Council Meeting on 26th February 2024

Amendment to Item 4 and Item 5 – 2024/25 Council Tax and Capital Strategy 2024/25 to 2027/289 and Q3 Capital programme Monitoring

Proposed: Cllr Jeal

Seconded: Cllr Adams

After allowing for the report from the Director of Finance the following amendments are proposed to the recommendations of the Executive set out in the Blue Book on pages 27-134.

The following changes be made to the recommended budget for 2024/25:

Additional recommendations:

1. Council be recommended to:

(k) Approve the proposed changes to the revenue budget as detailed in Appendix 1

Subject to the approval of (k) above:

- (I) Approve the following changes to the Capital Programme (agenda item 5):
 - i) The addition of £3,150k for a Children's Home, funded from the Invest to Save earmarked reserve;
 - ii) The addition of £3,150k for a care home for Adults, funded from the Invest to Save earmarked reserve;
 - iii) The addition of £123.2m for a social housing scheme on the current Civic Centre site, funded by GLA Grant (£54m), external borrowing from the Public Works Loan Board (£58m) and the Invest to Save earmarked reserve (£11.2m);
 - iv) To not proceed with the planned disposal of the Civic Centre site;
 - v) The disposal of former 'Top Shop' building;
 - vi) The drawdown of £8m from the Growth Fund earmarked reserve to cover the net impact on capital financing arising from the change in capital receipts in iv) and v) above;
 - (m) The detailed proposals relating to the changes in (l) will be reported back to Executive prior to final release of capital resources identified above.

Amended recommendations:

4. Council is recommended to formally resolve as follows:

- (3) That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2024/25 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the Act):
 - (a) £663,215k being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act.
 - (b) £463,199k being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates or the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.