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To: Scrutiny Committee, 10 July 2024  
Subject: Revenue and Capital Budget Outturn Report 2023-24

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Summary: As requested by the Chairman and Spokespeople of the Scrutiny Committee the Committee is asked to discuss and note the Revenue and Budget Outturn Report 2023-24.

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## 1. Introduction

- a) The attached report was presented to Cabinet on 20 June 2024 and sets out the revenue and capital budget monitoring outturn position for 2023-24. The Cabinet was also asked to agree to a number of actions as set out in the recommendations within the report.
- b) The Chairman and Spokespeople considered that Scrutiny had a key role to play when considering the Executive's draft budget proposals in January but that financial scrutiny was a continuing duty throughout the year.
- c) Scrutiny Committee has a role in financial monitoring and can add value by reviewing how resources are prioritised and allocated, reviewing the integration between financial and service planning, testing out whether the council is directing its resources effectively and providing, through scrutiny in a public forum, challenge to the executive's management of the council's finances.
- d) The Scrutiny Committee will follow the budget reporting cycle of the Cabinet and receive finance reports twice a year in addition to the draft budget proposals in January.

## 2. Attached documents

- a) [Cabinet Covering Report](#)
- b) [Revenue and Capital Budget Outturn 2023 - 24](#)

## 3. Recommendation

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

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