

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

Directorate/Service	Approved Budget £'000	Budget Changes £'000	Current Budget £'000	Forecast Actuals £'000	Variance to Budget £'000
<b>Communities &amp; Adult Social Care</b>					
Commissioning, Transformation & Performance	(3,334)	(4,657)	(7,991)	(7,991)	0
Adult Social Care Operations	55,437	5,424	60,861	61,544	683
Safeguarding, Quality & Practice	7,103	794	7,897	7,897	0
Community & Adult Social Care Management	1,670	(78)	1,592	1,592	0
Public Health	0	0	0	0	0
Housing & Communities	3,682	(100)	3,582	3,382	(200)
<b>Communities &amp; Adult Social Care</b>	<b>64,558</b>	<b>1,383</b>	<b>65,941</b>	<b>66,424</b>	<b>483</b>
<b>Children's Services</b>					
Family Help & Safeguarding	48,174	1,597	49,771	55,607	5,836
Children's Commissioning, Resource & Performance Services	4,443	(1,197)	3,246	3,090	(156)
Education	5,948	49	5,997	6,605	608
Service Level Agreements & BFFC Contract Funding	6,716	(3,332)	3,384	3,384	0
<b>Children's Services</b>	<b>65,281</b>	<b>(2,883)</b>	<b>62,398</b>	<b>68,686</b>	<b>6,288</b>
<b>Economic Growth &amp; Neighbourhood Services</b>					
Planning, Transport & Public Protection	(547)	446	(101)	1,574	1,675
Culture	2,648	400	3,048	2,538	(510)
Environmental & Commercial Services	20,877	(2,299)	18,578	19,707	1,129
Property & Asset Management	(2,447)	1,722	(725)	(215)	510
Management & Sustainability	446	550	996	686	(310)
<b>Economic Growth &amp; Neighbourhood Services</b>	<b>20,977</b>	<b>819</b>	<b>21,796</b>	<b>24,290</b>	<b>2,494</b>
<b>Resources</b>					
Policy, Change & Customer Services	3,256	678	3,934	3,769	(165)
Human Resources & Organisational Development	1,969	401	2,370	2,221	(149)
Finance	5,251	1,145	6,396	6,376	(20)
Legal & Democratic Services	3,276	390	3,666	3,885	219
Digital & IT	6,430	930	7,360	7,360	0
<b>Resources</b>	<b>20,182</b>	<b>3,544</b>	<b>23,726</b>	<b>23,611</b>	<b>(115)</b>
<b>Chief Executive Services</b>					
Executive Management Team	911	33	944	919	(25)
Communications	597	76	673	667	(6)
<b>Chief Executive Services</b>	<b>1,508</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>1,586</b>	<b>(31)</b>
<b>Total Service Expenditure</b>	<b>172,506</b>	<b>2,972</b>	<b>175,478</b>	<b>184,597</b>	<b>9,119</b>
<b>Corporate Budgets</b>					
Capital Financing Costs	17,296	0	17,296	15,744	(1,552)
Contingencies	3,238	(715)	2,523	1,500	(1,023)
Other Corporate Budgets	(10,986)	(2,184)	(13,170)	(13,237)	(67)
Movement in Reserves	(3,945)	(73)	(4,018)	(5,862)	(1,844)
<b>Corporate Budgets</b>	<b>5,603</b>	<b>(2,972)</b>	<b>2,631</b>	<b>(1,855)</b>	<b>(4,486)</b>
<b>Net Budget Requirement</b>	<b>178,109</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>178,109</b>	<b>182,742</b>	<b>4,633</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>4,633</b>	<b>4,633</b>