

## **Strategy & Resources Scrutiny Committee-12 July 2021**

### **Supplemental recommendation to Agenda Item 10**

#### **2020/21 General Fund Revenue and Capital Outturn, Carry Forwards and Significant Variances**

##### **Livestream/hybrid meetings - Council Chamber and Committee Rooms (£85,000 capital budget)**

Following the last year where the council's decision making meetings were virtual and had been live-streamed, work is being brought forward to enable live-streaming to continue and for remote attendance/participation.

The project will install screens and cameras in the Council Chamber and cameras in Committee Room 1. Most of the equipment will be re-deployable (the same applies to the microphones purchased in 2019). Subject to no requirement for listed building consent, work could be completed by the end of September, otherwise it will be by the end of the calendar year.

Rather than take an Urgent Decision out of cycle after the Council meeting, it was felt more appropriate to present the proposal to Members at Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee for recommendation to the Council. Additionally, as the rooms are regularly used, there are limited time periods for the work to be undertaken hence the proposal coming for decision now. The Head of Finance has been consulted and it will be funded by capital receipts/borrowing in line with current policy.

Additional recommendation (c):

The Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources is requested to recommend to Council the addition of £85,000 capital funding in 2021/22 to undertake works to the Council Chamber/Committee Rooms to stream meetings/enable hybrid meetings.