DECISIONS RESERVED TO COUNCIL

3.1 GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2015/16 TO 2016/17

The proposed budget is detailed in the attached report, subject to any further amendments to be recommended following consultation on the draft proposals. The formal recommendations to Council will be presented to Council at its meeting on 25 February.

A copy of the report is attached. Also attached is the minute of the meeting of the Overview Select Committee held on 15 January 2015, along with the relevant minute extracts from Scrutiny Commissions which considered the proposals.

Trade Union responses to the budget are also attached.

Council is recommended to approve the recommendations in the report of the Director of Finance subject to any amendments recommended by the City Mayor.

3.2 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET (INCLUDING CAPITAL PROGRAMME) 2015/16

A copy of the report is attached.

The Council is recommended to:

- (i) To approve the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget for 2015/16 as given in Appendix A to the report, including the efficiency savings and growth items detailed in section 3.
- (ii) To agree a rent increase of 2.2% and a service charge increase of 2.2% excluding heating charges and communal cleaning charges.
- (iii) The City Mayor is delegated to agree heating charges and communal cleaning charges later in 2015.
- (iv) The charge for right to buy pre-sale questionnaires is increased to $\pounds 125$.

Sir Peter Soulsby City Mayor