

TO: Policy and Resources Committee

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FIRE AUTHORITY BUDGET 2017/18

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Policy and Resources Committee with the Fire Authority's budget for 2017/18 for review and endorsement.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to review the budget book attached at **Appendix 1** and endorse the proposed recommendations detailed on page 17.

3. Risk Assessment

- 3.1 **Economic/Political** – as a result of the government cuts there continues to be pressure on the budget and this will become more challenging through the comprehensive spending review period. The budget will need to be set at a level that meets the cuts and keeps council tax increases within defined capping limits.

4. Background

- 4.1 The provisional Revenue Support Grant (RSG) settlement was received on 15 December 2016. The budget attached assumes that there will be no change when the final settlement is received.
- 4.2 After discussion at the December Policy and Resources Committee, the Authority consulted on the option to increase council tax by 1.9%. An update on the outcome of this consultation will be presented at the meeting.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Source Documents	Location	Contact Officer
Fire Authority Estimates 2017/18	Hinchingbrooke Cottage Brampton Road Huntingdon	Matthew Warren 01480 444619 matthew.warren@cambsfire.gov.uk
Policy and Resources Committee Minutes December 2016	Hinchingbrooke Cottage Brampton Road Huntingdon	Matthew Warren 01480 444619 matthew.warren@cambsfire.gov.uk