

COUNCIL, THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2025

AMENDMENT TO THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR S LAMBETH

I move the amendments to recommendations to Item 12 General Fund Budget and Council Tax 2025/26 with amended areas highlighted in red.

Should these changes be agreed, members will need to be mindful of the consequential changes to Item 11 – Capital Strategy, Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators.

AGENDA ITEM 12: GENERAL FUND BUDGET AND COUNCIL TAX 2024/25

Recommendations	THAT COUNCIL: 1. APPROVES THE GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET FOR 2025/26 AS SUMMARISED IN SECTION 2 OF THIS REPORT SUBJECT TO THE CHANGES SHOWN IN THE ALTERNATIVE BUDGET. THIS INCLUDES INCREASING THE DISTRICT COUNCIL'S SHARE OF COUNCIL TAX IN 2025/26 BY 2.5%. 2. NOTES THE GENERAL FUND REVENUE INDICATIVE BUDGET FOR 2026/27 TO 2029/30 (APPENDIX 1) SUBJECT TO THE CHANGES SHOWN IN THE ALTERNATIVE BUDGET. 3. NOTES THE GENERAL FUND FEES AND CHARGES APPROVED BY CABINET ON 28 JANUARY 2025 (APPENDIX 3). 4. APPROVES THE PROPOSED GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME (APPENDIX 4) FOR 2025/26 AND PLANNED FINANCING, AS SET OUT IN SECTION 3 OF THIS REPORT SUBJECT TO THE CHANGES SHOWN IN THE ALTERNATIVE BUDGET. 5. NOTES THE REMAINING ELEMENTS OF THE GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2026/27 – 2029/30 SUBJECT TO THE CHANGES SHOWN IN THE ALTERNATIVE BUDGET. 6. APPROVES THE SPECIAL EXPENSES REVENUE BUDGET FOR 2025/26 (APPENDIX 6) AS SUMMARISED IN SECTION 4, INCLUDING SETTING THE SPECIAL EXPENSE BAND D COUNCIL TAX AT THE LEVELS DETAILED IN TABLE 4 OF THIS REPORT. 7. APPROVES THE CONTINUATION OF NWLDC IN THE LEICESTER AND LEICESTERSHIRE BUSINESS RATES POOL IN 2025/26.
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	<p>8. NOTES THE CONTRIBUTION TO A CONTINGENCY BUDGET AS DETAILED IN THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET SUMMARY 2025/26 TO 2029/30 (APPENDIX 1)</p> <p>9. APPROVES THE ALLOCATION OF £100,000 FROM THE MTFP RESERVE TO CREATE AN EARMARKED RESERVE TO SUPPORT NECESSARY WORK TO UNDERSTAND THE WIDER IMPLICATIONS OF THE ENGLISH DEVOLUTION WHITE PAPER AS SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH 2.2.2 OF THE REPORT.</p>
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1. PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET

- 1.1 The Labour Group proposes to make 11 changes to the General Fund budget as set out below:
1. Removal of the budget saving in relation to Age UK in 2025/26 and retain the grant at £21,990 per year.
 2. Removal of the budget saving in relation to Ashby Museum in 2025/26 and retain the grant at £1,460 per year.
 3. Removal of the deletion of the Community Focus post and reinstate the budget.
 4. Additional £30k one-off contribution to Citizens Advice in 2025/26.
 5. New ongoing budget for an additional Enforcement Officer at a cost of £58k in 2025/26, increasing each year in line with forecast pay awards.
 6. Continuation of the Flex Collect trial once the grant expires in September 2025, at a one-off cost of £20k.
 7. A £42k incentive scheme to rebalance the economy.
 8. Additional £40k revenue and £400k Capital to build and operate workspaces for small businesses.
 9. A £60k concurrent grant scheme open to Parish Councils to apply for funding.
 10. Savings of £66k will be achieved, by reducing spend on consultancy services.
 11. To postpone the development of Stenson Square to 2026/27.
- 1.2 Labour is encouraged that a number of the changes they suggested last year have now been adopted by the Alliance, acknowledging the need to focus on providing services to the people of North West Leicestershire, amongst other things – the Public Conveniences in Ashby.
- 1.3 For the 2025/26 budget – Labour is again proposing to support the District’s essential voluntary sector services by reversing the cuts to the Age UK and Ashby Museum grants. With targeted support to address the cost-of-living crisis, Labour is proposing a one-off additional £30,000 grant to Citizens Advice Bureau to be used specifically to employ an advisor for the next year to assist with financial advice. This is a one-year commitment that will be reviewed on an ongoing annual basis.
- 1.4 Our Parish Councils will be supported by reversing the Alliance’s cuts to the Community Focus team and through a concurrent grant scheme, mitigating the double taxation imposed by the Alliance last year. An additional enforcement officer for the Environmental Protection Team will also be funded to address Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and fly tipping. The Flex collect trail will also be extended to avoid a hiatus between the trial and roll out across the whole District.
- 1.5 Many new businesses have moved to NWLDC in recent years and Labour is keen to develop and encourage “home-grown” business where possible. A one-off £40,000 is

