

RECORD OF DECISION BY CITY MAYOR OR INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER

1.	DECISION TITLE	Recommendation of General Fund Revenue Budget 2018/19.
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	None.
3.	DATE OF DECISION	20 February 2018.
4.	DECISION MAKER	City Mayor
5.	DECISION TAKEN	<p>1) To thank partners and scrutiny committees who have commented on our draft budget.</p> <p>2) In response to comments made:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a) I am grateful for the recognition by scrutiny committees and other consultees of the severe consequences of Government funding cuts;</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b) I share the concerns of scrutiny committees and others about the inadequacy of funding for social care. It is imperative that the Government concludes its promised review of adult care urgently and provides certainty for 2019/20 and beyond on a long term sustainable funding basis. I therefore warmly endorse the proposal of the Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission to write, jointly with the Assistant Mayor, to the Secretary of State making these points. I also support the Commission's proposal to set out the implications of the STP for adult care funding, when the time comes for us to respond to the NHS;</p>



		<p>c) I note some suggestions that budgets of other services should be reviewed, with the purpose of supporting adults' and children's services. Whilst I aim to ensure that the next round of spending reviews are holistic in nature, and proposals reflect the impact on all client groups, I do not think it is practical to give protection to any one part of the budget over another. The distinction between statutory and non-statutory services is not clear cut and there are many statutory services outside these two departments. We are, in practice, using reserves to support all our budgets. Members will note that the budget includes £3.8m per year for education funding reform to mitigate the impact of Government funding cuts.</p> <p>3) 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.</p> <p>4) To reassure members that the review of discretionary policies identified in the mitigating actions section of the report will be subject to a thorough review and formal decision process.</p> <p>5) To ask the Director of Finance to prepare the formal budget resolution for 2018/19, referred to in section 3 of the Council report.</p>
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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 on 12th December, and a formal decision to that effect was made by the City Mayor. The budget was considered by a number of scrutiny commissions, whose comments were considered by Overview Select Committee on 1st February. Minutes of the commissions and Overview Select Committee have been circulated to Council members with the budget report.</p>
7.	<p>a) KEY DECISION – Y/N? b) If yes, was it published 5 clear days in advance? Y/N</p>	a) No.
8.	OPTIONS CONSIDERED	N/A.
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.
10.	<p>SIGNATURE OF DECISION MAKER (City Mayor or where delegated by the City Mayor, name of Executive Member).</p>	

