

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – RESOURCES** held at County Hall, Matlock on 20 September 2018.

**PRESENT**

Councillor T A Kemp (in the Chair)

Councillors B Bingham, J Boulton, L Grooby (substitute member), C Moesby, Mrs J Twigg, M Wall, Ms A Western and G Wharmby

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A Stevenson.

**19/18**      **MINUTES**      **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee – Resources held on 19 July 2018 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**20/18**      **FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN** The Director of Finance and ICT provided Members with a presentation on the Five Year Financial Plan (FYFP) for the period 2018-19 to 2022-23, as part of the process towards production of the 2019-20 budget.

The Committee noted that the FYFP had been publically issued with the agenda items for the Cabinet meeting later on 20 September 2018 and may change following Cabinet approval. It was an updated version of the Plan included in the Revenue Budget Report 2018-19 to Council approved in February 2018.

The Five Year Financial Plan (the Plan) was a medium term financial plan which set out the overall shape of the Council's budget by establishing what resources were available for allocation to reflect Council and community priorities. The Council Plan set out service and organisational priorities. This was reflected in the development of the Plan.

The Plan had been updated to reflect the outcomes from the Local Government Finance Settlement 2018-19, recent Budgets and Autumn Statements. The Plan had also been updated to reflect forecast income as a result of the Council's participation in one of ten successful 100% business rates retention pilots for 2018-19. The additional one-off funding would be utilised to support economic growth and regeneration in the county, whilst also providing financial support to vital services.

The Plan showed that a total of £70m of budget savings were required over the period 2018-19 to 2022-23. It also reflected the fact that the Council was part of the Government's multi-year funding offer, which provided some funding certainty until 2019-20. A balanced budget was projected for 2022-23

with no savings required in that year. However, this was predicated on additional Better Care Funding being available beyond 2019-20.

The Plan was attached at Appendix One to the report of the Director of Finance & ICT's report. It would next be updated and incorporated in the Revenue Budget 2019-20 Cabinet Report in January 2019.

Members were given the opportunity to make comments and observations and ask questions, which were duly noted or answered by the Director of Finance and ICT.

**RESOLVED** (1) to note the presentation and report on the Five Year Financial Plan for the period 2018-19 to 2022-23, as part of the process towards production of the 2019-20 budget; and

(2) that members have an opportunity to feedback any further thoughts the Committee may have at their December meeting.

**21/18**      **SURPLUS-SITES** Members were provided with an update following the One Public Estate (OPE) Improvement and Scrutiny Review. The Committee had at a previous meeting specifically requested notification of all surplus sites that were to be sold by Corporate Property.

Attached to the report was a website link to the department's Property for Sale, which detailed what the department were currently marketing and had recently sold/had under offer.

Members made comments and asked questions, with regards to a number of the sites listed, which were duly noted and would be referred to the appropriate officers to provide a response to the committee.

**RESOLVED** to note the update.

**22/18**      **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC** **RESOLVED** to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of exempt or confidential information

### **SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING**

1. Derbyshire Developments Limited (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information))