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Dear Sir/Madam,

Cabinet – 21st February 2024

I refer to **Agenda Item 8 – GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2024/25, Agenda Item 9 – HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET 2024/25 and Agenda Item 10 – CAPITAL BUDGET 2024/25** and attach the reports that was marked to follow on the agenda.

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Yours faithfully,

BRENT DAVIS

Chief Executive

To: Members of the Cabinet

Councillor K. Wilson (Leader of the Council and Business and Regeneration)
Councillor C. Golby (Deputy Leader and Housing and Communities)
Councillor S. Croft (Finance and Corporate)
Councillor S. Markham (Public Services)
Councillor R. Smith (Planning and Regulation)
Councillor J. Gutteridge (Health and Environment)

Observer

Councillor C. Watkins (Leader of the Main Opposition Party)



Report Summary Sheet

Date: 21st February 2024

Subject: General Fund Revenue Budget 2024/25

Portfolio: Finance & Corporate

From: Strategic Director – Finance & Governance

Summary: The report presents the draft General Fund budget for 2024/25 for consideration and submission to Council for approval. A forecast outturn for 2023/24 is also included in the report.

Recommendations:

- That the forecast outturn position for the General Fund for 2023/24 be noted.
- That the Council Tax requirement for 2024/25 of £10,556,339, an increase of 2.99% on a Band D, is recommended to Council for approval in accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 1992
- To note that the NNDR1 has been completed and submitted to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) and included within the Budget for 2024/25 with a precept for Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council (NBBC) of £17,002,358 in 2024/25.
- That Cabinet approve any increases in Fees and Charges for 2024/25
- That the net General Fund revenue expenditure budget of £19,133,536 is agreed and recommended to Council for approval

- That the enhanced recruitment control measures implemented during September 2023 remains in place with approval to recruit being requested from Management Team and Cabinet.
- That delegated authority is given to the Strategic Director – Housing and Communities and the Communities and Community Safety Manager in consultation with the Portfolio holder for Business and Regeneration to undertake procurement activities to deliver against the 2024/25 priorities set out as part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF).

Options:

To accept the report or request further information, having regard to the legal deadlines for setting of budgets.

Reasons:

To comply with regulations.

Consultation undertaken with Members/Officers/Stakeholders

Finance officers, budget holders and portfolio holders have been consulted on draft budgets.

Subject to call-in: No

Due to the timescales for setting a budget as provided for in paragraph 15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.

Ward relevance: All

Forward plan: Yes

Building a Better Borough Aim: Work

Building a Better Borough Priority: To grow a strong and inclusive economy

Relevant statutes or policy:

Local Government Act 2003
Local Government Finance Act 1992

Equalities Implications:

(Does this require an Equalities Impact Assessment? If so please append.)

None

Human resources implications:

None

Financial implications:

Detailed in the report

Health Inequalities Implications:

None

Section 17 Crime & Disorder Implications:

None

Risk management implications:

All budgetary decisions will need to be risk assessed to ensure they are achievable and to be fully aware of any implications.

Environmental implications:

None

Legal implications:

The Council must set a risk assessed balanced budget each year. In addition, the Cabinet must comply with the Budget & Policy Framework Procedure Rules set out in section 4C of the Council's Constitution.

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AGENDA ITEM NO.8

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to: Cabinet - 21st February 2024

From: Strategic Director – Finance & Governance

Subject: General Fund Revenue Budget 2024/25

Portfolio: Finance & Corporate (Councillor S Croft)

Building a Better Borough Aim: Work

Building a Better Borough Priority: Grow a strong and inclusive economy

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To present the General Fund revenue budget for 2024/25 for approval.
- 1.2 To provide an update on the General Fund Medium-Term Financial Plan (Appendix 3) taking account of the Local Government Finance Settlement for 2024/25.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the forecast outturn position for the General Fund for 2023/24 be noted.
- 2.2 That the Council Tax requirement for 2024/25 of £10,566,339, an increase of 2.99% on a Band D, is recommended to Council for approval in accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 1992
- 2.3 To note that the NNDR1 has been completed and submitted to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) and included within the Budget for 2024/25 with a precept for Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council (NBBC) of £17,002,358 in 2024/25.
- 2.4 That Cabinet approve any increases in Fees and Charges for 2024/25 (Appendix 3).
- 2.5 That the net General Fund revenue expenditure budget of £19,133,536 is agreed and recommended to Council for approval (Appendix 1).
- 2.6 That the enhanced recruitment control measures implemented during September 2023 remains in place with approval to recruit being requested from Management Team and Cabinet.

2.7 That delegated authority is given to the Strategic Director – Housing and Communities and the Communities and Community Safety Manager in consultation with the Portfolio holder for Business and Regeneration to undertake procurement activities to deliver against the 2024/25 priorities set out as part of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF).

2.8 That the report is not subject to call-in due to the timescales for setting the budget and Council Tax for 2024/25 as provided for in paragraph 15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.

3.0 Forecasted Outturn 2023/24 as at December 2023

3.1 The General Fund revenue net expenditure budget for 2023/24 of £16.9m was approved at full Council in February 2023 with an initial budget gap of £2.5m being closed by introducing savings targets, additional income from the Local Government Finance Settlement plus a favourable forecast on the Collection Fund. In addition to this, growth pressures totalling over £0.6m were also included.

3.2 Cost pressures have been seen during the year, some of which are due to the economic climate. There has also been some additional income generation that was unbudgeted which has helped to mitigate some of the overspend.

3.3 The forecasted underspend against the budget for 2023/24 as at Q3 is approximately £250k which is a change of £715k from a forecasted overspend of £465k at Q2. Full detail will be reported to Cabinet in March 2024. The main areas of variances are as follows:

- Potential legal costs relating to planning appeals and increased agency costs for planning
- Homelessness and the resulting loss of subsidy through Housing Benefit has been a significant cost in year with an anticipated overspend of £350k
- External Audit fees have increased due to the delay to the 2020/21 audit completion (£40k)
- Reduced recycling income due to material prices being lower than budgeted and increased kerbside recycling contract costs
- Agency overspends for private sector housing, markets, recycling and refuse are offset by vacancy underspends as a result of the recruitment freeze implemented in September 2023

3.4 As noted at 3.2, there has been some additional income generation that is helping to mitigate the overspend as follows:

- Recovery of legal charges for NDR and CT
- Increased planning application fees

- Investment income is also likely to be higher than budget, but a full review of longer-term investments is underway and will be reported as part of the Q3 report.

3.5 The forecasted underspend is to be contributed to earmarked reserves set-aside for future financial resilience.

4.0 Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement

4.1 The provisional Local Government Finance Settlement was announced on 18th December 2023 and the budget has been updated.

4.2 The main points to note for the Council is that New Homes Bonus was payable in 2024/25 and the Lower Tier Services Grant has not continued into 2024/25. In addition, a funding guarantee grant has been introduced so no local authority would see an increase in core spending power that is lower than 4% (uplifted from 3%).

4.3 For the Council, the Settlement was favourable although the New Homes Bonus reduced to £1,181k from £1,361k in 2023/24 and no Lower Tier Services Grant was allocated for 2024/25 which is a loss of £143k between years. A Funding Guarantee Grant of £552k has been allocated by Government which has meant an overall increase in the non-specific funding by £228k in comparison to 2023/24 and £1,046k from the draft budget.

4.4 In addition, the increase of 2.99% on a Band D property has resulted in an increase of £527k in Council Tax between years for NBBC and is £127k more income than included in the draft budget. The Band D of £263.59 is an increase of £7.65.

4.5 As part of the increased funding offered to local authorities after the provisional settlement was announced, productivity plans will be required from all local authorities. The detail behind how these are to be collated is not yet known but they are to be agreed by the Leader and elected Members and published on the Council's website, together with updates on progress against the plans. The areas to be covered are transformation of services, taking advantages of technology, reduction of wasteful spend which specifically mentions consultants, and informing of barriers that prevent activity so that Government to help to remove.

4.6 Detail on progress with the original Fair Funding Review - Needs and Resources is still unknown. As a General Election will be due during 2024/25, it is assumed within the Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) that changes to the funding mechanism for 2025/26 are unlikely to be significant. An update to the MTFP is included in section 6 of the report.

National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR)

- 4.7 The return for NNDR forecasting the income position for 2024/25 has been submitted to DLUHC and a summary of the position included within the budget is included in the following table.

	2023/24 £	2024/25 £	Movement £
Income after Levy	16,170,563	16,752,339	581,776
Surplus / (Deficit)	159,299	1,351,683	1,192,384
Tariff	-11,045,830	-11,223,277	-177,447
	<u>5,284,032</u>	<u>6,880,745</u>	<u>1,596,713</u>

- 4.8 In previous years and due to the pandemic, business rates was impacted significantly with much lower levels of income generation due to the Government introducing new business rates reliefs to support businesses through the periods of closure. This resulted in large deficits on the fund which local authorities were able to spread over a three-year period through legislation. The Council has now returned to a surplus position in 2023/24, far exceeding the original forecast and this is payable to the General Fund in 2024/25.
- 4.9 An increase in the provision for appeals has been included within the NNDR return as a revaluation of business rates was implemented on 1st April 2023 and this will undoubtedly result in a peak in claims against the amended rateable values.

5.0 Budget Position 2024/25

- 5.1 The draft budget was presented to Cabinet in December 2022 and a deficit position of £4.03m was reported.
- 5.2 Work has been undertaken to bridge the budget gap with savings and income generation accompanied by the Local Government Finance Settlement resulting in a balanced budget position for 2024/25.
- 5.3 Additional pressures were highlighted during the finalisation of the budget and a breakdown of the final position is summarised in the following table.

	2024/25 £'000
General Fund Draft Budget Deficit	4,034
Revised Income for Hampton by Hilton	200
Council Tax Deficit	97
Provision for Grounds Maintenance Contract Review	90
Withdrawal by North Warwickshire Borough Council of Private Sector Housing Shared Service	75
Contribution to Capital for Parks	75
Borough Sweep Budget	60
Restructure Costs	52
1 New Anti-Social Behaviour Officer	47
Power Washing town centres	28
Additional 3 months Utility Costs	25
River Cleaning	10
Cost Pressures	4,793
NNDR Growth	-2,181
Funding Guarantee Grant	-552
Enhanced Recruitment Control	-500
New Homes Bonus	-494
Pay Award Provision	-373
Interest Payable	-312
Investment Income	-153
Council Tax Increase of 2.99%	-106
Fees and Charges Increases	-55
Council Tax movement on Taxbase	-21
Reduction in Consultancy Costs	-20
Savings in Relation to Markets	-20
Removal of Members Expenses	-4
Reduced Race Equality Expenditure	-4
Removal of Museum Costs	-1
Savings/Income Generation	-4,795
Surplus	-2

- 5.4 The additional income received within the Settlement is proposed to be included in full during 2024/25 which has supported the General Fund. Savings will be required into the future to ensure financial sustainability of the Council. Refer to section 6 and the detail around the MTFP.

