR MONUMENT		
MR CHARLES CARTER	✓		MR NAIRN	✓	
MR TREVOR CARTER	✓		MRS NORTH	✓	
COUNCILLOR CHAPMAN-ALLEN	✓		MR NUNN		
MR CHILDERHOUSE			MRS PETTITT	✓	
MR CLARK			MR ROBERT RICHMOND	✓	
MR CLAUSSEN	✓		MR WILLIAM RICHMOND	✓	
MR COWEN	✓		MR ROBINSON		
MR DARBY			MR ROGERS	✓	
MR DUFFIELD			MR ROSE	✓	
MR DUIGAN	✓		MR SHARPE	✓	
MR GILBERT	✓		MR SHERWOOD	✓	
MR GOREHAM	ABST.		MR SKULL	✓	
COUNCILLOR GOULD	✓		MR SMITH		
MR GREEN			MRS SPENCER	✓	
MRS IRVING			MR STASIAK		
MR JERMY	ABST.		MRS STEWARD		
MR JOEL			MRS TURNER	✓	
MRS JOLLY	✓		MR WASSELL	✓	
MR JORDAN			MR WILKIN	✓	
MR KIDDLE-MORRIS			MR WILLIAMS		