

AMENDEMENT 1

AGENDA ITEM 6 - BUDGET & COUNCIL TAX SETTING 2019/20 AND FUTURE YEARS FORECASTS

Amendment to Full Council recommendations attached.

Amendment proposed by the Liberal Democrat Group

BUDGET & COUNCIL TAX SETTING 2019/20 AND FUTURE YEARS FORECASTS

Recommendation 169(a) be amended to:

The revised Revenue Budget for the financial year 2018/19 and the Revenue Budget for the financial year 2019/20 as set out in the General Fund Summary (attached as Appendix A amended) which includes the changes listed in the tables below, but Members note that:

the responsibility of the Council is to approve the overall Budget and the associated cash limits of its Portfolios; it is not the responsibility of the Council to approve any individual savings or additions within those Portfolios, that responsibility is reserved for Cabinet Members. The budget savings and additions in the tables below are therefore indicative only.

i) Additional Savings - Reductions to Budget Estimates

Indicative Portfolio Savings Proposal	Impact on Level of Service & Service Outcomes	2019/20 £	2020/21 & Future Years £
<u>RESOURCES</u>			
New	Reduced contribution to the Transformation Reserve	(750,000)	0
	Total	(750,000)	0

ii) **Additional Costs - Additions to Budget Estimates**

Saving No.	Increases to Portfolio Budgets	2019/20	2020/21 & Future Years
		£	£
<u>ADULT SOCIAL CARE, PUBLIC HEALTH & HOUSING NEEDS</u>			
9	Re-instate for 1 Year - increase in charges at Adelaide and Gouldings	20,800	0
New	Funding for Mental Health Day Centres	75,000	0
New	Establishment of a Community Capacity and Local Area Co-ordination Fund	250,000	0
Sub-Total		345,800	0
<u>CHILDREN'S SERVICES</u>			
15	Re-instate for 1 Year - Careers advice in Schools	25,000	0
21	Re-instate for 1 Year - Re-organisation of Disabled Children's Intervention Team, Resilience Around the Family and Early Help Co-ordinators	150,000	0
New	Funding for Youth Offer grants (restoring a grant cut last year)	50,000	0
Sub-Total		225,000	0
<u>COMMUNITY SAFETY & PUBLIC PROTECTION</u>			
New	Funding for Community Safety data analysis	10,000	0
Sub-Total		10,000	0
<u>ENVIRONMENT & HERITAGE</u>			
New	Funding to Community Libraries	5,000	0
Sub-Total		5,000	0
<u>INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORT</u>			
32	Withdraw proposal for 1 year - £1 overnight parking charge	147,500	0
Sub-Total		147,500	0
<u>REGENERATION & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT</u>			
New	Enterprise Fund	100,000	0
Sub-Total		100,000	0

RESOURCES			
New	Establishment of a Community Engagement and Consultation Fund	20,000	0
New	Revenue contribution to capital (as a result of increasing the capital programme - see recommendation 169(n))	275,000	
Sub-Total		295,000	0
Total			
		1,128,300	0

Recommendation 169(g) be amended to:-

The savings proposals for each Portfolio amounting, in total, to £5.12m for 2019/20 as set out below:

Portfolio	Savings Proposal	
	£	% Budget
Adult Social Care, Public Health & Housing Needs*	1,724,700	2.6%
Children's Services*	290,500	1.2%
Community Safety & Public Protection	265,000	2.4%
Environment & Heritage	121,900	1.1%
Infrastructure & Transport**	1,205,600	6.6%
Leader & Strategic Partnerships	0	0.0%
Planning & Housing	79,700	3.1%
Procurement, Projects, Forward Planning & Waste	130,000	2.2%
Regeneration & Business Development	-67,000	-4.8%
Resources	1,371,300	7.9%
Grand Total	5,121,700	3.2%

Excludes the additional funding passported through to Adult Social Care of £1.4m (which if included would result in an overall reduction of 0.5%) and the additional funding for Children's Services of £0.7m (which if included would result in an overall increase of 1.7%)

** Excludes £19.4m of PFI Grant funding, on a Gross expenditure basis the saving amounts to 3.2%

Recommendation 169(k) be amended to:-

The Capital Programme 2018/19 to 2023/24 set out in the attached appendix (Appendix E amended) which includes all additions, deletions and amendments for slippage and re-phasing

Recommendation 169(l) be amended to:-

The new Capital Investment Proposals (“New Starts”) as described in Appendix D be amended to reflect the following changes and the changes also be reflected in the Capital Programme 2018/19 to 2023/24 as set out in the attached appendix (Appendix E amended) and be funded from the available Corporate Capital Resources

Scheme Description - Reductions & Additions		Increase / (Decrease) in Corporate Resources	Total Corporate Resources Allocated
		£	£
Additional Capital Scheme Proposals (New):			
New	Smart Tech for individuals at home provided by the Living Well Service to people who are not eligible for Smart Tech via the Adult Social Care scheme	75,000	75,000
New	Community Fund for Town and Parish Councils (any associated on-going costs to be met by the T&P Councils)	100,000	100,000
New	Active Travel initiatives (cycling, walking)	50,000	50,000
New	Installation of further electric car charging points	50,000	50,000
Total Overall Change		275,000	275,000

Recommendation 169(n) be amended to include:

- iv) A further £275,000 revenue contribution to fund the additional capital schemes set out at recommendation 169(l) above

SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

Under Recommendation 169(j), Members must have regard to the Statement of the Section 151 Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2003. The Section 151 Officer advises as follows:-

The proposals contained within this amendment are legal and present a balanced budget for 2019/20.

