

POLICY, RESOURCES & GROWTH COMMITTEE ADDENDUM 2

Group Amendments

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i360 JUNE 2019 LOAN PAYMENT

GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT

For recommendation **2.4** to be added as shown below in ***bold italics***:

2.1 That the Committee notes the progress being made by BAi360 to return the attraction to a financially sustainable footing.

2.2 That the Committee agrees to defer up to £1.342 million of the total payment due on 30 June 2019.

2.3 That the Committee agrees not to take default action at this stage in relation to the failure to hit the financial ratios set out in the loan agreement.

2.4 That the Committee agrees to inform the Board that any future deferral requests made after December 31st 2019 should at a minimum ensure that any interest payments required by the Public Works Loan Board are borne by i360.

Proposed by: Cllr Shanks

Seconded by:

Recommendation if carried to read:

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TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2019/20 – MONTH 2

GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT

For the recommendations to be amended as shown below in ***bold italics***:

2.6 That the Committee agrees the proposed funding of ~~**Schools and**~~ Non-Schools Term Time Only back pay as set out in paragraphs 6.3 to 6.5.

2.7 That the Committee notes the proposed funding of Schools Term Time Only back pay as set out in paragraphs 6.3 to 6.5.

2.8 That the Committee agrees to explore further options for the proposed funding of Schools and ~~Non-Schools Term Time Only~~ back pay and asks for it to be considered by the Schools Forum.

Proposed by: Cllr Shanks

Seconded by: Cllr Clare

Recommendation if carried to read:

- 2.1 That the Committee note the forecast risk position for the General Fund, which indicates a budget pressure of £3.427m. This includes an overspend of £0.099m on the council's share of the NHS managed Section 75 services.
- 2.2 That the Committee note that the one-off financial risk safety net of £1.065m is available to mitigate the forecast risk if the risks cannot be completely eliminated by year-end.
- 2.3 That the Committee note the forecast for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA), which is currently an underspend of £0.320m.
- 2.4 That the Committee note the forecast risk position for the Dedicated Schools Grant which is an overspend of £0.102m.
- 2.5 That the Committee note the forecast outturn position on the capital programme and approve the variations and slippage in Appendix 5 and the new schemes as set out in Appendix 6.
- 2.6 That the Committee agrees the proposed funding of Non-Schools Term Time Only back pay as set out in paragraphs 6.3 to 6.5.
- 2.7 That the Committee notes the proposed funding of Schools Term Time Only back pay as set out in paragraphs 6.3 to 6.5.
- 2.8 That the Committee agrees to explore further options for the proposed funding of Schools back pay and asks for it to be considered by the Schools Forum.

TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT (TBM) 2019/20: MONTH 2

CONSERVATIVE GROUP AMENDMENT

To amend recommendation 2.6 and insert an additional 2.7 as shown in ***bold italics*** and where struck through.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Committee note the forecast risk position for the General Fund, which indicates a budget pressure of £3.427m. This includes an overspend of £0.099m on the council's share of the NHS managed Section 75 services.
- 2.2 That the Committee note that the one-off financial risk safety net of £1.065m is available to mitigate the forecast risk if the risks cannot be completely eliminated by year-end.
- 2.3 That the Committee note the forecast for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA), which is currently an underspend of £0.320m.
- 2.4 That the Committee note the forecast risk position for the Dedicated Schools Grant which is an overspend of £0.102m.
- 2.5 That the Committee note the forecast outturn position on the capital programme and approve the variations and slippage in Appendix 5 and the new schemes as set out in Appendix 6.
- 2.6 That the Committee agree the ***estimated*** ~~proposed funding of Schools and Non-Schools Term Time Only back pay~~ ***liability of £4.154m*** as set out in paragraphs 6.3 to ~~6.5.~~ ***be funded from the council's General Fund utilising cash balances relating to the earmarked Waste PFI reserve.***
- 2.7 ***That the Committee agree to increase the contribution from the General Fund revenue budget (set out in paragraph 6.4) from £296,800 to £485,400 per annum for 10 years.***

Proposed by: Cllr. Steve Bell

Seconded by: Cllr. Tony Janio

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- 2.4 That the Committee note the forecast risk position for the Dedicated Schools Grant which is an overspend of £0.102m.
- 2.5 That the Committee note the forecast outturn position on the capital programme and approve the variations and slippage in Appendix 5 and the new schemes as set out in Appendix 6.
- 2.6 That the Committee agree the estimated Schools and Non-Schools Term Time Only back pay liability of £4.154m as set out in paragraph 6.3 be funded from the council's General Fund utilising cash balances relating to the earmarked Waste PFI reserve.
- 2.7 That the Committee agree to increase the contribution from the General Fund revenue budget (set out in paragraph 6.4) from £296,800 to £485,400 per annum for 10 years.

REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET PLANNING AND RESOURCE UPDATE

GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT

For the recommendations to be amended as shown below in ***bold italics***:

2.4 Agree ***to explore options for*** the proposed approach to reviewing the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (***CTR***), as set out in Appendix 2;

This could include:

- full subsidy of the scheme, or other amendments to alleviate the strain on the city's poorest households;

-with details on the financial implications and necessary community consultation resulting from any change brought to a future committee.

2.5 Note the resource projections for the 5-Year Capital Investment Programme as shown in Appendix 4.

2.6 Given the reduction in number of CTR scheme claimants (detailed in 1.19) that Committee agrees to sufficiently promote the CTR consultation and discretionary fund with partners, with a future report to be provided to this committee on the improved promotion work done

Proposed by: Cllr Mac Cafferty

Seconded by: Cllr Osborne

Recommendation if carried to read:

- 2.1 Note the resource and net expenditure projections for 2020/21 and the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) projections set out in the body of the report and Appendices 1, 2 and 3 based on a 1.99% Council Tax increase.
- 2.2 Note the predicted budget gaps for 2020/21 to 2023/24 to be adopted for budget setting purposes as detailed at paragraph 4.20.
- 2.3 Instruct the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) to develop 4-Year Budget Plans including investment and savings proposals to address the predicted budget gaps for the period 2020/21 to 2023/24 based on the assumptions in this report, and for consideration by Policy, Resources & Growth Committee.
- 2.4 Agree to explore options for reviewing the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTR).; This could include:
 - full subsidy of the scheme, or other amendments to alleviate the strain on the city's poorest households;
 - with details on the financial implications and necessary community consultation resulting from any change brought to a future committee.
- 2.5 Note the resource projections for the 5-Year Capital Investment Programme as shown in Appendix 4.
- 2.6 Given the reduction in number of CTR scheme claimants (detailed in 1.19) that Committee agrees to sufficiently promote the CTR consultation and discretionary fund with partners, with a future report to be provided to this committee on the improved promotion work done

REVIEW OF MEMBERS ALLOWANCES

GREEN GROUP AMENDMENT

For the recommendations to be amended as shown below in ***bold italics***:

2.1 That the Members Allowances Scheme be amended to ***require*** councillors to ***fully self-fund*** a car park pass for Norton Road and the Lanes car parks

2.2 That the car park permit issued to councillors for Norton Road should be for Mondays–Fridays only, and

2.3 That the intention of the Independent Remuneration Panel to undertake a review on the establishment of maternity/paternity/adoption leave policy for councillors (in so far as it relates to allowances) and to report back in the autumn be noted.

Proposed by: Cllr Clare

Seconded by: Cllr Osborne

Recommendation if carried to read:

2.1 That the Members Allowances Scheme be amended to require councillors to fully self-fund a car park pass for Norton Road and the Lanes car parks.

2.2 That the intention of the Independent Remuneration Panel to undertake a review on the establishment of maternity/paternity/adoption leave policy for councillors (in so far as it relates to allowances) and to report back in the autumn be noted.

REVIEW OF MEMBER ALLOWANCES

CONSERVATIVE GROUP AMENDMENT

To amend recommendation 2.2 as shown in ***bold italics*** and where struck through.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Members Allowances Scheme be amended to provide that for those councillors opting to take a car park pass for Norton Road and the Lanes car parks, a monthly contribution equivalent to that applied for councillors taking a bus pass (currently £23.09 for 2019/20), be deducted from their monthly Basic Allowance payment;
- 2.2 That the car park permits issued to councillors for Norton Road ***and the Lanes car parks*** should be ***valid for seven days a week so as, to be in line with bus passes which are for 7 days of the week***
- 2.3 That the intention of the Independent Remuneration Panel to undertake a review on the establishment of maternity/paternity/adoption leave policy for councillors (in so far as it relates to allowances) and to report back in the autumn be noted.

Proposed by: Cllr. Steve Bell

Seconded by: Cllr. Tony Janio

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- 2.2 That the car park permits issued for Norton Road and the Lanes car parks should be valid for seven days a week so as, to be in line with bus passes which are for 7 days of the week
- 2.3 That the intention of the Independent Remuneration Panel to undertake a review on the establishment of maternity/paternity/adoption leave policy for councillors (in so far as it relates to allowances) and to report back in the autumn be noted.

