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**OVERVIEW OF EFFICIENCY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

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1. Since the last meeting of the Council, the following are the main areas of work the Efficiency and Resources Scrutiny Committee has undertaken.

**Medium Term Financial Plan**

2. At two special meetings and our ordinary meeting we have looked, in detail, at the proposals contained in phase 2 of the next round of spending reductions as detailed within the Medium Term Financial Plan 2016/17 – 2019/20 which are specifically under the remit of our Scrutiny Committee. In considering the proposals, we also considered the impact assessments in relation to the proposed reductions in the core offer and those specific areas which it was proposed to include in the Futures Fund.
3. In addition, we have also had three meetings of a Task and Finish group which we established to look at Senior Management structures within the Authority, including the third tier structure. The purpose of this review was to look at the current structure to make sure it was fit for purpose, up-to-date and represented value for money. We also took the opportunity to look at the Political Management arrangements to see if there was any scope to reduce numbers so that the political management structure reflected the revised management structure at Director/Assistant Director level.
4. All Scrutiny Committees have looked at the proposals within their remits and the findings will be reported to a meeting of our Scrutiny Committee to be held on the 26 May 2016, and we will formulate an overall response to Cabinet as part of the consultation exercise.

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