# Summary of re-profiles of budget due to factors outside the Council's control

| Directorate                 | Budget<br>Change<br>2008/09<br>£ | Budget<br>Change<br>2009/10<br>£ | Budget<br>Change<br>20010/11<br>£ | Budget<br>Change<br>Total<br>£ |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Culture & Enterprise        | (161)                            | 161                              |                                   | -                              |
| Finance & Resources         | (187)                            | 187                              |                                   | -                              |
| Adult Social Care & Housing | (207)                            | 207                              |                                   | -                              |
| Environment                 | (2,995)                          | 2,895                            | 100                               | -                              |
| Total                       | (3,550)                          | 3,450                            | 100                               | -                              |

## **Detailed Explanations of the Reprofiles**

## **Culture & Enterprise**

| Directorate: Cultural Services | Approved Budget: | £125,000  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Project Title: Brighton Centre | Revised Budget:  | £72,900   |
|                                | Variation:       | £(52,100) |

The Heads of Terms between Standard Life and Brighton & Hove City Council were exchanged and executed in December 2008. Standard Life despatched the contract notice for publication in OJEU on 13 January 2009 to initiate the procurement process to appoint a Lead Architect and the professional development team to undertake a first stage feasibility design and study. At the same time in January, the project budget was reprofiled as part of the review of Capital Resources and Capital Investment Programme 2009/10 in line with the indicative timetable for the next 12 to 15 months through to March 2010. Standard Life's procurement timetable has slipped by approximately 6 to 8 weeks so a small readjustment of the budget profile is required.

| Directorate: Cultural Services           | Approved Budget: | £142,000   |
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| Project Title: Pavilion Security Control | Revised Budget:  | £33,390    |
|  | Variation:       | £(108,610) |

Expenditure on the relocation of the Royal Pavilion Security Control Room has been delayed due to a longer than expected period for agreeing the procurement process for the supply of new equipment. Enabling works to the area where the Control Room will be located have now taken place and the contract for the equipment has been awarded. We are in the process of arranging to meet with the contractor to discuss details for the start of the works and anticipate that work itself should begin in the next few weeks.

#### Finance & Resources

| Directorate: Finance & Resources | Approved Budget: | £135,000  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Project Title: Asbestos Surveys  | Revised Budget:  | £82,370   |
|                                  | Variation:       | £(52,630) |

Due to the number of asbestos surveys being carried out, the company which won the tender has been unable to complete all the required surveys in the 2008/09 period, because of the QA (checking) procedure which is required to enter data onto the online asbestos register. Quality of data input is more important than speed of input, and it was therefore decided to extend the contract period by two months; hence the contractor will not be reimbursed until all the data is uploaded in 2009/10.

| Directorate: Finance & Resources          | Approved Budget: | £125,000  |
|---|------------------|-----------|
| Project Title: Madeira Lift Refurbishment | Revised Budget:  | £48,350   |
|   | Variation:       | £(76,650) |

Phase 1 of the work to make safe the lift roof void and then undertake a full structural inspection is complete. Negotiations between Property & Design, our insurers Zurich and conservation planners were required to ensure agreement that the historic grade 2 listed lift could be adapted for safe operation to the satisfaction of the insurers. This delayed the finalisation of the specification for Phase 2, the lift works, which are now in progress.

| Directorate: Finance & Resources | Approved Budget: | £619,510  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Project Title: DDA Access Works  | Revised Budget:  | £560,850  |
|                                  | Variation:       | £(58,660) |

Delays to this year's Disability Discrimination Act access programme have been caused by a variety of factors including awaiting Landlord's consent for proposed changes, awaiting agreement from Conservation Planners for alteration works to historic listed buildings, and clarification needed from the council's insurers Zurich regarding the change of use of a goods lift. Other alteration works at one site have also delayed access improvement works and the programme has required extensive consultation to ensure value for money and find solutions to circumvent or remove barriers. The DDA Access Works is a rolling programme of improvements to meet Council targets. Re-profiled funding will be used to further improve access to services.

