GF BSR scrutiny options analysis

	As-is	Option A	Option B
Number of formal public meetings BSR is discussed at, in whole or in part	6	3	6
Member briefing	0	1	Only if requested by members
Number of days on which meetings take place	6	2+1 ¹	5
Pre-scrutiny of Exec BSR <u>and</u> amendments before Executive decision	*	✓	*
Opportunity for councillors to clarify understanding of Executive's budget before finalising amendment	✓	✓	✓
Focus on scrutiny of budget as a whole	*	✓	*
Detailed scrutiny of portfolio budget by service committee	✓	x ²	✓
Other considerations for officers	Requires Finance Officers to produce separate reports for 6 meetings, and finance officers and senior officers to attend 6 meetings + associated briefings		Requires Finance Officers to produce separate reports for 6 meetings, and finance officers and senior officers to attend 6 meetings + associated briefings
Other considerations for members	Cllrs required to attend more meetings and briefings Executive do not see oppn amendment before finalising budget	Less time between publication and oppn amendment deadline Oppn amendment submitted before Exec decision but chance to amend further before Council Cllrs (Exec & Spokes) need to be available for super-S&R	Cllrs required to attend more meetings and briefings Executive do not see oppn amendment before finalising budget

^{1 +1} is the proposed member briefing
2 Spokes can attend unified S&R meeting

Appendix C