Supplementary Cabinet Report: Delivering Our Council Plan 2021-25

This report sets out the key strategic decisions, policy and programme initiatives, consultations, government announcements and key events within each Cabinet portfolio area to deliver our strategic priorities.

Finance and Property - Jeremy Hunt

• The County Council has a sound budget which includes plans to manage the current **inflationary increase in costs** through use of the contingency budgets, the Council's Inflation Reserve and, if needed, drawing from the Budget Management Reserve. These financial measures mean that the Council is expecting no impact on delivery of its day-to-day services in the current financial year. The Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) is currently under review and of course inflation rates are being closely monitored. This is to ensure that 2023/24, as well as future years' budgets, reflect both inflation costs as well as mitigation plans where possible. The latest update of the Council's MTFS, including proposals for next year's budget, is now published and will be presented to the <u>Cabinet on 18 October 2022</u> and to the Member Development Session on 19 October 2022. It will subsequently be scrutinised by the Performance and Finance Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 28 November 2022.

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Background papers

None

