



Glasgow City Council

City Administration Committee

Report by Executive Director of Finance

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Item 2

11th February 2021

Budget Setting Timetable

Purpose of Report:

To seek approval of a revision to the date for setting the 2021/22 Budget.

Recommendations:

The committee is asked to approve that the Council Tax and Budget for 2021/22 will now be set on 11th March, 2021.

Ward No(s):

Citywide:

Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No

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1. Introduction

The City Administration Committee on 3rd December 2020, approved that the Budget for 2021/22 would be set at the meeting of the Council on 18th February 2021. This was before we were aware of the full timetable for the Scottish Government Budget setting process.

2. Background

The report to CAC on 3rd December highlighted that there was a risk in setting the Budget before Scottish Government had completed their process. The Scottish Government process will not complete until 9th March although it is likely that any changes will be announced as a result of earlier readings on 25th February or 8th March. We are legally required to set our Council Tax and Budget by 11th March.

3. Strategic Budget Group

At a meeting of the Strategic Budget Group on 4th February, it was unanimously agreed that the Group would support a proposal to move the Budget setting date to 11th March 2021 to reduce the risk of changes to the Scottish Government Budget.

4. Council meeting

The Lord Provost has agreed, in terms of Standing Order 1(3), to alter the arrangements for the Council meeting to allow the Council to consider the budget and Council Tax on 11th March 2020. The meeting on 18th February 2020 will therefore not now take place.

5. Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial: The proposal will support the Council Budget Setting Process

Legal: None

Personnel: None

Procurement: None

Council Strategic Plan: None

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2017-22 n/a

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report? n/a

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio economic disadvantage. n/a

Sustainability Impacts:

Environmental: None directly

Social, including Article 19 opportunities: None directly

Economic: None directly

Privacy and Data Protection impacts: No privacy or data protection impacts have been identified

6. Recommendations

The committee is invited to approve that the Council Tax and Budget for 2021/22 will now be set on 11th March, 2021.