proposed for developing a detailed business case to build and operate additional workspaces for small businesses, focussed on supporting start-ups, and £400,000 capital investment is added to the Development Pool to build them. Labour also proposes a £42,000 incentive scheme aimed at refocussing the local economy away from distribution alone.

- 1.6 With so much uncertainty in the local economy – it is important that we review unnecessary expenditure. Labour proposes to make £66,000 pa savings in consultancy expenditure and to delay the Stenson Square project by 12-months, to ensure cost certainty and that the project concept is fully developed before it commences. This should avoid repetition of the over-expenditure incurred at Marlborough Square which went significantly over budget.
- 1.7 The report appendices have been updated to reflect the above 11 proposals and are attached; all changes are highlighted in red:
- Appendix 1 – Revenue Budget 2025/26
 - Appendix 2 – Budget Changes
 - Appendix 4 – Capital Programme 2025/26
 - Appendix 5 – General Fund Reserves
 - Appendix 8 – Draft to Final Budget Reconciliation
- 1.8 A summary of the revenue changes is detailed in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Summary of Revenue Changes

	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
Proposals:					
Age UK	14,660	21,990	21,990	21,990	21,990
Ashby Museum	975	1,460	1,460	1,460	1,460
Citizens Advice	30,000	-	-	-	-
Workspaces for small businesses - feasibility study	40,000	-	-	-	-
Additional Enforcement Officer	57,896	59,094	60,235	61,440	62,668
Incentive Scheme to rebalance the economy	42,000	-	-	-	-
Continuation of Flexcollect trial	20,000	-	-	-	-
Reverse cut to Community Focus Team	57,896	59,094	60,235	61,440	62,668
Concurrent Grant Scheme to Parish Councils	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
Reduce Consultancy Spend by 10%	- 66,000	- 66,000	- 66,000	- 66,000	- 66,000
Total Revenue Changes	257,427	135,638	137,920	140,330	142,786
Funded by:					
Increase in budget proposals funded from reserves	132,000				
Reduction in the Contingency Budget	125,427				
Increase in anticipated funding gap		135,638	137,920	140,330	142,786
	257,427	135,638	137,920	140,330	142,786

1.9 A summary of the capital changes is detailed in Table 2:

Table 2: Summary of Capital Changes

	2025/26 £'000	2026/27 £'000	2027/28 £'000	2028/29 £'000	2029/30 £'000
Proposals:					
Stenson Square	- 1,000		1,000		
Workspaces for small businesses	400				
Total Capital Changes	- 600	-	1,000	-	-
Funded by:					
Business Rates Reserve	- 600		1,000		
	- 600	-	1,000	-	-

1.10 The consequential impact of this proposed change on the Capital Strategy, Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators report at Agenda Item 11 will be actioned under the delegation provided to the Section 151 Officer.

