

**RECORD OF VOTES TAKEN AT THE MEETING OF FALKIRK COUNCIL  
ON 7 OCTOBER 2015**

Councillors in attendance:

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| David Alexander  | Tom Coleman       | Brian McCabe      | Alan Nimmo    |
| David Balfour    | Paul Garner       | John McLuckie     | Martin Oliver |
| Stephen Bird     | Dennis Goldie     | Adrian Mahoney    | Joan Paterson |
| Allyson Black    | Gerry Goldie      | Craig Martin      | John Patrick  |
| Jim Blackwood    | Linda Gow         | Dr Craig R Martin | Pat Reid      |
| William Buchanan | Gordon Hughes     | Cecil Meiklejohn  | Ann Ritchie   |
| Steven Carleschi | Steven Jackson    | Rosie Murray      | Robert Spears |
| Colin Chalmers   | Charles MacDonald | Malcolm Nicol     | Sandy Turner  |

| Agenda Item: 7  | Subject: FALKIRK COUNCIL BEST VALUE REPORT |
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| <p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p>Council agrees to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) note the recognition by the Commission that the Council provides generally good services;</li> <li>(2) acknowledge the need to find savings of c. £46m over the next 3 years as set out in more detail in the report on the revenue fund framework which is also under consideration at this meeting;</li> <li>(3) adopt the Improvement Plan, as appended to the report, and note that there will be further discussion among the Leader of the Council, the Leader of the Opposition and the Provost regarding its planned implementation;</li> <li>(4) the terms of reference for the Cross Party Budget Working Group being determined by the Group at its first meeting, with the composition of the Group being as follows; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Labour Group 3 members</li> <li>b. SNP Group 3 members</li> <li>c. Conservative Group 1 member</li> <li>d. Non-Aligned Independent Group 1 member</li> <li>e. Independent 1 member</li> </ol> </li> <li>(5) the Leaders of the Council and the Opposition providing political leadership on the Business Transformation Board;</li> <li>(6) a report on progress with the actions set out in the Improvement Plan will be submitted to Council in March 2016,</li> <li>(7) note that the review of Standing Orders currently underway will be subject of a report to Council in December 2015.</li> </ol> <p><b>Moved by: C Martin</b><br/><b>Seconded by: J Paterson</b></p> |  |
| <p><b>AMENDMENT</b> <i>To include the words “ a representative of the Non-Aligned Independent Group” between the words “opposition” and “and” in clause (3)</i></p> <p><b>Moved by: R Spears</b><br/><b>Seconded by: B McCabe</b></p>   |  |

## VOTE

### For the motion (30)

### For the amendment (2)

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| David Alexander  | Charles MacDonald |
| David Balfour    | John McLuckie     |
| Stephen Bird     | Adrian Mahoney    |
| Allyson Black    | Craig Martin      |
| Jim Blackwood    | Dr Craig R Martin |
| William Buchanan | Cecil Meiklejohn  |
| Steven Carleschi | Rosie Murray      |
| Colin Chalmers   | Malcolm Nicol     |
| Tom Coleman      | Alan Nimmo        |
| Paul Garner      | Martin Oliver     |
| Dennis Goldie    | Joan Paterson     |
| Gerry Goldie     | John Patrick      |
| Linda Gow        | Pat Reid          |
| Gordon Hughes    | Ann Ritchie       |
| Steven Jackson   | Sandy Turner      |

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| B McCabe | R Spears |
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**DECISION: Motion carried.**

**Agenda Item: 9**

**Subject: GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET FRAMEWORK 2016/17 & 2018/19**

### **MOTION**

Council agrees to:

- (1) note the Revenue Budget Framework for 2016/17 – 2018/19, with the exception of SW7 relating to Torwoodhall which is removed from the list of options;
- (2) the replacement Children's Services saving set out at para 5.2.5 of the report subject to the Council's EPIA process and any other necessary consultation, and
- (3) note the progression of the Equality & Poverty Impact Assessments and approve the necessary consultations and workflows set out in the report to facilitate the preparation of a 2 year budget.

**Moved by: C Martin**

**Seconded by: J Paterson**

**AMENDMENT** *To add the words "subject to a report to the Budget Working Group" at the end of clause (1) and to amend clause (2) read as follows:*

- (2) *to not agree the replacement Children's Services saving, as detailed at para 5.2.5 of the report at this stage pending further consideration by the Budget Working Group of the 2016/17 savings options.*

**Moved by: C Meiklejohn**

**Seconded by: S Jackson**

**VOTE**

**For the motion (18)**

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| Allyson Black     | Craig Martin      |
| Jim Blackwood     | Dr Craig R Martin |
| William Buchanan  | Rosie Murray      |
| Dennis Goldie     | Malcolm Nicol     |
| Gerry Goldie      | Alan Nimmo        |
| Linda Gow         | Joan Paterson     |
| Charles MacDonald | John Patrick      |
| John McLuckie     | Pat Reid          |
| Adrian Mahoney    | Robert Spears     |

**For the amendment (13)**

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| David Alexander  | Gordon Hughes    |
| David Balfour    | Steven Jackson   |
| Stephen Bird     | Brian McCabe     |
| Steven Carleschi | Cecil Meiklejohn |
| Colin Chalmers   | Ann Ritchie      |
| Tom Coleman      | Sandy Turner     |
| Paul Garner      |                  |

**DECISION: Motion carried**

**Note**

This voting record is subject to approval of the formal minute at the next meeting of Council on 16 December 2015.