

North West Leicestershire District Council General Fund Budget Proposals 2023/24 to 2027/28

Proposal Title	Proposal Description & Service Impact	Directorate	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
			£	£	£	£	£
Payaward 22/23	Including NI savings	Various	672,830	0	0	0	0
Payaward Future Years	Including NI & Pension & other minor amendments	Various	730,230	514,760	353,470	369,910	369,820
Vacancy Allowance Increase	Applied a consistent 2% across the general fund	Various	(151,190)	0	0	0	0
Finance Team Agency Budget	Agency contracted until the end of September 2023 to fulfil the vacant Finance Team Manager & Head of Finance	Housing & Customer Services	97,630	(97,630)	0	0	0
Members Allowances	Members Allowances Payaward 22/23 & Future Years	Chief Executive Directorate	32,950	9,820	6,700	6,790	6,920
Enforcement Team Leader post	To upgrade the vacant Senior Planning Enforcement Officer role to a Team Leader position	Place Services	17,940	0	0	0	0
Minor Adjustments across all areas	9 budget proposals individually less than £15k	Various	12,580	2,170	2,320	2,490	2,660
Total Pay Related Costs			1,412,970	429,120	362,490	379,190	379,400
Corporate Licences increase in cost	Microsoft licences increased in cost due to inflation increase as well as Microsoft increasing prices	Housing & Customer Services	40,000	9,730	0	0	10,000
Fuel Increases of 30%	Increase to fuel costs on Grounds Maintenance, Cleansing and Refuse & Recycling	Place Services	131,480	0	0	0	0
General Fund Energy Costs	Additional budget to cover increase in energy costs for properties within the General Fund Portfolio	Housing & Customer Services	171,850	0	0	0	0
Business Rates - General Fund	Business Rates for Council owned properties future years inflation	Housing & Customer Services	0	12,330	6,420	6,530	6,670
Insurance	Budget increase to cover the increase in the insurance provision contract.	Various	143,780	0	0	0	0
Building Control Statutory Non-Fee Earning budget	Increase in hourly rates for Charnwood's building control service	Place Services	28,000	0	0	0	0
Minor Adjustments across all areas	7 budget proposals individually less than £15k	Various	31,740	2,410	2,040	2,590	1,660
Total Inflation Increases			546,850	24,470	8,460	9,120	18,330
CCTV Camera Replacement Programme - ongoing maintenance	Year 2 of CCTV camera replacement programme - Capital CCTV Maintenance Programme - Revenue	Place Services	0	0	15,000	0	0
Coalville Regeneration Programme	Continuation of funding for Coalville Regeneration Programme activities to be used to fund: feasibility, initial design, preparatory and legal and other due diligence work associated with: Coalville Cinema, Coalville Railway Station, council depot relocation, Stenson Square, Memorial Square workspace, Coalville public toilets and changing places other town centre regeneration projects.	Place Services	50,000	0	0	0	0
Business Change Resource	Costed at Team Manager Level	Chief Executive Directorate	70,805	0	0	0	0

