
MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN BUDGET SAVINGS PROPOSALS

Introduction

1. To advise Members of the decision of Cabinet in relation to a number of budget savings proposals from areas which fall within the remit of this Scrutiny Committee.

Background Information

2. Cabinet, at its meeting held on 9th April, 2013, considered a report of the Chief Officers Executive and agreed to a number of budget savings proposals which will deliver £2,252 million in 2013/14 and £3.337 million of savings, following full implementation.
3. This report was subsequently considered at a meeting of the Efficiency and Resources Scrutiny Committee following a request by its Members to scrutinise the potential risks and impacts associated with each of the savings proposals to ensure that Members fulfilled their corporate governance role and it agreed that the views of the Monitoring and Co-ordination Group should be sought on whether the proposals should be scrutinised by the relevant Scrutiny Committees.
4. The Monitoring and Co-ordination Group considered this at a special meeting held on 29th April, 2013, and agreed that the report should be referred to Scrutiny Committees and that they should consider whether they wished to undertake any further work in relation to those proposals which fell within their individual remits.
5. The Cabinet report, together with the appendices which are relevant to this Scrutiny Committee are attached (**Appendix 1**) and, in considering whether to undertake any further work, Members need to be aware that the decision of Cabinet has been implemented and it is referred to Scrutiny for them to determine whether it wishes to undertake any further work at an early stage to identify any potential risks and impacts or, alternatively, defer consideration, to enable the full impact of the proposals to be assessed

Recommendations

6. Members' views are sought.

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Background Papers

There were no background papers used in the preparation of this report other than those referred to

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S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for Crime and Disorder
Health and Well Being	This report has no direct implications to the Health and Well Being of residents of Darlington.
Carbon Impact	There are no issues which this report needs to address.
Diversity	There are no issues relating to diversity which this report needs to address
Wards Affected	The impact of the report on any individual Ward is considered to be minimal.
Groups Affected	The impact of the report on any individual Group is considered to be minimal.
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	This is not a key decision.
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	The report contributes to the Sustainable Community Strategy in a number of ways through the involvement of Members in contributing to the delivery of the five themes.
Efficiency	The Work Programmes are integral to scrutinising and monitoring services efficiently (and effectively), however this report does not identify specific efficiency savings.