1 RECOMMENDATION

1.1. That the Committee consider the draft capital budget 2020/21 to 2022/23 attached at Appendix 1 and comment back to the Executive prior to their recommendation to full Council.

1.2. That the Committee consider the Capital Strategy 2020 in Appendix 1 and comment back to the Executive prior to their recommendation to full Council.

2 PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

2.1. It is critical that the capital budget is set in such a way as to ensure that the Council allocates its limited available resources effectively and efficiently, in order to continue providing value for money and meet both its statutory obligations and its aims and objectives as outlined in its Corporate Plan.

2.2. In addition, the capital strategy sets out to provide an outlook on the council’s capital strategic direction, priorities and its forecasted plan over 30 years.

2.3. Since the capital budget setting process is crucial to the Council’s service delivery, the Council’s constitution requires that the Policy Review and Operations Review Committees and Members, along with other stakeholders of the Council be consulted on the capital budget prior to the Executive recommending that Council adopts the capital budget.

2.4. In order to comply with this requirement, the adoption of the 2020/21 to 2022/23 capital budget will adhere to the following timetable:
Table 1 – 2020/21 to 2022/23 capital budget setting timetable

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Event</th>
<th>Date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Asset Management Panel for consultation</td>
<td>19 December 2019</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Draft budget to Executive to recommend consultation</td>
<td>15 January 2020</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Draft budget to Policy Review Committee for consultation</td>
<td>28 January 2020</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Final budget to Executive for recommendation to Council</td>
<td>12 February 2020</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Approval by Full Council</td>
<td>26 February 2020</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2.5. The Executive considered the draft capital budget report and 2020 Capital Strategy (EX/20/07) at its January meeting and recommended the draft budget and strategy to the joint meeting of the Policy Review and Operations Review Committees and to all members and stakeholders for consultation.

2.6. Members of this joint committee and all members are requested to consider the draft capital budget and capital strategy attached at Appendix 1 and comments of the joint committee arising from this meeting will then be included in future reports to the Executive and the full Council during February.

3 BACKGROUND

3.1. In addition to the consultation process on the draft capital budget with this joint committee, the procedure agreed by full Council for setting the Capital Budget (refer to table 1 above) provides that the individual capital bids should be appraised by the Asset Management Panel (AMP). The role of the AMP is to examine each bid in detail, to critically appraise each bid in relation to a set of defined criteria and to recommend the bids for consideration by the Executive and Full Council. The draft capital budget includes five new schemes recommended by the AMP and one new scheme from the Executive.

3.2. Prior to the AMP appraisal, the capital bids were initially scrutinised by the Capital Strategy Group (CSG). The CSG is a council officer group which plays a key role in the annual budget process. Challenging the existing capital programme and reviews new capital proposals for inclusion in the capital programme.

3.3. The proposed three year capital programme totals £7.981m (£6.073m 2020/21, £1.218m 2021/22 and £0.690m in 2022/23). This three year programme is funded by a combination of capital receipts, specific reserves, S106, CIL, and other external grants.

3.4. This programme relates to previously approved capital budgets that have been re-profiled and carried forward over 3 years, a number of capital schemes which have been considered and approved by the Executive and/or the full Council during 2019/20 (detailed in Appendix 1), plus the five new proposals recommended by the AMP and one additional bid relating to
Disabled Facilities Grant by the Executive (EX/20/07) to be consolidated into the draft capital budget.

3.5. The capital programme may be subject to minor changes as officers continue to review the progress of current schemes and the profiling of spend over the three year programme prior to presentation of the 2020/21 to 2022/23 capital programme to full Council for final approval.

3.6. The CIPFA Prudential Code also requires the Council to produce a capital strategy to include a number of key areas including strategic considerations, corporate priorities, capital investment ambition, available resources, affordability, capacity to deliver, risk appetite and risk management.

4 FINANCIAL AND BUDGET FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

4.1 As set out in appendix 1

5 LEGAL POWERS RELIED ON AND ANY LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 As set out in appendix 1

6 EFFICIENCY GAINS AND VALUE FOR MONEY

6.1 As set out in appendix 1

7 RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

7.1 As set out in appendix 1

8 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 As set out in appendix 1

9 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9.1 As set out in appendix 1

10 CORPORATE PLAN and POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

10.1 As set out in appendix 1

11 ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

11.1 As set out in appendix 1

12 HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

12.1 As set out in appendix 1

13 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS USED TO PREPARE THIS REPORT

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Document Title:</th>
<th>Filed at:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Executive report EX/20/07: “Setting”</td>
<td>Appendix 1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
14 CONSULTATION ON DRAFT REPORT

14.1 As set out in appendix 1