

ALTERNATIVE BUDGETS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BUDGET

- 13.6 Where, at a Council meeting, a Member wishes to move an alternative budget to be adopted by the Council, they must not propose a budget which would mean setting an unlawful / deficit budget. If a Member wishes to propose an alternative budget, they must consult with the Director of Finance at least a month before formal notice (referred to in 13.8) is required. This is to ensure that the financial implications have been adequately assessed.
- 13.7 Where at a Council meeting a Member wishes to move amendment(s) to the budget to be adopted by the Council they must not propose amendments which would mean setting an unlawful/deficit budget. An amendment should not include a proposed change to the level of council tax, or significant changes to the financial assumptions of service delivery, which would otherwise require consultation. If a Member wishes to propose an amendment to budget motion, they must consult with the Director of Finance at least a month before formal notice (referred to in 13.8) is required. This is to ensure that the financial implications have been adequately assessed.
- 13.8 Members must give formal notice in writing of any proposed amendment(s) to the budget or any which would constitute an alternative budget to the Director of Finance and Monitoring Officer no later than 12 noon 10 working days before the Council meeting (not including the day of the meeting). Such notice shall be circulated to all Members and the alternative proposal(s) and amendments will all be dealt with as amendments in the order they are received by the Monitoring Officer.