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To: Scrutiny Committee, 18 March 2025

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

Summary: As requested by the Chairman and Spokespeople of the Scrutiny Committee the Committee is asked to discuss and comment on or note the Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report November 2024-25.

1. Introduction

- a) The attached report was presented to Cabinet on 30 January 2025 and sets out the revenue and capital monitoring position at November 2024-25 (Quarter 3). The Cabinet was also asked to agree to a number of actions as set out in the recommendations within the report. This report sets out a forecast revenue overspend of £23.3million which is 1.6% of the Council's total revenue budget.
- b) As the Cabinet report sets out the forecast outturn position has decreased by £3.5m and is an improvement since Quarter 2 but it remains a significant concern for the authority and presents a risk to the Council's future financial sustainability
- c) Adult Social Care and Health (ASCH) continues to have the largest overspend, projected at £35.4million. The financial challenges faced by ASCH are similar to those faced by many upper-tier authorities.
- d) Financial Scrutiny is a continuing duty throughout the year, in addition to the key role of the committee in considering the Executive's draft budget proposals in January.

2. Attached documents

- a) [Cabinet Covering Report](#)
- b) [Finance Monitoring Report](#)
- c) [Appendix 1 – Key Service Statement](#)

3. Recommendation

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

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