

**REPORT FOR: PERFORMANCE AND
FINANCE SCRUTINY
SUB COMMITTEE**

Date of Meeting:	21 st March 2016
Subject:	Revenue Challenge session – six month review
Responsible Officer:	Dawn Calvert, Director of Finance
Scrutiny Lead Member area:	Performance Lead Member – Councillor Primesh Patel Policy Lead Member – Councillor Stephen Wright
Exempt:	No
Wards affected:	All
Enclosures:	Appendix 1 - Update on implementation of the recommendations from the Revenue Challenge session

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report is a review of progress of those recommendations agreed for implementation from the Revenue Budget Scrutiny Challenge Panel, which were reported to Cabinet on 23 April 2015.

Recommendations:

Councillors are recommended to:

1. Consider the progress on implementation of the recommendations.

Section 2 – Report

Introductory paragraph

The Scrutiny Leadership Group undertook a review of Harrow's budget setting and associated processes on 14th January 2015. The review drew upon evidence and experience from other Boroughs that have adopted outcomes based budgeting. The recommendations from the review were responded to in a report to Cabinet on 23rd April 2015 from the Director of Finance.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Performance Issues

There are no specific performance issues associated with this report.

Environmental Impact

There are no environmental impact issues associated with this report,

Risk Management Implications

Risk Management is considered as part of the Council's budget setting process but there are no risk management issues associated with this report.

Equalities implications

An EQIA is not required for this report as the report includes no proposals for service change.

Council Priorities

Budget setting is carried out with reference to the Corporate priorities of:

- Making a difference for the vulnerable
- Making a difference for communities
- Making a difference for local businesses

- Making a difference for families

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Name: Dawn Calvert

Chief Financial Officer

Date: 16.3.16

Ward Councillors notified:

NO

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers: [Response to Scrutiny Challenge panel report -The Funding Challenge - Cabinet 23 April 2015](#)