



CABINET

18th February 2026 at 5.00pm

Present: Councillor Jackson (in the Chair)
Councillors Dawkins, Cracknell, Harness, Hudson, Shepherd, Shreeve and S. Swinburn.

Officers in attendance:

- Carolina Borgstrom (Director Economy, Environment and Infrastructure)
- Katie Brown (Director of Adults Housing and Communities)
- Zoe Campell (Senior Scrutiny and Committee Advisor)
- Michelle Lalor (Head of Communications and Customer)
- Diane Lee (Director of Public Health)
- Guy Lonsdale (Interim Section 151 Officer)
- Ann-Marie Matson (Director of Children's Services)
- Eve Richardson-Smith (Head of Law and Assurance)
- Sharon Wroot (Interim Chief Executive)

Also in attendance:

There was one member of the press present and no public.

CB.88 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence received for this meeting.

CB.89 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interests made from Members regarding items on the agenda for this meeting.

CB.90 BUDGET AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2026/27 – 2028/29

The Council considered a report from the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets presenting the Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan 2026/27 – 2028/29 for consideration prior to Full Council .

RESOLVED –

That Cabinet recommended to full council, approval of:

- The 2026/27 Budget and summary 2026/27 – 2028/29 Medium Term Financial Plan ('MFTP') contained within Appendix 1 (Annex 4).
- An increase in Council Tax of 2.50% in 2026/27 and an increase in the Adult Social Care precept of 2% in 2026/27
- The business plans contained within Appendix 1 (Annex 1)
- The Capital Investment Strategy included within Appendix 1 (Annex 3)
- The 2026/27 - 2028/29 Capital Programme set out in Appendix 1 (Annex 2)
- The Flexible Use of Capital Receipts Policy included within Appendix 1 (Annex 7)

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 5.18 p.m.