

MINUTES

FINANCE AND RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

5 FEBRUARY 2025

Present

Members:

Councillor Freedman (Chair)	Councillor Patterson
Councillor Elliot (Vice-Chair)	Councillor Pound
Councillor Adeleke	Councillor Stevens
Councillor Deacon	Councillor Santamaria
Councillor Gale	Councillor A Williams
Councillor Guest	

Councillor Douris
Councillor Allen – Portfolio Holder, Corporate and Commercial
Councillor Bromham – Portfolio Holder, Neighbourhood Operations

Officers:

Catherine Silva Donayre (Strategic Director, Corporate & Commercial)
Nigel Howcutt (Chief Finance Officer)
Clare Dempsey (Head of Financial Services)
Trudi Angel (Democratic Support Officer)

The meeting started at 7:31 pm.

1 MINUTES

The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed by the members present and then signed by the Chair.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Capozzi Reynolds, Silwal and Weston.

Councillor Patterson substituted for Councillor Reynolds.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

5 CONSIDERATION OF ANY MATTER REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE IN RELATION TO CALL-IN

None.

6 ACTION POINTS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

There were no action points from the previous meeting.

7 WORK PROGRAMME

There were no amendments to the work programme.

8 BUDGET 2025/26

N Howcutt presented the proposed Budget for 2025-2026 to the committee.

Outcome

The report was noted.

Actions

N Howcutt to provide a breakdown on rights of way spend as requested by Cllr Patterson.

N Howcutt to check Cabinet decision and advise why the Tree Management Strategy would be funded from the Economic Development Reserve.

The Meeting ended at 8.14 pm