THE EXECUTIVE

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REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

Title: Urgent Action – Amendment to Calculation and Setting of	For Information
Council Tax Base 2010/11	

Summary

At the Executive meeting on 22 December 2009, Members received a report on the calculation of the Council Tax Base for 2010/11 and approved the recommendations as set out in that report (Minute 105 refers). It was subsequently identified that the incorrect figure had been presented in recommendation 1 of the report - the figure quoted was 53,227.4 Band 'D' properties but this did not take into account the 3% loss adjustment provision figure and the correct figure should have been 51,630.5 Band 'D' properties. A report showing the revised, correct position is attached for information.

In normal circumstances this report would have been presented to the Executive. However the statutory deadline for the setting of the Council Tax Base is 31 January each year and as the next meeting of the Executive was not before this time it was necessary for the Chief Executive to take urgent action, in line with the provisions of the Constitution, in agreeing an amended Council Tax Base for 2010/11 of 51,630.5 Band 'D' properties.

Recommendation

The Executive is asked to note the action taken by the Chief Executive under the urgency procedures contained within paragraph 17 of Article 1, Part B of the Council's Constitution in respect of the following:

That in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) Regulations 1992, the amount calculated by the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham as its Tax Base for the year 2010/11 shall be 51,630.5 Band 'D' properties.

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Consultation

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Background Papers

- "Calculation and Setting of Council Tax Base 2010/11" report and minutes of the Executive, 22 December 2009
- Letter and enclosure from the Chief Executive of 27 January 2010 entitled "Council Tax Base 2010/11 Urgent Action under Paragraph 17, Article1, Part B of the Constitution Butler Court Accommodation".