

ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS:

<p>Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives</p>	<p>People This priority focuses on enhancing the quality of life, health and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities, particularly those who are vulnerable.</p> <p>Place This priority focuses on the standard of the built environment and our neighbourhoods and ensuring our towns and villages are safe and clean.</p> <p>Prosperity This priority focuses on safeguarding and enhancing our unique mix of rural and urban communities, promoting sustainable, economic and social opportunities.</p> <p>The medium term financial planning process supports all priorities.</p>
<p>Consultation:</p>	<p>Corporate Business Scrutiny on this report with wider consultation to follow on the budget.</p>
<p>Legal:</p>	<p>None at this stage but there are legal implications when the council sets its budget and sets the council tax.</p>
<p>Financial:</p>	<p>This report does not propose any spending or income. The report will be used to establish priorities for future budgets from 2013/14.</p>
<p>Human Resource:</p>	<p>The MTFP approved in February included measures which impact on staffing. This report retains those measures.</p>
<p>Risk Management:</p>	<p>Financial forecasts are inherently uncertain. Risk management includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making best estimates based on latest information • Adoption of the Financial Strategy • Proposed contingency sums • Retention of adequate general and earmarked reserves • Consultation on the assumptions made