2.0 CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER ASSESSMENT OF ROBUSTNESS OF BUDGET ESTIMATES AND ADEQUACY OF RESERVES

2.1 Section 25(1) of the Local Government Act 2003 requires the Chief Finance Officer (CFO) to provide their professional assessment of the robustness of budget estimates and the adequacy of reserves prior to the Budget and Council tax being considered by Council. Agenda Item 10 provides Council with the CFOs assessment on the Administration's proposed budget.

2.2 The CFO has undertaken an initial review of the alternative budget proposals contained in this report and can indicatively provide a positive opinion. The alternative budget suggests a number of amendments to the Cabinet's proposed budget, which would result in additional revenue and capital spending. There is a proposal to mitigate the increased revenue with a proposal for additional savings. Based on his analysis, the CFO is satisfied that the alternative budget is affordable and meets the statutory requirements of a balanced budget. While the alternative proposals necessitate one-off funding from reserves, which the Council has sufficient reserve balances to cover, the ongoing budget proposals will widen the funding gap over the medium term. The proposals in respect of the general fund capital programme requires additional funding of £400k which can be met from the Business Rates Reserves in accordance with the Capital Strategy.

2.3 The alternative budget maintains adequate levels of reserves and does not compromise the financial stability or sustainability of the Council.

NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL GENERAL FUND SUMMARY BUDGET 2025/26

2024/25 Budget £	Service	2025/26 Indicative £	2026/27 Indicative £	2027/28 Indicative £	2028/29 Indicative £	2029/30 Indicative £
201,490	Chief Executive	201,490	201,490	201,490	201,490	201,490
732,700	Human Resources	756,780	759,270	761,930	761,930	761,930
1,873,460	Legal & Support Services	1,996,860	2,003,380	2,009,000	2,009,000	2,009,000
2,807,650	Total Chief Executive	2,955,130	2,964,140	2,972,420	2,972,420	2,972,420
137,970	Strategic Director of Place	137,970	137,970	137,970	137,970	137,970
1,279,120	Property & Economic Regeneration	717,755	718,915	720,110	720,110	720,110
1,070,580	Planning	1,099,730	1,099,730	1,107,585	1,107,585	1,107,585
(2,890)	Joint Strategic Planning	(4,600)	(6,340)	(8,120)	(9,930)	(9,930)
2,484,780	Total Place	1,950,855	1,950,275	1,957,545	1,955,735	1,955,735
110,990	Director of Communities	110,990	110,990	110,990	110,990	110,990
6,514,950	Community Services	6,464,517	6,259,008	6,070,480	5,873,990	5,876,446
540,188	Strategic Housing	540,188	542,188	542,188	542,188	542,188
7,166,127	Total Community Services	7,115,694	6,912,185	6,723,657	6,527,167	6,529,623
237,130	Strategic Director of Resources	237,130	237,130	237,130	237,130	237,130
1,009,760	Customer Services	1,011,180	1,012,630	1,014,110	1,014,110	1,014,110
1,052,640	Finance	1,110,460	1,053,990	1,055,590	1,055,590	1,055,590
1,170,850	Revenues & Benefits	1,211,620	1,233,230	1,255,710	1,255,710	1,255,710
1,221,640	ICT	1,252,280	1,252,280	1,262,280	1,262,280	1,262,280
570,090	Business Change	0	0	0	0	0
5,262,110	Total Resources	4,822,670	4,789,260	4,824,820	4,824,820	4,824,820
115,140	Non Distributed - Revenue Expenditure on Surplus Assets	116,120	117,120	118,140	118,140	118,140
69,980	Non Distributed - Retirement Benefits	71,330	72,710	74,120	74,120	74,120
92,500	Corporate & Democratic Core	108,500	113,500	113,500	113,500	113,500
526,781	Pay Award, Employers NI and Utilities Contingency	1,656,601	2,094,511	2,542,531	3,000,971	3,470,121
0	Contingency	353,146	0	0	0	0
18,525,068	NET COST OF SERVICES	19,150,046	19,013,701	19,326,733	19,586,873	20,058,479
(1,859,136)	Net Recharges from General Fund	(1,714,066)	(1,714,066)	(1,714,066)	(1,714,066)	(1,714,066)
16,665,932	NET COST OF SERVICES AFTER RECHARGES	17,435,980	17,299,635	17,612,667	17,872,807	18,344,413
CORPORATE ITEMS AND FINANCING						
Corporate Income and Expenditure						
1,906,878	Net Financing Costs	1,788,070	1,739,498	1,702,267	1,701,701	1,615,941
(410,200)	Investment Income	(150,360)	(150,360)	(150,360)	(150,360)	(150,360)
18,162,610	NET REVENUE EXPENDITURE	19,073,690	18,888,773	19,164,574	19,424,148	19,809,994
(770,805)	Budget Proposals Funded from Reserves - One-Off	0	0	0	0	0
19,448	Contribution to/(from) Balances/Reserves	0	0	0	0	0
17,411,253	MET FROM GOVT GRANT & COUNCIL TAX (Budget Requirement)	19,073,690	18,888,773	19,164,574	19,424,148	19,809,994
0	ANTICIPATED BASELINE FUNDING GAP	0	713,773	1,754,274	2,733,328	3,730,116

