

To receive and, where necessary, adopt reports of Committees

(Some reports may involve the disclosure of exempt information. If the Council wishes to debate them, for each individual case the Council will need to adopt a suitable motion).

7.1 To receive the minutes of the following meetings:

- 7.1.1 Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 25 August 2021
- 7.1.2 Northern Area Planning Committee – 26 August 2021
- 7.1.3 Southern Area Planning Committee – 31 August 2021
- 7.1.4 Southern Area Planning Committee – 21 September 2021
- 7.1.5 Licensing Committee – 23 September 2021
- 7.1.6 General Purposes Committee – 29 September 2021
- 7.1.7 Cabinet – 29 September 2021
- 7.1.8 Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 6 October 2021
- 7.1.9 Northern Area Planning Committee – 7 October 2021
- 7.1.10 Southern Area Planning Committee – 12 October 2021
- 7.1.11 Cabinet – 19 October 2021
- 7.1.12 Licensing Committee – 21 October 2021
- 7.1.13 Cabinet – 27 October 2021
- 7.1.14 Southern Area Planning Committee – 2 November 2021
- 7.1.15 Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 3 November 2021

(Note: in relation to 7.1.14 and 7.1.15 these minutes are not included in the minute book and will be presented at the next Council meeting but members are able to ask questions on resolved items.)

7.2 **To adopt recommendations from the following:**

7.2.1 Cabinet – 27 October 2021

7.2.1.1 Medium Term Financial Strategy 2022/23 – 2024/25 (APPENDIX A)

Consideration was given to a report of the Finance Portfolio Holder which set out the Medium Term Financial Strategy for 2022/23 to 2024/25.

The Strategy set out the framework within which the 2022/23 budget would be prepared and also set out the Medium Term Financial Forecast for the General Fund income and expenditure, which would form the basis of the 2022/23 budget.

The strategy reviewed the impact that COVID-19 has had on the Council's finances in 2021/22 and considered the ongoing effects this would have on budget planning in the medium term.

The Medium Term Financial Forecast was recommended for approval to ensure that the Council has a strategic approach to the management of its finances, and to enable available resources to be allocated to services in line with Council priorities over the medium term.

Having considered the options and for the reasons set out in the report, Cabinet agreed the following:

Recommended:

1. **That the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) for 2022/23 to 2024/25 be approved.**
2. **That the Medium Term Financial Forecast, as shown in Annex 3 to the report, be noted.**

7.2.1.2 Gambling Act 2005 – Statement of Licensing Principles (APPENDIX B)

Consideration was given to a report of the Corporate Portfolio Holder which set out a revised Statement of Licensing Principles.

Section 349 of the Gambling Act 2005 requires the Council to publish a Statement of Principles (or Policy) setting out the matters to be considered by the Council when determining applications for licences and permits issued under the Act. The current Statement was published in January 2019 and the Act requires that the Council review the Statement every three years.

Consequently, a draft revised Statement was recommended for adoption following a consultation exercise which commenced in July whereby the existing Statement was distributed to several organisations including those representing existing licence holders. In addition, a copy was either supplied or made available to all members and a number of officers within the Council. Consultees had until 9 September 2021 to respond and no comments were received.

Having considered the options and for the reasons set out in the report, Cabinet agreed the following:

Recommended:

- 1. That the revised Statement of Licensing Principles attached as annexed to the report be recommended for approval.**
- 2. That the Statement as annexed to the report, be effective for a three-year period commencing 31 January 2022 subject to it being kept under review and Council making any changes at such times as it considers appropriate.**

7.2.3 Southern Area Planning Committee – 2 November 2021

Recommendations to follow (if any)

7.2.4 Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 3 November 2021

Recommendations to follow (if any)