Proposed amendment from the Conservative Group

To Recommend to Council:

- i. to note that Cabinet agreed that the 20p increase as set out in the revenue budget should not be implemented in 2025/26. The detail of the charges will be considered and agreed in 2026/27 and will be considered against an updated Car Parking Strategy;
- ii. to delegate authority to the Corporate Director (Finance and Resources) and Section 151 Officer in consultation with the Executive Councillor for Finance and Resources to make necessary changes to the Council's finances, including movements from Reserves, to ensure that a balanced revenue budget position for 2025/26 is maintained.
- iii. to refer the Cabinet decision of 16 December 2025 to the next available meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny (Performance and Growth) Panel supported by a full and transparent cost analysis of the decision, including a detailed breakdown of the reserves proposed to be used to balance the 2025/26 revenue budget; and;.
- iv. To require that the Parking Strategy be reported to the appropriate scrutiny panel prior to any Cabinet decision, and that the Strategy be published no later than 28 January 2026.