

Report to: Audit & Governance Committee Meeting

19 February 2025

Director or Business Manager Lead: Sanjiv Kohli – Deputy Chief Executive, Director of

Resources and S151 Officer

Lead Officer: Nick Wilson, Business Manager Financial Services, ext.

5317

Report Summary	
Report Title	Budget Reports 2025/26
Purpose of Report	To provide Members with the attached reports which have been approved at Cabinet on 18 February 2025:  General Fund Revenue Budget 2025/26 General Fund Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/26 – 2028/29 Capital Programme 2025/26 – 2028/29
Recommendations	That Members receive and note the reports that were presented to Cabinet on 18 February 2025
Reason for Recommendation	To ensure that the Audit and Governance Committee have reviewed the General Fund Revenue budget, Medium Term Financial Plan and Capital Programme, to ensure the financial sustainability of the Council

# 1.0 Background Information

- 1.1 The appendices attached are the budget setting reports (both Capital and Revenue) together with the Council's proposed Medium Term Financial Plan for the 2025/26 financial year.
- 1.2 Part C of the Council's Constitution sets out that the Audit and Governance Committee are delegated with the responsibility of scrutinising the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan, annual budget and in-year monitoring of these in the context of financial sustainability.

# 2.0 Proposals

2.1 That members of the committee scrutinise the reports in the context of the financial sustainability of the Council over the medium term.

# 3.0 **Implications**

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendation's officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection, Digital and Cyber Security, Equality and Diversity, Financial, Human Resources, Human Rights, Legal, Safeguarding and Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

### 3.1 Financial Implications

All financial implications are included within the individual reports.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None