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Service Management Restructure	Service Management Restructure	Chief Executive Directorate	54,000	0	0	0	0
Increase in legal salaries	Increase in legal salaries to bring in line with market rates	Chief Executive Directorate	47,140	1,410	970	990	1,010
Minor Adjustments across all areas	6 budget proposals individually less than £15k	Various	14,110	13,500	2,190	260	260
Audit Restructure	Audit Restructure net of income from Blaby District Council and Charnwood Borough Council	Chief Executive Directorate	35,370	1,050	740	740	760
Total Service Developments			271,425	15,960	18,900	1,990	2,030
District Election 23/24	District Election 23/24	Chief Executive Directorate	29,000	11,000	0	0	0
External Audit fees and audit of grants	Increase in audit costs due to PSAA procurement of audit services.	Housing & Customer Services	74,850	0	0	0	0
Credit & debit card charges - GF	Increase in credit & debit card charges - GF	Various	16,070	0	0	0	0
External Contractor Payments - Fencing HRA	To meet the increase in work demands	Place Services	88,060	0	0	0	0
Strategic Growth Plan	NWLDC contribution to work in connection with Strategic Growth Plan.	Place Services	39,000	33,000	0	0	0
Contribution to Revs & Benefits Partnership	Our share of the costs of the Revenues & Benefits Partnership	Housing & Customer Services	72,660	41,530	42,780	44,060	45,390
Bed and Breakfast Pressure	a recognition of the increasing costs toward emergency accommodation to fulfil our statutory homelessness duties	Housing & Customer Services	146,710	0	0	0	0
Industrial Units	Essential property repairs	Housing & Customer Services	18,000	(18,000)	0	0	0
Net Financing Costs	Changes to the net financing costs following the budget proposals for capital and the forecast carried forwards for 22/23.	Corporate	971	1,162,580	0	0	0
Cost Increase from disposal location changes to new facility	Residual waste to be taken to Newhurst Energy Recovery facility located near Shepshed.	Place Services	17,000	0	0	0	0
Minor Adjustments across all areas	7 budget proposals individually less than £15k	Various	40,687	9,750	11,150	11,470	11,790
Total Service Pressures			543,008	1,239,860	53,930	55,530	57,180
Newmarket income reduction	Result of the delay in the opening of the Marlborough Square Project and therefore the inability to hold regular outdoor markets.	Place Services	57,580	(8,792)	(9,212)	(9,422)	(9,632)
Leisure Contractor Income	An increase in income	Place Services	(269,550)	(332,080)	(163,940)	(107,820)	(188,040)
Refuse & Recycling - Additional Garden Bin	Introduction of Charge for Collection of 2nd Bin - Scheme income reduced to reflect lower take up than anticipated	Place Services	174,350	0	0	0	0
Refuse and recycling - recycling scheme income	Resale of recyclable materials from collections	Place Services	(193,020)	0	0	0	0
Trade Refuse & Recycling Collection	General Fees for Trade Refuse & Recycling Collections	Place Services	(73,460)	(22,720)	(18,620)	(19,170)	(19,750)
Income - Planning apps	Planning app charges	Place Services	(185,500)	0	0	0	0
Increased income from the partnership	Increased income from the Revenues & Benefits Partnership	Housing & Customer Services	(81,120)	(32,150)	(22,070)	(22,510)	(22,970)
Housing Benefits	Increase budget for Rent Allowances (Private Tenants), Rent Rebates (Council Tenants) and Modified Schemes	Housing & Customer Services	96,350	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	Income forecasts for treasury management investments	Corporate	(330,305)	200,000	10,000	0	0
Minor Adjustments across all areas	14 budget proposals individually less than £15k	Various	(40,080)	(51,061)	(8,709)	(28,768)	7,867

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Total Changes In Income			(844,755)	(246,803)	(212,551)	(187,690)	(232,525)
Removal of One-off 22-23 budgets	Agreed by Cabinet & Council as part of Budget Setting 22-23	Various	(438,420)	0	0	0	0
LCTS Grant - to Special Expenses	Phasing out of LCTS grant to Special Expenses	Corporate	(15,870)	(15,871)	0	0	0
Housing Revenue Account (HRA) & Special Expenses Income	Recharges from General Fund to HRA & Special Expenses	Various	(592,100)	0	0	0	0
Local Council Tax Support Grant (LCTS) 2023	LCTS Grant now included in total funding so needs to be removed from Revs & Bens Service	Housing & Customer Services	83,760	0	0	0	0
Total Technical Adjustments			(962,630)	(15,871)	0	0	0
Asset Protection Fund	Asset Protection Fund	Housing & Customer Services	(56,730)	0	0	0	0
Reduction in Market Towns Support programme	Reduce the Market Towns Support programme	Place Services	(15,000)	0	0	0	0
Refuse & Recycling general materials	Purchase of bags and removal of bins and boxes budget (now funded from capital)	Place Services	(155,230)	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Maintenance	MOT Testing and Operational Equipment	Place Services	(12,850)	0	0	0	0
EE Mobile phones budget reduction saving	Renewal of our EE mobile phone contract to a more sustainable and cheaper data shared tariff.	Various	(16,410)	0	0	0	0
ICT Vodafone & Canon MFD Contract efficiencies	Removal of Vodafone contract and reduced number of printers due to accommodation project	Housing & Customer Services	(17,800)	0	0	0	0
Finance System Licence & Maintenance	Efficiency savings for finance system licences and maintenance for Total and Unit 4.	Housing & Customer Services	15,000	(37,470)	0	0	0
Community Leisure - Castle Donington College	A budget saving due to change the way the scheme provision is managed	Place Services	0	(17,590)	0	0	0
Business Rates - General Fund	Adjustments to budgets to match current costs and efficiencies due to Accommodation project.	Various	(14,880)	0	0	0	0
Deletion of Admin Assistant Post	Deletion of the Admin Assistant Post in Leisure Services	Place Services	(16,970)	0	0	0	0
Business Change Resource	Efficiency savings from service reviews to fund Business Change Resource	Chief Executive Directorate	0	0	(70,805)	0	0
Minor Adjustments across all areas	3 budget proposals individually less than £15k	Various	(28,930)	0	0	0	0
Total Efficiencies			(319,800)	(55,060)	(70,805)	0	0
Total Budget Proposals			647,068	1,391,676	160,424	258,140	224,415