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Decision Taker: Cabinet Date decision in force: 18 December 2023 Date of decision: 7 December 2023 Appropriate Scrutiny Committee: Scrutiny Coordinating Committee

Title and author(s) of written report:

Budget Planning Framework and Medium Term Financial Plan – Report of the Director of Finance

Full description of decision:

To:

- note the summary MTFP set out at section 3 of the report and note that the full MTFP 2024/2025 to 2027/2028 will be presented to Cabinet in February 2024; and
- approve the provisional additional budget savings proposals, as the basis for budget consultation, prior to the receipt of the Local Government Finance Settlement for 2024/2025.

Reasons for decision:

- Adoption of the Budget Planning Framework forms an essential part of the process of the preparation and compilation of the Revenue Budget for 2024/2025; and
- To enable constitutional requirements relating to the development of the Revenue Budget to be met.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

No alternative options are proposed.

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Is this a key decision:	Yes
Does the Decision contain Confidential/Exempt Information:	No
Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:	None

Decision Taker: Cabinet **Appropriate Scrutiny Committee:**

Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

Date decision in force: 18 December 2023 Date of decision: 7 December 2023

Title and author(s) of written report:

Homelessness Action Plan – Report of the Executive Director of Health, Housing and Communities

Full description of decision:

To: -

- 1. Approve the Homelessness Action Plan to underpin the Homelessness Reduction and Sleeping Rough Strategy 2023 2028.
- 2. Approve the Governance and monitoring arrangements.
- 3. Approve the development of the Action Plan and the future work programme once the initial priority pathways have progressed.

Reasons for decision:

On 16th March 2023 Cabinet approved the Homelessness Reduction and Sleeping Rough Strategy 2023 – 2028, this strategy sets out sets out the Council's strategic direction to; prevent homelessness, provide assistance and advice to those threatened with homelessness and enable move on to independent living to reduce instances of repeat homelessness.

To drive service improvement, partner collaboration and focus on tackling homelessness a clear SMART Action plan was identified as necessary to deliver changes across priority pathways. This will provide a clear framework of change and intervention across identified key priority pathways and the Council need to approve the Action Plan as a key document that will underpin its strategy.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

No other option was considered as it is necessary to have a comprehensive Action Plan in place to drive service improvement activity across homelessness services.

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Is this a key decision:	Yes
Does the Decision contain Confidential/Exempt Information:	No
Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:	None

Decision Taker: Cabinet **Appropriate Scrutiny Committee:**

Economic Prosperity Scrutiny Committee

Date decision in force: 7 December 2023 Date of decision: 7 December 2023

Title and author(s) of written report:

Low Carbon Annual Report 2022/2023 – Report of the Executive Director of City Development

Full description of decision:

To consider and note the Low Carbon Annual Data Report 2022/23 and approve its publication on the MySunderland webpages.

Reasons for decision:

In accordance with the Council's Low Carbon Action Plan, the Council is committed to publishing an annual data report which sets out the progress made towards both the Council's and the city's low carbon commitments. The Low Carbon Annual Data Report 2022/23 sets out the latest city-wide and Council emissions data and provides an overview of the progress made.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

The alternative option would be not to publish the Low Carbon Annual Report 2022/23. However, this would result in the Council not meeting its commitment to publishing an Annual Low Carbon Data Report as set out within the Council's Low Carbon Action Plan.

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Is this a key decision:	No
Does the Decision contain Confidential/Exempt Information:	No
Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:	None

Decision Taker: Cabinet Date decision in force: 18 December 2023 Date of decision: 7 December 2023 Appropriate Scrutiny Committee: Scrutiny Coordinating Committee

Title and author(s) of written report: 5G Innovation Regions Project – Report of the Chief Executive

Full description of decision: As set out in the Cabinet Report.

Reasons for decision:

As set out in the Cabinet Report

Alternative options considered and rejected: As set out in the Cabinet Report.

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Is this a key decision:YesDoes the Decision contain Confidential/Exempt Information:YesDeclarations of Interest and Dispensations:None