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Decision Summary

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COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2026
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Chair

Councillor Elizabeth Smaje

Councillors Attended

Councillor Beverley Addy
Councillor Masood Ahmed
Councillor Munir Ahmed
Councillor Itrat Ali
Councillor Karen Allison
Councillor Zarina Amin
Councillor Ammar Anwar
Councillor Bill Armer
Councillor Ali Arshad
Councillor Timothy Bamford
Councillor Donna Bellamy
Councillor Martyn Bolt
Councillor Tanisha Bramwell
Councillor Damian Brook
Councillor Cahal Burke
Councillor Aafaq Butt
Councillor Andrew Cooper
Councillor Moses Crook
Councillor Nosheen Dad
Councillor Aziz Daji
Councillor Hanifa Darwan
Councillor Paola Antonia Davies
Councillor Eric Firth
Councillor Charles Greaves
Councillor David Hall
Councillor Tyler Hawkins
Councillor Lisa Holmes
Councillor Caroline Holt

Councillor James Homewood
Councillor Yusra Hussain
Councillor Zahid Kahut
Councillor Viv Kendrick
Councillor Musarrat Khan
Councillor Jo Lawson
Councillor John Lawson
Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton
Councillor Susan Lee-Richards
Councillor David Longstaff
Councillor Gwen Lowe
Councillor Andrew Marchington
Councillor Harry McCarthy
Councillor Tony McGrath
Councillor Hannah McKerchar
Councillor Matthew McLoughlin
Councillor Alison Munro
Councillor Darren O'Donovan
Councillor Carole Pattison
Councillor Amanda Pinnock
Councillor Andrew Pinnock
Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Ashleigh Robinson
Councillor Jane Rylah
Councillor Imran Safdar
Councillor Cathy Scott
Councillor Angela Sewell
Councillor Joshua Sheard
Councillor Will Simpson
Councillor Anthony Smith
Councillor Richard Smith
Councillor Mohan Sokhal
Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Mark Thompson
Councillor Graham Turner
Councillor Sheikh Ullah
Councillor Alex Vickers
Councillor Habiban Zaman

Apologies

Councillor Aziz Daji
Councillor David Longstaff
Councillor Ashleigh Robinson

5: Our Council Plan - 2026/27 - 2028/29 (Reference from Cabinet)

To consider the adoption of the 2026-2029 Council Plan.

Contact: Stephen Bonnell, Policy Partnerships and Corporate Planning

RESOLVED – That the 2026/2027 – 2028/2029 Council Plan be approved and incorporated within the Council's Policy Framework.

6: Council Annual Budget Report 2026-2027 and following years, incorporating Capital, Treasury Management, General Fund, Revenue and Housing Revenue Account (Reference from Cabinet)

To consider the recommendations of the Meeting of Cabinet, held on 10 February 2026 that;

(i) General Fund Revenue

- the Revenue Budget for 2026/27 to deliver a balanced position, as attached at Appendix A, be approved.
- the forecast spending and funding plans for the 2026/2027 and 2027/2028 period, as set out at Appendix A, be noted.
- the forecast levels of statutory and other Council reserves as set out at Appendix C be noted.
- the strategy for the use of balances and reserves (paragraph 2.17 refers) be approved.
- the Council's flexible capital receipts policy for 2026/2027 (paragraph 2.14 and Appendix G refer) be approved.
- the Council Tax requirement for 2026/2027, as set out at Appendix M, be approved.
- the Council's Statutory s151 Officer's positive assurance statement as to the robustness of the forecasts and estimates and adequacy of financial reserves, as set out at paragraph 2.22, be noted.
- authority be delegated to the Council's Statutory s151 Officer to amend how the finally approved precepts are recorded in the Council's revenue budget in line with the final notifications received following decisions by the West Yorkshire Mayor Police and Crime Commissioner, the Fire & Rescue Authority and Parish Councils should these be received after 25 February 2026 (paragraph 3.1.3 refers).

(ii) Treasury Management

- the borrowing strategy be approved (paragraphs 2.15 to 2.27 refer).
- the investment strategy be approved (paragraphs 2.28 to 2.36 and Appendices A and B refer).
- the policy for provision of repayment of debt (minimum revenue provision) be approved (paragraphs 2.37 to 2.38, Appendix C refer).
- the treasury management prudential indicators be approved (Appendix D refers).
- the Investment Strategy (non-treasury investments) be approved (Appendix F refers).

(iii) Capital

- the updated Capital Plan for 2025-2033 be approved (Appendix F refers).
- the Capital Strategy (including Prudential Indicators) be approved

(Appendix I refers).

(iv) Housing Revenue Account

- the HRA Budget for 2026/2027 be approved (Appendix K refers).
- the strategy for the use of HRA reserves (Appendix K refers) be approved.

RESOLVED – That the Budget Motion be approved subject to amendment as set out in document ‘Approved Amendment’.
