Committee: Full Council Agenda Item

Date: 27 February 2014

Title: Robustness of Estimates and Adequacy of

Reserves

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## **Summary**

1. The attached report was received by the Cabinet on 18 February. The Cabinet 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 6 February and endorsed the recommendations.

## Recommendations

- 4. The Council is recommended to:
  - a) take account of the advice in the report when determining the 2014/15 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 2014/15 at £1.2 million
  - d) agree that no transfers to or from the Working Balance should be built into the 2014/15 budget.