

AMENDMENT TO URGENT MOTION

The Council is requested to consider the following amendment to the Urgent Motion.

URGENT MOTION – RESPONSE TO EXTERNAL ASSURANCE REVIEW

Amendment

**Proposed by Councillor Phil Gilchrist
Seconded by Councillor Chris Carubia**

Delete 'endorse' and replace with 'notes' and delete 'in the terms of this Council:' in paragraph (1)

Delete 'and accepting' in paragraph (2)(a)

Add new paragraph (3) before sub-paragraphs (a) (b) and (c) –

(3) Council notes that the CIPFA report calls for 'Members to be engaged at an early stage' and therefore resolves to ask that programme and policy committees receive all necessary budget information in a timely fashion, presented in a clear and meaningful way, in order for them to work constructively with the chief executive and officers in –“

MOTION WITH EFFECT OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT INCORPORATED

That Council:

- (1) receives and notes the draft minutes of Policy & Resources Committee of 30th November 2021; and
- (2) ~~endorses~~ **Notes** the decision of the Policy and Resources Committee to provide a written response to the Minister's letter to the Council of 2nd November 2021, enclosing and publishing the two independent reports that make up the External Assurance Review, ~~in the terms of this Council:~~
- (3) **Council notes that the CIPFA report calls for 'Members to be engaged at an early stage' and therefore resolves to ask that programme and policy committees receive all necessary budget information in a timely fashion, presented in a clear and meaningful way, in order for them to work constructively with the chief executive and officers in –**
 - (a) acknowledging ~~and accepting~~ the content of the reports;
 - (b) developing the recommendations for implementation; and, in particular,
 - (c) emphasising the adoption of the recommendations concerning:
 - (i) development of a financial recovery plan;
 - (ii) appointing an independent Panel to support the Council;

- (iii) moving to a whole council scheme of elections, subject to consultation, to take effect as of 2023 and then every fourth year thereafter; and
- (iv) review the committee system to reduce the number of committees