- 5.5 From the additional income received within the Settlement, £683k has been set aside to fund vehicle replacement in 2024/25. The vehicle replacement programme will be reviewed and a long-term replacement plan will be built into the Medium Term Financial Plan for future financial stability and visibility.
- 5.6 Fees and Charges increases have been proposed (Appendix 4) and are expected to generate approximately £55k in 2024/25. This will be monitored closely throughout the year. Further review will be undertaken throughout 2024/25 to ensure the Council is still achieving cost recovery for non-statutory fees.
- 5.7 The 2023/24 enhanced recruitment control is proposed to continue into 2024/25 with a provision set aside to achieve vacancy underspends of £500k from the budgeted posts. The freeze is to encourage services to work on transforming their operational processes and structures and embed efficiencies and will form part of the transformation plan for 2024/25. Due to a zero-based budget approach being applied for 2024/25 there is scope for the provision to be exceeded dependent on the outcome of proposed savings being reviewed which could offer in-year savings.
- 5.8 A review of internal recharges has been undertaken for the 2024/25 budget. The previous central services and support services costs are now budgeted in full within Finance & Corporate which will provide clarity around how these services are performing financially during the budget monitoring processes in 2024/25.
- 5.9 The staff pay award was originally included as a 6% increase but the provision has been reduced to 4% in consultation with neighbouring authorities.
- 5.10 During the 2024/25 budget round it was identified that additional resource was required to tackle anti-social behaviour in the Borough. It is proposed to increase the anti-social behaviour officer FTEs by 1 additional post costing £46k in 2024/25 and beyond.
- 5.11 Additional activities to clean up the Borough have been included within the base budget for 2024/25. £60k for borough sweeps, £28k for Nuneaton and Bedworth town centres and £10k for river cleaning have all been set-aside to carry out these works.
- 5.12 A thorough review of the cashflow for NBBC and the current borrowing arrangements inline with the capital funding requirements has been undertaken as part of the 2024/25 budget round. This has seen increases in expected investment income alongside decreases in interest payable to maximise funding and minimise costs of borrowing for the General Fund.

- 5.13 The current arrangements with the current Grounds Maintenance supplier are contracted to end October 2024. A provision has been made to cover a review of the contract if the Council is required to fulfil a tender exercise and also to cover any additional costs outside of the current contract term.
- 5.14 A budget for bridge repairs of £165k has been set aside to repair and maintain critical sites within 2024/25. This will be monitored closely with a programme of works scheduled for the Medium-Term Financial Plan to mitigate critical works in the future. This was initially included in the draft budget.
- 5.15 As part of the zero-based budget process for 2024/25, it was identified that savings could be generated from removing members expenses, reducing race equality expenditure and removing specific museum costs from thoroughly reviewing prior year's expenditure and cutting budgets down to current expenditure levels.
- 5.16 The budget for the King's Coronation in 2023/24 would no longer be required but after consultation with Cabinet it was retained to enable community park events during 2024/25. This was included in the draft budget.
- 5.17 Savings and income generation targets will be measured during 2024/25 and reported to Cabinet. It is key for longer term financial sustainability that the Council ensures proposed savings and income generation targets are realised.

6.0 Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP)

- 6.1 A revised Medium-Term Financial Strategy was reported to Cabinet in November 2022 and was noted in the report that the Plan that accompanies the Strategy will be updated and presented during the budget process.
- 6.2 The MTFP includes all of the updates considered within this report and shows that a small surplus has been generated in year. A level of reserves is still set to be drawdown in 2024/25 with contributions also being made for future capital and strategy works.
- 6.3 A summary of the anticipated position in future years is included below with detail contained in Appendix 3.

GENERAL FUND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

	Forecast 2023.24 £'000	Forecast 2024.25 £'000	Forecast 2025.26 £'000	Forecast 2026.27 £'000	Forecast 2027.28 £'001
Portfolio Expenditure	19,254	20,826	22,049	22,711	23,365

Central Provisions	-3,647	-1,695	-179	475	541
Additional Pressures/Opportunities	-250	0	-2,292	-2,769	-2,994
Total Funding	-15,610	-19,133	-16,713	-16,147	-16,258
Deficit	-253	-2	2,866	4,270	4,654

6.4 The in-year anticipated surplus is to be contributed to the financial resilience reserve to ensure there is provision for future pressures that may arise.

6.5 £555k of proposed savings and income generation has been put forward as part of the budget setting process and detail is included within the report. Transformation processes have started, and it is expected that a number of savings will be generated during 2024/25 that will be embedded into the base budget in 2025/26 and going forwards. These potential savings have been built into the forecast.

6.6 There is still an expectation that reserve drawdowns will be required during 2024/25 and throughout the life of the plan. Some of these drawdowns however are for projects already committed to and capital works. Overall, the Council's earmarked reserves position is set to reduce significantly during the coming years and therefore it is essential that process reviews are undertaken to generate efficiencies and revised ways of working.

6.7 At this stage, it is still unknown how the Government will look to fund local authorities into the future and due to the lack of certainty, it is impossible to predict accurately the potential savings that may need to be generated. A summary of assumptions included within the Plan is listed below:

- 3.0% salary increase in 2025/26, reducing to 2.5% salary from 2026/27 onwards
- Inflation but only where contractual obligations exist
- Council Tax referendums will reduce back to 1.99% or £5 on a Band D – 1.99% is built in going forwards
- A 1% tax base increase per annum on Council Tax
- NNDR is assumed to face a reset in 2026/27 but transitional support has been built in
- New Homes Bonus will cease from 2025/26
- Planning fee income is assumed to remain at the same level as included for 2024/25 but planning performance agreements and pre-application income are likely to generate higher levels of income than currently forecast. This will be kept under review.

6.8 In addition to the risks surrounding the funding mechanism, the Government under the Environment Bill has introduced a new work stream for collection authorities for food waste. This is going to incur

significant capital and revenue costs and to-date, only £981k in funding for capital works has been offered to the Council.

- 6.9 Nothing has been included in the MTFP for any financial impact of the changes as it has been suggested that new burdens funding will be made available to support local authorities. Further detail will be presented to Cabinet as information is released.

7.0 **Reserves**

- 7.1 Earmarked reserves are held for specific purposes and transfers to and from reserves have been made in year for both revenue and capital purposes.

- 7.2 As at 31st March 2023, the Council held £11.1m in specific earmarked reserves and there is an expected drawdown of approximately £0.67m from reserves during 2024/25. This is due to commitments already approved, funding that is set-aside for specific purposes less the anticipated surplus during 2023/24.

- 7.3 A summary of earmarked reserves by category and anticipated drawdown is shown in the following table.

GENERAL FUND EARMARKED RESERVES

	B/fwd 2022/23 £'000	Forecast 2023/24 £'000	Forecast 2024/25 £'000	Forecast 2025/26 £'000	Forecast 2026/27 £'000	Forecast 2027/28 £'000
Collection Fund Timing	387	387	0	0	0	0
Financial Planning	1,086	1,440	1,327	1,277	941	705
Risk Based Reserves	3,482	2,647	2,647	2,347	2,347	2,047
General Balances	3,574	3,574	2,874	2,374	1,974	1,674
Capital	2,613	2,433	2,683	2,597	2,397	2,297
	11,142	10,481	9,531	8,595	7,659	6,723

- 7.4 Reserve levels are expected to fall over the life of the forecast but work is being undertaken to mitigate this risk. As with the MTFP, it is currently difficult to forecast anything past the next 12 months due to the uncertainty of funding. It is however clear that the Council needs to review its cost base and income generation opportunities as a matter of urgency.

- 7.5 For the purposes of the budget round and moving into 2025/26, there are sufficient reserves to cover known issues and potential risks, but a robust plan needs to be put in place around future service delivery with reduced resources to ensure financial stability.

8.0 Financial Risk Analysis

- 8.1 As part of determining whether the Council has financial stability, risk analysis regarding the financial position needs to be considered.
- 8.2 The Council faces financial risks from a number of sources, some of which are unforeseen and to ensure the authority is able to operate, specifically statutory obligations, it is essential to understand the risks and ensure mitigation is in place.
- 8.3 Full risk analysis has been undertaken and is included in Appendix 5.

9.0 Statement of the S151 Officer

- 9.1 In their role as the Council's S151 Officer (Chief Finance Officer), the Strategic Director – Finance & Governance is required, under S25 of the Local Government Act 2003, to provide an opinion of the robustness of the estimates included in the budget for the forthcoming year and the adequacy of the Council's reserves.
- 9.2 The Council's financial position has not altered greatly in the last few years with a need to generate savings and income being key. The budget setting process for 2024/25 is no different.
- 9.3 A forecasted underspend in the current financial year will help to support the longer-term financial position of the Council but this will not fix the ongoing high cost base. The proposed savings through transformation projects over the next few years must be measured to ensure that these are achieved for sustainability.
- 9.4 The Local Government Finance Settlement was favorable for the Council and has provided opportunity to earmark income for vehicle replacements and there is still financial resource remaining from the money set-aside in the settlement for 2023/24 for transformation projects. It is essential that the transformation plan is endorsed to save money and create efficiencies to improve the future financial position of the Council.
- 9.5 An amendment to the referendum limits on Council Tax was rolled across for another year and this was welcomed. An increase of 2.99% has been proposed within the budget. If approved this will provide much needed financial resource to ensure a sustainable position.
- 9.6 As noted in section 7 of the report, the Council holds reserves for risks and analysis conducted suggests that these are robust and will enable to support the Council over the coming 12 months. The budget is balanced, and a plan is in place to deliver savings over the next two years.

- 9.7 Considering the above, together with the proposals within the report, it is the view of the Strategic Director – Finance & Governance that the estimates for 2024/25 are robust and the proposed level of reserves are adequate.

10.0 Conclusion

- 10.1 That a balanced budget is proposed and that a robust level of reserves are in place to support the Council's services during 2024/25.

