



**Resources and Public Realm
Scrutiny Committee**
24 January 2024

**Report from Head of Strategy &
Partnerships**

Scrutiny Task Group Findings

Wards Affected:	All
Key or Non-Key Decision:	Not Applicable
Open or Part/Fully Exempt: (If exempt, please highlight relevant paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of 1972 Local Government Act)	Open
List of Appendices:	One Appendix 1 – Budget Scrutiny Task Group Findings report
Background Papers:	None
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1.0 Executive Summary

- 1.1 To present the Budget Scrutiny Task Group Findings report for adoption by the Committee (please see Appendix 1).

2.0 Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 That the Budget Scrutiny Task Group Findings report is agreed and submitted to Cabinet and Full Council as part of the budget setting process.

3.0 Detail

3.1 Contribution to Borough Plan Priorities & Strategic Context

- 3.1.1 Borough Plan 2023-2027 – all strategic priorities

3.2 Background

3.2.1 The Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee established a Budget Scrutiny Task Group on 6 September 2023 to consider the Council's draft budget proposals for 2024/25 and 2025/26.

3.2.2 The Task Group has now concluded and agreed 11 recommendations for adoption by the Committee, and for referral to Cabinet for consideration at its meeting on 5 February 2024. These can be found on page 2 of Appendix 1.

4.0 Stakeholder and ward member consultation and engagement

4.1 Local stakeholders, community groups, and backbench councillors were consulted as part of the Budget Scrutiny Task Group Review (please refer to pages 15-19 of Appendix 1).

5.0 Financial Considerations

5.1 There are no financial implications for the purposes of this report.

6.0 Legal Considerations

6.1 There are no legal implications for the purposes of this report.

7.0 Equality, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI) Considerations

7.1 There are no Equality, Diversity & Inclusion considerations for the purposes of this report.

8.0 Climate Change and Environmental Considerations

8.1 There are no climate change and environmental considerations for the purposes of this report.

9.0 Communication Considerations

9.1 There are no communication considerations for the purposes of this report.

Report sign off:

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