

Agenda Item 7

AGENDA ITEM 7 - Portsmouth City Council Budget & Council Tax 2023/24 & Medium Term Budget Forecast 2024/25 to 2026/27

Amendment to Cabinet recommendations attached.

Proposed by Councillor Darren Sanders

Signed _____

Seconded by Councillor Scott Payter-Harris

Signed _____

Supported by Councillor George Fielding

Signed _____

Supported by Councillor George Madgwick

Signed _____

Amendment proposed by the Liberal Democrat and Conservative Groups and Supported by the Labour Group and Portsmouth Independent Party

Portsmouth City Council - Budget & Council Tax 2023/24 & Medium Term Budget Forecast 2024/25 to 2026/27

That the recommendations of the Cabinet of 21st February 2023 (Minute 7/23) on "Portsmouth City Council - Budget & Council Tax 2023/24 & Medium Term Budget Forecast 2024/25 to 2026/27" be amended as follows:-

Recommendation 3.1 1) be amended to:

- 1) The revised Revenue Estimates for the financial year 2022/23 and the Revenue Estimates for the financial year 2023/24 as set out in the General Fund Summary (Appendix A Amended) including the changes described below but noting that:

The responsibility of the City Council is to approve the overall Budget and the associated cash limits of its Portfolios and Committees; it is not the responsibility of the City Council to approve any individual savings or additions within those Portfolios/Committees, that responsibility is reserved for Cabinet Members. The budget savings and additions in the tables below are therefore indicative only.

i) Reductions to Revenue Estimates

Indicative Portfolio Savings Proposal	Impact on Level of Service & Service Outcomes	2023/24	2024/25 & Future Years
		£	£
Traffic & Transportation Portfolio			
Reinstate existing parking tariff structure and increase each hour by 10p e.g. 1 hour tariff increases by 10p, 2 hour tariff increases by 20p.	As per the recently adopted Transport Strategy (LTP 4), it is imperative that measures are taken to reduce reliance on the private car in order to promote air quality and reduce congestion within Portsmouth	6,000	6,000
Other Expenditure			
Transfer From Revenue Reserve For Capital	Reduction in funding for New Capital Investment proposals (Appendix D)	77,500	0
Total		83,500	6,000

ii) Additions to Revenue Estimates

Saving No.	Increases to Portfolio Cash Limits	2023/24	2024/25 & Future Years
			£
Communities & Central Services Portfolio			
New	A Cost of Living Hardship Fund for 1 Year to compliment the £3.8m Household Support Fund	77,500	0
New			
Traffic & Transportation Portfolio			
028	Remove - At District Centres; new 30 minute 70p tariff introduced, 1 Hour increased to £1.50 and all other tariffs increased by 20p	6,000	6,000
Total		83,500	6,000

Recommendation 3.1 2) be amended to:-

- 2) The Portfolio Cash Limits for the Revised Budget for 2022/23 and the Budget 2023/24 incorporating the savings amounts for each Portfolio and amounting to £2.0m as set out in Sections 7 and 11, respectively as amended by the following:

Portfolio / Committee	2023/24 £	Future Years £
Communities & Central Services Portfolio	77,500	
Traffic & Transportation	0	
Other Expenditure	(77,500)	
Total	0	0

Recommendation 3.1 13) be amended to:

- 13) The Revised Capital Programme 2022/23 to 2027/28 attached as Appendix E and which includes all additions, deletions and amendments for slippage and re-phasing be amended by table iii) and iv) below and approved

iii) Reductions to the Capital Programme (Appendices D & E)

Scheme Deletions / Reductions		£
Culture, Leisure & Economic Development Portfolio		
Delete	Seafront Enhancements 'Festoon' Lighting Enhancement of the Seafront's lighting	45,000
Reduce	Renewal of Skate Ramps (Milton)	20,000
Leader Portfolio		
Reduce	Eastney Point Opportunity Area	10,000
Traffic & Transportation Portfolio		
Reduce	LTP 4	20,000
Reduce	Cycle Improvements in the City	25,000
Reduce	Verge Hardening Paulsgrove	15,000
Total		135,000

iv) Additions to Capital Programme (Appendices D & E)

Scheme Additions / Increases		£
Culture, Leisure & Economic Development Portfolio		
New	Gatcombe Park Play Area (further match funding from Hilsea Neighbourhood CIL)	7,500
New	College Park Play Equipment	10,000
New	Highbury Community Centre - Heat Pump Technology	5,000
Safety In The Community		
New	1 Mobile CCTV Camera Horsea Lane (further match funding from Hilsea Neighbourhood CIL)	5,000
New	Anchorage Park Protection (Dragons Teeth)	15,000
Traffic & Transportation		
New	Vehicle Activated Sign - Anchorage Road	15,000
Total		57,500

Recommendation 3.1 16) be amended to:

16) Subject to a satisfactory financial appraisal approved by the Director of Finance and Resources & S.151 Officer, the schemes described in Appendix D as amended by tables iii) and iv) above be reflected within the recommended Capital Programme 2022/23 to 2027/28

SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

Under Recommendation 19, the Section 151 Officer advises as follows:-

The proposals contained within this amendment do not alter the statements made by the Section 151 Officer in Section 16 of this report.

