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To: Scrutiny Committee, 4 December 2024

Subject: Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report September 2024-25

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Summary: As requested by the Scrutiny Committee at the meeting on 5 November, the Committee is asked to discuss and comment on or note the Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report September 2024-25.

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## 1. Introduction

- a) The attached report was presented to Cabinet on 28 November 2024 and sets out the revenue and capital monitoring position at September 2024-25 (Quarter 2). The Cabinet was also asked to agree to a number of actions as set out in the recommendations within the report. This report set out a forecasted overspend of £26.8million.
- b) The Scrutiny Committee received the Quarter 1 report (to June 2024-25) at their meeting in November 2024 and questioned all Cabinet Members on the results of the first quarter report and agreed to discuss the Quarter 2 report at the earliest opportunity.
- c) The Quarter 2 report shows that the forecast outturn position has increased by £10.5million. As the report to Cabinet states this is a concern for the authority and presents a serious risk to the Council's future financial sustainability.
- d) The Chairman has asked that all Cabinet Members attend the Scrutiny meeting on 4 December to discuss the budget monitoring report and the mitigations being put in place in response to the forecast overspend.

## 2. Attached documents

- a) [Cabinet Covering Report](#)
- b) [Finance Monitoring Report](#)

## 3. Recommendation

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to discuss and comment on or note the report.

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