Blaby District Council

Cabinet Executive

Date of Meeting 12 May 2025

Title of Report Cabinet Executive Response to Scrutiny Commission

Recommendations on the Administrations 2025-26 Draft

Budget Proposals

This is not a Key Decision and is on the Forward Plan

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Corporate Priority All Themes: Enabling communities and supporting

vulnerable residents; Enhancing and maintaining our natural

and built environment; Growing and supporting our

economy; Keeping you safe and healthy; Ambitious and well

managed Council, valuing our people

1. What is this report about?

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide a response to Scrutiny Commission recommendations set out in the Scrutiny Commission report on the Administrations 2025-26 draft Budget proposals dated on the agenda on the 24th February 2025.

2. Recommendation(s) to Cabinet Executive

2.1 That Cabinet Executive agrees the response to Scrutiny Commission recommendations as set out at Appendix A of this report.

3. Reason for Decisions Recommended

3.1 The Local Government & Public Involvement In Health Act 2007 places a duty which requires Cabinet Executive to respond to Scrutiny Recommendations within two months of receiving them.

4. Matters to consider

4.1 Background

The Local Government & Public Involvement In Health Act 2007 places a

duty which requires Cabinet Executive to respond to Scrutiny Recommendations within two months of receiving them. Scrutiny Commission provided a report on the Administrations 2025-26 draft Budget proposals to Cabinet on the 24th February 2025. Due to the deferral of the Cabinet meeting in March 2025, permission was obtained from the Scrutiny Commission chair for the response to be provided at the Cabinet meeting in May 2025.

Cabinet had opportunity to consider the recommendations prior to making the final recommendations to Council for the 2025-26 Budget Proposals but is now formally responding to the recommendations by way of this report.

4.2 Proposal(s)

To agree Cabinet Executive's response to Scrutiny recommendations on the Administrations 2025-26 draft Budget proposals attached at Appendix A.

4.3 Relevant Consultations

Relevant Cabinet Executive Portfolio Holders and members of the Senior Leadership Team.

4.4 Significant Issues Not applicable.

5. What will it cost and are there opportunities for savings?

5.1 There are no costs directly associated with this response.

6. What are the risks and how can they be reduced?

6.1 No risks have been identified.

7. Other options considered

7.1 No other options have been considered. Not responding to Scrutiny would not comply with requirements of the Local Government & Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

8. Environmental impact

8.1 In preparing this report the author has considered the impact on the environment and there are no areas of concern.

No Net Zero and Climate Impact Assessment (NZCIA) is required for this report

9. Other significant issues

9.1 In preparing this report, the author has considered issues related to Human Rights, Legal Matters, Human Resources, Equalities, Public Health Inequalities and there are no areas of concern.

10. Appendix

10.1 Appendix A – Cabinet Response to Scrutiny Recommendations on the Administrations 2025-26 Draft Budget Proposals

11. Background paper(s)

11.1 Not applicable.

12. Report author's contact details

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