2024/25 Budget £	Service	2025/26 Indicative £	2026/27 Indicative £	2027/28 Indicative £	2028/29 Indicative £	2029/30 Indicative £
Financed By						
(918,476)	New Homes Bonus	(679,330)	0	0	0	0
(11,470)	Council Tax - Previous year's Surplus/(Deficit)	0	0	0	0	0
(6,041,652)	Council Tax	(6,268,350)	(6,519,420)	(6,780,540)	(7,052,120)	(7,334,580)
(8,619,604)	Non Domestic Rates	(8,673,560)	(10,292,320)	(9,563,070)	(8,821,480)	(8,137,398)
(1,707,118)	Minimum Funding Guarantee	(1,577,320)	0	0	0	0
0	Extended Producer Responsibility	(1,574,000)	(1,259,000)	(1,007,000)	(806,000)	(645,000)
(16,782)	2022/23 Services Grant	0	0	0	0	0
(96,151)	Revenue Support Grant	(131,200)	(104,260)	(59,690)	(11,220)	37,100
-	National Insurance Grant	(169,930)	0	0	0	0
(17,411,253)	TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE	(19,073,690)	(18,175,000)	(17,410,300)	(16,690,820)	(16,079,878)

North West Leicestershire District Council
General Fund Budget Amendments to the MTFP 2025/26 to 2029/30