### **Adult Social Care and Housing**

| Directorate: Adult Social Care & Housing | Approved Budget: | £6,377,000 |
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| Project Title: Private Sector capital    | Revised Budget:  | £6,170,000 |
|  | Variation:       | £(207,000) |

Expenditure under this heading is dependent upon the completion of works by individual applicants following approval of applications for Housing Renewal Assistance.

The unspent sum at year-end relates to funding assistance we have identified for a major capital project that has been held up due to unexpected delays outside of the council's

control that occurred very late in the financial year. Work was due to commence in January 2009 however it has taken longer than anticipated for the landlord to obtain the necessary planning permissions. This was not anticipated at the time of reporting for month 9. The project is expected to proceed in the new financial year. The funding allocation to the Council is in the form of a grant that can be carried forward to the following financial year.

#### **Environment**

| Directorate: Environment               | Approved Budget: | £615,000   |
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| Project Title: Communal Bins Extension | Revised Budget:  | £222,980   |
|  | Variation:       | £(392,020) |

Due to the complex specification for the new communal bin vehicles, a short delay has been experienced in receiving the vehicles from the supplier. The communal bin roll out is progressing as planned.

| Directorate: Environment                          | Approved Budget: | £369,340   |
|---|------------------|------------|
| Project Title: Purchase of vehicles for Cityparks | Revised Budget:  | £228,550   |
|   | Variation:       | £(140,790) |

A delay has followed road testing of a number of different vehicles which failed to achieve expectations and required new vehicles to be specified and acquired.

| Directorate:   | Environment               | Approved Budget: | £63,250   |
|----------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Project Title: | Cityparks Waste Compactor | Revised Budget:  | £ nil     |
|                | Composting in Stanmer     | Variation:       | £(63,250) |

A specification for the site has been submitted to the Environment Agency but a response from the Agency is still awaited, resulting in the need to re-profile the budget.

| Directorate: Environment                           | Approved Budget: | £860,000   |
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| Project Title: King Alfred – Health & Safety Works | Revised Budget:  | £142,070   |
|  | Variation:       | £(717,930) |

Elsewhere on this agenda is a detailed report on the King Alfred health and safety works.

| Directorate: E   | Environment              | Approved Budget: | £317,500   |
|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------|
| Project Title: F | Horsdean Travellers Site | Revised Budget:  | £150,600   |
| li               | mprovements              | Variation:       | £(166,900) |

The start of works was delayed due to Travellers remaining on site for longer than anticipated and therefore no access was possible for contractors. The cold weather at the start of the year also delayed the concrete pouring process. When works started on site in became clear that an amendment was needed to the specification to ensure most effective use of the space.

| Directorate: Environment                      | Approved Budget: | £2,260,000   |
|---|------------------|--------------|
| Project Title: Lanes and London Road Car Park | Revised Budget:  | £939,440     |
| Improvements                                  | Variation:       | £(1,320,560) |

Delivery of these two major improvement projects was not feasible before the end of March 2009 due to fixed time processes (OJEU procurement and Cabinet Approval for additional funding) that could not be shortened. Delays in obtaining the necessary planning permission for each car park contributed to the extended timeframe. In addition, normal project processes such as design, mobilisation and implementation require more time with 18 – 24 months being the normal timeframe for this type of project. By the end March 2009 just under 12 months had elapsed.

Parking capacity was always projected to be reduced during the works and therefore the delay simply means that the reduced capacity has happened later. Staff parking and hotel parking have been re-located to Regency Square during the course of the works.

| Directorate: Environment           | Approved Budget: | £1,384,000 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
| Project Title: Ex leased car parks | Revised Budget:  | £1,189,150 |
| Improvements                       | Variation:       | £(194,850) |

The return of the ex-leased car parks happened later than expected due to legal complications during the negotiation with NCP. Improvement works (accounting for the remainder of the budget) will proceed at the Lanes and London Road and will require design, planning permission, procurement, mobilisation and implementation requiring circa 18 months overall duration.

| 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| £       | £       | £       | £       |
| 100,000 | 94,850  |         |         |