RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION BY CABINET

Reference No: 01/2022

ITEM:	2022/23 Draft Budget
Cabinet Members Present:	Councillors S E Geraghty (Chairman), A T Amos, M Bayliss, M Dormer, A I Hardman, M J Hart, K May, A P Miller, A C Roberts.
Date of Decision:	6 January 2022
Purpose:	To consider the draft Budget Report which provided a first assessment of the 2022/23 precept need and the Council's budget for 2022/23 and to allow engagement to commence prior to a return to Cabinet and then Council for approval in February 2022.
DECISION:	Cabinet:
	(a) approved for consultation the draft budget set out at Appendix 1A of £373.199 million;
	(b) approved for consultation the new 2022-24 total capital programme of £113.8 million as noted in Appendix 1B;
	(c) approved for consultation an earmarked reserves schedule as set out at Appendix 2; and
	(d) agreed that it is minded to recommend to Council in February 2022 an increase in Council Tax Precept of 0.94%, plus a 1% Adult Social Care Levy and 2% Adult Social Care Levy that was carried forward from 2021/22.
Reason(s) for the Decision:	As set out in the report. To make the necessary arrangements to consult on the draft 2022-23 Budget proposals to ensure the continued strategic planning and management of the Council's budgetary and financial arrangements and the delivery of the Council's Corporate Plan.
Alternative Options Considered:	The 2022-23 budget proposals will be the subject of a wide consultation process. Feedback from this will inform the budget setting

WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

	process and be reported to Cabinet on 3 February 2022 (and Council in February).
Conflict of Interest (any declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/any dispensation granted)	None
Date the decision is due to take effect:	13 January 2022

Reference No: 01/2022

ABRAHAM EZEKIEL, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE