

REPORT TO:	OVERVIEW and SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 5
DATE OF MEETING:	10th FEBRUARY 2021	CATEGORY:
		RECOMMENDED
REPORT FROM:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR CORPORATE RESOURCES	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	BUDGET SCRUTINY 2021-22	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: 6.03 (a) (i)

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the Committee consider the proposed budgets of the Council for 2021/22 and provide any feedback to Finance and Management Committee as appropriate.
- 1.2 That the Committee consider the medium-term financial plans of the General Fund and Housing Revenue Accounts and make any recommendations to Finance and Management Committee to support budget and policy development.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 To scrutinise the Council's budget proposals for 2021/22, together with the medium-term spending plans.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The detailed budget proposals were reported and considered by each of the Council's Policy Committees in January. In addition, the Finance and Management Committee will consider consolidated proposals and the updated Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) for the General Fund on 11 February 2021.
- 3.2 The Housing and Community Services Committee considered the proposed Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and its longer-term (10-year) Financial Plan on 28 January 2021 and agreed a rent increase for 2021/22.
- 3.3 Due to Covid-19, the process for setting the Council's Budget has changed compared to previous years. This was due to Finance and Management Committee not being able to consider consolidated proposals in January as financing and grant figures were not fully known at that time.
- 3.4 Overall, the Council will meet its statutory obligation to set a Budget and Council Tax before 9 March, with Full Council due to consider and approve final proposals on 24 February. Recommendations will be made by the Finance and Management Committee at its meeting on 11 February.

- 3.5 Therefore, this Committee are asked to review proposals and provide any feedback to Finance Committee. Links to the reports for Housing and Community Services Committee on 28 January 2021 and to Finance Committee on 11 February 2021 are provided below.

[Housing and Community Services](#)

[Finance and Management Committee](#)

- 3.6 The Council's Section 151 Officer will provide an overview of the proposals at the meeting.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 As detailed in the Budget reports.

5.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

- 5.1 None

Legal Implications

- 5.2 None

Corporate Plan Implications

- 5.3 The Council's Budget and spending plans provide the financial resources to enable delivery of the Corporate Plan.

Risk Impact

- 5.4 Financial risks and individual risk registers are detailed within budget reports. The proposed spending plans include provision to mitigate the financial and wider business risks identified.

6.0 Community Impact

Consultation

- 6.1 None

Equality and Diversity Impact

- 6.2 None

Social Value Impact

- 6.3 None

Environmental Sustainability

6.4 None

7.0 Background Papers

7.1 Budget working papers maintained on the Financial Management System