**Recommendations of the Scrutiny Budget and Performance Panel**

**2021/22 Corporate Revenue Budget Monitoring Report and Reserves – position as at 30th September 2021**

The Scrutiny Budget and Performance Panel:

1. thanks the Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Assets and Director of Finance for their report and answering questions;
2. asks that consideration be given to the housing benefit surplus of £149,000 being used to improve the speed of processing housing benefits claims;
3. looks forward to an update on the recruitment of apprentices and reducing the £44,000 underspend; and
4. expresses its gratitude to the Cabinet Member and staff for the site visit to Worden Hall held on 12 November 2021.