

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair to welcome Members, officers and the public to the meeting and introduce Members and officers who are present.

2. Apologies

To receive any apologies.

3. Disclosures of Interest

Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, or personal interests (including other pecuniary interests), they may have in the business to be transacted, and officers to disclose any interests they may have in any contract to be considered.

4. Draft Council Budget 2021/22 and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2021/22 to 2024/25

The attached report (Item 4) (**Pages 5 to 48**) sets out the narrative on the draft 2021/22 budget proposals and covers both the immediate proposals for 2021/22 and for the Council's Medium-Term Financial Plan up to 2024/25. Additional information about the Council's finances are set out in a number of Annexes which are also included in this pack (Annexes A, B, C, I, L, M, N and O are included as a separate pack of A3 sized documents and are numbered separately).

These documents were prepared for a Delegated Decision taken by Councillor Middleton on 22 December 2020 in which the Cabinet noted and endorsed the draft budget proposals set out in the report and supporting Annexes, subject to the outcomes of the current public consultation which commenced on 18 December 2020 and confirmation of the Local Government Finance Settlement.

This is an opportunity for the Committee to scrutinise the proposals in the report and Annexes, discuss these with the relevant Cabinet Members and Senior Officers of the Council, satisfy itself as to their robustness and make recommendations to Cabinet at its meeting on 2 February 2021.

Members of the Committee are reminded that this set of papers covers all of the January Challenge meetings and should bring them with them to each session.

The timetable setting out which service area will be covered at each meeting is set out below:

Date	Portfolio	Officers	
		Pressures / One-off Pressures	Reductions & Income
6 January	Leader – Cllr Marland	S Bridglalsingh	M Bracey
	Community Safety – Cllr Townsend	S Young T Ricketts S Gonsalves S Proffitt M Kelleher	S Proffitt
12 January	Resources – Cllr Middleton	S Richardson	S Richardson S Bridglalsingh S Proffitt S Gonsalves
	Climate & Sustainability – Cllr Wilson-Marklew	S Proffitt P Thomas	S Proffitt P Thomas
14 January	Children & Families	M Heath	M Heath
	Capital Programme	A Rulton	
19 January	Public Realm and Housing Services – Cllr Darlington	S Proffitt M Kelleher S Young J Harrison W Rysdale	S Proffitt
	Health & Wellbeing – Cllr O’Neill	V Collins	V Collins
26 January	Review & Report Writing		

The Committee may need to consider excluding the public and press in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, should it wish to discuss specific proposals which would identify individual members of staff.