

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWER SESSION

QUESTION FROM SIOBHAN DILLON TO THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

Whilst visiting flat at Coleorton Moor, which I believe are Council owned, I noticed that they had heat pumps installed. I also noticed a damp patch in the ceiling of the hallway. My understanding is that buildings should be brought up to a certain thermal insulation standard before installing heat pumps, otherwise they have to work too hard to bring the building to appropriate temperatures and, in these circumstances, are not cost efficient either financially or environmentally.

I presume a leaking building would not be at an appropriate standard, therefore rather than benefit the occupants and the environment, the heat pump installation is harmful.

Does NWLDC have a standard to which buildings should attain, and achieved, before installation of heat pumps?

REPOSENSE FROM THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

With regards to a “leaky” building; and any damp and mould, we are not aware of any significant or harmful issues in the building we hold in the vicinity. I would encourage tenants to report anything of concern in the normal way and will be assessed. We are certainly not aware of anything ‘harmful’. Even if a leak has occurred this is likely to of occurred after installing the heat pumps in question.

NWLDC is obliged to abide by Standard Assessment Procedure (SAP) tests and current building regulations. Standards Part L1A (conservation of fuel and power) and Part F (ventilation) for existing dwellings. These standards were amended from 15 June 2023 and works that commenced prior to this date are not held to the improved standard, which is likely in this case.

Generally, heat calculations and a suitability survey are undertaken before any retrofit or heating upgrade is carried out by NWLDC.

This response is generic in its nature as we are not aware of the exact location of the property in question. If Ms Dillion would provide me this after the meeting I can supply a more tailored response if required.

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QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR J LEGRYS TO THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

Continued Closure of Right of Way between London Road and Stephenson Way Coalville

I asked for regular updates on the continued closure of a Right of Way between London Road and Stephenson Way Coalville at Full Council on the 20th June 2023 & 5th September 2023. Councillor Saffell responded that the case was complex, but he would keep me regularly updated on progress.

I am disappointed that I need to raise the issue again as no updating on progress has been forthcoming since September 2023.

When will the above Right of Way be re-opened to pedestrians and cyclists?

REPONSE FROM THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER TO COUNCILLOR J LEGRYS

“As previously advised, this is a matter that is being dealt with by Leicestershire County Council and our officers have continued to liaise with colleagues at the Environment and Transport team at the County Council.

I am advised that there is still one wall that needs repairing at the northern end of the footpath and once this has been done, the heras fencing along this section of the footpath can be removed. I understand that the occupier of this property has engaged with a builder and it is anticipated the works will be carried out in the next four weeks.

Unfortunately, there are still properties on the southern section of the footpath between the children’s play area and London Road who have not carried out repairs to their walls. The County Council will continue to try and engage with occupiers who have not yet responded to the contact so far. As such, the County Council are still assessing their options for removing the danger so that the right of way can be reopened.

While I am still unable to give a specific date when the footpath will be totally reopened, progress is being made. I have asked officers to continue to liaise with the County Council and to keep you updated at your monthly Shadow Portfolio Holder briefings.”

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COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024

QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR D BIGBY TO THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

At the last council budget meeting, the Conservative/Lib Dem Alliance removed the maintenance of Closed Churchyards from Special Expenses, spreading the cost across all Council Tax payers in the district, including the residents of my ward in Ashby. This has resulted in my ward residents being subject to double taxation - paying towards the upkeep of closed churchyards across the district plus the full cost of Ashby Town Council maintaining the closed churchyards in Ashby.

Since the budget meeting, Ashby's Town Clerk and Council Leader have approached the Council requesting that maintenance of Ashby's closed churchyards is also added to the General Fund. That request has been denied. I would like to request a list of the other parished areas in the District similarly subject to double taxation.

Can the Portfolio Holder justify this position and indicate what action, such as a Concurrent Grant Scheme, they propose to correct the inequitable treatment of many residents?

