

**Appendix 1 - Summary of the General Fund Budget and Forecast 2025/26**

| Directorate/Service  | Approved Budget<br>£'000 | Budget Changes<br>£'000 | Current Budget<br>£'000 | Forecast Actuals<br>£'000 | Variance to Budget<br>£'000 |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Communities &amp; Adult Social Care</b>                 |                          |                         |                         |                           |                             |
| Commissioning, Transformation & Performance                | (3,334)                  | (4,620)                 | (7,954)                 | (7,954)                   | 0                           |
| Adult Social Care Operations                               | 55,437                   | 5,115                   | 60,552                  | 60,552                    | 0                           |
| Safeguarding, Quality & Practice                           | 7,103                    | 114                     | 7,217                   | 7,217                     | 0                           |
| Community & Adult Social Care Management                   | 1,670                    | (137)                   | 1,533                   | 1,533                     | 0                           |
| Public Health  | 0                        | 0                       | 0                       | 0                         | 0                           |
| Housing & Communities                                      | 3,682                    | (99)                    | 3,583                   | 3,583                     | 0                           |
| <b>Communities &amp; Adult Social Care</b>                 | <b>64,558</b>            | <b>373</b>              | <b>64,931</b>           | <b>64,931</b>             | <b>0</b>                    |
| <b>Economic Growth &amp; Neighbourhood Services</b>        |                          |                         |                         |                           |                             |
| Planning, Transport & Public Protection                    | (547)                    | (17)                    | (564)                   | 1,157                     | 1,721                       |
| Culture  | 2,648                    | 78                      | 2,726                   | 2,592                     | (134)                       |
| Environmental & Commercial Services                        | 20,877                   | (80)                    | 20,797                  | 21,256                    | 459                         |
| Property & Asset Management                                | (2,447)                  | 55                      | (2,392)                 | (2,392)                   | 0                           |
| Management & Sustainability                                | 446                      | 708                     | 1,154                   | 977                       | (177)                       |
| <b>Economic Growth &amp; Neighbourhood Services</b>        | <b>20,977</b>            | <b>744</b>              | <b>21,721</b>           | <b>23,590</b>             | <b>1,869</b>                |
| <b>Resources</b>   |                          |                         |                         |                           |                             |
| Policy, Change & Customer Services                         | 3,256                    | (151)                   | 3,105                   | 3,178                     | 73                          |
| Human Resources & Organisational Development               | 1,969                    | (51)                    | 1,918                   | 1,818                     | (100)                       |
| Procurement & Contracts                                    | 512                      | (512)                   | 0                       | 0                         | 0                           |
| Finance  | 4,739                    | 737                     | 5,476                   | 5,476                     | 0                           |
| Legal & Democratic Services                                | 3,276                    | (2)                     | 3,274                   | 3,568                     | 294                         |
| Digital & IT   | 6,430                    | 98                      | 6,528                   | 6,528                     | 0                           |
| <b>Resources</b>   | <b>20,182</b>            | <b>119</b>              | <b>20,301</b>           | <b>20,568</b>             | <b>267</b>                  |
| <b>Chief Executive Services</b>                            |                          |                         |                         |                           |                             |
| Executive Management Team                                  | 911                      | (2)                     | 909                     | 887                       | (22)                        |
| Communications   | 597                      | (4)                     | 593                     | 587                       | (6)                         |
| <b>Chief Executive Services</b>                            | <b>1,508</b>             | <b>(6)</b>              | <b>1,502</b>            | <b>1,474</b>              | <b>(28)</b>                 |
| <b>Children's Services</b>                                 |                          |                         |                         |                           |                             |
| Retained by Council  | 855                      | 0                       | 855                     | 855                       | 0                           |
| Brighter Futures for Children                              | 64,426                   | (452)                   | 63,974                  | 69,184                    | 5,210                       |
| <b>Children's Services</b>                                 | <b>65,281</b>            | <b>(452)</b>            | <b>64,829</b>           | <b>70,039</b>             | <b>5,210</b>                |
| <b>Total Service Expenditure</b>                           | <b>172,506</b>           | <b>778</b>              | <b>173,284</b>          | <b>180,602</b>            | <b>7,318</b>                |
| <b>Corporate Budgets</b>                                   |                          |                         |                         |                           |                             |
| Capital Financing Costs                                    | 17,296                   | 0                       | 17,296                  | 16,902                    | (394)                       |
| Contingencies  | 3,238                    | 0                       | 3,238                   | 2,500                     | (738)                       |
| Other Corporate Budgets                                    | (10,986)                 | (778)                   | (11,764)                | (11,926)                  | (162)                       |
| Movement in Reserves                                       | (3,945)                  | 0                       | (3,945)                 | (5,789)                   | (1,844)                     |
| <b>Corporate Budgets</b>                                   | <b>5,603</b>             | <b>(778)</b>            | <b>4,825</b>            | <b>1,687</b>              | <b>(3,138)</b>              |
| <b>Net Budget Requirement</b>                              | <b>178,109</b>           | <b>0</b>                | <b>178,109</b>          | <b>182,289</b>            | <b>4,180</b>                |
| <b>Financed By:</b>  |                          |                         |                         |                           |                             |
| Council Tax Income   | (126,134)                | 0                       | (126,134)               | (126,134)                 | 0                           |
| Business Rates Local Share                                 | (34,330)                 | 0                       | (34,330)                | (34,330)                  | 0                           |
| Section 31 Grant (Business Rates Retention Scheme)         | (13,514)                 | 0                       | (13,514)                | (13,514)                  | 0                           |
| New Homes Bonus  | (812)                    | 0                       | (812)                   | (812)                     | 0                           |
| Revenue Support Grant                                      | (2,771)                  | 0                       | (2,771)                 | (2,771)                   | 0                           |
| One-off Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit - Council Tax    | (408)                    | 0                       | (408)                   | (408)                     | 0                           |
| One-off Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit - Business Rates | (140)                    | 0                       | (140)                   | (140)                     | 0                           |
| <b>Total Funding</b>                                       | <b>(178,109)</b>         | <b>0</b>                | <b>(178,109)</b>        | <b>(178,109)</b>          | <b>0</b>                    |
| <b>Over/(Under) Budget</b>                                 | <b>0</b>                 | <b>0</b>                | <b>0</b>                | <b>4,180</b>              | <b>4,180</b>                |