

Runnymede Borough Council

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

12 February 2009 at 7.30pm

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor) J Broadhead) in the Chair

Members of the  
Council present:

Councillors A Alderson, Prof I O Angell, J R Ashmore, Mrs F J Barden, Mrs P I Broadhead, J Broadhead, H A Butterfield, C Chapman, D A Cotty, A J Davis, Mrs R M Denby, R J Edis, J M Edwards, P A Francis, J R Furey, Mrs C E Gant, Mrs E Gill, Mrs L M Gillham, D R Hamilton, Mrs M Harnden, Miss M N Heath, R N Jones, C Knight, M T Kusneraitis, Mrs Y P Lay, H W V Meares, Prof A M Moore, C J Norman, D W Parr, J W C Perschke, L C Pouyanne, P I Roberts, N Stewert, A P Tollett, P B Tuley, P J Waddell, J J Wilson and G B Woodger

Members of the  
Committee absent:

Councillors Mrs F M Angell, M J Brown, A Mills and Mrs M Roberts

489. FIRE PRECAUTIONS

The Mayor read out the Fire Procedure.

490. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 18 December were confirmed and signed as correct records.

491. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Angell, Brown, and Mrs Roberts.

492. BUDGET AND COUNCIL TAX 2009/2010

The Council considered a recommendation from the Corporate Management Committee which had met on 5 February 2009 regarding the Budget and Council Tax for the financial year 2009/2010.

The Council also received additional information concerning the precepts to be levied by Surrey County Council (a 2.94% increase over 2008/09) and Surrey Police Authority (a 4.89% increase over 2008/09) which had not been available when the Corporate Management Committee had met.

In moving, the motion for approval of the Budget and Council Tax, the Leader of the Council revised the Committee recommendation on Runnymede Borough Council's element of the Band D tax from £133.11 to £132.93 for 2009/10, representing an increase of 4.83% on the 2008/09 tax of £126.81. The lower percentage figure would reduce the risk of the budget requirement being capped, but would yield £6,000 less in tax than the Band D of £133.11 recommended by Corporate Management Committee and would therefore require an additional use of working balances of £6,000. This would reduce the Budget Requirement to £9,839,000.

The Motion was seconded by Councillor Waddell.

The calculation of the Council's basic amount of Council Tax (i.e. at Band D) incorporating these changes was as follows:

	£
Budget Requirement	9,839,000
Less Formula Grant	- 5,482,100
Add Collection Fund Deficit	32,300
Net Demand	4,389,200
Divided by Council Tax Base	÷ 33,019
<b>Basic amount of Council Tax (Band D)</b>	<b>£132.93</b>

The overall tax increase from 2008/09 to 2009/10 was 3.38%.

**RESOLVED that –**

- i) **the revised revenue estimates for the year 2008/09 and the revenue estimates for 2009/10 as submitted in the 2009/10 Budget, be approved;**
- ii) **the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2009/10 in accordance with sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:-**
- (a) **£63,369,300** 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) **£53,530,300** 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) **£9,839,000** being the amount by which the aggregate at ii)(a) above exceeds the aggregate at ii)(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.
- (d) **£5,449,800** being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund calculated in accordance with section 33(1 and 3) of the Act.
- (e) **£132.93** being the amount of ii)(c) above less the amount at ii)(d) above, all divided by the Council Tax Base of 33,019 calculated in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.
- (f) **Runnymede Borough Council**  
**Valuation Bands**

Band	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Amount	£88.62	£103.39	£118.16	£132.93	£162.47	£192.01	£221.55	£265.86

(being the amounts calculated by the Council in applying the figure set out at ii)(e) to the formula in 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.

- iii) it be noted that for the year 2009/10, Surrey County Council 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:

**Precepting authority - Surrey County Council**  
**Valuation Bands**

<b>Band</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>Amount</b>	£726.12	£847.14	£968.16	£1,089.18	£1,331.22	£1,573.26	£1,815.30	£2,178.36

- iv) it be noted that for the year 2009/10, Surrey Police 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:

**Precepting authority - Surrey Police Authority**  
**Valuation Bands**

<b>Band</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>Amount</b>	£131.40	£153.30	£175.20	£197.10	£240.90	£284.70	£328.50	£394.20

- v) having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (ii)(f),(iii) and (iv) above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amount of Council Tax for the year 2009/10 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

**Valuation Bands**

<b>Band</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>Amount</b>	£946.14	£1,103.83	£1,261.52	£1,419.21	£1,734.59	£2,049.97	£2,365.35	£2,838.42

Chairman

(The meeting ended at 8.00pm)