REPORT TO: Communities and Housing Scrutiny Committee

DATE: 15th January 2018

REPORT OF: Cabinet Member for Communities and Housing

REPORT TITLE: MTFP Cabinet Response: Our Budget Choices for 2019/20

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

- 1.1 The Cabinet has developed a four year medium term strategy based around five cross-cutting themes. These frame the choices the Council need to make about its budget both next year and in future years, the five themes are:
 - · Getting the most out of our spending;
 - Improving Customer Experience;
 - Making sure we have the right property in the right places;
 - Sharing services with other organisations;
 - An organisation fit for the future.
- 1.2 A suite of proposals have been developed by Cabinet which forms the first phase of this programme for 19/20. Scrutiny has since received a series of updates on the development of these proposals. This report forms the latest update and in line with the update provided to committees in November, particular includes consideration of proposals for 2019/20, prior to Cabinet decision-making in February.

2. PROGRAMME UPDATE

2.1 Given the cross-cutting nature of the programme, updates are provided to Scrutiny Committees on proposals that fall within this committee's remit. Those proposals are listed in table one below.

Table.1: Proposals related to this committee's remit.

Saving Proposal	Further Information
Proposal 4: Community Safety Services	Appendix 1
Proposal 7: Public Realm	Appendix 2

2.1 Throughout the development of these proposals consultation and engagement has been undertaken where appropriate. This has included member engagement through Scrutiny Committees. The Cabinet are seeking views from Scrutiny on these proposals ahead of Cabinet consideration at their meeting in February.

3. Next Steps and Recommendations

3.1. The Committee is invited to comment upon the proposals appended to this report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

There are none.

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