SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

REFERENCE FROM CABINET – 21 OCTOBER 2015

PROPOSALS FOR BUDGET CONSULTATION 2016/2017

Report of the Head of Law and Governance

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To seek the views of this Committee on a report considered by Cabinet on 21 October 2015 on proposals for the consultation strategy for the Budget 2016/2017 and the Local Council Tax Support Scheme to help guide and inform the preparation of the Budget for 2016/2017.

2. Background and Current Position

- 2.1 The Cabinet, at its meeting on 21 October 2015 gave consideration to the attached joint report of the Interim Head of Paid Service and Assistant Chief Executive. The report outlined proposals for the consultation strategy for the Budget 2016/2017 and the Local Council Tax Support Scheme to help guide and inform the preparation of the Budget for 2016/2017.
- 2.2 Copies of the 21 October 2015 Cabinet agenda have been circulated to all Members of the Council. The Cabinet approved the consultation strategy for the Budget 2016/2017 and Local Council Tax Support Scheme as set out in the report and referred it to Scrutiny Committee for consideration.
- 2.3 The report is referred to the Scrutiny Committee, for its views, in the context of the budget framework. Comments from the Scrutiny Committee will be reported direct to Council on 25 November 2015.

3. Recommendation

3.1 The Scrutiny Committee is invited to consider and forward its views to Council on the attached joint report of the Interim Head of Paid Service and Assistant Chief Executive.

4. Background Papers

4.1 Cabinet Agenda, 21 October 2015.

4.2 A copy of the Agenda is available for inspection from the Head of Law and Governance or can be viewed on-line at:-

http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/committees/cmis5/Meetings/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic /mid/410/Meeting/8593/Committee/1890/Default.aspx

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