Proposal Description & Service Impact	Directorate	Service	2025/26 £000	2026/27 £000	2027/28 £000	2028/29 £000	2029/30 £000	Reserve
Unavoidable Cost Pressures								
Increase in contract prices – Microsoft Licences, Firewall renewal, data centre	Resources	ICT	29					
Unachievable budgeted staff staffings	Resources	ICT	64					
Reducing Legal Income budget	Chief Executive	Legal	45					
Additional IT licenses - Legal	Chief Executive	Legal	6					
Additional subscription - Legal	Chief Executive	Legal	1					
Reducing Pubic Conveniences income budget	Community Services	Community Services	11					
Additional IT licenses - Waste - customer reporting software	Community Services	Community Services	7					
Reducing Waste Clearance income budget	Community Services	Community Services	106					
Additional property costs inc. security, facilities management, landlord costs and maintenance	Place	Property and Economic Regeneration	46					
Additional subscription - Finance	Resources	Finance	5					
Development of Unit 4 finance system	Resources	Finance	50	(50)				MTFP Reserve
Additional IT licenses - Finance systems	Resources	Finance	21					
Pay Award - additional 1% in 24/25 and 25/26	Various	Corporate	378	8	17	23	402	
National Insurance Increase	Various	Corporate	351	7	7	8	7	
Two Independent Member posts approved an allowance by the Remuneration Panel.	Chief Executive	Democratic Services	2					
Reducing government grant due to Universal Credit transfer to Department of Works and Pension	Resources	Finance	20					
Inflation on utilities, business rates and fuel	Various	Corporate	50	52	55	57	60	
Delivery of Asset Management Plans – play area equipment, changing pavilions and closed churchyards.	Community Services	Community Services	30	(30)				Business Rates Reserve
Technical budget adjustments and HRA recharges	Corporate	Corporate	190	7				
			1,412	(6)	79	88	469	
Additional Capacity								
Increase in Internal Audit resources to enable adequate audit coverage and assurance	Resources	Internal Audit	60	60	(120)			MTFP Reserve
Additional solicitor post – to adequately resource the team.	Chief Executive	Legal	62					
Increase of Senior Human Resources Advisor hours from 21.75 to 36.25	Resources	HR	22					
To recruit a "superuser" post for the new Capital Asset Facilities Management system	Place	Property and Economic Regeneration	43					
Creation of an Insurance Officer post, to manage the insurance contract including annual renewal.	Resources	Finance	53	53	(106)			MTFP Reserve
Upgrading the Financial Services Team Leader post to a Team Manager.	Resources	Finance	9					
Recruitment of a Principal Officer to lead the implementation of Council development projects	Place	Property and Economic Regeneration	63	(63)				Business Rates Reserve
Reversal of Ashby Toilets asset transfer decision made in February 2024.	Community Services	Community Services	26					
CCTV changes to manned hours. (Sunday hours)	Community Services	Community Services	7					
Recruit a finance graduate through the Local Government Association Graduate Programme	Resources	Finance	22	44	(66)			MTFP Reserve
Additional hours for Senior Planning Officer within the planning and development team	Place	Planning and Infrastructure	26					
Additional hours for Senior Planning Officer within the planning policy team.	Place	Planning and Infrastructure	5					
Increased planning application income to fund above	Place	Planning and Infrastructure	(5)					
Contribution to feasibility costs	Resources	Finance	140	(140)				Business Rates Reserve
Love Your Neighbourhood	Community Services	Community Services	10	(10)				MTFP Reserve
Devolution proposal	Corporate	Corporate	100	(100)				MTFP Reserve
Recruitment of an additional Enforcement Officer	Community Services	Leisure Services	58	1	1	1	1	
Reinstatement of Community Focus Officer Post	Community Services	Leisure Services	58	1	1	1	1	
One off Grant to Citizens Advice	Community Services	Leisure Services	30	(30)				Business Rates Reserve
Reversal of decision to cut grants to Age UK and Ashby Museum	Community Services	Leisure Services	16	8				
Incentive Scheme to rebalance the economy			42	(42)				Business Rates Reserve
Continue Flexcollect trial			20	(20)				Business Rates Reserve
Concurrent Grant Scheme to Parish Councils			60					
Contingency Budget	Corporate	Corporate	354	(354)				
			1,281	(592)	(290)	2	2	

Proposal Description & Service Impact	Directorate	Service	2025/26 £000	2026/27 £000	2027/28 £000	2028/29 £000	2029/30 £000	Reserve
Savings Agreed								
Deletion of Leisure Officer at Measham Leisure Centre.	Community Services	Community Services	(18)					
Deletion of Community Focus post.	Community Services	Community Services	(53)					
Funding of regeneration salaries – capitalisation of salaries which provides a saving on the revenue budget	Place	Property and Economic Regeneration	(500)					
Disabled Facilities Grant service provision saving	Community Services	Community Services	(1)					
Everyone Active changes in line with contract	Community Services	Community Services	26	(38)				
Reduction of the Consultancy Spend Budgets by 10%	Various	Various	(66)					
De minimis budgets ranging from £2k to £10k including subscriptions and additional income	Various	Various	(27)					
			(639)	(38)	0	0	0	
Corporate								
Treasury			(38)	0	0	28	(86)	
			(38)	0	0	28	(86)	
Funding								
Extender Producer Responsibility Payment			(1,574)	315	252	201	161	
Business Rates							684	
National Insurance			(170)	170				
Council Tax			48	36	39	42	(282)	
Core Funding			(85)	278	0	0	49	
			(1,781)	799	291	243	612	
Net Changes to MTFP			235	163	80	361	997	
MTFP Reserve			(295)	3	292			
Business Rates Reserve			(325)	325				
Total Reserve			(620)	328	292	0	0	
Total			(385)	491	372	361	997	

