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| <b>Title</b>          | <b>Budget 2022/23, Capital Programme and Medium-Term Financial Forecast</b> |               |   |
| <b>Wards affected</b> | All   |               |   |

## 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 Scrutiny Panel is invited to consider the 26 January 2022 Cabinet reports and make recommendations to the Cabinet meeting.

## 2 Reason for Scrutiny

- 2.1 To review the 2022/23 Budget and Medium-Term Financial Forecast.
- 2.2 To comment or make recommendations to the 26 January 2022 Cabinet meeting.

## 3 Reason for Cabinet Report

- 3.1 To balance the 2022/23 budget and revise the Medium-Term Financial Forecast.

## 4 Alternative Options

- 4.1 The Council is obliged to balance its budget on an annual basis. There are no alternatives.

## **5 Overview**

- 5.1 See Cabinet Report attached.

## **6 MTFF Consultation**

- 6.1 The budget strategy and timetable have ensured that information is available for scrutiny and input from all Members.

## **7 Financial implications**

- 7.1 As set out in the Cabinet report.

## **8 Environmental and Climate Change Implications**

- 8.1 All budget measures are assessed for their likely environmental impact, reflecting the Council's commitment to be 'carbon neutral' by 2030. Environment and Climate Change is an essential cross-cutting theme in the Council's recovery planning and a core theme of the new Strategic Plan.

## **9 Equality and Diversity Implications**

- 9.1 Consideration will be given to equality and diversity issues in respect of budget changes proposed as part of the budget process. This will be done in line with agreed policies and procedures including production of Equality Impact Assessments where appropriate.

## **10 Other Standard References**

- 10.1 There are no direct Publicity, Human Rights, Community Safety or Health and Safety implications as a result of this report.