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## **EARMARKING OF REVENUE BUDGET FROM 2015/16 INTO 2016/17**

**Report by the Chief Financial Officer**

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### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**19 January 2016**

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#### **1 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY**

- 1.1 **This report seeks approval from the Executive Committee to earmark available budget from 2015/16 into 2016/17 to support the 2016/17 – 2020/21 Financial Plan and Corporate Transformation Programme.**
- 1.2 The Council is currently preparing proposals to present the Financial Plan for 2016/17 – 2020/21. An opportunity has arisen within 2015/16 to both assist bridging the funding gap within the Financial Plan and support the ongoing Corporate Transformation programme by identifying surplus budget in 2015/16.
- 1.3 Approval is therefore sought to earmark a total of £1.446m into 2016/17 as per Appendix 1. This will allow appropriate adjustments to be made to the Financial Plan being presented to Council on 11 February 2016.

#### **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 **It is recommended that the Executive Committee approves the earmarking of budget from 2015/16 into 2016/17 to support the 2016/17 – 2020/21 Financial Plan and Corporate Transformation Programme as detailed in Appendix 1.**

### 3 PROPOSAL

- 3.1 As Members are aware the Council is currently preparing proposals to present the Financial Plan for 2016/17 – 2020/21. An opportunity has arisen within 2015/16 to both assist bridging the funding gap within the Financial Plan and support the ongoing Corporate Transformation programme by identifying surplus budget in 2015/16.
- 3.2 Approval is therefore sought to earmark a total of £1.472m into 2016/17 as per Appendix 1. This will allow appropriate adjustments to be made to the Financial Plan being presented to Council on 11 February 2016.

### 4 IMPLICATIONS

#### 4.1 Financial Recommendations

There are no additional financial implications other than those highlighted in the body of this report.

#### 4.2 Risk and Mitigations

Risks associated with this report are mitigated by the monthly monitoring processes giving assurance that the projected underspend position is robust.

#### 4.3 Equalities

It is anticipated there will be no adverse impact due to race, disability, gender, age, sexual orientation or religion/belief arising from the proposals contained in this report.

#### 4.4 Acting Sustainably

There are no significant effects on the economy, community or environment.

#### 4.5 Carbon Management

No effect on carbon emissions are anticipated from the recommendation of this report.

#### 4.6 Rural Proofing

It is anticipated there will be no adverse impact on the rural area from the proposals contained in this report.

#### 4.7 Changes to Scheme of Administration or Scheme of Delegation

No changes to either the Scheme of Administration or the Scheme of Delegation is required as a result of this report.

### 5 CONSULTATION

- 5.1 The Corporate Management Team, the Monitoring Officer, the Chief Legal Officer, the Chief Officer Audit & Risk, the Chief Officer HR and the Clerk to the Council have also been consulted and any comments have been reflected in the report.

#### Approved by

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**Chief Financial Officer**

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