RESPONSE FROM THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

Firstly, in responding to the point in respect of Ashby's Town Clerk approaching the Council requesting that closed churchyards is added to the General Fund – the Council responded stating when dealing with the maintenance of closed churchyards, the parochial church council may serve a request on a parish or town council to take over the maintenance of it, serving three months' notice. If the parish/town council resolves to do so, then during that three-month period it can serve written notice on the district council to maintain it rather than the parish/town council. With regards to the two closed churchyards in Ashby, it would appear that no notice was served on NWLDC during that three-month period. Consequently, the district council will not consider taking on the maintenance of them. As Blackfordby Churchyard is still active, then, again, the district council would not take on the maintenance of this.

By way of background:

- The Council is responsible for some closed churchyards in North West Leicestershire due to the operation of the legislation referred to in the Local Government Act 1972, these being:
 - Whitwick
 - Hugglecote
 - Coleorton
 - Snibston
 - Measham
 - Lockington and Hemington
 - Stretton
 - Appleby Magna.
- This means it is responsible for the maintenance of the assets.
- The costs to maintain the asset have been considered through necessary surveys revealing boundary wall, fencing and tree works.
- These surveys identified that they required significant works to make/keep them safe and meet our legal obligations.
- The Council was not able to recover the costs of the works needed on specific churchyards needed through the special expenses precept as it would have resulted

in a substantial increase in the precept which is not allowed under the Council Tax Referendum Principles.

- For example, the planned and preventative maintenance costs for Stretton churchyard would have needed a £718.94 increase in the Council Tax Band D amount for its 19 residents.
- Transferring the costs to the general fund and thereby spreading the cost across the district results in an annual increase of 37 pence for a Band D property.
- The Council was unable to increase special expenses without a corresponding decrease in the North West Leicestershire District Council Tax level in line with the Council Tax Referendum Principles.

In summary, the consolidation of churchyard maintenance expenses into the general fund is a measure taken to mitigate financial risks, ensure compliance with maintenance obligations, and maintain fiscal stability across the affected areas.

If a principal authority, such as North West Leicestershire, moves special expenses to the general fund, it does lead to a form of double taxation. This is because the principal authority would still be collecting Council Tax for those special expenses, but the parish would also need to raise funds (likely through an increase in its precept, which is also funded by Council Tax) to cover those same expenses. There are further examples of this within the District such as Kegworth and Castle Donnington. The decision to transfer special expenses to the general fund is a strategic approach to financial management. The impact of double taxation was considered, as well as the principles of referendums. Balancing these factors with the legal obligations to maintain churchyards, the chosen method is sensible financial planning. This ensures that funds are allocated efficiently while upholding the Council's responsibilities.

In terms of a Concurrent Grant Scheme, the Local Government Act 1972, particularly Section 136, indeed provides a framework for principal authorities to support local councils, such as parish or town councils, financially, especially concerning concurrent functions. Concurrent functions are services provided in some parts of the district by the district or county council and in other areas by a parish council.

Such a scheme would support parish and town council net revenue expenditure on a range of agreed concurrent functions. Those local authorities who have implemented such schemes have tended to provide grant funding at an agreed percentage of the net revenue expenditure e.g. 25% of the concurrent function. The parish and town council are then required to submit a claim to the principal council each financial year.

The financial landscape for local governments has shifted significantly in recent years. The rescinding or reduction of these grant arrangements by some authorities, is prevalent in the local government sector, and can be attributed to the broader context of austerity measures and budgetary constraints faced by the local government sector. Should the Council decide to implement this program, it would necessitate the identification of a sustainable funding source, effectively introducing an additional strain on the Council's financial resources. Considering the Council's goal to bridge its funding shortfall in the coming years, alongside the combined impact of service demands and inflation, and the rationale behind transferring special expenses into the general fund, it seems impractical to implement a grant scheme at this time.

Acknowledging the budgetary constraints, highlighted above, I will ask the Council's Section 151 Officer to meet with Ashby Town Council in the coming months to discuss the issues highlighted by the question.

