Corporate Governance Panel

Report of the meeting held on 9th December 2009

Matters for Information

16. CALCULATION OF COUNCIL TAX BASE 2010/11

In accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 1992 and the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) Regulations 1992 (as amended), the Panel has approved the amount calculated by the District Council as the tax base for the whole District for the year 2010/11 as 58,580. The amounts for the same year shall be for the Parishes of:-

Abbotsley	240
Abbots Ripton	128
Alconbury	553
Alconbury Weston	280
Alwalton	124
Barham & Woolley	27
Bluntisham	739
Brampton	1795
Brington & Molesworth	106
Broughton	85
Buckden	1150
Buckworth	50
Bury	605
Bythorn & Keyston	142
Catworth	144
Chesterton	58
Colne	344
Conington	73
Covington	42
Denton & Caldecote	25
Diddington	30
Earith	575
Easton	75
Ellington	235
Elton	295
Farcet	580
Fenstanton	1160
Folksworth & Washingley	347
Glatton	130
Godmanchester	2371
Grafham	240
Great & Little Gidding	122

Great Gransden	455
Great Paxton	370
Great Staughton	320
Haddon	25
Hail Weston	240
Hamerton & Steeple Gidding	52
Hemingford Abbots	327
Hemingford Grey Hilton	1150 445
Holme	238
Holywell-cum-Needingworth	975
Houghton & Wyton	785
Huntingdon	7255
Kimbolton & Stonely	595
Kings Ripton	80
Leighton Bromswold	82
Little Paxton	1250
Morborne	11
Offord Cluny & Offord D'Arcy	508
Old Hurst	98
Old Weston	87
Perry	265
Pidley-cum-Fenton	153
Ramsey	2890
St Ives	5725
St Neots Sawtry	10195 1730
Sibson-cum-Stibbington	210
Somersham	1385
Southoe & Midloe	158
Spaldwick	229
Stilton	785
Stow Longa	65
The Stukeleys	415
Tilbrook	108
Toseland	37
Upton & Coppingford	85
Upwood & The Raveleys	420
Warboys	1365
Waresley-cum-Tetworth	146
Water Newton	42
Window	40 215
Wistow Woodhurst	150
Woodwalton	85
Wyton-on-the-Hill	414
Yaxley	2910
Yelling	140
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17. ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Panel has endorsed the content of a revised Risk Management Strategy, subject to minor textual amendments.

18. REVIEW OF THE ANTI-FRAUD AND CORRUPTION STRATEGY

The Panel has been acquainted with the outcome of a review of the Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy. Subject to minor alterations, the Panel has adopted the revised Strategy.

19. EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORTS: USE OF RESOURCES 2009 AND THE ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2008/09

The Panel has been acquainted with the Council's Use of Resources Report 2009 and Annual Audit Letter 2008/09. In respect of the former, the Council's external auditor has confirmed that the Council has performed adequately in all areas, has arrangements in place consistent with established professional practice and guidance, was meeting statutory requirements and was operating effectively. An action plan annexed to the report is designed to assist the Council to further improve its performance.

Having regard to the Annual Audit Letter, the Panel has noted the key areas for action by the Council over the 2009/10 financial year.

20. CODE OF PROCUREMENT

The Panel's attention has been drawn to the actions taken and the plans to promote compliance with the Council's Code of Procurement, with a view to encouraging better procurement practices across the Council's organisation. In so doing, Members have endorsed a series of actions designed to ensure future compliance with the Code.

C J Stephens Chairman