

COUNCIL – 4 March 2021

AGENDA ITEM 11

AMENDMENT

Proposed by Councillor Pugh

Seconded by Councillor Keith

That the budget proposals set out in the report be amended by:

Adding the following word(s)

GULLY CLEANSING

Recognising

- (1) the many significant adjustments made in this budget due to Covid and other unexpected pressures
- (2) the increasing risks of flooding caused by Climate Change
- (3) that in excess of 95% of the borough's gullies are only cleared once a year

The Council allocates an additional 40K to fund additional gully cleansing in areas that have proved particularly susceptible to surface flooding to be funded at the discretion of Cabinet by the use of any of the following budget mechanisms or combination thereof

- (a) reducing the £1.5M planned contribution to balances
- (b) reducing the provision for ICT contract inflation
- (c) increasing the vacancy management target
- (d) varying the contribution from the school closure fund

OR

by any other means consistent with the Budget priorities laid out in Sec 11 of the Council's Agenda allowing an extra 7,500 gullies in flooding hotspots to be cleared more than once a year.