ANNUAL COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND GROUPS, ELECTION OF CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS

NOMINATIONS

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (4 members plus appropriate portfolio holder)

Current Membership	Nominees for 2024/25
Chair: Councillor R Blunt Deputy Chair: Councillor S Sheahan Councillor J Legrys Councillor L Windram Appropriate Portfolio Holder	Chair: Councillor R Blunt Deputy Chair: Councillor S Sheahan Councillor J Legrys Councillor L Windram Appropriate Portfolio Holder
Substitutes: Councillors D Bigby, M Blair-Park, A Morley, S Lambeth, J Simmons, N Rushton & M Wyatt	Substitutes: Councillors J Simmons, N Rushton, M Wyatt, D Bigby, M Blair-Park, A Morley and S Lambeth

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (10 members)

Current Membership	Nominees for 2024/25
Chair: Councillor D Everitt Deputy Chair: Councillor P Moulton Councillor A Barker Councillor D Cooper Councillor J Simmons Councillor N Smith Councillor R Boam Councillor R Sutton Councillor Vacant Councillor G Rogers	Chair: Councillor P Moulton Deputy Chair: Councillor D Everitt Councillor R Boam Councillor J Simmons Councillor N Smith VACANT SEAT Councillor A Barker Councillor D Cooper Councillor G Rogers Councillor Sutton

COALVILLE SPECIAL EXPENSES WORKING PARTY

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
<p>Ward members for Bardon, Broom Leys, Castle Rock, Coalville East, Coalville West, Greenhill, Snibston North, Snibston South and Thringstone:</p> <p>Councillor Legrys Councillor Geary Councillor Everitt Councillor Page Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt Councillor M Burke Councillor J Windram Councillor M French</p>	<p>Ward members for Bardon, Broom Leys, Castle Rock, Coalville East, Coalville West, Greenhill, Snibston North, Snibston South and Thringstone:</p> <p>Councillor Legrys Councillor Geary Councillor Everitt Councillor C Beck Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt Councillor M Burke Councillor J Windram Councillor M French</p>

COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (10 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
<p>Chair: Councillor T Eynon Deputy Chair: Councillor M Blair-Park</p> <p>Councillor S Lambeth Councillor L Parle Councillor A Morley Councillor P Lees Councillor K Horn Councillor M Ball Councillor L Windram Councillor M French</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor T Eynon Deputy Chair: Councillor M Blair-Park</p> <p>Councillor M Ball Councillor K Horn Councillor P Lees Councillor M French Councillor L Windram Councillor D Bigby Councillor S Lambeth Councillor E Parle</p>
<p>Substitutes: Councillors D Bigby, C Sewell, J Page, J Geary, N Smith, J Simmons, R Morris, R Boam & M Burke</p>	<p>Substitutes: Councillors N Smith, J Simmons, R Morris, M Burke, C Beck, J Geary, C Sewell and S Sheahan</p>

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (10 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
<p>Chair: Councillor S Lambeth Deputy Chair: Councillor M Ball</p> <p>Councillor M Blair-Park Councillor A Morley Councillor D Bigby Councillor S Sheahan Councillor K Horn Councillor R Morris Councillor M Burke Councillor J Windram</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor S Lambeth Deputy Chair: Councillor M Ball</p> <p>Councillor K Horn Councillor R Morris Councillor M Burke Councillor J Windram Councillor C Beck Councillor M Blair-Park Councillor A Morley Councillor S Sheahan</p>

Substitutes: Councillors J Page, J Geary, C Sewell, J Legrys, N Smith, J Simmons, R Boam, L Windram & M French	Substitutes: Councillors N Smith, J Simmons, L Windram, M French, D Bigby, J Legrys E Parle and C Sewell.
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ELECTORAL REVIEW WORKING PARTY (5 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
Councillor S Sheahan Councillor C Sewell Councillor K Merrie Councillor M Wyatt Councillor A Woodman	Councillor K Merrie Councillor A Woodman Councillor M Wyatt Councillor C Sewell Councillor S Sheahan
Substitutes: Councillors J Legrys, D Bigby, P Moulton, S Lambeth, R Morris, R Boam & R Canny	Substitutes: Councillors R Morris, R Boam, R Canny, J Legrys, D Bigby, P Moulton and S Lambeth.

