

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL BY CITY MAYOR OR INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER

1.	Decision title	General Fund Revenue Budget 2023/24 – Recommendation to Council
2.	Declarations of interest	None
3.	Date of recommendation	21 February 2023
4.	Decision maker	City Mayor
5.	Decision taken	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To thank scrutiny committees who have considered our draft budget and to thank the Overview Select Committee for endorsing the budget; 2. To note the equality assessment of the proposed tax rise and (in the light of the findings and having regard to the implications) to recommend the budget and tax rise to the Council as proposed in the report; 3. Further to recommendation (2) above to recommend that, should Council amend the proposals for district heating charges in the HRA budget report (elsewhere on Council's agenda), the consequent cost increase or saving to the General Fund will be met from or added to the contingency (as the case may be); 4. To ask the Director of Finance to prepare the formal budget resolution for 2023/24, referred to in Section 3 of the Council report.
6.	Reason for decision	<p>The revenue budget forms part of the budget and policy framework. Its approval is the responsibility of the full Council. The City Mayor is responsible for the preparation of a proposal for Council consideration.</p> <p>A draft budget was published, and a formal decision to that effect was made by the City Mayor on 13th December. The budget was considered by a number of scrutiny commissions, followed by Overview Select Committee on 9th February. Minutes of the commissions and Overview Select Committee will be circulated to Council members in advance of the budget meeting.</p>

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7.	<p>A) KEY DECISION Yes/No?</p> <p>b) If yes, was it published 5 clear days in advance? Yes/no</p>	No
8.	<p>Options considered</p>	Not applicable
9.	<p>Deadline for call-in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 members of a scrutiny commission or any 5 councillors can ask for the decision to be called-in. • Notification of call-in with reasons must be made to the monitoring officer 	Not applicable. – this is a recommendation to the Council under Rule 1.3 of the budget and policy framework procedure rules and the provisions of the Call-in procedure do not, therefore, apply.
10.	<p>Signature of decision maker (City Mayor or where delegated by the City Mayor, name of executive member)</p>	