11.0 Appendices

- 11.1 Appendix 1 – Detailed Budget Breakdown
- 11.2 Appendix 2 – Medium-Term Financial Plan
- 11.3 Appendix 3 – Fees and Charges 2024/25
- 11.4 Appendix 4 – Risk Analysis

Appendix 1

GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2024/25

	2023/24 Approved Budget	2023/24 Budget (Recharge Changes)	2024/25 Draft Budget	2024/25 Final Budget
	£	£	£	£
Markets & Street Trading	181,399	100,219	311,180	138,930
Town Centre Management	245,296	217,951	241,443	226,732
Christmas Decorations	98,050	0	109,363	0
West Midlands Combined Authority	25,000	25,000	30,000	30,000
Car Parks	340,083	167,813	258,644	26,963
Public Passenger Transport	25,652	13,462	71,350	49,122
Public Conveniences	143,588	123,738	156,504	135,478
Marketing, Promotions and Publicity	291,912	34,011	331,170	55,120
Economic Development	569,680	342,140	539,194	441,576
Business & Regeneration Total	1,920,660	1,024,334	2,048,848	1,103,920
Rent Allowances	357,142	245,292	215,862	82,508
Rent Rebates	1,053,427	944,537	871,159	740,600
Electoral Registration	181,820	58,150	213,018	80,355
Election Expenses	299,720	172,910	242,768	115,735
Equal Opportunities	34,050	3,840	30,181	1,150
Emergency Planning	26,120	12,750	43,277	31,400
Democratic Representation and Management	691,889	314,720	736,851	334,378
Revenues	612,666	(506,458)	2,058,231	1,243,905
Council Tax Benefits	161,435	(291,415)	192,222	0
Corporate Management	1,070,875	9,952,311	617,457	9,673,358
Non Distributed Costs	0	0	0	0
Mayoralty	38,420	16,160	29,923	16,290
Finance & Corporate Total	4,527,564	10,922,797	5,250,951	12,319,680
Environmental Protection	388,928	142,068	500,977	169,365
Food & Occupational Safety	352,544	240,224	376,467	253,216
Health Promotion & Inequalities	7,220	0	19,633	0
Footpath Lighting	12,570	5,220	12,127	5,300
Environmental Projects	94,200	63,900	98,350	63,425
Cemeteries	(39,276)	(120,336)	141,060	47,811
Allotments	464	(2,396)	(1,111)	(1,588)
Parks	2,319,194	1,864,442	2,641,234	2,108,000
Environmental Sustainability	71,050	60,000	46,985	45,000
Health & Environment Total	3,206,894	2,253,122	3,835,720	2,690,529
Housing Advice Centre	158,217	(507,147)	363,867	(506,244)
Private Sector Grants	393,270	121,250	389,288	73,540
Housing Strategy	360,651	250	56,949	0
Private Sector Housing Standards	241,711	(89,700)	246,406	(10,981)
Mobile Home Sites	(92,726)	(92,756)	(107,951)	(94,453)

Community Development	46,450	(5,250)	24,214	1,950
Voluntary Bodies	157,130	152,650	147,205	138,090
Community Safety	291,275	53,624	253,250	89,930
Housing & Communities Total	1,555,978	(367,080)	1,373,228	(308,168)
Land Drainage Works	7,070	5,000	5,508	0
Street Nameplates	19,050	8,490	21,297	8,660
Building Control	49,060	11,090	87,648	51,047
Development Control	355,080	(363,940)	280,547	(548,630)
Planning Policy & Applications	542,948	335,641	565,686	342,430
Commercial Property	(1,025,324)	(1,294,354)	(1,288,986)	(1,420,386)
Industrial Estates	(162,803)	(188,853)	(172,809)	(190,161)
Land Charges	(10,010)	(109,410)	14,141	(58,979)
Planning & Regulation Total	(224,929)	(1,596,336)	(486,968)	(1,816,019)
Refuse & Cleansing	4,040,886	3,538,266	4,169,686	3,648,168
Recycling	1,268,101	976,901	1,758,991	1,519,837
Community Recreation	1,333,040	1,223,620	1,266,373	1,094,324
Sports Development	182,076	136,956	185,076	22,422
Civic Hall	304,435	304,435	429,380	337,167
Museum	307,463	184,323	359,551	204,860
Arts Development	51,030	44,300	40,885	40,150
Licences	41,728	(89,652)	80,175	(100,506)
Community Centres	65,699	24,638	120,962	69,939
Public Services Total	7,594,458	6,343,788	8,411,080	6,836,362
Portfolio Total	18,580,625	18,580,625	20,432,859	20,826,304
Central Provisions	1,235,500	1,235,500	1,424,654	641,755
Depreciation & Impairment	(3,096,530)	(3,096,530)	(3,096,530)	(3,096,530)
Contributions To/From Reserves	(936,251)	(936,251)	(1,435,806)	(1,435,806)
Financing of Capital Expenditure	470,000	470,000	1,125,000	1,200,000
PWLB Premiums	21,120	21,120	21,120	21,120
Investment Income	(460,000)	(460,000)	(430,000)	(582,508)
Minimum Revenue Provision	654,000	654,000	580,290	580,290
External Interest	438,000	438,000	1,288,586	976,798
Total Council Net Expenditure	16,906,464	16,906,464	19,910,172	19,131,423
Council Tax	(10,039,237)	(10,039,237)	(10,438,838)	(10,566,339)
New Homes Bonus	(1,361,266)	(1,361,266)	(687,358)	(1,180,874)
General Government Grants	(143,405)	(143,405)	0	(552,494)
Business Rates Retention	(5,124,733)	(5,124,733)	(4,500,000)	(5,529,042)
NDR Collection Fund (surplus)/ deficit	(159,299)	(159,299)	(200,000)	(1,351,683)
Council Tax Collection Fund (surplus)/ deficit	(81,868)	(81,868)	(50,000)	46,896
Total Funding	(16,909,808)	(16,909,808)	(15,876,196)	(19,133,536)
(Surplus) / Deficit	(3,344)	(3,344)	4,033,976	(2,113)

GENERAL FUND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

	Budget 2023.24 £'000	Budget 2024.25 £'000	Forecast 2025.26 £'000	Forecast 2026.27 £'000	Forecast 2027.28 £'000
Portfolio					
Business & Regeneration	1,921	1,104	1,181	1,228	1,276
Finance & Corporate	5,201	12,320	12,587	12,952	13,303
Health & Environment	3,207	2,691	2,742	2,792	2,843
Housing & Communities	1,556	-308	350	392	436
Planning & Regulation	-225	-1,816	-1,800	-1,785	-1,770
Public Services	7,594	6,836	6,990	7,132	7,277
Portfolio Expenditure	19,254	20,826	22,049	22,711	23,365
Accounting Adjustments					
Depreciation	-3,097	-3,097	-3,097	-3,097	-3,097
Minimum Revenue Provision	654	580	996	1,584	1,621
Interest Payable	438	998	1,742	1,951	1,906
Interest Receivable	-460	-583	-408	-367	-294
Financing of Capital Expenditure	470	1,200	1,200	1,017	1,017
Contributions to/from reserves	-2,235	-1,436	-936	-936	-936
Central Provisions	584	642	323	323	323
Net Expenditure	15,607	19,131	21,870	23,186	23,907
Provisions					
Forecasted Outturn	-250	0	0	0	0
Sherbourne Recycling	0	0	-100	-100	-100
Regeneration Income	0	0	-1,242	-1,789	-1,894
Transformation Savings	0	0	-1,000	-1,000	-1,000
Chamber Microphone Replacement	0	0	50	0	0
Borough Election	0	0	0	120	0
Additional Pressures/Opportunities	-250	0	-2,292	-2,769	-2,994
Funding					
NNDR	-5,284	-6,881	-5,319	-4,226	-4,199
Council Tax	-10,121	-10,519	-10,894	-11,222	-11,559
New Homes Bonus	-1,361	-1,181	0	0	0
Lower Tier Services Grant	-143	0	0	0	0
Set Aside for Transformation and Risk	1,300	0	0	0	0
Funding Guarantee	0	-552	-500	0	0
Transitional NNDR Reset	0	0	0	-700	-500
Total Funding	-15,610	-19,133	-16,713	-16,147	-16,258
Deficit	-253	-2	2,866	4,270	4,654

Fees & Charges 2024/25

General Fund	2023/24 Fee	2024/25 Proposed Fee	% Change
<u>Cemeteries</u>			
Exclusive Rights of Burial Under 18 Years	472.00	510.00	8.05%
Exclusive Burial Rights - 50 Years	1,087.00	1,174.00	8.00%
Reservation of a Burial Plot (Marston Lane only)	1,087.00	1,174.00	8.00%
Deed of Grant Transfer/Reassignment Fee	75.00	81.00	8.00%
Grave Depth for One Person	705.00	762.00	8.09%
Grave Depth for Up to Two Persons	931.00	1,005.00	7.95%
Grave Depth for Three Persons (Oaston Rd only)	1,140.00	1,232.00	8.07%
Grave Depth Burial with Ashes casket inside the coffin	876.00 - 1169.00	946.00-1263.00	8.04%
Grave Depth Burial with Ashes Casket	1137.00 - 1430.00	1228.00-1545.00	8.04%
Muslim Internment - Weekdays	847.00	915.00	8.03%
Muslim Internment - Saturday	1,126.00	1,217.00	8.08%
Muslim Internment - Sunday & Bank Holidays	1,346.00	1,454.00	8.02%
Coffin exceeding 29" width	68.00	68.00	0.00%
Fees Grave Care	59.00	64.00	8.47%
Exhumation Applications	30.00	33.00	10.00%
Exhumation (Cremated Remains)	227.00	246.00	8.37%
Genealogy Requests	15.00	16.50	10.00%
Administration Charge	30.00	32.50	8.33%
Exclusive Cremated Remains Rights	539.00	583.00	8.16%
Reservation of a Burial Plot (Marston Lane & Oaston Road)	539.00	583.00	8.16%
Exclusive Cremated Remains Right - Outside Borough	1,158.00	1,250.00	7.94%

Internment of Cremated Remains	290.00	314.00	8.28%
Fees: Usher Service /Scattering of Ashes per location	55.00	60.00	9.09%
Scattering of Ashes from External Sources	124.00	134.00	8.06%
Rights to Erect a Memorial	259.00	280.00	8.11%
Additional Inscriptions	97.00	105.00	8.25%
Small Memorial (Vase/pot)	74.00	80.00	8.11%
Benches	854.00	925.00	8.31%
Book of Remembrance and Tablets	30.00	33.00	10.00%
Memorial Blocks and Tablets	493.00	533.00	8.11%
Vase Block Renewal	340.00	368.00	8.24%
Replacement Vase Block Plaques	103.00	112.00	8.74%