EMPLOYEE JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (5 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
Councillor S Sheahan Councillor J Legrys Councillor J Simmons Councillor M French Councillor R Johnson	Councillor M French Councillor J Simmons Councillor J Legrys Councillor S Sheahan Councillor R Johnson
Substitutes: Councillors J Geary, C Sewell, D Bigby, D Cooper, A Woodman, R Blunt & M Wyatt	Substitutes: Councillors A Woodman, R Blunt, M Wyatt, J Geary, C Sewell, D Bigby and D Cooper

INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEE (5 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2023/24
Chair: Councillor S Sheahan Deputy Chair: Councillor J Legrys Councillor N Smith Councillor L Windram Councillor R Sutton	Chair: Councillor S Sheahan Deputy Chair: Councillor J Legrys Councillor N Smith Councillor L Windram Councillor R Sutton
Substitutes: Councillors C Sewell, A Morley, E Parle, A Wilson, T Gillard, K Merrie & M Wyatt	Substitutes: Councillors T Gillard, K Merrie, M Wyatt, C Sewell, A Morley, E Parle and A Wilson.

LICENSING COMMITTEE (15 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
<p>Chair: Councillor N Smith Deputy Chair: Councillor J Simmons</p> <p>Councillor A Wilson Councillor A Barker Councillor D Cooper Councillor D Everitt Councillor J Legrys Councillor G Rogers Councillor K Horn Councillor P Lees Councillor M Ball Councillor M French Councillor J Windram Councillor M Burke Councillor R Johnson</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor N Smith Deputy Chair: Councillor J Simmons</p> <p>Councillor M Ball Councillor K Horn Councillor P Lees Councillor M Burke Councillor M French Councillor J Windram Councillor A Barker Councillor C Beck Councillor J Legrys Councillor P Moulton Councillor G Rogers Councillor A Wilson Councillor R Johnson</p>
<p>Substitutes: Councillors S Lambeth, A Morley, T Eynon, C Sewell, J Page, K Merrie, T Gillard, A Woodman, N Rushton & M Wyatt</p>	<p>Substitutes: Councillors K Merrie, T Gillard, A Woodman, N Rushton, M Wyatt, S Lambeth, A Morley, T Eynon and C Sewell</p>

LOCAL PLAN COMMITTEE (11 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
<p>Chair: Councillor J Simmons Deputy Chair: Councillor P Lees</p> <p>Councillor D Everitt Councillor C Sewell Councillor P Moulton Councillor J Legrys Councillor A Woodman Councillor D Bigby Councillor R Morris Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor J Simmons / D Bigby Deputy Chair: Councillor P Lees</p> <p>Councillor M Ball Councillor R Morris Councillor L Windram Councillor M Wyatt Councillor J Legrys Councillor S Lambeth Councillor P Moulton Councillor C Sewell Councillor J Simmons / D Bigby (dependent on outcome of vote)</p>
<p>Substitutes: Councillors A Morley, S Lambeth, G Rogers, D Cooper, K Merrie, K Horn, R Blunt, T Gillard</p>	<p>Substitutes: Councillors K Merrie, K Horn, R Blunt, T Gillard, A Barker, C Beck, A Morley and G Rogers,</p>

PLANNING COMMITTEE (11 members)

Current membership	Nominees for 2024/25
<p>Chair: Councillor R Boam Deputy Chair: Councillor R Morris</p> <p>Councillor D Everitt Councillor P Moulton Councillor D Bigby Councillor J Legrys Councillor C Sewell Councillor J Simmons Councillor N Smith Councillor R Canny Councillor M Burke</p>	<p>Chair: Councillor R Boam Deputy Chair: Councillor R Morris</p> <p>Councillor M Burke Councillor R Canny Councillor J Simmons Councillor N Smith Councillor D Bigby Councillor D Everitt Councillor J Legrys Councillor P Moulton Councillor C Sewell</p>
<p>Substitutes: Councillors T Eynon, J Page, D Cooper, J Geary, A Woodman, R Blunt, P Lees, K Horn & M Wyatt</p>	<p>Substitutes: Councillors A Woodman, R Blunt, P Lees, K Horn, M Wyatt, T Eynon, C Beck, D Cooper and J Geary</p>

