

## **Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee**

### **Revenue Budget and Capital Programme Approval 2019/20**

#### **Background**

1. The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee met on 5th February 2019 and considered two reports:
  - Report of the Executive Director, Resources, on the Capital Programme 2019/20
  - Report of the Executive Director, Resources, on the Budget Report for 2019/20

#### **Outcome of Scrutiny**

2. At its meeting, Committee Members heard from the Cabinet Member for Finance and Council Officers. After discussion, resolved that the Committee:-
  - (a) notes the contents of the reports of the Executive Director, Resources, on the Capital Programme 2019/20 and the Budget Report 2019/20, together with the comments made and the responses provided to the questions raised;
  - (b) recommends that the reports of the Executive Director, Resources on the Capital Programme 2019/20 and the Budget Report for 2019/20, be submitted to Cabinet without amendment;
  - (c) notes with concern that due to continued cuts to local government budgets and rising demand for social care services, this year the budget can only be balanced by the planned use of reserves;
  - (d) thanks all officers involved for all their hard work in preparing the budget amidst widespread uncertainty about the future of local government funding;
  - (e) thanks officers and Cabinet Members for bringing the budget timetable forward to enable the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to consider the budget reports in advance of Cabinet;
  - (f) thanks the Council's front line staff who continue to go above and beyond in delivering services to the people of Sheffield in difficult circumstances;
  - (g) agrees to include regular monitoring reports on the implementation of the budget savings in its work programme for 2019/20.

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