Robustness of Estimates & Adequacy of Reserves Full Council 23 February 2012 Item 13v

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Reserves

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Summary

1. The attached report was received by the Cabinet on 16 February. The Cabinet endorsed the document, and decided to recommend its approval to the Council.

- 2. The Council is required to make the final determination.
- 3. The Scrutiny Committee reviewed the report on 7 February and endorsed the recommendations.

Recommendations

- 4. The Council is recommended to:
 - a) take account of the advice in the report when determining the 2012/13 General Fund budget and Council Tax
 - b) approve the risk assessment relating to the robustness of estimates as detailed in the report.
 - c) set the minimum safe contingency level for 2012/13 at £1,214,000
 - d) agree that the 2012/13 General Fund budget should include provision to increase the Working Balance up to the minimum safe level (an increase of £33,000).

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