Football & Cricket

Pitch Only (per game)	19.00-33.00	20.50-36.00	9.09%
Pitch & Showers (per game)	26.00-60.00	28.00-65.00	8.33%
Mini Soccer (per game)	12.00-15.00	13.00-16.00	6.67%
Seasonal Senior Charge with Changing	597.00	645.00	8.04%
Seasonal Senior Charge without Changing	356.00	385.00	8.15%
Cricket Pitch & Pavilion - Local Groups (Per Hour)	35.00-60.00	38.00-65.00	8.33%
Cricket Pitch & Pavilion - Out of Borough (Per Hour)	48.00-84.00	52.00-91.00	8.33%
Pavilion - Local Groups (Per Hour)	12.00	13.00	8.33%
Pavilion - Out of Borough (Per Hour)	14.00	16.00	14.29%
Pavilion Play Groups - Local Groups (Per Hour)	18.00	20.00	11.11%
Pavilion Play Groups - Out of Borough (Per Hour)	21.00	23.00	9.52%
Bowls games (Per Game)	15.00	16.50	10.00%
Pingles Stadium	65.00-110.00	71.00-120.00	9.09%

Parks

Funfair (per day) trading day	340.00	370.00	8.82%
Funfair - bond returnable	567.00	615.00	8.47%
Funfair (per day) non-trading day	69.00	75.00	8.70%
Miscellaneous Events - Commercial groups	313.00	340.00	8.63%
Miscellaneous Events - National Registered Charity	142.00	155.00	9.15%
Miscellaneous Events - Local Charity	-	-	0.00%
Day Hire of Destination Park - Commercial	567.00	615.00	8.47%
Day Hire of Destination Park - National Registered Charity	284.00	305.00	7.39%
Day Hire of Destination Park - Local Charity	-	-	0.00%
Commercial Personal Training - 6 month permit peak (Apr-Sep)	126.00	140.00	11.11%
Commercial Personal Training - 6 month permit off-peak (Oct-Mar)	205.00	225.00	9.76%
Commercial Personal Training - 12 month permit (Flat Rate)	182.00	200.00	9.89%
Leaflet/Sampling - 1st Person Leafleting	171.00	185.00	8.19%
Leaflet/Sampling - Per Person Thereafter	69.00	75.00	8.70%
Bouncy Castle/Inflatables - Large	114.00	125.00	9.65%
Bouncy Castle/Inflatables - Small	58.00	65.00	12.07%
Park Landing - Helicopter	86.00	95.00	10.47%
Park Landing - Hot Air Balloon	86.00	95.00	10.47%
Family Events (i.e. barbeques)	58.00	65.00	12.07%
Cancellation - 6 weeks before event	0.25	0.25	0.00%
Cancellation - 5 weeks before event	0.50	0.50	0.00%
Cancellation - less than 5 weeks before event	0.75	0.75	0.00%
Cancellation - less than 2 weeks before event	1.00	1.00	0.00%
DBS application charge (not charged for volunteers)	40.00	45.00	12.50%
DBS administration charge (chargeable to volunteers)	11.50	13.00	13.04%

Museum

Museum Lecture Theatre/Gallery (hour) until 4.00pm	20.00	22.50	12.50%
Museum Lecture Theatre/Gallery (hour) 4.00pm until close	40.00	45.00	12.50%
School Visits no museum support	-	-	0.00%
School Visits led/supported by museum staff	3.00	3.50	16.67%
School Visits led by external contractors	60.00	65.00	8.33%
Commission on Gallery sales	0.25	0.25	0.00%
Commission on Shop sales	0.30	0.30	0.00%
Fines - artists who don't collect work on time	0.50	2.50	400.00%

Reproduction Fees

Image on file and emailed	-	5.00	0.00%
Image on file, disc produced	10.00	15.00	50.00%
Object/painting to be photographed and emailed	20.00	25.00	25.00%
Object/painting to be photographed, disc produced	30.00	35.00	16.67%
Professional photograph, high resolution, suitable for larger print - image on file, disc produced	30.00	35.00	16.67%
Photographic prints (of larger prints) - 6x4	6.00	10.00	66.67%
Photographic prints (of larger prints) - 7x5	6.50	12.50	92.31%
Photographic prints (of larger prints) - 10x8	7.00	15.00	114.29%
Scanned photocopies - A4 black & white	2.00	3.00	50.00%
Scanned photocopies - A4 colour	5.00	6.00	20.00%
Scanned photocopies - A3 black & white	4.00	5.50	37.50%
Scanned photocopies - A3 colour	10.00	11.00	10.00%
Postage - UK First Class	4.00	4.50	12.50%
Postage - UK Special delivery	7.00	8.00	14.29%
Postage - European Union (Airsure)	7.00	8.00	14.29%
Postage - Elsewhere (Airsure)	14.00	16.00	14.29%

Licenses

Regional casino			
New application where provisional statement granted	6,400.00	6,400.00	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00%
Variation	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	5,200.00	5,200.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	5,200.00	5,200.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
New large casino			
New application where provisional statement granted	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00%
Variation	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	1,720.00	1,720.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	1,720.00	1,720.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
New small casino			
New application where provisional statement granted	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	6,400.00	6,400.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00%
Variation	3,200.00	3,200.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	1,440.00	1,440.00	0.00%

Re-instatement fee	1,440.00	1,440.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	6,400.00	6,400.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Existing casinos			
New application where provisional statement granted	N/A	N/A	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00%
Variation	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	1,080.00	1,080.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	1,080.00	1,080.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	N/A	N/A	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Bingo premises			
New application where provisional statement granted	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	2,800.00	2,800.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	800.00	800.00	0.00%
Variation	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	2,800.00	2,800.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Adult gaming centre			
New application where provisional statement granted	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	800.00	800.00	0.00%

Variation	800.00	800.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Betting premises tracks			
New application where provisional statement granted	760.00	760.00	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	800.00	800.00	0.00%
Variation	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	760.00	760.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	760.00	760.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Betting premises (other)			
New application where provisional statement granted	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	480.00	480.00	0.00%
Variation	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	960.00	960.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Family entertainment centres			
New application where provisional statement granted	760.00	760.00	0.00%

Non conersion other premises (i.e. NEW)	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00%
Annual Fee	600.00	600.00	0.00%
Variation	800.00	800.00	0.00%
Transfer of license	760.00	760.00	0.00%
Re-instatement fee	760.00	760.00	0.00%
Provisional Statement	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00%
Change of circumstance	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of license	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Licensed premises gaming machine permit			
Grant	150.00	150.00	0.00%
Existing operator grant	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Variation	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Transfer	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Annual fee	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Change of name	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Copy of permit	25.00	25.00	0.00%
License premises automatic notification process			
On notification	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Club gaming permits			
Grant	200.00	200.00	0.00%
Grant (club premises certificate holder)	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Existing operator grant	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Variation	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Renewal	200.00	200.00	0.00%
Renewal (club premises certificate holder)	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Annual fee	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of permit	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Club machine permits			

Grant	200.00	200.00	0.00%
Grant (club premises certificate holder)	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Existing operator grant	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Variation	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Renewal	200.00	200.00	0.00%
Renewal (club premises certificate holder)	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Annual fee	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of permit	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Family entertainment centre gaming machine permits			
Grant	300.00	300.00	0.00%
Renewal	300.00	300.00	0.00%
Existing operator grant	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Change of name	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Renewal (club premises certificate holder)	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Annual fee	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Copy of permit	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Prize gaming permits			
Grant	300.00	300.00	0.00%
Renewal	300.00	300.00	0.00%
Existing operator grant	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Change of name	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Copy of permit	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Small lottery registration			
Grant	40.00	40.00	0.00%
Annual fee	20.00	20.00	0.00%
Sex establishments	2,210.00	2,210.00	0.00%

Licensing Act 2003**Application Fee/Annual Charge statutory charges**

Premises and club premises certificates - fees			
Band A - rateable value £0-£4,300	100.00/70.00	100.00/70.00	0.00%
Band B - rateable value £4,301-£33,000	190.00/180.00	190.00/180.00	0.00%
Band C - rateable value £33,001-£87,000	315.00/295.00	315.00/295.00	0.00%
Band D - rateable value £87,001-£125,000	450.00/320.00	450.00/320.00	0.00%
Band E - rateable value £125,000 and above	635.00/350.00	635.00/350.00	0.00%
Premises licenses only - additional fees			
Band D (X2)	900.00/640.00	900.00/640.00	0.00%
Band E (X3)	1905.00/1050.00	1905.00/1050.00	0.00%
Variation Fees			
Band A	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Band B	190.00	190.00	0.00%
Band C	315.00	315.00	0.00%
Band D	450.00	450.00	0.00%
Band E	635.00	635.00	0.00%
Additional Fees re large-scale events, number attending			
5000-9999	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00%
10000-14999	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00%
15000-19999	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00%
20000-29999	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00%
30000-39999	16,000.00	16,000.00	0.00%
40000-49999	24,000.00	24,000.00	0.00%
50000-59999	32,000.00	32,000.00	0.00%
60000-69999	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00%
70000-79999	48,000.00	48,000.00	0.00%

80000-89999	56,000.00	56,000.00	0.00%
90000 and over	64,000.00	64,000.00	0.00%
Fees for permitted temporary activities, personal licenses and miscellaneous items			
Section 25 Theft, loss, etc. of premises licence or summary	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 29 Application for a provisional statement where premises being built, etc.	315.00	315.00	0.00%
Section 33 Notification of change of name or address	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 37 Application to vary licence to specify individual as premises supervisor	23.00	23.00	0.00%
Section 42 Application for transfer of premises licence	23.00	23.00	0.00%
Section 47 Interim authority notice following death etc. of licence holder	23.00	23.00	0.00%
Section 79 Theft, loss etc. of certificate or summary	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 82 Notification of change of name or alteration of rules of club	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 83(1) or (2) Change of relevant registered address of club	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 100 Temporary event notice	21.00	21.00	0.00%
Section 110 Theft, loss etc. of temporary event notice	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 117 Application for a grant or renewal of personal licence	37.00	37.00	0.00%
Section 126 Theft, loss, etc. of personal licence	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 127 Notification of change of name or address	10.50	10.50	0.00%
Section 178 Right of Freeholder etc. to be notified of licensing matters	21.00	21.00	0.00%

Vehicles

Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Vehicles			
Drivers - New Applications			
Application for Driver's Licence (3 years)	358.00	358.00	0.00%
DBS + Admin Fee	54.00	54.00	0.00%
Safe Guarding	30.00	30.00	0.00%

