

Revenue Budget Monitor to the end of December 2023

|  | Approved budget | Latest budget for year | Net income to date   | Projected outturn variation |
|--|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
|  | £000            | £000                   | £000                 | £000                        |
| <b>Sources of Finance</b>  |                 |                        |                      |                             |
| Precept  | -567,120        | -567,120               | -425,340             | 0                           |
| Business Rates Retention Scheme                                      | -97,084         | -97,074                | -75,777              | -5,328                      |
| Collection Fund Deficits   | 1,818           | 1,818                  | 496                  | -1,322                      |
| New Homes Bonus Grant  | -1,200          | -1,200                 | -900                 | 0                           |
| Revenue Support Grant  | 0               | -35                    | -27                  | 0                           |
| Services Grant   | -3,079          | -3,079                 | -2,404               | -126                        |
| Social Care Support Grant  | -42,138         | -42,138                | -34,834              | 0                           |
| <b>Total Financing</b>   | <b>-708,803</b> | <b>-708,828</b>        | <b>-538,786</b>      | <b>-6,776</b>               |
| <b>Analysis of Expenditure</b>                                       |                 |                        |                      |                             |
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|  | £000            | £000                   | £000                 | £000                        |
| <b>Portfolio Budgets</b>   |                 |                        |                      |                             |
| Adults Services  | 242,653         | 242,669                | 221,872              | 5,732                       |
| Children and Young People, Learning and Skills                       | 182,889         | 199,446                | 181,225              | 24,024                      |
| Community Support, Fire and Rescue                                   | 47,768          | 48,727                 | 20,856               | 229                         |
| Environment and Climate Change                                       | 73,867          | 72,791                 | 43,745               | 2,530                       |
| Finance and Property   | 28,058          | 27,321                 | 21,708               | 1,249                       |
| Highways and Transport   | 47,345          | 47,979                 | 31,074               | -2,100                      |
| Leader   | 3,016           | 2,914                  | 2,596                | -305                        |
| Public Health and Wellbeing  | 0               | 0                      | -11,902              | 0                           |
| Support Services and Economic Development                            | 41,170          | 38,347                 | 36,942               | -310                        |
| <b>Sub-total</b>   | <b>666,766</b>  | <b>680,194</b>         | <b>548,116</b>       | <b>31,049</b>               |
| <b>Non-Portfolio Budgets</b>   |                 |                        |                      |                             |
| Capital Financing - Repayment (MRP)                                  | 13,009          | 14,076                 | 0                    | -133                        |
| Capital Financing - Interest   | 17,440          | 18,780                 | 14,122               | 12                          |
| Revenue Contribution to Capital - Business Rates Pilot               | 590             | 590                    | 0                    | 0                           |
| Revenue Contribution to Capital - Other                              | 532             | 625                    | 0                    | 0                           |
| Investment Income  | -6,962          | -6,962                 | -15,200              | -8,000                      |
| Corporate Contingency  | 13,008          | 13,008                 | 0                    | -13,008                     |
| Investment into Highways, Roads, Skills and Economic Development     | 5,000           | 5,000                  | 0                    | 0                           |
| Transfers to/(from) Reserves - Other Bodies or Shared Responsibility | -590            | -1,274                 | -1,274               | 0                           |
| Transfers to/(from) County Council Earmarked Reserves                | -15,990         | -30,406                | -30,777              | -371                        |
| Transfer DSG Deficit to Unusable Reserves                            | 0               | -803                   | -803                 | 0                           |
| Transfers to/(from) General Fund                                     | 16,000          | 16,000                 | 16,000               | 0                           |
| <b>Sub-total</b>   | <b>42,037</b>   | <b>28,634</b>          | <b>-17,932</b>       | <b>-21,500</b>              |
| <b>Total Net Expenditure</b>   | <b>708,803</b>  | <b>708,828</b>         | <b>530,184</b>       | <b>9,549</b>                |
| <b>Total Forecast Variation - overspending</b>                       |                 |                        |                      | <b>2,773</b>                |
| <b>Memo: Contingency</b>   |                 |                        |                      | <b>£000</b>                 |
| Original Budget  |                 |                        |                      | 13,008                      |
| Anticipated draw-down of Contingency to fund projected overspend     |                 |                        |                      | -13,008                     |
| <b>Available Contingency</b>   |                 |                        |                      | <b>0</b>                    |