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ANNUAL COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

NOMINATIONS

Any Changes/additions to the nominations will be considered at the meeting

Body	Current Appointments	Nominees for 2024/25
Alderman Newton Education Foundation (1 seat)	Councillor J Geary	Councillor J Geary
Ashby de la Zouch Endowed Schools Foundation (1 seat appointed for District term (every 4 years))	Councillor K Horn	Councillor K Horn (as appointed in May 2023)
Bredon Quarry Liaison Committee (1 seat)	Councillor R Morris	Councillor R Morris
Charnwood Forest Regional Park Steering Group (1 seat)	Councillor A Wilson	Councillors A Wilson and M Wyatt A vote required in meeting
Cliffe Hill Quarry Liaison Committee (1 seat)	Councillor R Boam	Councillor R Boam
Coalville and District Town Twinning Association (2 seats)	Councillor J Simmons and J Page	Councillor C Beck and J Simmons
Coalville Town Football Club Committee (1 seat)	Councillor J Geary	Councillor J Geary and L Windram A vote required in meeting
East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Committee (1 seat & 1 substitute)	Councillors R Sutton and N J Rushton (Substitute)	Councillors R Sutton and N J Rushton (Substitute)
East Midlands Freeport Board (1 Seat & 1 substitute)	Infrastructure Portfolio Holder	Infrastructure Portfolio Holder and a substitute Portfolio Holder
Former Lount Landfill Site Liaison Committee (2 seats)	Councillors R Morris and M Blair-Park	Councillors R Morris and Blair-Park
Grace Dieu Priory Trust (2 seats)	Councillors D Everitt and J Simmons	Councillors D Everitt and J Simmons
Interlink South Country Park Board Meeting (1 seat)	Councillor K Merrie	Councillor K Merrie
Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Police and Crime Panel (1 seat)	Councillor A Woodman	Councillor A Woodman
Local Government Association – General Assembly (1 seat)	Leader of the Council	Leader of the Council
Moira Furnace Trust (1 seat)	Councillor D Cooper	Councillor D Cooper

Body	Current Appointments	Nominees for 2024/25
MSV Donington Park Consultative Forum (7 seats)	Councillors for Castle Donington Central Ward, Kegworth Ward, Castle Donington Park Ward, Long Whatton and Diseworth Ward, Castle Donington Castle Ward, Daleacre Hill Ward and Worthington and Breedon Ward	Councillors for Castle Donington Central Ward, Kegworth Ward, Castle Donington Park Ward, Long Whatton and Diseworth Ward, Castle Donington Castle Ward, Daleacre Hill Ward and Worthington and Breedon Ward
North West Leicestershire Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Taxi Licensing Forum (3 seats)	Councillor A Barker, Chair of Licensing Committee and Deputy Chair of Licensing Committee	Councillor A Barker, Chair of Licensing Committee, Deputy Chair of Licensing Committee.
PATROL (Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London) Adjudication Joint Committee	Community Services Portfolio Holder	Community Services and Climate Change Portfolio Holder
Ravenstone Hospital Charity (2 seats)	Councillors J Page and N Smith	Councillors C Beck and N Smith
Redbank Manufacturing Liaison Committee (1 seat)	Councillors S Sheahan	Councillors S Sheahan
Safer North West Leicestershire Partnership (1 seat)	Community Services Portfolio Holder	Community Services and Climate Change Portfolio Holder
Whitwick Quarry Liaison Committee (3 seats)	Councillors A Barker, P Moulton and T Gillard	Councillors A Barker, P Moulton, L Windram and M Wyatt A vote required in meeting

COUNCIL, TUESDAY 7 MAY 2024

ITEM 18 – CAPITAL UPDATE

AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL UPDATE REPORT SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR D BIGBY

I move the amendments to the recommendation to Item 18 Capital Update with amended areas highlighted in red.