English & Numeracy Test	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Knowledge Test	64.00	64.00	0.00%
Drivers - Renewals			
Application for Driver's Licence (3 years)	317.00	317.00	0.00%
DBS + Admin Fee	50.00	50.00	0.00%
DVLA Licence Check	8.00	8.00	0.00%
Knowledge Test (re-take)	64.00	64.00	0.00%
Knowledge Test Cancelled on the day	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Replacement Badge/Licence	25.00	25.00	0.00%
DVLA licence check (where required)	8.00	8.00	0.00%
Child sexual exploitation training	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Vehicle Licence Application	188.00	188.00	0.00%
Vehicle Test	92.00	92.00	0.00%
Vehicle interim test / full re- test	92.00	92.00	0.00%
Test Cancellation Fee	40.00	40.00	0.00%
Re-Test within 10 working days	40.00	40.00	0.00%
Replacement Plate	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Replacement Licence	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Transfer of Licence	25.00	25.00	0.00%
Time-tabled Bus - operator fee per departure	0.45	0.45	0.00%
Coaches	1.55	1.55	0.00%
Private Hire Operator's Licence Application			

- first year	223.00	223.00	0.00%
- 3-year renewal	184.00	184.00	0.00%
- 5-year renewal	305.00	305.00	0.00%
Scrap Metal Licences			
Sites	750.00	750.00	0.00%
Collectors	300.00	300.00	0.00%

Refuse and Cleansing

Green Waste Collection			
Annual Collection Charge	40.00	40.00	0.00%
Bulky Refuse			
Up to 6 items	28.00	32.00	14.29%
- Each additional item up to maximum of 10 in total	3.00	3.50	16.67%
Above 10 items	Quotation		
Trade Sacks			
By Invoice	2.60	3.00	15.38%
Across Counter	2.90	3.50	20.69%
Sweeping			
Per Sweep	72.50	79.00	8.97%
Skips			
Collection	95.00	105.00	10.53%
Disposal Cost per tonne	105.00	115.00	9.52%
Festivals/Events			
Weekday (Working hours) Wheeled Bin – 140, 240 & 360			

Between 1 & 5 bins	46.75	50.00	6.95%
Between 6 & 10 bins	46.91	51.00	8.72%
11+ bins	50.22	54.00	7.53%
660 & 1100 Euro Bins (each)	46.75	50.00	6.95%
Skip	40.30	44.00	9.18%
Saturday & Evenings Wheeled Bin – 140, 240 & 360			
Between 1 & 5 bins	66.55	72.00	8.19%
Between 6 & 10 bins	64.86	70.00	7.92%
11+ bins	66.65	72.00	8.03%
660 & 1100 Euro Bins (each)	66.55	72.00	8.19%
Skip	43.93	47.00	6.99%
Sundays & Bank Holidays Wheeled Bin – 140, 240 & 360			
Between 1 & 5 bins	145.00	157.00	8.28%
Between 6 & 10 bins	150.00	162.00	8.00%
11+ bins	160.00	173.00	8.13%
660 & 1100 Euro Bins (each)	145.00	154.00	6.21%
Skip	151.00	163.00	7.95%

Finance and Corporate

Land Charges			
LLC 1	16.00	20.00	25.00%
NLIS LLC 1 (Electronically)	14.00	15.00	7.14%
Personal Search	no charge		
Part 1 Enquiries	101.71	110.00	8.15%
Part 2 Enquiries	16.00	20.00	25.00%
Part 3 Enquiries	26.60	30.00	12.78%
Office copy of agreements	34.00	37.00	8.82%

Individual additional questions (charge per question)	1.60	2.00	25.00%
Extra Parcel	18.21	20.00	9.83%
Legal Services - Electoral Registration			
Sale of register – Under 1000 Names	10.00	11.00	10.00%
Sale of register – After 1000 Names Thereafter	£1 per 1,000	£1 per 1,000	0.00%
Printed Form	510.00	550.00	7.84%
Data Form	170.00	183.00	7.65%
Sales of Full Register and notices of alteration			
Data format	22.00	24.00	9.09%
Printed format	15.00	16.00	6.67%
Sales of list of overseas electors			
Data format	22.00	24.00	9.09%
Printed format	15.00	16.00	6.67%
Sale of Edited Register			
Data format	235.00	254.00	8.09%
Printed format	87.50	95.00	8.57%
Sales of Marked Registers/Lists			
Data format	12.00	13.00	8.33%
Printed format	12.00	13.00	8.33%
Rating Authority Costs			
Magistrates Clerk Costs / Issue of Summons	0.50	0.50	0.00%

Rating Authority Costs - Council Tax	99.50	107.00	7.54%
Rating Authority Costs - NNDR	149.50	161.00	7.69%
Magistrate Court:			
Committed Warrant	305.00	305.00	0.00%
Per Committal Order for prison sentence	145.00	145.00	0.00%
Committal summons	54.00	54.00	0.00%
Markets - Nuneaton			
Saturday			
Licensed Trader 1 Stall	34.00	34.00	0.00%
Licensed Trader 2 Stalls	68.00	68.00	0.00%
Licensed Trader 3 Stalls	84.00	84.00	0.00%
Licensed Trader 4 Stalls	110.00	110.00	0.00%
Casual Trader Cost Per Stall (Saturday)	41.00	41.00	0.00%
Wednesday			
Licensed Trader 1 Stall	30.00	30.00	0.00%
Licensed Trader 2 Stalls	60.00	60.00	0.00%
Licensed Trader 3 Stalls	76.00	76.00	0.00%
Licensed Trader 4 Stalls	100.00	100.00	0.00%
Casual Trader Cost Per Stall (Wednesday)	36.00	36.00	0.00%
Street Trading			
Licensed Street Trader	N/A	45.00	0.00%
Casual Street Trader	N/A	50.00	0.00%
Street Advertising	100.00	108.00	8.00%
Bedworth Market – permanent			

Lock-up Unit (3 metres)	58.60	65.00	10.92%
Lock-up Unit (4 metres)	80.30	88.00	9.59%
Lock-up Unit (5 metres)	98.80	110.00	11.34%
Cabin	55.00	60.00	9.09%
Open Stall			
Indoor Market - licensed	9.00	12.00	33.33%
Open Stall			
Indoor Market - casual	10.00	15.00	50.00%
Outdoor Market			
Casual self-erect	10.00	15.00	50.00%
Outdoor Market			
Casual with stall provided	17.00	20.00	17.65%
Self Erect			
Wednesday - 1 Stall	28.00	28.00	0.00%
Wednesday - 2 Stalls	50.00	50.00	0.00%
Wednesday - 3 Stalls	60.00	60.00	0.00%
Wednesday - 4 Stalls	80.00	80.00	0.00%
Wednesday - 5 Stalls	90.00	90.00	0.00%
Saturday - 1 Stall	30.00	30.00	0.00%
Saturday - 2 Stalls	55.00	55.00	0.00%
Saturday - 3 Stalls	65.00	65.00	0.00%
Saturday - 4 Stalls	85.00	85.00	0.00%
Saturday - 5 Stalls	95.00	95.00	0.00%

Planning

Sale of Freehold Property / Land			
£0 - £20,000	510.00	550.00	7.84%
£20,001 - £50,000	850.00	920.00	8.24%
£50,001 - £100,000	1,133.00	1,225.00	8.12%
£100,001 - £200,000	1,700.00	1,840.00	8.24%
£200,001 and over	TBA	TBA	0.00%
Sale of Leasehold Property / Land			
£0 - £20,000	515.00	550.00	6.80%
£20,001 - £50,000	876.00	920.00	5.02%
£50,001 - £100,000	1,133.00	1,225.00	8.12%
£100,001 - £200,000	1,648.00	1,840.00	11.65%
£200,001 and over	TBA	TBA	0.00%
Right To Buy Administrative Fee	100.00	110.00	10.00%
Right To Buy Deed of Postponement of Change	150.00	165.00	10.00%
Right To Buy First Refusal Certificate	100.00	110.00	10.00%
Leases			
License to Assign (including abortive costs undertaking)			
Starter Unit type / Craft Centre	385.00	415.00	7.79%
New Business Lease - Slingsby Close	495.00	535.00	8.08%
Shop Leases	550.00	595.00	8.18%
License to Assign – Residential	350.00	380.00	8.57%
License to Assign – Commercial	500.00	540.00	8.00%
Leasehold Enquiries	73.00	80.00	9.59%

Deed of Postponement	150.00	162.00	8.00%
2nd Mortgage Questionnaire	150.00	162.00	8.00%
Application for retrospective consents for property alterations	200.00	216.00	8.00%
Photo-copying			
Per copy - A4	0.25	0.30	20.00%
- A3	0.40	0.45	12.50%
Licences / Grazing Licence	250.00	270.00	8.00%
Easements	350.00	378.00	8.00%
Release of Covenants	450.00	486.00	8.00%
Deed of Variations	450.00	486.00	8.00%
Title investigations for 3rd parties	300.00	324.00	8.00%
Section 38 Agreements where landowners	103.00	112.00	8.74%
Section 40 Agreements where landowners	103.00	112.00	8.74%
Developer Licence	500.00	540.00	8.00%
Assignments	500.00	540.00	8.00%
Consents	300.00	324.00	8.00%
Section 106 / 111 Agreements (including abortive costs undertaking)			
1 – 10 Units	N/A		
11 – 15 Units	1,600.00	1,730.00	8.13%
16 – 30 Units	2,100.00	2,270.00	8.10%
30 – 150 Units	3,100.00	3,350.00	8.06%
150 – 350 Units	5,100.00	5,510.00	8.04%
350 – 500 Units	7,500.00	8,100.00	8.00%
Road Closure Order	3,000.00	3,240.00	8.00%
Footpath Diversion Orders/Closure Order	2,800.00	3,025.00	8.04%