In financial terms, the amendment is less prudent compared with the Administration's Budget proposal for the following reasons:

- (a) it reduces the opportunity for the Council to pursue "Spend to Save" schemes in the medium term by reducing the Transformation Reserve by £0.75m
- (b) it reduces General Reserves by £0.38m resulting in a lower level of financial resilience and representing a 9% reduction in the current £4.2m "headroom" over the minimum level of General Reserves

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The Assistant Director of Corporate Services is satisfied that it is within the Council's powers to approve the amendment as set out, and supports the advice of the Section 151 Officer given above.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

The Assistant Director of Corporate Services is satisfied that the amendment does not alter the content or conclusions set out in the Equality Impact Statement at Appendix H

GENERAL FUND SUMMARY - 2018/19 to 2022/23

APPENDIX A Amended

NET REQUIREMENTS OF PORTFOLIOS	Revised budget 2018/19 £	Original budget 2019/20 £	Forecast 2020/21 £	Forecast 2021/22 £	Forecast 2022/23 £
Adult Social Care & Public Health	51,010,949	47,804,673	48,871,342	50,672,616	52,472,616
Children's Services	24,563,482	25,117,250	24,239,617	24,540,373	24,844,597
Community Safety & Public Protection	7,340,665	7,305,201	7,779,201	7,992,201	8,216,201
Environment & Heritage	2,732,459	2,956,878	2,951,878	2,951,878	2,951,878
Infrastructure & Transport	7,825,854	(5,886,571)	18,378,774	16,009,812	15,232,852
Leader & Strategic Partnerships	961,166	1,037,172	1,037,172	1,037,172	1,037,172
Planning & Housing	1,257,408	859,774	739,274	739,174	739,174
Procurement, Projects & Forward Planning	5,372,357	3,794,616	3,970,089	4,270,303	4,433,303
Regeneration & Business Development	1,399,499	1,292,537	1,192,537	1,192,537	1,192,537
Resources	46,632,315	66,428,979	47,723,516	54,327,494	59,805,887
Savings to be identified	0	0	(4,500,000)	(9,000,000)	(13,500,000)
Portfolio Expenditure	149,096,154	150,710,507	152,383,398	154,733,558	157,426,215
FUNDED BY:					
Contribution (to)/from Balances & Reserves	(3,231,536)	(688,176)	29,758	(97,325)	(54,554)
Revenue Support Grant	0	0	0	0	0
Business Rates Retention	45,546,838	41,480,492	42,823,804	43,340,432	43,909,551
Other General Grants	24,092,447	24,049,754	21,948,930	21,849,745	21,822,268
Collection Fund (Council tax)	82,688,405	85,868,437	87,580,906	89,640,706	91,748,950
Total Financing	149,096,154	150,710,507	152,383,398	154,733,558	157,426,215
BALANCES & RESERVES					
Balance brought forward at 1 April	7,931,502	11,163,038	11,851,214	11,321,456	11,418,781
Potential Transfer to Combined Fire Authority (Deficit)/Surplus for year	0	0	(500,000)	0	0
Balance carried forward at 31 March	11,163,038	11,851,214	11,321,456	11,418,781	11,473,335
Minimum level of balances	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000
Underlying Budget Deficit/(Surplus) - assuming future savings are met	(3,231,536)	(688,176)	29,758	(97,325)	(54,554)

APPENDIX E Amended

COMPLETE CAPITAL PROGRAMME INCLUDING NEW SCHEMES

SUMMARY OF PORTFOLIOS	FORECAST	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	2023/24 £	2023/24 £	TOTAL £	TOTAL £
Adult Social Care, Public Health & Housing Needs	1,304,772	2,275,446	850,000	1,000,000	230,000	0	0	5,660,218	
Children's Services	8,811,730	4,928,119	1,535,236	1,322,008	0	0	0	16,597,093	
Community Safety & Public Protection	59,054	680,000	300,000	0	0	0	0	1,039,054	
Environment & Heritage	1,954,943	1,734,085	480,000	426,633	135,000	0	0	4,730,661	
Infrastructure & Transport	1,363,796	6,842,000	4,120,562	15,000	0	0	0	12,341,358	
Planning & Housing Renewal	2,424,973	2,500,489	540,000	0	0	0	0	5,465,462	
Procurement, Projects, Forward Planning & Waste	17,262,094	1,772,492	0	0	0	0	0	19,034,586	
Regeneration & Business Development	1,507,737	32,192,592	300,000	0	0	0	0	34,000,329	
Resources	54,240,057	53,434,581	200,000	0	0	0	0	107,874,638	
Total Capital Programme	88,929,155	106,359,804	8,325,798	2,763,641	365,000	0	0	206,743,398	
Total Financing	88,929,155	106,359,804	8,325,798	2,763,641	365,000	0	0	206,743,398	