

01 July 2021

**LABOUR GROUP AMENDMENT**

**TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT (TBM) PROVISIONAL OUTTURN 2020/21**

To amend the motion with the insertion of new recommendations and the new numbering as shown below in ***bold italics***.

Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Committee note that the provisional General Fund outturn position is an underspend of £9.733m and that this represents an improvement of £4.921m compared to the projected and planned resource position at Month 19 taken into account when setting the 2021/22 budget.
- 2.2 That the Committee note the provisional outturn includes an underspend of £0.989m on the council's share of the NHS managed Section 75 services.
- 2.3 That the Committee approve General Fund carry forward requests totalling £5.321m as detailed in Appendix 5 and included in the provisional outturn.
- 2.4 That the Committee approve the proposed allocation of additional available outturn resources of £4.921m as set out in the table at paragraph 10.4 **as adjusted for recommendation 2.9.1 and 2.9.2.**
- 2.5 That the Committee note the provisional outturn for the separate Housing Revenue Account (HRA), which is an underspend of £0.436m.
- 2.6 That the Committee note the provisional outturn position for the ring-fenced Dedicated Schools Grant, which is an underspend of £0.746m.
- 2.7 That the Committee note the provisional outturn position on the capital programme which is an underspend variance of £7.132m.
- 2.8 That the Committee approve the capital budget variations and re-profiling requested in Appendix 7.
- 2.9.1 That the figures in 10.4 are amended as follows: The repayment of financial smoothing to be reduced to £2.450m, and that £0.020m be added to the corporate delivery plan risk provision, making available a total of up to £0.259m. The total fund to include consideration of the following projects:***
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  - ***EV Car co-op Pilot setup costs - to set up pilot schemes in three initial locations***
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- ***One off investment to catch up with pavement weeds - funding for more city clean staff to clear up street and kerbside weeds and support and enable community initiatives to de weed and plant kerbside flowers in appropriate available ground.***
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***2.9.2 That an additional provision of up to £0.030m be set aside from the available outturn resources for four specific projects:***

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Proposed by: Cllr Appich

Seconded by: Cllr Bell  
Cllr Mac Cafferty

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## Chief Finance Officer Comments:

The repayment of reserves (Financial Smoothing) of £2.500m proposed in the report also has the effect of reducing annual repayments by £0.250m from 2022/23 for 10 years. The amendment reduces the repayment of reserves (Financial Smoothing) by £0.050m from £2.500m down to £2.450m. This in turn increases the annual repayments by £0.005m from 2022/23 (for 10 years) compared to the proposed repayment of Financial Smoothing in the report.

The amendment also delegates the detailed allocation of funding for both the Corporate Plan Delivery Risk Provision and the Additional Funding as covered by recommendations 2.4, 2.9.1, 2.9.2 and 2.1.2. These recommendations amount to a resource allocation decision but do not determine the deliverability, achievability, or extent of each named scheme or project. This will need to be considered under delegations by the Budget Review Group having taken advice from the CFO and relevant Executive Directors regarding practical implementation and delivery relative to amounts to be allocated to each scheme or project.

The amendment further stipulates that any funds not utilised in 2021/22 for either the Corporate Plan Delivery Risk provision (Recommendation 2.4 and 2.9.1) or the Additional Provision (Recommendation 2.9.2) will be applied to increase the repayment of Financial Smoothing.

Recommendation 2.9.3 is a stand-alone recommendation proposing an allocation of funds from the 2021/22 Contain Outbreak Management Fund for which the council was allocated £2.070m in total. The report to Policy & Resources (Recovery) Sub-Committee on 28 April 2021 (Allocation of Contain Outbreak Management Funds 2020/21) recommended that the council allocate this funding later in the financial year as per recommendation 2.6 which is repeated below:

That the Policy & Resources (Recovery) Sub-Committee:

- 2.6 Agrees to defer the allocation of 2021/22 Contain Outbreak Management Funds until later in the financial year when more information on potential local test, trace and support to self-isolate and surge testing costs will be known together with information on the city's progression through the roadmap to recovery.

However, the proposed allocations in the amendment are eligible within the conditions of the grant.

