GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE – 13 JANUARY 2017

MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN AND ANNUAL BUDGET 2017/18

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To consider the development of the draft Medium Term Financial Plan and the Annual Budget for 2017/18 and, in particular to comment back to the Cabinet with any proposals on the base budget shown in Appendix 1.

2. DETAIL

- 2.1 The Cabinet on 5 October 2016 and 4 January 2017 considered the Medium Term Financial Plan and the Draft Annual Budget process for 2017/18.
- 2.2 The base budgets for the service areas falling under the responsibility of this Committee are set out in Appendix 1. The Committee is asked to consider these and in particular, to comment to the Cabinet on any budget matters affecting this Committee.
- 2.3 Overall the net budget requirement has increased by £93k. This is principally due to the removal of £46k in cyclical income following the introduction of the 5 year Private Hire Operator licence arrangements in 2016/17, pay and price cost increases of £23k and increased corporate allocations of £22k. The changes outlined are included in the breakdown of the figures within Appendix 1.
- 2.4 Further changes to the base budgets are due to minor movements in allocations based on a reassessment of employee time spent dealing with specific service areas.
- 2.5 There are potentially further changes to come as the final budget will not be approved until Council meet at the end of February.

3. CRIME AND DISORDER / EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY / ENVIROMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Nothing arises directly from this report.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The financial implications are contained within the body of the report.

5. **RECOMMENDATION**

5.1 That the Committee considers the 2017/18 base budget for the service areas within the terms of reference for this Committee, as set out in Appendix 1 to this report, and submits any comments to the Cabinet.

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Background Papers: Published documents