

Appendix 2 - Summary of the Proposed General Fund Budget 2024/25 to 2026/27

| Directorate/Service | Approved Budget 2023/24 £'000 | Proposed Budget 2024/25 £'000 | Proposed Budget 2025/26 £'000 | Proposed Budget 2026/27 £'000 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Communities & Adult Social Care | | | | |
| Commissioning, Transformation & Performance | 2,580 | 2,690 | 2,777 | 2,867 |
| Adult Services Operations | 40,750 | 46,110 | 50,904 | 53,655 |
| Safeguarding, Quality & Practice | 3,550 | 3,567 | 3,565 | 3,562 |
| Community & Adult Social Care Management | 1,673 | 1,650 | 1,650 | 1,650 |
| Housing & Communities | 1,908 | 2,870 | 2,869 | 2,868 |
| Public Health | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Communities & Adult Social Care | 50,461 | 56,887 | 61,765 | 64,602 |
| Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services | | | | |
| Planning, Transport & Public Protection | 515 | (444) | (607) | (610) |
| Culture | 3,058 | 2,914 | 2,779 | 1,951 |
| Environmental & Commercial Services | 16,994 | 18,950 | 19,351 | 19,756 |
| Property & Asset Management | (3,310) | (3,190) | (3,310) | (3,395) |
| Management & Sustainability | 595 | 1,174 | 1,257 | 1,679 |
| Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services | 17,852 | 19,404 | 19,470 | 19,381 |
| Resources | | | | |
| Policy, Performance & Customer Services | 2,298 | 2,509 | 2,296 | 2,124 |
| Human Resources & Organisational Development | 1,977 | 1,929 | 1,932 | 1,930 |
| Procurement & Contracts | 381 | 369 | 369 | 368 |
| Finance | 4,488 | 4,745 | 4,581 | 4,579 |
| Legal & Democratic Services | 2,992 | 2,930 | 2,829 | 2,827 |
| Digital, Technology & Change | 6,449 | 6,653 | 6,848 | 6,923 |
| Resources | 18,585 | 19,135 | 18,855 | 18,751 |
| Chief Executive Services | | | | |
| Corporate Management Team | 897 | 897 | 897 | 897 |
| Communications | 674 | 734 | 734 | 733 |
| Chief Executive Services | 1,571 | 1,631 | 1,631 | 1,630 |
| Children's Services | | | | |
| Retained by Council | 838 | 843 | 833 | 833 |
| Brighter Futures for Children | 51,430 | 58,839 | 59,048 | 59,128 |
| Children's Services | 52,268 | 59,682 | 59,881 | 59,961 |
| Total Service Expenditure | 140,737 | 156,739 | 161,602 | 164,325 |

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| Corporate Budgets | | | | |
| Capital Financing Costs | 17,601 | 18,426 | 19,081 | 20,113 |
| Contingency | 4,108 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Movement to / (from) Reserves | 6,128 | (3,084) | (220) | (220) |
| Other Corporate Budgets | (4,163) | (4,195) | (28) | 2,213 |
| Corporate Budgets | 23,674 | 11,147 | 18,833 | 22,106 |
| Net Budget Requirement | 164,411 | 167,886 | 180,435 | 186,431 |
| Financed By: | | | | |
| Council Tax Income | (111,086) | (118,884) | (126,384) | (134,018) |
| Business Rates Local Share | (28,489) | (32,045) | (43,542) | (44,239) |
| Section 31 Grant (Business Rates Retention Scheme) | (15,183) | (16,031) | 0 | 0 |
| New Homes Bonus | (1,453) | (1,255) | (638) | (638) |
| Revenue Support Grant | (2,487) | (2,652) | (2,652) | (2,652) |
| Other Government Grants | (1,498) | (1,193) | (1,193) | (1,193) |
| One-off Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit - Council Tax | (1,723) | 1,701 | 0 | 0 |
| One-off Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit - Business Rates | (2,492) | 2,473 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Funding | (164,411) | (167,886) | (174,409) | (182,740) |
| Over/(Under) Budget | 0 | 0 | 6,026 | 3,691 |