



Report to: Audit & Accounts Committee: 4 March 2026
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| Report Summary | |
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| Report Title | Budget Reports 2026/27 |
| Purpose of Report | To provide Members with the attached reports which have been approved at Cabinet on 24 February 2026: General Fund Revenue Budget 2026/27 General Fund Medium Term Financial Plan 2026/27 – 2029/30 Capital Programme 2026/27 – 2029/30 |
| Recommendations | That Members receive and note the reports that were presented to Cabinet on 24 February 2026 |
| Reason for Recommendation | To ensure that the Audit and Accounts 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 2026/27 financial year.
- 1.2 Part C of the Council’s Constitution sets out that the Audit and Accounts 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.

| Implications Considered | | | |
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| Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable | | | |
| Financial | NA | Equality & Diversity | NA |
| Human Resources | NA | Human Rights | NA |
| Legal | NA | Data Protection | NA |
| Digital & Cyber Security | NA | Safeguarding | NA |
| Sustainability | NA | Crime & Disorder | NA |
| LGR | NA | Tenant Consultation | NA |

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