CITY SOLICITOR'S COMMENTS

The City Solicitor is satisfied that it is within the City Council's powers to approve the amendment as set out, and supports the advice of the Section 151 Officer given above.

GENERAL FUND SUMMARY - 2022/23 to 2026/27

(APPENDIX A Amended)

Original Budget 2022/23 £	NET REQUIREMENTS OF PORTFOLIOS	Revised Budget 2022/23 £	Original Budget 2023/24 £	Forecast 2024/25 £	Forecast 2025/26 £	Forecast 2026/27 £
59,449,200	Children, Families & Education	62,002,300	66,372,400	71,188,300	72,637,100	73,752,900
14,616,800	Climate Change & Environment	15,207,200	16,052,500	17,154,000	15,594,000	15,682,700
27,239,400	Communities & Central Services	30,474,500	31,528,400	32,957,100	33,944,200	34,545,000
13,388,100	Culture, Leisure & Economic Development	14,160,900	15,154,800	15,090,100	15,148,200	15,283,100
57,264,100	Health, Wellbeing & Social Care	59,335,200	58,656,700	63,625,900	66,127,800	68,949,200
7,278,800	Housing & Preventing Homelessness	5,623,700	6,282,400	6,572,600	6,636,400	6,656,500
(28,259,400)	Leader	(27,362,000)	(24,759,200)	(27,583,600)	(30,170,200)	(28,878,200)
1,158,000	Planning Policy & City Development	1,038,000	1,406,700	1,437,100	1,485,800	1,542,000
2,928,400	Safety in the Community	3,200,900	3,295,000	3,352,600	3,418,300	3,474,900
21,977,800	Traffic & Transportation	23,529,400	24,614,400	24,261,200	24,607,200	23,504,100
(132,300)	Licensing Committee	(108,200)	(166,800)	(198,900)	(186,900)	(166,500)
176,908,900	Portfolio Expenditure	187,101,900	198,437,300	207,856,400	209,241,900	214,345,700
	<u>Other Expenditure</u>					
0	Precepts	0	75,000	75,000	50,000	25,000
1,375,000	Pension Costs	1,301,200	1,427,600	1,510,300	1,517,500	1,510,000
18,629,000	Contingency Provision	13,507,100	15,106,700	4,971,000	4,771,000	4,771,000
(10,296,700)	Transfer to / (from) Reserves	(9,365,300)	5,023,100	7,712,000	4,998,300	1,998,300
(16,820,000)	Treasury Management	(24,185,700)	(23,801,000)	(21,200,400)	(19,166,600)	(19,317,000)
3,705,000	Other Expenditure	6,047,700	5,318,000	8,514,000	9,966,000	10,672,000
(3,407,700)	Other Expenditure	(12,695,000)	3,149,400	1,581,900	2,136,200	(340,700)
173,501,200	TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	174,406,900	201,586,700	209,438,300	211,378,100	214,005,000
	FINANCED BY:					
(92,122)	Contribution (to) from Balances and Reserves	(92,098)	(99,300)	(545,411)	(248,504)	(5,234)
12,096,876	Revenue Support Grant	12,096,876	13,571,170	14,318,942	14,317,510	14,172,903
42,491,554	Business Rates Retention	42,451,330	64,303,198	64,696,930	63,190,461	62,537,088
27,324,481	Other General Grants	28,270,381	29,652,591	31,049,496	31,001,180	31,099,521
91,680,411	Council Tax	91,680,411	94,159,041	99,918,343	103,117,453	106,200,722
173,501,200		174,406,900	201,586,700	209,438,300	211,378,100	214,005,000
	BALANCES & RESERVES					
21,441,879	Balance brought forward at 1 April	21,424,000	21,516,098	21,615,398	22,160,809	22,409,313
92,122	Deduct (Deficit) / Add Surplus for Year	92,098	99,300	545,411	248,504	5,234
21,534,001	Balance carried forward at 31 March	21,516,098	21,615,398	22,160,809	22,409,313	22,414,547
8,000,000	Minimum Level of Balances	8,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
(92,122)	Underlying Budget Deficit / (Surplus)	(92,098)	(99,300)	(545,411)	(248,504)	(5,234)