| Balances and Reserves   | Balance at<br>31st March<br>2023 | Balance at<br>31st<br>December<br>2023 | Projected<br>Balance at<br>31st March<br>2024 | Projected<br>Annual<br>Movement | Detail on Projected Annual Movements >£500k   |
|---|----------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|---|
|   | £000                             | £000                                   | £000  | £000                            |   |
| <b>Earmarked Reserves:</b>  |                                  |  |   |                                 |   |
| <b>Reserves to Fund Contractual Commitments</b>                     |                                  |  |   |                                 |   |
| Crawley Schools PFI   | -267                             | -267                                   | -282  | -15                             |   |
| Recycling & Waste PFI   | -10,428                          | -10,264                                | -10,264                                       | 164                             |   |
| Street Lighting PFI   | -23,019                          | -21,931                                | -23,050                                       | -31                             |   |
| Waste Materials Resource Management Contract                        | -22,597                          | -20,997                                | -20,997                                       | 1,600                           | Planned transfer within the approved 2023/24 budget   |
|   | <b>-56,311</b>                   | <b>-53,459</b>                         | <b>-54,593</b>                                | <b>1,718</b>                    |   |
| <b>Reserves to Fund Service Commitments</b>                         |                                  |  |   |                                 |   |
| Ash Dieback   | -1,200                           | -1,200                                 | -1,200  | 0                               |   |
| Economic Growth   | -1,792                           | -1,759                                 | -1,359  | 433                             |   |
| Highways Commuted Sums  | -8,366                           | -8,859                                 | -8,359  | 7                               |   |
| Highways On-Street Parking  | -1,342                           | -1,342                                 | -1,142  | 200                             |   |
| Inflation Contingency   | -4,787                           | 0                                      | 0   | 4,787                           | Funding transferred to support pay settlements in 2023/24   |
| Infrastructure Works Feasibility                                    | -2,041                           | -3,564                                 | -2,564  | -523                            | Estimated transfer to the reserve to fund future feasibility studies  |
| Miscellaneous Service Carry Forwards                                | -730                             | -730                                   | -80   | 650                             | Transfer agreed carry forward balances to services in year to support pressures and initiatives   |
| Service Transformation Fund   | -11,825                          | -11,825                                | -5,683  | 6,142                           | Funding applied to major organisational changes or service re-designs to deliver future savings and service efficiencies  |
| Statutory Duties  | -2,114                           | -2,114                                 | -1,694  | 420                             |   |
| Other Earmarked Reserves  | -1,759                           | -1,398                                 | -3,348  | -1,589                          | Planned transfers within the approved 2023/24 budget and in year planned projects. Includes City Park dilapidations income  |
|   | <b>-35,956</b>                   | <b>-32,791</b>                         | <b>-25,429</b>                                | <b>10,527</b>                   |   |
| <b>Reserves for Government Grants</b>                               |                                  |  |   |                                 |   |
| Covid-19 Fund   | -1,351                           | -1,351                                 | 0   | 1,351                           | Planned transfer to service budgets to fund support for vulnerable customers  |
| Domestic Abuse Reserve  | -2,775                           | -2,775                                 | -3,350  | -575                            | Planned transfer for additional grant received  |
| Unapplied Revenue Grants  | -2,492                           | -2,492                                 | 0   | 2,492                           | Planned transfer of grant funding to service budgets to support services relevant to the grants   |
|   | <b>-6,618</b>                    | <b>-6,618</b>                          | <b>-3,350</b>                                 | <b>3,268</b>                    |   |
| <b>Reserves to Manage Risk and Uncertainty</b>                      |                                  |  |   |                                 |   |
| Adult Social Care Reform Risk                                       | -19,963                          | 0                                      | 0   | 19,963                          | Following the delay of social care reforms until 2025, this reserve has now been re-purposed. £15m has been transferred to the Budget Management Reserve and £5m to the Social Care Sustainability Reserve  |
| Budget Management   | -40,380                          | -42,429                                | -42,429                                       | -2,049                          | In-year transfer of £15m from Adult Social Care Reform Risk, additions from the closure of now dormant reserves (£0.6m), and savings delivered early (£2.4m) offset by £16m planned transfer to General Fund. All included within the agreed 2023/24 Budget |
| Business Rates & Collection Fund Smoothing Reserve                  | -11,657                          | -9,839                                 | -9,839  | 1,818                           | Planned drawdown within the approved 2023/24 budget to finance assumed collection fund deficits (£1.8m)   |
| Insurance Reserve   | -6,408                           | -6,408                                 | -5,000  | 1,408                           | Projected draw down is based on latest forecast calculations  |
| Interest Smoothing Account  | -2,778                           | -2,778                                 | -2,778  | 0                               |   |
| Schools Sickness & Maternity Insurance Scheme                       | -1,403                           | -1,403                                 | -1,403  | 0                               |   |
| Social Care Sustainability Reserve                                  | -5,028                           | 0                                      | 0   | 5,028                           | In-year transfer of £5m from the Adult Social Care Reform Risk, to increase the reserve balance to £10m. Planned transfer to support cost pressures within childrens social care actioned in Q1.  |
|   | <b>-87,617</b>                   | <b>-62,857</b>                         | <b>-61,449</b>                                | <b>26,168</b>                   |   |
| <b>TOTAL EARMARKED RESERVES (COUNTY COUNCIL)</b>                    | <b>-186,502</b>                  | <b>-155,725</b>                        | <b>-144,821</b>                               | <b>41,681</b>                   |   |
| <b>Reserves Held for Other Bodies or With Shared Responsibility</b> |                                  |  |   |                                 |   |
| School Balances   | -24,171                          | -23,487                                | -23,487                                       | 684                             | In year transfers to support school revenue spending  |
| Business Rates Pilot Fund   | -16,707                          | -16,117                                | -16,632                                       | 75                              | Planned funding to capital programme for Gigabit project  |
| Lane Rental Scheme Reserve  | -1,153                           | -1,153                                 | -4,653  | -3,500                          | Increase in fees collected from street works companies before applicable highway improvement schemes being identified   |
|   | <b>-42,031</b>                   | <b>-40,757</b>                         | <b>-44,772</b>                                | <b>-2,741</b>                   |   |
| <b>TOTAL EARMARKED RESERVES</b>                                     | <b>-228,533</b>                  | <b>-196,482</b>                        | <b>-189,593</b>                               | <b>38,940</b>                   |   |
| General Fund  | -20,286                          | -36,286                                | -36,286                                       | -16,000                         | Planned increase within the approved 2023/24 budget   |
| Capital Grants Unapplied  | -21,346                          | -21,346                                | 0   | 21,346                          | Unringfenced grants applied to finance capital spend  |
| Capital Receipts Reserve  | -6,020                           | -6,020                                 | 0   | 6,020                           | Capital receipts to finance capital or transformational implementation spend  |
| <b>Total Usable Reserves</b>  | <b>-276,185</b>                  | <b>-260,134</b>                        | <b>-225,879</b>                               | <b>50,306</b>                   |   |