PROJECT	2025/26 For Approval £	2026/27 Indicative £	2027/28 Indicative £	2028/29 Indicative £	2029/30 Indicative £	Total Indicative £	Grants/ Contributions	Capital Receipts	Revenue	Business Rates Reserve	Ear- Marked Reserves	Total
Small Business Workspace	400,000	-	-	-	-	400,000	-	-	-	400,000	-	400,000
Total - New Construction or Renovation	3,162,809	3,000,000	1,000,000	-	-	7,162,809	-	-	-	7,162,809	-	7,162,809
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	6,146,668	3,348,000	1,888,000	60,000	192,000	11,634,668	145,859	20,760	-	11,468,049	-	11,634,668
REFCUS												
Disabled Facilities Grants	670,310	670,310	670,310	670,310	670,310	3,351,550	3,351,550	-	-	-	-	3,351,550
TOTAL REFCUS	670,310	670,310	670,310	670,310	670,310	3,351,550	3,351,550	-	-	-	-	3,351,550
SPECIAL EXPENSES												
Coalville Cemetery - Meadow Lane (Broomley's)	22,000	-	-	-	-	22,000	-	-	22,000	-	-	22,000
TOTAL SPECIAL EXPENSES	22,000	-	-	-	-	22,000	-	-	22,000	-	-	22,000
TOTAL	9,254,154	6,918,310	3,111,233	1,230,310	1,362,310	21,876,317	4,559,475	20,760	22,000	17,274,082	-	21,876,317

North West Leicestershire District Council
Estimated Reserves 2025/26 to 2029/30

TEAM	Estimated Balance as at 1/4/25 £	Commitments & Budget Proposals 25/26 £	Estimated balance as at 31/3/26 £	Future commitment incl budget proposals 26/27 to 29/30 £	Estimated Balance 31/3/30 £
Earmarked Reserves:					
Chief Executive	100,000	- 75,000.00	25,000	- 25,000.00	0
Human Resources	30,000	0	30,000	0	30,000
Legal & Support Services	45,000	45,000	90,000	(90,000)	0
Community Services	636,067	(124,630)	511,437	0	511,437
Strategic Housing	404,158	0	404,158	0	404,158
Planning & Infrastructure	742,239	(62,250)	679,989	(16,645)	663,344
Property and Economic Regeneration	2,032,754	(221,500)	1,811,254	(85,000)	1,726,254
Joint Strategic Planning	181,341	0	181,341	0	181,341
Director of Resources	69,327	0	69,327	0	69,327
Customer Services	11,678	(3,360)	8,318	(2,045)	6,273
Business Change	548,103	(233,803)	314,300	(74,464)	239,836
Finance	166,638	100,000	266,638	0	266,638
MTFP Reserve	4,484,227	(195,000)	4,289,227	(157,000)	4,132,227
Business Rates Reserve	12,549,466	743,748	13,293,214	16,934,723	30,227,937
Total earmarked reserves - General Fund	22,000,996	(26,795)	21,974,201	16,484,569	38,458,770
Other reserves General Fund:					
General Balance (minimum level of reserves)	1,544,493	0	1,544,493	0	1,544,493
Total other Reserves - General Fund	1,544,493	0	1,544,493	0	1,544,493
TOTAL ALL RESERVES - GENERAL FUND	23,545,489	(26,795)	23,518,694	16,484,569	40,003,263
Total earmarked reserves - Special Expenses	12,124	(12,124)	0	0	0
Other reserves Special Expenses:					
General Balance	60,996	(7,509)	53,487	0	53,487
Total other Reserves - Special Expenses	60,996	(7,509)	53,487	0	53,487
TOTAL ALL RESERVES - SPECIAL EXPENSES	73,120	(19,633)	53,487	0	53,487