CPO on behalf of developers	3,090.00	3,340.00	8.09%
Purchase of properties in advance of CPO (Camp Hill)	500.00	540.00	8.00%
Other Purchases - to be agreed (where appropriate)	500.00	540.00	8.00%
Assignments & Transfer – for sold Properties at Middlemarch (Camphill)	103.00	112.00	8.74%
Enfranchisement to freehold development	600.00	648.00	8.00%
Camp Hill Certificate of Compliance	150.00	150.00	0.00%
Room Booking and Hire Charges – Town Hall			
Local/Commercial			
Monday to Friday (Inclusive)	15.50/30.90	16.00/31.00	0.32%
Council Chamber/Committee. Rooms A & B	20.00/40.00	22.00/45.00	12.50%
Committee Room C	20.00/40.00	22.00/45.00	12.50%
Plus additional staffing charge on room bookings	17.50	20.00	14.29%
Evac chair & Health & Safety training required by external organisations as per terms of use	60.00	65.00	8.33%
Flask (per ten cups)	10.00	12.00	20.00%
Plate of biscuits	1.50	2.00	33.33%
Saturday & Sunday (Inclusive)			
All rooms 4 Hour Hire	300.00	330.00	10.00%
All rooms 8 Hour Hire	575.00	630.00	9.57%
Dog Warden			
Dog Fines – PSPO (reduced to £80 if paid within 10 days)	100.00	110.00	10.00%
Dog Fines – CPN	100.00	110.00	10.00%
Stray Dogs - first day	80.00	87.00	8.75%
Stray Dogs - per additional day	7.00	8.00	14.29%

Business Regulation Licences			
Acupuncture	112.45	125.00	11.16%
Ear Piercing	112.45	125.00	11.16%
Electrolysis	112.45	125.00	11.16%
Tattooing	229.10	250.00	9.12%
Skin Piercing	112.45	125.00	11.16%
Dangerous Wild Animals (plus vet fees)	331.00	360.00	8.76%
Dog Breeding Establishments (plus vet fees)	350.00	380.00	8.57%
Pet Shops	460.00	500.00	8.70%
Pet Shop Licensing (at home)	430.00	465.00	8.14%
Riding Establishments (plus vet fees)	255.00	275.00	7.84%
Animal Boarding – Dog & Day Care	430.00	465.00	8.14%
Animal Boarding Larger (over 25 animals)	460.00	500.00	8.70%
Training of animals for exhibition	230.00	230.00	0.00%
Zoo Licence (plus inspection fees)	715.00	778.00	8.81%
Game Dealers	6.25	7.00	12.00%
Assisted Burial	Varies	Varies	0.00%
Environmental Information Request - Basic	75.50	82.00	8.61%
Environmental Info Request - per 1/2hr above basic	37.75	42.00	11.26%
Food Health certificate	43.95	48.00	9.22%
Local Authority Pollution Control (LAPC) and			
Local Authority Pollution Prevention and Control (LAPPC) Charges			
Application Fees			
Standard process	1,650.00	1,650.00	0.00%
Additional fee for operating without a permit	1,188.00	1,188.00	0.00%
Reduced fee activities (except VRs)	155.00	155.00	0.00%
PVR I and II combined	257.00	257.00	0.00%

Vehicle refinishers (VRs)	362.00	362.00	0.00%
Reduced fee activities: Additional fee for operating without a permit	71.00	71.00	0.00%
Mobile screening and crushing plant	1,650.00	1,650.00	0.00%
- for the third to seventh applications	985.00	985.00	0.00%
- for the eighth and subsequent applications	498.00	498.00	0.00%
<i>All Fees are set by LAPPC</i>			
Annual Subsistence Charge			
Standard process LOW	772.00	834.00	8.03%
Standard process MEDIUM	1,161.00	1,254.00	8.01%
Standard process HIGH	1,747.00	1,887.00	8.01%
<i>LOW/MEDIUM/HIGH</i>			
Reduced fee activities	79.00/158.00/237.00	79.00/158.00/237.00	0.00%
PVR I and II combined Medium component	113.00/226.00/341.00	113.00/226.00/341.00	0.00%
Vehicle refinishers	228.00/365.00/548.00	228.00/365.00/548.00	0.00%
Mobile screening and crushing plant , for first and second permits	626.00/1034.00/1551.00	626.00/1034.00/1551.00	0.00%
- for the third to seventh permits	385.00/617.00/924.00	385.00/617.00/924.00	0.00%
- for the eighth and subsequent permits	198.00/316.00/473.00	198.00/316.00/473.00	0.00%
Late Payment fee (New)	52.00	52.00	0.00%
<i>All Fees are set by LAPPC</i>			
Transfer & Surrender			
Standard process transfer	169.00	169.00	0.00%

Standard process partial transfer	497.00	497.00	0.00%
New operator at low risk reduced fee activity	78.00	78.00	0.00%
Reduced fee activities: partial transfer	47.00	47.00	0.00%
Temporary Transfer for mobiles			
First transfer	53.00	53.00	0.00%
Repeat following enforcement or warning	53.00	53.00	0.00%
Substantial Change			
Standard process	1,050.00	1,050.00	0.00%
Standard process where the substantial change results in a new PPC activity	1,650.00	1,650.00	0.00%
Reduced fee activities	102.00	102.00	0.00%
Mobile Plant Charges			
Application Fees			
1 permit	1,650.00	1,650.00	0.00%
2 permits	1,650.00	1,650.00	0.00%
3 permits	985.00	985.00	0.00%
4 permits	985.00	985.00	0.00%
5 permits	985.00	985.00	0.00%
6 permits	985.00	985.00	0.00%
7 permits	985.00	985.00	0.00%
8 or more permits	498.00	498.00	0.00%
Subsistence Fees			
<i>LOW/MEDIUM/HIGH</i>			
1 permit	646.00/1034.00/1506.00	646.00/1034.00/1506.00	0.00%

2 permits	646.00/1034.00/1506.00	646.00/1034.00/1506.00	0.00%
3 permits	385.00/617.00/924.00	385.00/617.00/924.00	0.00%
4 permits	385.00/617.00/924.00	385.00/617.00/924.00	0.00%
5 permits	385.00/617.00/924.00	385.00/617.00/924.00	0.00%
6 permits	385.00/617.00/924.00	385.00/617.00/924.00	0.00%
7 permits	385.00/617.00/924.00	385.00/617.00/924.00	0.00%
8 or more permits	198.00/316.00/473.00	198.00/316.00/473.00	0.00%
<i>All Fees are set by LAPPC</i>			
LA-IPPC Charges			
Application	3,363.00	3,363.00	0.00%
Additional fee for operating without a permit	1,188.00	1,188.00	0.00%
Annual Subsistence LOW	1,447.00	1,447.00	0.00%
Annual Subsistence MEDIUM	1,611.00	1,611.00	0.00%
Annual Subsistence HIGH	2,334.00	2,334.00	0.00%
Late Payment Fee (New)	52.00	52.00	0.00%
Variation	1,368.00	1,368.00	0.00%
Substantial Variation	3,363.00	3,363.00	0.00%
Transfer	235.00	235.00	0.00%
Partial transfer	698.00	698.00	0.00%
Surrender	698.00	698.00	0.00%
<i>All Fees are set by LAPPC</i>			

Planning Documents			
Borough Local Plan - Residents	22.28 + £2.75 postage	22.28 + £2.75 postage	0.00%
Borough Local Plan - Non-Residents	36.42 + £2.75 postage	36.42 + £2.75 postage	0.00%
Residential Design Guide	4.61	4.61	0.00%
Postal Numbering Plans	94.37	94.37	0.00%
Ann.Sub.- Weekly List of Planning Applications (post)	125.01	125.01	0.00%
Ann.Sub.- Weekly List of Planning Applications (email)	81.30	81.30	0.00%
Copies of Decision Notices (Electronic)	12.00	12.00	0.00%
Copies of Decision Notices (Postal)	15.96	15.96	0.00%
Breach of Conditions Notice	18.85	18.85	0.00%
Copy of Tree Preservation order	33.64	33.64	0.00%
A3 Copies of Other Planning Application Documents	1.39	1.39	0.00%
A4 Copies of Other Planning Application Documents	0.86	0.86	0.00%
Plans - Up to A1	2.89	2.89	0.00%
Sewer Map Extracts	28.39	28.39	0.00%
Copies of Ordnance Survey Maps for:-			
Planning & Building Reg's (7 copies)	39.31	39.31	0.00%
Planning Application (5 copies)	35.33	35.33	0.00%
Building Regulations (3 copies)	33.64	33.64	0.00%
Section 38 Booklet	29.03	29.03	0.00%
Section 106 Agreements (1 copy)	36.42	36.42	0.00%
Plan Printing on paper:- A0	3.11	3.11	0.00%
Plan Printing on paper:- A1	2.89	2.89	0.00%
Plan Printing on paper:- A2	2.36	2.36	0.00%
Photocopying A4	0.86	0.86	0.00%

Photocopying A3	1.39	1.39	0.00%
Street Naming & Numbering			
Numbering up to 10 addresses	148.00	148.00	0.00%
Numbering over 10 addresses, per address	15.00	15.00	0.00%
Street Naming, per street	148.00	148.00	0.00%
House naming or renaming, per house	72.00	72.00	0.00%
Street renaming, per street	435.00	435.00	0.00%
S106 Monitoring Fees	1,475.00	1,475.00	0.00%

Car Parks

Long Stay			
Sunday – All Day	1.50	1.50	0.00%
Up to 1 Hour	1.50	1.50	0.00%
Up to 2 Hours	1.50	1.50	0.00%
Up to 3 Hours	1.50	1.50	0.00%
3 - 4 Hours	4.00	4.00	0.00%
Over 4 Hours	5.50	5.50	0.00%
Evening/Overnight	Free	Free	0.00%
Monthly Season Tickets	65.00	65.00	0.00%
6 Monthly Season Tickets	265.00	265.00	0.00%
Yearly Season Tickets	460.00	460.00	0.00%
Yearly Season Tickets(50+ further 10% discount)	383.00	383.00	0.00%
Short Stay			
Sunday – All Day	1.50	1.50	0.00%
Up to 1 Hours	1.50	1.50	0.00%

Up to 2 Hours	1.50	1.50	0.00%
Up to 3 Hours	1.50	1.50	0.00%
3 - 4 Hours	4.50	4.50	0.00%
Over 4 Hours	6.50	6.50	0.00%
Evening/Overnight	Free	Free	0.00%
Monthly Season Tickets	85.00	85.00	0.00%
6 Monthly Season Tickets	375.00	375.00	0.00%
Yearly Season Tickets	700.00	700.00	0.00%
Harefield Road MSCP			
Monthly Season Tickets	45.00	45.00	0.00%
6 Monthly Season Tickets	175.00	175.00	0.00%
Yearly Season Tickets	300.00	300.00	0.00%
Leisure Centre Parking			
Up to 3 Hours	Free	Free	0.00%
Up to 4 Hours	4.00	4.00	0.00%
Up to 24 Hours	6.50	6.50	0.00%
Sundays	Free	Free	0.00%
Blue Badge Season Ticket			
6 Months	110.00	110.00	0.00%
12 Months	200.00	200.00	0.00%

