STOCKPORT COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET- SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Stockport Council Modern Slavery Statement 2024/25 - Review and Refresh

Report to Cabinet

Date: 5th November 2024

Report of: (a) Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources

Key Decision: (b) N

Forward Plan Y

General Exception Special Urgency

(Mark with a Y if applicable)

Summary:

This report briefly outlines the latest review of Stockport Council's Modern Slavery Statement (2023/24) and presents the refreshed iteration of the Statement (2025/25) for Cabinet's comment and approval.

Comments/Views of the Cabinet Member: (c)

This is the fourth Modern Slavery Statement annual review, the first statement being published in April 2019. Stockport MBC is ahead of the standard, as local authorities are yet to be required to publish such statements. Government however has signalled an intention to review that position, so such a requirement may apply to councils and other public bodies in future.

Recommendation(s) of Cabinet Member: (d)

I recommend this policy is approved; it is important not only for the council organisation but also for our dealings with suppliers and other bodies.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): *(e)* Corporate, Resource Management & Governance

Background Papers (if report for publication): (f)

Contact person for accessing background papers and discussing the report

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'Urgent Business': *(g) No*