

APPENDIX 2:

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS - REVENUE BUDGET AND RISK ASSESSMENT

The financial implications arising from the proposals set out in this report are set out below:-

1. Revenue Implications

	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000	2023/24 £000
Employee costs (see note1)	0	0	0
Other running costs	247	252	257
Capital financings costs	0	0	0
Expenditure	247	252	257
Income from: Fees and charges (see note2)	0	0	0
Grant funding (specify)			
Other income			
Total Income	0	0	0
Net Cost(+)/saving (-)	247	252	257

2. Capital Implications

Capital Programme reference from budget book: page line	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000	2023/24 £000
Proposed Capital Expenditure	0	0	0
Funded by Grant (specify) Section 106 (specify) Other services Capital Receipts/Borrowing	NA	NA	NA
Total Funding	0	0	0

3. Value for Money (VFM)

This is a statutory service. The intention is to retender the Winter Maintenance Service during 2021/2022 and appoint a contractor before the start of the 2022/2023 winter season.

Benchmarking: An exercise was carried out to compare existing winter service rates with an adjacent Local Authority and found that there was an 8% access fee and the rates were not as competitive as we have in place.

4. Risk Assessment.

Each year the amount of precautionary salting runs are unknown and will be directly affected by the weather during the winter season. There is an on-going risk that during severe winter

seasons additional precautionary salting runs will exceed the budget. It is noted that over the last 3 winter seasons, the service has remained within budget.