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Part A – Items considered in public

A6	Mid-year Budget Monitoring and In Year Budget Request	 Resolved that Executive:- Noted the Council's forecast financial performance for 2019/20 financial year as at 30 September 2019; Recommended that Full Council approved a Supplementary Budget of £747,000 in the General Fund Revenue Budget for transitional and service resilience costs in 2019/20, funded from the New Homes Bonus / Growth earmarked reserve; Approved a virement within the HRA Revenue Budget of £339,000, from in year underspend and managed savings to transitional and service resilience costs in 2019/20; and Noted the risk to funding of future growth programme priorities, and committed to reviewing future options through the budget setting process.
A7	Statement of Community Involvement	 Resolved that the Executive:- 1) Approved the proposed response to matters raised by the respondents (as set out in Appendix 1); and 2) In consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transport delegated authority was given to the Head of Strategy and the Principal Planner Specialist to agree any necessary final amendments prior to its publication.
A8	Local Plan Issues and Options Document	 Resolved that the Executive:- 1) Approved the Somerset West and Taunton Local Plan Issues and Options Document for public consultation (Appendix A); 2) In consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transport, delegated authority was given to the Head of Strategy to make any necessary editorial corrections, minor amendments to the documents, agree the 'summary' section, and to agree the final publication style; and 3) Approved to extend the consultation deadline to 16 March 2020 to allow extra

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		time for groups who only meet every quarter to submit their feedback.
A9	Small Scale Industrial Space Local Development Order - approval for consultation	 Resolved that the Executive:- Approved the undertaking of a consultation exercise on the possible adoption of a Small Scale Industrial Space Local Development Order in the Somerset West and Taunton Area, with a further report to be brought to a subsequent meeting of the Executive once the consultation exercise has been completed; Approved the contents of the draft consultation document for the consultation exercise on the possible adoption of a Small Scale Industrial Space Local Development Order; Delegated authority to the Head of Strategy to agree any necessary final amendments prior to its publication in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Transportation; and Approved to extend the consultation deadline to 16 March 2020 to allow extra time for groups who only meet every quarter to submit their feedback.
A10	North Taunton Woolaway Project Phase A Update and Home Owner Acquisition budget	 Resolved that the Executive:- Delegated the decisions to progress the enabling works for the remaining Phases to the future Director of Housing in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing; Delegated authority to the future Director of Housing to negotiate and agree the purchase of the 19 private owned homes within Phases B – E of the North Taunton Woolaway Project area; Approved a supplementary budget of £5.7 million for Phases B – E of the North Taunton Woolaway Project; Approved an additional supplementary budget of £1.5 million for Phase A of the North Taunton Woolaway Project increasing the budget for Phase A from £7.2

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		million to £8.7 million; and 5) The budgets would be funded utilising a combination of capital receipts, Social Housing Development Fund revenue contribution, and capital borrowing. Council delegated the final funding arrangement to be determined by the S151 Officer in line with the Council's capital and treasury strategies, prioritising affordability for the Housing Revenue Account set out in Table 2 in the report.
A12	Somerset Building Control Partnership Draft Variation Agreement	Resolved that the Executive approved the Inter-Authority Agreement for the Building Control Services Partnership.