Housing

Mobile Home (Caravan) Sites			
Caldwell Site - rent of site only - per pitch per week	30.00	33.00	10.00%
Exhall Site - Rent of site only - per pitch per week	30.50	34.00	11.48%
Laundry Facilities (per wash and per dry)	3.50	3.50	0.00%
Commission on Sale of Caravans	10% of sale value	10% of sale value	0.00%
Rent of garages for Tenants	10.00	11.00	10.00%
Rent of garages for Non-Tenants including VAT	20.00	22.00	10.00%
Private Sector Housing			
HMO Licence – Up to 5 lets	757.00	820.00	8.32%
HMO Licence – Up to 6 – 10 lets	793.00	860.00	8.45%
HMO Licence – Up to 11+ lets	830.00	900.00	8.43%
Strategic Housing			
Homeless Hostel Rent per night	50.00	53.85	7.7%
Homeless Hostel Service Charge	2.46	2.65	7.7%
Private Mobile Homes and Caravan Parks			
Initial Licence Fee	7.77	8.50	9.40%
Annual Fee	30.35	33.00	8.73%
Transfer or Standard Amendment Fee	237.00	256.00	8.02%
Site Expansion Amendment Fee	237.00	256.00	8.02%
Immigration Letter	70.00	80.00	14.29%
Immigration Notice	107.00	116.00	8.41%
Enforcement Notice	250.00	270.00	8.00%

Private Landlords – Civil Penalty Charges	5,000.00	5,400.00	8.00%
Smoke Alarm Fee	1,000.00	1,080.00	8.00%

Residential Development	Development Site Area	Proposed Gross Floor Area	Cost	Cost of Additional Meetings (each)
1 Dwelling*	Less than 0.2-0.99 ha	300 m2 or less	208.00	52
2 – 9 Dwellings	0.22-0.99 ha	300-999 m2	416.00	52
10 – 49 Dwellings	1.0-1.25 ha	1,000-2,499 m2	1,040.00	130
50 – 199 Dwellings	1.26-2.0 ha	2,500-9,999 m2	2,080.00	260
200+ Dwellings	More than 2 ha	10,000 m2	3,120.00	390

Proposed Development Type	Cost	Cost of Additional Meetings (each)
Advertisements	42.00	21
Change of Use	84.00	42
Telecommunications	84.00	42
Other***	84.00	42

Building Control Certificate Charges (Existing and historical)	Charge Inc. VAT
Certificate requested during the application or construction (stage approval before full completion)	12.75
Certificate requested after completion of the works but when a response is required within 10 working days (additional copies)	25.51
Certificate requested after completion of the works but when a response is required within 5 working days	38.26
Certificate requested after completion of the works but when a response is required within 24 hours	70.15

RISK ANALYSIS

Risk	Issue	Mitigation
Loss of Business Rate income	Business Rate appeals are a huge risk to the income base - the revaluation in 2023 will increase this possibility in 2024/25	An appeal of £5m is contained to cover the reduction in rateable value and £2m has been included in the forecast for future losses
Losses in other income	Reduction to core income through fees and charges due to less uptake from the public	No growth in car parking income and minimal growth included for smaller revenue streams for 2024/25
Recycling	Risk that the new recycling facility does not generate the savings expected	Increased income in relation to the new recycling facility has not fully been included in the base budget for 2024/25 as limited data has been made available.
Local Council Tax Support Scheme	An increase in the uptake of the scheme could result in a loss on income for the Council and other Preceptors	The scheme can be reviewed and updated annually and close monitoring of this area is regularly undertaken
Savings targets	Targets have been set and included within the detail of the budget to ensure a balanced position	A transformation programme is underway to ensure achievement of any savings plans
Uninsured losses	The Council holds a number of insurance policies but also self insures	There is a risk reserve in place of £620k to cover any potential issue
Inflation and interest rates	Inflation and interest is high and fluctuations can have a big impact on the cost base	Inflation has been built into the base at a higher level for contractual obligations in 2024/25, a pay award of 4% has been factored in and interest payments have been reviewed and increased in line with capital borrowing requirements
Regeneration projects	The delay or increase in cost of projects can pose financial risks to the General Fund	Internal borrowing can be undertaken and there is a larger level of borrowing required in 2024/25. Options are being fully reviewed and progress decided based on revised financial viability in the current climate
Grounds Maintenance	Contracts for the outsourced service are due to expire in 2024/25 which may create a risk to future cost	Fully considered as part of the budget setting process and a provision for potential support with a tender has been included within the budget for 2024/25

Planning Appeals	High volumes of planning applications are generating income but there are risks to developer appeals for any rejected and not approved by Committee	Planning fee income has been increased after review of the planning trajectory but a proportion has been earmarked to support any cost of appeals that may be incurred
Food Waste Collection	A new work stream is to be introduced in 2025/26 collecting food waste separately which will create a cost pressure	Working with DEFRA to secure funding and with other local authorities to look at the best approach to implementing changes. New burdens funding is to be made available which will reduce the risk slightly

Cabinet/Individual Cabinet Member Decision

Report Summary Sheet

Date: 21st February 2024

Subject: Housing Revenue Account Budget 2024/25

**Portfolio: Finance & Corporate
Housing & Communities**

From: Strategic Director – Finance & Governance

Summary: The report presents the proposed Housing Revenue Account budget for 2024/25 for consideration and submission to Council for approval. A forecast outturn for 2023/24 is also included in the report.

Recommendations:

- That the forecast outturn position for the HRA for 2023/24 be noted.
- That the net budget position of £0 for 2024/25 is agreed and recommended to Council for approval.
- That a rent increase on dwellings of 7.7%.is agreed and recommended to Council for approval.
- That Fees and Charges for the HRA are recommended to Council for approval.
- That the amended budget for 2023/24 across service areas to take account of recharges is approved by Council.

Options:

To accept the report or request further information, having regard to the legal deadlines for setting of budgets.

Reasons:

To comply with regulations.

Consultation undertaken with Members/Officers/Stakeholders

Finance officers, budget holders and portfolio holders have been consulted on draft budgets.

Subject to call-in: No

Due to the timescales for setting a budget as provided for in paragraph 15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.

Ward relevance: All**Forward plan: Yes****Building a Better Borough Aim: Work****Building a Better Borough Priority: To grow a strong and inclusive economy****Relevant statutes or policy:**

Local Government Act 2003
Local Government Finance Act 1992

Equalities Implications:

(Does this require an Equalities Impact Assessment? If so please append.)

None

<p>Human resources implications: None</p>
<p>Financial implications: Detailed in the report</p>
<p>Health Inequalities Implications: None</p>
<p>Section 17 Crime & Disorder Implications: None</p>
<p>Risk management implications: All budgetary decisions will need to be risk assessed to ensure they are achievable and to be fully aware of any implications.</p>
<p>Environmental implications: None</p>
<p>Legal implications: The Council must set a risk assessed balanced budget each year. In addition, the Cabinet must comply with the Budget & Policy Framework Procedure Rules set out in section 4C of the Council's Constitution.</p>
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AGENDA ITEM NO.9

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to: Cabinet - 21st February 2024

From: Strategic Director – Finance & Governance
Strategic Director - Housing & Community Safety

Subject: Housing Revenue Account Revenue Budget 2024/25

Portfolio: Finance & Corporate (Councillor S Croft)
Housing & Communities (Councillor C Golby)

Building a Better Borough Aim: Work

Building a Better Borough Priority: Grow a strong and inclusive economy

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To present the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) revenue budget for 2024/25 for approval.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the forecast outturn position for the HRA for 2023/24 be noted.

2.2 That the amended budget for 2023/24 across service areas to take account of recharges is approved by Council.

2.3 That the net budget position of £0 for 2024/25 is agreed and recommended to Council for approval.

2.4 That a rent increase on dwellings of 7.7%.is agreed and recommended to Council for approval.

2.5 That Fees and Charges for the HRA (Appendix 2) are recommended to Council for approval.

2.6 That the report is not subject to call-in due to the timescales for setting the budget and Council Tax for 2024/25 as provided for in paragraph 15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.

3.0 Forecasted Outturn 2023/24 as at December 2023

- 3.1 The HRA revenue budget for 2023/24 was approved by Cabinet and Council in February 2023. A deficit position was being budgeted of £0.25m.
- 3.2 During the year, cost pressures have been seen due to inflation impacting on materials and contractor costs. The initial position six months into the year was assuming that the HRA may overspend by approximately £4k. This has now been revisited after a review of rental income levels and expenditure.
- 3.3 It is now assumed that an underspend of approximately £0.4m may be seen on the HRA. Expenditure is still higher than planned on materials and contractor costs due to inflation but underspends on consultancy, staffing and utilities are more than offsetting.
- 3.4 In addition, rental income is expected to be lower than budgeted with the assumptions when the budget was set not being achieved. Based on the agreed rent increases and voids there will be a small pressure.
- 3.5 The full outturn position for Q3 has not been finalised and may alter from this assumption however, a surplus position is expected, and full detail will be reported to Cabinet in March.

4.0 Budget Position 2024/25

- 4.1 The net budget position is balanced at £0. Detail is within Appendix 1.

Budget Assumptions

- 4.2 There have been a number of assumptions included within the budget as summarised below with further detail included within the proceeding commentary.
 - A pay award provision of 4% for 2024/25
 - An increase to contracted costs due to inflation
 - Rental income has been increased at 7.7%
 - Treasury budgets are in line with interest rate forecasts
- 4.3 Due to inflationary pressures, it is prudent to increase the budget for repairs and maintenance. This has been discussed with the relevant service managers and agreed as a sensible increase.
- 4.4 In line with the General Fund, the provision has been reduced to 4% from 6% in consultation with neighbouring authorities.
- 4.5 Material spend has been increased due to price rises in line with inflation and to complete a current backlog of works. This has been

discussed with the relevant service managers and agreed as a sensible increase.

- 4.6 Costs in relation to the housing system have been brought into revenue from capital after the completion of building the system and it moving into business as usual functionality.
- 4.7 Due to service reviews being carried out on the General Fund, some of these could reduce internal recharges to the HRA in the future. Nothing has been factored into the HRA budget at this stage.

