Executive Report 13 July 2016

Councillor Paul Bettison Leader of the Council



Revenue Budget: Further Savings

- Local Government Finance Settlement introduced unexpectedly large reductions in Government support
- Budget set based upon
 - £4.5m savings
 - £5.161m reserves



Revenue Budget: Further Savings cont/.....

- Use of reserves unsustainable so further savings agreed for consultation
- Meetings on 10 May and 14 June have considered additional savings totalling £1.9m
- Consultation resulted in 252 on-line responses and 44 letters/emails
- Savings recommended to Council
 - Annexes A D



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Planning & Transport

- 2016/17 Integrated Transport Capital programme agreed
 - Supports delivery of Local Transport Plan
 - Include £5.8m of highway work to facilitate town centre regeneration
- Comprehensive Local Plan (CLP) Issues & Options consultation
 - CLP sets planning framework, including housing sites for period 2036
 - Early engagement with community at strategic level –
 'what sort of Borough do we want?'
 - Site allocation not included at this stage

Planning & Transport cont/.....

- Overview & Scrutiny Review of Planning
 - Working group undertaken thorough review of Department and processes
 - Very positive findings
 - Executive accepted vast majority of recommendations



Children, Young People & Learning

Emotional Health & Wellbeing Strategy 2016 – 19 plus action plan agreed

Phase 2 of Family Focus agreed

 Expanded programme by Government invitation as 'early starter' due to success of Phase 1

NEET strategies endorsed



Children, Young People & Learning cont/.....

Community Learning Inspection

- Outcome of Ofsted inspection noted [requires improvement]
- Action plan agreed based on structural changes.
 Introduce immediately pre-inspection



Leisure Services

Contract for Coral Reef refurbishment and new flume improvements agreed

Work underway for summer 2017 reopening







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