Public Accounts Select Committee			
Title	Budget cuts		
Contributor Housing Select Committee		Item 4	
Class	Part 1 (open)	24 September 2019	

1. Purpose

1.1. This report informs Public Accounts Select Committee of the views of the Housing Select Committee arising from discussions held on the budget cuts report at the Committee's meeting on 18 September 2019.

2. Recommendation

2.1. As part of its overall consideration of the budget cuts, Public Accounts Select Committee is asked to consider the views of the Housing Select Committee - as set out in this referral.

3. Housing Select Committee views

- 3.1. At its meeting on 18 September 2019, the Housing Select Committee considered the budget cuts report. This included reviewing budget cut proposal CUS15, Cuts generated through No Recourse to Public Funds service.
- 3.2. Following consideration of the report, Housing Select Committee resolved to refer its views to Public Accounts Select Committee, as set out below.
- 3.3. "Some members of the Housing Select Committee have serious concerns about the impact of the proposed budget cut without first having the opportunity to scrutinise the findings of the independent review of the Council's No Recourse to Public Funds service."

4. Further implications

4.1. There are no direct financial, legal, environmental, equalities or crime and disorder implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report. However, there may be implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations.

Background papers

Housing Select Committee agenda 18 September 2019: https://tinyurl.com/y4xbcpb6
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