



## COUNCIL MEETING

23 February 2023

### FEES AND CHARGES 2023/24

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**Sheena Ramsey, Chief Executive**

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The purpose of this report is to agree the level of fees and charges across all Council services for 2023/24.
2. The Council reviews its fees and charges annually and proposes revised and new charges from 1 April each year.
3. As part of the annual review, all fees and charges have been considered. The review of fees and charges has been undertaken in the context of guidance indicating a general uplift where appropriate of 10.1% to reflect the inflationary increase for the year (12-month CPI rate was 10.1% in September 2022).
4. A summary of the proposed changes to fees and charges for 2023/24 is presented in Appendix 1 and the full listing is presented in Appendix 2.
5. The overall impact of additional income generated as a result of proposed fees and charges increases is currently to increase income base budgets by £0.591m in 2023/24. This is largely in Adult Social Care where the additional income is expected to be offset by additional costs.
6. The Cabinet has considered the facts and issues arising from the report including alternative options and took all relevant advice before formulating their recommendation.

#### RECOMMENDATION

5. It is recommended that Council:
  - (i) approves the fees and charges as set out for 2023/24 in Appendix 2; and
  - (ii) authorises the Strategic Director, Resources and Digital to make any necessary adjustments to correct any errors in the schedule of Fees and Charges.