

	<p>2. APPROVES THE FEES AND CHARGES AS SET OUT IN APPENDIX 3 OF THE COUNCIL REPORT.</p> <p>3. DELEGATES AUTHORITY TO THE SECTION 151 OFFICER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CORPORATE PORTFOLIO HOLDER TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL REPORT PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION AT COUNCIL ON 22 FEBRUARY 2024.</p>
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1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget and Rents for 2024/25 are due to be approved by Council on the 22 February 2024.
- 1.2 Cabinet is requested to review the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget and Rent Setting 2024/25 Council Report (Appendix A) and recommend it to Council for approval.
- 1.3 Cabinet are requested to approve the Fees and Charges for 2024/25 as set out in Appendix 3 of the Council report.
- 1.4 Delegation is also sought to enable the Section 151 Officer, in conjunction with the Corporate Portfolio Holder, to make amendments to the Council report prior to consideration at Council on 22 February 2024.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate	
Council Priorities:	The budget provides funding for the Council to deliver against the priorities for the HRA.
Policy Considerations:	None
Safeguarding:	None
Equalities/Diversity:	There have been equality impact assessments conducted by services on relevant proposals during this period.
Customer Impact:	Customers are likely to be impacted by the changes to rents, Fees and charges.
Economic and Social Impact:	The HRA capital programme allocates £41.6m over five years to improve homes and in the same period, £17.7m on new homes to give home to more people.
Environment, Climate Change and Zero Carbon:	The budget includes a capital programme of Zero Carbon works to dwellings worth £12.5m.
Consultation/Community/Tenant Engagement:	<p>Draft Budget: Corporate Scrutiny Committee – 04/01/24 Cabinet – 09/01/24 Public consultation between 10 January and 23 January 2024 Parish and town councils, trade unions and the Federation of small business between 10 January and 23 January 2024</p>

Risks:	The budgets will be monitored throughout the year to ensure the Council remains within its funding envelope and planned budget savings are delivered. Key risks to the budget are discussed In further detail in section 6 of the Appendix A report.
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