

GOVERNANCE, STRATEGY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY BOARD

Overview & Scrutiny Committee Agenda

Date Wednesday 28 January 2026

Time 6.00 pm

Venue J R Clynes Ground Floor Room 1 - The JR Clynes Building

Notes

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Membership of the GOVERNANCE, STRATEGY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY BOARD

Councillors Aslam, Azad, Chauhan, Cosgrove, Hughes, Ibrahim, Kenyon, Lancaster, Marland, McLaren (Chair) and Rustidge (Vice-Chair)

Item No

- 1 Apologies For Absence
- 2 Urgent Business

Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair
- 3 Declarations of Interest

To Receive Declarations of Interest in any Contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting.
- 4 Public Question Time

To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.
- 5 Minutes of Previous Governance, Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Board Meeting (Pages 5 - 10)

The Minutes of the Governance, Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Board held on 4th December 2025 are attached for approval.
- 6 Revenue Monitor and Capital Investment Programme 2025/26: Quarter 3 December 2025 (Pages 11 - 54)

The report provides Governance, Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Board with an update as at 31 December 2025 (Quarter 3) of the Council's 2025/26 forecast revenue budget position, the financial forecast of the Dedicated Schools Grant and the Housing Revenue Account (at Annex 1) alongside the financial position of the capital programme together with the revised capital programme 2025/26 to 2029/30 (at Annex 2).
- 7 Revenue Budget 2026/27 and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2027/28 to 2028/29 (Pages 55 - 342)

To provide the Governance, Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Board with the budget reduction requirement and the Administration's budget proposals for 2026/27 having regard to the Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement (PLGFS) published on 17 December 2025. The report also presents the financial forecasts for the remainder of the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) period 2028/27 to 2028/29 based on the Settlement information received from Central Government and provides an indicative narrative on the years 2029/30 and 2030/31 which are outside the PLGFS period.
- 8 Capital Strategy and Capital Programme 2026/27 to 2030/31 and Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy Statement (Pages 343 - 416)

To set out the Capital Strategy for 2026/27 to 2030/31 and thereby the proposed

2026/27 capital programme, including identified capital investment priorities, together with the indicative capital programme for 2027/28 to 2030/31, having regard to the resources available over the life of the programme.

9 Housing Revenue Account Estimates for 2026/27 to 2030/31 and Forecast Outturn for 2025/26 (Pages 417 - 434)

The report sets out for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA), the detailed budget estimates for 2026/27, the strategic estimates for the four years 2027/28 through to 2030/31 and outturn estimate for 2025/26. The report also sets out the recommended dwelling, non-dwelling rents and service and concierge charges to be applied from April 2026.

10 Work Programme (Pages 435 - 436)

To consider and note the Governance, Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Board's Work Programme for 2025/26

11 Key Decision Document (Pages 437 - 448)

12 Rule 13 and 14

To consider any rule 13 or 14 decisions taken since the previous meeting.