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To: Scrutiny Committee
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Lead Officer: Karen Iveson, Chief Finance Officer

Title: Financial Results and Budget Exceptions Report to 31 December 2018

Summary:

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the report of the Chief Finance Officer which sets out Financial Results and Budget Exceptions Report to 31 December 2018, which was considered by the Executive at its meeting on 6 February 2019.

Recommendation:

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the contents of the report and make any comments on the Council's financial results and budget exceptions.

Reasons for recommendation

The Committee is asked to consider the information as set out in the report as part of their role in reviewing and scrutinising the performance of the Council in relation to its policy objectives, performance targets and/or particular service areas. The financial information contained in the report enables the Council to monitor its financial and budgetary position and to ensure that budget exceptions are brought to the attention of Councillors.

1. Introduction and background

- 1.1** Please see the summary and introduction and background sections of the report considered by the Executive on 6 February 2019 attached to this report at Appendix A.

2. The Report

- 2.1** Please see the report considered by the Executive on 6 February 2019 attached to this report at Appendix A.

3. Alternative Options Considered

None.

4. Implications

4.1 Legal Implications

Please see the report considered by the Executive on 6 February 2019 attached at Appendix A to this report.

4.2 Financial Implications

Please see the report considered by the Executive on 6 February 2019 attached at Appendix A to this report.

4.3 Policy and Risk Implications

Not applicable.

4.4 Corporate Plan Implications

The Council's Corporate Plan sets out long term plans to make Selby District a great place to do business, enjoy life, make a difference, supported by the Council delivering great value. An effective scrutiny function is essential to fair and transparent decision making, which underpins the work of the Council. This scrutiny function includes reviewing and scrutinising the performance of the Council in relation to its policy objectives, performance targets and/or particular service areas. The financial position and performance against budget is fundamental to delivery of the Council's Corporate Plan, achieving value for money and ensuring financial stability.

4.5 Resource Implications

None applicable.

4.6 Other Implications

Not applicable.

4.7 Equalities Impact Assessment

Not applicable.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1** The Scrutiny Committee discharges the Council's statutory overview and scrutiny functions and as such has responsibility for reviewing the Council's performance; the Committee's comments and observations on financial results and budget exceptions are welcomed.

6. Background Documents

None.

7. Appendices

Appendix A – Executive Report – 6 February 2019

Appendix B – Appendices A to D of the Executive Report – 6 February 2019

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