



SCRUTINY COMMISSION – 1 FEBRUARY 2012

JOINT REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2012/13 TO 2015/16

Introduction

1. The purpose of this report is to enable consideration to be given to the proposed Medium Term Financial Strategy 2012/13 to 2015/16.

Background

2. The Cabinet at its meeting on 17 January 2012 approved the Medium Term Financial Strategy which incorporated the revenue budget and Capital Programme as a basis for consultation with stakeholders, including scrutiny committees. A copy of the report considered by the Cabinet was circulated to all members of the County Council as an Information Item on 9 January 2012. **Members are requested to bring their copy of this report to the meeting.** Spares will be made available as necessary.

Overview and Scrutiny Committees

3. The Cabinet's proposals were circulated to all members of the County Council. In addition, reports setting out the detailed service budgets have been circulated to the following Panel and Overview and Scrutiny Committees covering their respective areas of responsibility for comment, as follows:
 - (a) Children and Young People's Service Overview and Scrutiny Committee
– Monday 23 January
 - (b) Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee –
Tuesday 24 January
 - (c) Budget and Performance Monitoring Scrutiny Panel
– Wednesday 25 January

4. A supplementary report setting out the views of the Panel and Overview and Scrutiny Committees will be circulated. The Cabinet will meet again on 10 February to consider the outcome of the Scrutiny process and any other comments received thereafter and decide on the recommendations it wishes to put forward to the County Council.

Recommendation

5. The Commission is asked to consider and comment on the proposed revenue budget and capital programme.

Background Papers

None.

Circulation under the Local Issues Alert Procedure

None.

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