AGENDA ITEM 18: CAPITAL UPDATE

Recommendations	THAT COUNCIL APPROVES:
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="596 674 1366 1093">1. THE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATE OF £267K IN PARAGRAPH 3.2 BELOW BUT WITH THE 2024/25 ZERO CARBON BUDGET INCREASED BY £1.6M (RATHER THAN £267,287.35) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION TO ENSURE THAT THERE ARE SUFFICIENT RESOURCES TO DELIVER THE ADDITIONAL PLANNED ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COUNCIL'S HOUSING STOCK ENABLED BY THE SOCIAL HOUSING DECARBONISATION FUND WAVE 2.2 GRANT.<li data-bbox="596 1144 1366 1249">2. THE UPDATED HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT CAPITAL PROGRAMME AS DETAILED IN REVISED APPENDIX 1.

COMMENTS FROM OFFICERS REGARDING THE AMENDMENT

Director with Responsibility for Housing Comments:

Planning for the Carbon Zero programme as part of the HRA capital programme starts months in advance of budget agreement. There is considerable process involved from stock assessments, works and contractor planning, materials provision and tenant acceptance to name but some. None of this work has been commenced for an extended Carbon Zero programme as set out in the motion.

This pre planning work is likely to take approaching 6 months to complete should the increased budget provision be made over and above that set out in the original motion. The delivery of such as a programme would also include significant resource expansion within the council which again is likely to take months to put in place before this pre-planning can commence.

Considerable replanning of the exiting programme is already taking place to take account of the specific requirements from the SHDF grant, and the planned focus is to deliver as much as possible first against the SHDF grant programme so as to

maximise the use of the government grant before tenant funded works. These funds would then be used to fund works programmes in future years (it would not be lost).

A near doubling of the programme at this late stage in the programming of work is likely to result in a significant underspend, as the budget allocation would have been made without taking into account the above issues.

Section 151 Comments:

The Council's S151 Officer has conducted a review of the proposed amendment to the capital programme, ensuring that the financial implications are clear and manageable within the existing budgetary framework. The assessment indicates that the additional allocation required by the proposal, which exceeds the amount initially approved by Council, can be accommodated without necessitating further borrowing.

This is due to the receipt of grant funding amounting to £2.8 million, which allows the extra £1.3 million to be covered by the funds earmarked in the capital programme that was approved by Council on 22 February 2024. Consequently, the amendment represents a reprofiling of the capital programme rather than an increase in the overall expenditure, maintaining fiscal responsibility while addressing the needs that prompted the proposal.

Robust financial management is at the heart of the Council's ability to achieve its objectives and deliver high quality services to its local community, residents and tenants. The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) definition is 'Public financial management (PFM) is the system by which financial resources are planned, directed, and controlled to enable and influence the efficient and effective delivery of public service goals'. The common objectives of good financial management include:

- giving a reliable account of the money they spend and the income they receive
- ensuring the organisation's conduct demonstrates probity, sound financial administration, accountability of public resources and compliance with regulatory standards
- ensuring value for money: economy, efficiency, effectiveness and equity in how funds are used
- identifying, evaluating and managing risk
- supporting good decision-making and assisting managers and governing structures to assess the financial consequences of policy choices
- analysing costs and trends and using comparisons to drive out further efficiencies, linking costs with activity to lever performance improvements
- enabling the organisation to plan for the future and to align its resource allocation with its business objectives
- collaborating in change programmes, so that the organisation can move forward without compromising core financial management values.

Considering the comments of the Director, to ensure the Council follows good financial management, it would be better to reflect the forecasted expenditure more accurately in the financial year it will be spent.

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NORTHWEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2024/25-2028/29

Revised Appendix 1

PROJECT	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	Total
	For Approval	Indicative	Indicative	Indicative	Indicative	
	£	£	£	£	£	£

Major Repairs Reserve	Capital Receipts	RCCO	Grant	Prudential Borrowing	Total
£	£	£	£	£	£

Stock Investment

Home Improvement Programme	6,500,000	4,500,000	4,500,000	4,500,000	4,500,000	24,500,000
Asbestos	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	2,000,000
Roofs	550,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	1,550,000
Commercial Boilers	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	750,000
Stock Condition Surveys	325,000	-	-	-	-	325,000
Zero Carbon	4,100,000	2,767,287	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	14,367,287
New Supply	1,100,000	-	-	-	-	1,100,000
Total Stock Investments	13,125,000	8,067,287	7,800,000	7,800,000	7,800,000	44,592,287

