CABINET/COMMISSIONERS' DECISION MAKING MEETING

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2016

NOTICE OF DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet/Commissioners' Decision Making meeting held on Tuesday, 23 February 2016.

1. REVENUE BUDGET SETTING REPORT 2016/17

Recommended:- That the Council be asked to:-

- Approve as set out in this report the proposals for a balanced revenue budget for 2016/17 and the impact of the budget proposals in 2017/18 and 2018/19.
- Approve the investment proposals as set out in the budget report (Appendix 2) noting that some of this investment is required to address inherent budget pressures and some is required to provide scope for growth and improvement.
- Approve the proposed use of Reserves as set out in this report.
- Note and accept the comments and advice of the interim Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services (Section 151 Officer), provided in compliance with Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003, as to the robustness of the estimates included in the Budget and the adequacy of reserves for which the Budget provides.
- Note the consultation feedback from the public and partners following publication of Directorate budget savings proposals on the Council's website for public comment through to 12th February 2016 (Section 5 of this report and Appendix 3).
- Approve the proposed use of Capital Receipts to fund the first £2m of severance costs arising from service reconfiguration to deliver efficiencies and improved outcomes for clients and residents. See Efficiency Strategy (Appendix 4).
- Note the planned review of Habershon House Outdoor Education Centre which will report back to Cabinet in June 2016 (Paragraph 3.27).
- Approve:-
 - O An increase in the basic amount of Council Tax (i.e. the

Borough's element excluding precepts) of 3.95% - this being comprised of a 2% precept for Adult Social Care services (a new precept announced in the provisional settlement in December 2015 for Authorities with Adult Social Care responsibilities) and a 1.95% increase in the Council's own basic level of Council Tax.

That the precept figures from South Yorkshire Police Authority, South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority and the various Parish Councils and Parish Meetings within the Borough be incorporated, when known, into the recommendation to the Council on 2nd March, 2016.

2. CAPITAL PROGRAMME BUDGET SETTING REPORT - 2016/17 TO 2020/21

Recommended:- That Council be asked to approve the new Capital Strategy, as presented in Appendix A and Capital Programme, as presented in Appendix B (for £279.095m in the period 2016/17 to 2020/21), which would require prudential borrowing of £53.602m to fund non-HRA schemes over the five year period, for which provision had been made in the revenue budget for the associated financing costs.

3. PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS AND TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2016/17 - 2018/19

Recommended:- That Council be asked to:-

- i. Approve the prudential indicators and limits for 2016/17 to 2018/19 contained in the report.
- ii. Approve the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy Statement contained in Appendix A which sets out the Council's policy.
- iii. Approve the Treasury Management Strategy for 2016/17 to 2018/19 and the Authorised Limit Prudential Indicator.
- iv. Approve the Investment Strategy for 2016/17 to 2018/19.