

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2016 AT 10.00AM

Agenda Item No

1(B)

SCRUTINY OF THE INTEGRATED PLAN PROPOSALS 2016/17 – 2019-20: DRAFT REPORT TO CABINET

Report of the Head of Scrutiny

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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To enable Members to consider the evidence gathered during the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's 'scrutiny café' held (on 27 January 2016) as part of its scrutiny of the draft Integrated Plan (IP) proposals 2016/17 – 2019/20, including consideration of options identified by the Executive for meeting the unfunded savings gap for 2016/17.
- 1.2 To enable the Committee to consider its suggestions to Cabinet.

2. Summary

- 2.1 At its meeting on 11 December 2015, prior to its formal scrutiny, the Committee received a briefing from the Assistant Director of Finance, Resources & Performance who provided Members with an authority-wide overview of resources, pressures and key issues for the Council for 2016/17 - 2019/20. The Committee met again on 27 January 2016 to gather its evidence via a 'scrutiny café'. The outcome of that process will be considered when the Committee reconvenes on 3 February 2016; as a result of its discussions, Members will be asked to consider and agree their suggestions to Cabinet. A draft report to Cabinet based on the notes made at the 'scrutiny café' is attached as an Appendix to this report for Members' consideration.
- 2.2 The Committee's suggestions will be considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 22 February 2015; the recommendations arising from that meeting of Cabinet will be considered by full Council on 23 February 2016 when it will agree its Integrated Plan for the period 2016/17 – 2019/20.
- 2.3 Any proposals for future scrutinies will be considered by the Committee at its meeting on 20 April 2016. Service departments will be given 2 months to respond to Member requests for information made during the evidence gathering process and will be provided at the meeting on 20 April 2016.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 The Committee is invited to consider its suggestions to Cabinet on the draft Integrated Plan proposals for 2016/17 - 2019/20, including consideration of options identified by the Executive for meeting the unfunded savings gap for 2016/17.

4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Background Information

Overview and Scrutiny Committee reports and Minutes, October and December 2015