18,609,477	1,271,776	2,410,353		2,208,395	24,500,000
-	400,000	-		1,600,000	2,000,000
-	550,000	-		1,000,000	1,550,000
-	150,000	-		600,000	750,000
-	325,000	-		-	325,000
-	6,253,000	-	2,767,287	5,347,000	14,367,287
-	440,000	660,000		-	1,100,000
18,609,477	9,389,776	3,070,353	2,767,287	10,755,395	44,592,287

Estate Improvements

Off-Street Parking	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	1,500,000
Estate Projects	200,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	600,000
Garage Demolition	70,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	270,000
Footpaths and Unadopted Roads	100,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	300,000
Total Estate Improvement	670,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	2,670,000

-	300,000	-		1,200,000	1,500,000
-	200,000	-		400,000	600,000
-	70,000	-		200,000	270,000
-	100,000	-		200,000	300,000
-	670,000	-		2,000,000	2,670,000

Fleet Replacement

Vehicles	-	100,000	300,000	-	-	400,000
Total Fleet Replacement	-	100,000	300,000	-	-	400,000

-	-	-		400,000	400,000
-	-	-		400,000	400,000

Other Capital

Sheltered Scheme Improvements	350,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	750,000
Passive Fire Safety	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	1,500,000
Scheme Lighting	250,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	1,050,000
Tunstall System	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000
Major Aids and Adaptations	400,000	-	-	-	-	400,000
Housing Management IT System	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
Total Other Capital	1,430,000	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000	3,830,000
Total Active Projects	15,225,000	9,267,287	9,200,000	8,900,000	8,900,000	51,492,287

-	350,000	-		400,000	750,000
-	300,000	-		1,200,000	1,500,000
-	250,000	-		800,000	1,050,000
-	30,000	-		-	30,000
-	400,000	-		-	400,000
-	100,000	-		-	100,000
-	1,430,000	-		2,400,000	3,830,000
18,609,477	11,489,776	3,070,353		15,555,395	51,492,287

DEVELOPMENT POOL

New Supply	2,300,000	5,810,000	2,640,000	1,190,000	4,660,000	16,600,000
Total Development Pool	2,300,000	5,810,000	2,640,000	1,190,000	4,660,000	16,600,000

-	5,550,540	-		11,049,460	16,600,000
-	5,550,540	-		11,049,460	16,600,000

TOTAL HRA CAPITAL PROGRAMME	17,525,000	15,077,287	11,840,000	10,090,000	13,560,000	68,092,287
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18,609,477	17,040,316	3,070,353		26,604,854	68,092,287
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Council Procedure Rules – Motions and Amendments

What members can do

- When seconding a motion, a member may reserve their speech until later in the debate (rule 14.3).
- Members may only speak once on a motion or amendment whilst it is being debated (rule 14.5, 14.5(a)).
- Members may also move a further amendment if the motion has been amended since they last spoke (rule 14.5(b)).
- Members can exercise a right of reply, raise a point of order or make a personal explanation during debate (rule 14.5(d), (e) and (f)).
- Members can speak on the main issues if their first speech was on an amendment (rule 14.5(c)).
- The mover of a motion has a right of reply at the close of debate on the motion, before it is put to the vote (rule 14.9.1).
- The mover of a motion has a right of reply at the close of debate on any amendment (rule 14.9.2).

What members can't do

- Members cannot make a speech until a motion has been seconded (rule 14.1).
- Members cannot speak again whilst a motion is being debated, except to exercise a right of reply, raise a point of order or make a personal explanation (rule 14.5, 14.5(a) to (f)).
- Members cannot speak for more than 5 minutes without the consent of the Chairman (rule 14.4).
- The mover of a motion may not speak on an amendment, other than to exercise his right of reply (rule 14.9.2).
- The mover of an amendment has no right of reply at the close of debate (rule 14.9.3).

Motions and Amendments – Flowchart

