

EDUCATION FOR LIFE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 13TH JANUARY 2015

SUBJECT: DRAFT SAVINGS PROPOSALS 2015/16

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES & SECTION 151 OFFICER

- 1.1 The attached report was considered by Cabinet on the 29th October 2014.
- 1.2 The report provides details of the Provisional 2015/16 Local Government Settlement along with an updated Medium Term Financial Plan for the period 2015/16 to 2017/18. The report also presents details of proposed savings for 2015/16 totalling £12.208m and a proposal to increase Council Tax for 2015/16 by 3.9%.
- 1.3 Following consideration of the report Cabinet:-
 - 1.3.1 Endorsed the proposed package of 2015/16 savings totalling £12.208m, as detailed in Appendices 2 to 6 of the report.
 - 1.3.2 Agreed that the savings proposals should be subject to a further period of consultation prior to final 2015/16 budget proposals being presented to Cabinet in January 2015 and to Council in February 2015.
 - 1.3.3 Supported the proposal to increase Council Tax by 3.9% for the 2015/16 financial year to ensure that a balanced budget is achieved.
- 1.4 As part of the ongoing consultation on the savings proposals, the Education for Life Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider and comment upon the proposals in Appendix 4 of the attached report.
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Appendices:-

Appendix 1 – Report and Appendices to Cabinet 29th October 2014