EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD CABINET

28 SEPTEMBER 2016

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: P.A.Rees, M.L.James, P.D.Richards, J.Rogers and

A.J.Taylor

Officers in Attendance:

S.Phillips, H.Jenkins, A.Evans, N. Jarman, G.Nutt, Ms.C.Furlow and Mrs.A.Manchipp

1. BUDGET SETTING: THE EXTERNAL CONTEXT AND ALIGNMENT WITH THE CORPORATE PLAN

Decision:

That the report be noted and referred to Council for consideration.

Reason for Decision:

This report is context for – and an adjunct to – the Report of the Director of Finance and Corporate Services on the Budget for 2017/18 and is to assist Members in their deliberations as no set of proposals can be divorced from the Council's priorities (i.e. the Corporate Plan) or the external environment. The budget must balance under the law; but it cannot be a purely arithmetical exercise.

Implementation Of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

2. DRAFT 2017/18 BUDGET FOR CONSULTATION

Decision:

That the Chief Executive be authorised to consult the public on the savings and additional income proposals as set out at Appendix 1 to the circulated report.

Reason for Decision:

To commence the budget savings consultation for 2017/18.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is proposed for implementation immediately after consultation with the Cabinet Scrutiny Committee.

Consultation:

The report to Cabinet of the 13 July 2016 commenced early consultation in relation to budget matters. Today will commence the formal consultation with the public on the draft budget proposals for savings/income generation.

3. REVIEW OF THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR COMPACT

Decision:

That the draft Voluntary Sector Compact, as contained in Appendix 1 to the circulated report, be commended to Council for endorsement on 12th October 2016.

Reason for Decision:

To enable the further development of the many years of partnership working in the county borough in pursuit of the shared interest between the Council and the Voluntary and Community Sector to build strong communities where everyone has an equal chance to lead a fulfilled life.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period.

Consultation:

This item has been subject to consultation.

4. **URGENT ITEM**

Because of the need to deal now with the matter contained in Minute No. 5 below, the Chairman agreed that this could be raised at today's meeting as an urgent item pursuant to Statutory Instrument 2001 No.2290 (as amended).

Reason:

Due to the time element.

5. SECTION 85(1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Decision:

That, in view of the absence at the present time of Councillor David Lewis from Council business, due to illness, his absence be approved, pursuant to Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, until further notice.

Reason for Decision:

To approve Cllr. Lewis's leave of absence.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is for immediate implementation. The Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee had agreed to this course of action. There would therefore be no call in of this decision.

CHAIRMAN