

CABINET MEETING – 10 NOVEMBER 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Response from Scrutiny Coordinating Committee – 13 October 2022 – Budget Planning Framework and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2023/2024 - 2026/2027

Author(s):

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Purpose of Report:

To advise the Cabinet of the comments of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee on a report of the Assistant Director of Finance that detailed the outcome of the Budget Planning Framework and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2023/2024 to 2026/2027.

Description of Decision:

That the Cabinet be requested to consider the comments of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? Yes

If not, Council approval is required to change the Budget/Policy Framework

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

To comply with statutory requirements.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

There are no alternative options recommended for approval.

Impacts analysed;

Equality ☒ Privacy ☒ Sustainability ☒ Crime and Disorder ☒

Is the Decision consistent with the Council's co-operative values? Yes

Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in the Constitution? Yes

Is it included in the 28 day Notice of Decisions? Yes

RESPONSE FROM SCRUTINY COORDINATING COMMITTEE – 13 OCTOBER 2022 – BUDGET PLANNING FRAMEWORK AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2023/2024 to 2026/2027

Report of the Assistant Director of Law and Governance

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report advises the Cabinet of the comments of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee at its meeting held on 13 October 2022, on a report of the Assistant Director of Finance which advised Members of the Budget Planning Framework and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2023/2024 to 2026/2027.

2. Description of Decision (Recommendations)

- 2.1 Cabinet is requested to consider the comments of the Scrutiny Coordinating

3. Background

- 3.1 The Cabinet, at its meeting on 13 October 2022, gave consideration to a report of the Assistant Director of Finance. The report gave details of the Budget Planning Framework and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2023/2024 to 2026/2027.

Cabinet agreed to:-

- To note the summary MTFP set out at section 3 of the report and note that the full MTFP 2023/2024 to 2026/2027 will be presented to Cabinet in February 2023;
 - To approve the proposed Budget Planning Framework set out at section 4 of the report which will guide the preparation of the Revenue Budget for 2023/2024;
 - To approve the consultation / communication strategy for the budget 2023/2024 as set out at section 6 of the report; and
 - Recommend to Council approval of the Capital Strategy.
- 3.2 The report was referred to the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee for advice and consideration.

4. Comments of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee

4.1 The Scrutiny Coordinating Committee commented as follows:

“The Scrutiny Coordinating Committee acknowledges the information contained in the report including the budget planning framework and updated capital strategy. The Committee also recognises the importance of budget consultation with key stakeholders and increased engagement with the public.

As in previous years there remain a number of uncertainties, pressures and challenges around the budget that the committee will continue to monitor through future budget reports.

The Committee has no further comment at this time.”

5. Reason for Decision

5.1 To comply with statutory requirements.

6. Alternative Options

6.1 There are no alternative options recommended for approval.

7. Background Papers

Report to the Cabinet on 13 October 2022

Minutes of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee 13 October 2022