

## Appendix 2 – Budget Monitoring – Month 4

Considered by Scrutiny & Overview Committee on 7 September 2022

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1.	The Committee would request that a meeting is arranged with the Improvement and Assurance Panel, as part of the Budget Scrutiny process, to allow the Panel to share its insight on the Council's budget.	Councillor Jason Cummings, Cabinet Member for Finance	Accept	Jane West, Corporate Director of Resources & S151	None	By invitation by the Committee	By invitation
2.	The Committee requests that future Cabinet Budget Monitoring reports include: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. An explanation of potential changes to the Council's reserves</li> <li>b. The use of a dashboard in the Executive Summary to provide an easily digestible overview of the budget position.</li> <li>c. The estimated financial value when outline risks and other issues in the budget (see para 2.12 in Month 4 report for example).</li> <li>d. When income projections are included, actual income figures from previous years should be included for comparison.</li> <li>b) e) In light of being told it will possibly take 'two years' to get the Council's financial</li> </ul>	Councillor Jason Cummings, Cabinet Member for Finance	Accepted	Jane West, Corporate Director of Resources & S151	None	Fully implemented for 2023/24 Financial Performance Reports	June 2023

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	reporting systems up to standard, the Committee feels it would be beneficial to monitor how this is progressing through the inclusion of milestone targets that can be tracked.						