Revenue

Service	Cabinet Draft 09/01/2025	Cabinet Final 28/01/2025	Changes Draft to Final	Council Alternative 20/02/2025	Changes Cabinet to Council	Comments
Chief Executive	201,490	201,490	-	201,490	-	
Human Resources	756,780	756,780	-	756,780	-	
Legal & Support Services	1,996,860	1,996,860	-	1,996,860	-	
Total Chief Executive	2,955,130	2,955,130	-	2,955,130	-	
Strategic Director of Place	137,970	137,970	-	137,970	-	
Property & Economic Regeneration	717,255	717,255	-	717,755	500	De minimis change
Planning	1,073,730	1,073,730	-	1,099,730	26,000	Additional hours for Senior Planning Officer within the Planning and Development Team
Joint Strategic Planning	- 4,600	- 4,600	-	4,600	-	
Total Place	1,924,355	1,924,355	-	1,950,855	26,500	
Director of Communities	110,990	110,990	-	110,990	-	
Community Services	6,339,090	6,339,090	-	6,464,517	125,427	As detailed in Table 1
Strategic Housing	540,188	540,188	-	540,188	-	
Total Community Services	6,990,267	6,990,267	-	7,115,694	125,427	
Strategic Director of Resources	237,130	237,130	-	237,130	-	
Customer Services	1,011,180	1,011,180	-	1,011,180	-	
Finance	1,110,460	1,110,460	-	1,110,460	-	
Revenues & Benefits	1,211,620	1,211,620	-	1,211,620	-	
ICT	1,252,280	1,252,280	-	1,252,280	-	
Total Resources	4,822,670	4,822,670	-	4,822,670	-	
Non Distributed - Revenue Expenditure on Surplus Assets	116,120	116,120	-	116,120	-	
Non Distributed - Retirement Benefits	71,330	71,330	-	71,330	-	
Corporate & Democratic Core	108,500	108,500	-	108,500	-	
Pay Award, National Insurance and Utilities Contingency	1,305,461	1,305,461	-	1,656,601	351,140	Additional contingency to cover the increase in Employers National Insurance. The two reports presented to Cabinet had assumed 100% grant.
Contingency	660,563	686,283	25,720	353,146	- 333,138	Changes in Contingency due to additional Council Tax and funding the Planning Officer and Employers National Insurance plus the additional changes detailed in Table 1.
NET COST OF SERVICES	18,954,396	18,980,116	25,720	19,150,046	169,929	
Net Recharges from General Fund	- 1,714,066	- 1,714,066	-	1,714,066	-	
NET COST OF SERVICES AFTER RECHARGES	17,240,330	17,266,050	25,720	17,435,980	169,929	
CORPORATE ITEMS AND FINANCING						
Corporate Income and Expenditure						
Net Financing Costs	1,788,070	1,788,070	-	1,788,070	-	
Investment Income	- 150,360	- 150,360	-	150,360	-	
NET REVENUE EXPENDITURE	18,878,040	18,903,760	25,720	19,073,690	169,929	
MET FROM GOVT GRANT & COUNCIL TAX (Budget Requirement)	18,878,040	18,903,760	25,720	19,073,690	169,929	

Service	Cabinet Draft 09/01/2025	Cabinet Final 28/01/2025	Changes Draft to Final	Council Final 20/02/2025	Changes Cabinet to Council	Comments
Financed By						
New Homes Bonus	- 679,330	- 679,330	-	- 679,330	-	
Council Tax - Previous year's Surplus/(Deficit)	-	-	-	-	-	
Council Tax	- 6,242,630	- 6,268,350	- 25,720	- 6,268,350	-	Additional Council Tax due to the finalisation of the Council Tax Base.
Non Domestic Rates	- 8,673,560	- 8,673,560	-	- 8,673,560	-	
Minimum Funding Guarantee	- 1,577,320	- 1,577,320	-	- 1,577,320	-	
Extended Producer Responsibility	- 1,574,000	- 1,574,000	-	- 1,574,000	-	
2022/23 Services Grant	-	-	-	-	-	
Revenue Support Grant	- 131,200	- 131,200	-	- 131,200	-	
Damping payment	-	-	-	-	-	
National Insurance Grant	-	-	-	- 169,930	- 169,930	
TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE	- 18,878,040	- 18,903,760	- 25,720	- 19,073,690	- 169,930	

Capital