Rental Income

- 4.8 Average rental income charges per week currently sit at £88.85 with an increase of 7.7% the average weekly charge will be £95.69, an increase of £6.84 per week.
- 4.9 There are varying charges administered for housing rents due to the location of the dwelling, the size and type and whether the dwelling is classified as an affordable housing unit (generally new build properties).
- 4.10 The Council has been able to increase rents by CPI + 1% for 2024/25 a maximum increase of 7.7% has been proposed to ensure the risk posed to the HRA of rising costs due to inflation is reduced and longer-term financial sustainability is achieved.
- 4.11 Service charges fees have also been increased in-line with the rent increases at 7.7%
- 4.12 Income from homeless hostels for 2024/25 have decreased due to planned works being completed on one of the HRA hostels which will result in a long void period. This has been partially mitigated by the proposed increase of 7.7% on the fees.

5.0 Reserves

- 5.1 The HRA has many risks around inflation but also legislative changes for decent homes standards, welfare reform and the direction on rent increases plus the level of Right to Buy.
- 5.2 Significant underspends have been seen in recent years which has helped contribute to reserve balances but where planned works haven't been completed, this poses further risk to the cost base into the future.
- 5.3 The reserve position on the HRA is healthy but there are significant risks and so close management of the expenditure base is essential. As at March 2023 the HRA had a general reserve balance of £4,272k which is likely to be topped up due to underspends in year. Earmarked

reserve balance of £5,310k which includes risks for the Housing and Planning Act.

- 5.4 A detailed review of the Business Plan will be conducted in the summer to assess risks and opportunities. A full breakdown of the financial plan and reserves will be reported to Cabinet in the Autumn.

6.0 Conclusion

- 6.1 A thorough review of the Business Plan will be undertaken in the summer with detail reported to Cabinet. At this stage however, the HRA is in a sustainable position and will continue to be so during 2024/25 and into the medium-term.

7. Appendices

- 7.1 Appendix 1 – HRA Budget 2024/25
- 7.2 Appendix 2 – Fees and Charges 2024/25

HRA BUDGET 2024/25

Service	2023/24 Budget	2023/24 Budget (recharge changes)	2024/25 Final Budget
	£	£	£
SUPERVISION & MANAGEMENT - GENERAL			
HRA General Expenses	2,743,132	4,660,684	4,976,319
HRA Repairs Management	2,049,325	947,385	1,224,980
Resident Involvement	59,820	59,820	44,790
Debt Management Costs	135,940	135,940	135,940
Increase in Bad Debt Provision	485,360	485,360	485,360
HRA share of Corporate and Democratic Core	178,000	0	0
HRA share of Non-Distributed Costs	57,680	57,680	0
Housing System	113,330	38,840	242,000
Development Strategy	521,282	490,642	240,290
	6,343,869	6,876,351	7,349,679
SUPERVISION & MANAGEMENT - SPECIAL			
HRA Special Expenses	117,214	63,004	86,625
Independent Living (Previously Warden Schemes)	2,539,624	2,458,284	2,517,490
Homeless Hostels	104,604	76,014	65,412
Bedworth Hostel	137,211	109,790	104,630
St Benedicts	0	0	54,280
Other Housing Schemes (Flats)	882,539	704,569	694,403
Grounds Maintenance	418,490	341,400	376,484
	4,199,682	3,753,061	3,899,323
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE			
Reactive Repairs	2,349,729	2,263,869	2,472,615
Call Out	84,173	84,173	85,950
R.+ M. - Dwellings	250,550	250,550	272,000
R. + M. - Estate Management	77,954	77,954	24,000
Asbestos	145,000	145,000	145,000
R. + M. - Homeless Hostels	62,914	62,914	7,460
R. + M. - Shops & Other Co.	58,954	58,954	5,000
Planned Works - Outside Contractors	1,970,724	1,970,724	2,059,940
Outside Contractors - Not Depot Monitored	308,710	308,710	308,710
R + M - Voids	685,697	685,697	738,050
	5,994,405	5,908,545	6,118,725
CAPITAL FINANCING COSTS			
Cost of Capital Charge	0	0	0
Depreciation	8,724,000	8,724,000	8,724,000

Interest Payable	1,791,050	1,791,050	2,004,396
	10,515,050	10,515,050	10,728,396
INCOME			
Council House & Hostels-Income HRA	(26,822,090)	(26,822,090)	(28,531,771)
Interest Receivable	(36,800)	(36,800)	(36,800)
Non-Dwelling Rents	(572,510)	(572,510)	(590,037)
Other Income - Independent Living Schemes	(1,416,610)	(1,416,610)	(1,502,974)
Other Income - Services And Facilities	(650,910)	(650,910)	(688,253)
Other Income - Rechargeable Repairs	(22,000)	(22,000)	(22,000)
	(29,520,920)	(29,520,920)	(31,371,835)
APPROPRIATIONS			
Appropriations to / (from) MRR	0	0	368,871
Capital Expenditure funded by HRA (CERA)	2,492,620	2,492,620	2,492,620
Appropriations to/ (from) Revenue Reserves	0	0	(5,444)
	2,492,620	2,492,620	2,856,047
Pay Award Provision	229,526	229,526	419,664
Total HRA	254,232	254,232	0

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT	2023/24 Fee	2024/25 Proposed Fee	% Change
Independent Living charges -based on a 52 week recharge			
Independent Living Service charge	13.65	14.70	7.7%
Independent Living Support Service charge	5.19	5.59	7.7%
Well Being Service Charge (new tenants only)	3.27	3.52	7.7%
Lifeline Service charge	2.69	2.90	7.7%
Homeless Hostel Rent (General Fund & HRA) (per room per night)			
Rent	50.00	53.85	7.7%
Service Charge	2.46	2.65	7.7%
Garage Rents (per week on a 52 week basis)			
Tenants	10.00	10.00	0.0%
Non – Tenants includes VAT	20.00	20.00	0.0%
Visitor Accommodation in Sheltered Schemes			
(per room per night)	15.00	15.00	0.0%
Additional Charges			
Retrospective Permission for Ex-council Tenants Alterations	115.30	115.30	0.0%
Information Regarding Ex-council Properties i.e. construction types, improvements	115.30	115.30	0.0%
Removal of Covenants to Ex-council Properties/Land (carried out by legal)	427.50	427.50	0.0%
Key Cutting/Replacement Service Including Key Fobs	19.00	19.00	0.0%
Key Cutting/Replacement Service Including Key Fobs for Scooter Housing Buildings	55.50	55.50	0.0%
Court Action to Obtain Access into Council Properties	403.90	403.90	0.0%
Rechargeable Works			
Various amounts depending on what work has been carried out			
Works charged to lease hold properties	87.40	87.40	0.0%
Copy of lease for lease holders	41.55	41.55	0.0%

Cabinet

Report Summary Sheet

Date:	21st February 2024
Subject:	Capital Budget 2024/25
Portfolio:	Finance & Corporate
From:	Strategic Director - Finance & Governance

<p>Summary:</p> <p>The report presents the proposed General Fund and Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme for 2024/25 for consideration and submission to Council for approval. A forecast outturn for 2023/24 is also included in the report.</p>
<p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To note the forecast outturn for the Capital Budgets for 2023/24 per Appendix 1.• That the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account Capital Budgets for 2024/25, as detailed at Appendix 2, be agreed and submitted to Full Council for approval.• That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director – Housing & Communities to carry out procurement exercises in accordance with the Council’s Contract Procedure Rules in order to deliver the capital programme for the HRA.• That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director – Economy & Transformation and the Strategic Director – Finance & Governance to approve

<p>any new funding opportunities that arise to support the regeneration projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That Cabinet note that the proposed capital budget for 2024/25 and future years for regeneration and the Pingles Decarbonisation cannot proceed without secured funding. • That the report is not subject to call-in due to the timescales for setting the budget and Council Tax for 2024/25 as provided for in paragraph 15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.
<p>Options:</p> <p>To accept the report or request further information, having regard to the legal deadlines for setting of budgets.</p>
<p>Reasons:</p> <p>To comply with regulations.</p>
<p>Consultation undertaken with Members/Officers/Stakeholders</p> <p>Finance officers, budget holders and portfolio holders have been consulted on the budget proposals..</p>

<p>Subject to call-in: No</p> <p>Due to the timescales for setting a budget as provided for in paragraph 15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.</p>
<p>Ward relevance: All</p>
<p>Forward plan: Yes</p>

<p>Building a Better Borough Aim:</p> <p>Work</p>
<p>Building a Better Borough Priority:</p> <p>Grow a strong and inclusive economy</p>

Relevant statutes or policy:

Local Government Act 2003

Local Government Finance Act 1992

Equalities Implications:

None

Human resources implications:

None

Financial implications:

As detailed within the report.

Health Inequalities Implications:

None

Section 17 Crime & Disorder Implications:

None

Risk management implications:

All budgetary decisions will need to be risk assessed to ensure they are achievable and to be fully aware of any implications.

Environmental implications:

None

Legal implications:

The Council must set a risk assessed balanced budget each year. In addition, the Cabinet must comply with the Budget & Policy Framework Procedure Rules set out in section 4C of the Council's Constitution.

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AGENDA ITEM NO.10

NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to: Cabinet - 21st February 2024

From: Strategic Director - Finance & Governance
Strategic Director - Housing & Communities

Subject: Capital Budget 2024/25

Portfolio: Finance & Corporate (Councillor S Croft)
Housing & Communities (Councillor C Golby)

Building a Better Borough Aim: Work

Building a Better Borough Priority: Grow a Strong & Inclusive Economy

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To present the capital budget and forecast for 2024/25 to 2026/27 for the General Fund and a one year budget for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA).

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the budget for 2024/25 is recommended to Council for approval.
- 2.2 That the forecasted capital programme for 2023/24 is noted.
- 2.3 That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director – Housing & Communities to carry out procurement exercises in accordance with the Council’s Contract Procedure Rules in order to deliver the capital programme for the HRA.
- 2.4 That delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director – Economy & Transformation and the Strategic Director – Finance & Governance to approve any new funding opportunities that arise to support the regeneration projects.
- 2.5 That Cabinet note that the proposed capital budget for 2024/25 and future years for regeneration and the Pingles Decarbonisation cannot proceed without secured funding.
- 2.6 That the report is not subject to call-in due to the timescales for setting the budget and Council Tax for 2024/25 as provided for in paragraph

15(f) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution.

3.0 Forecasted Outturn 2023/24 as at December 2023

- 3.1 Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council has a large capital programme to provide community value and improve facilities. The Q3 outturn position for 2023/24 will be presented in detail to Cabinet in March 2024 but it is expected to have a large underspend during the year due mainly to a review of the affordability of the regeneration projects and slippage on the HRA.
- 3.2 The capital budget for 2023/24 of £106,627,852 was approved in February 2023 at Council with an updated budget position reported of £111,917,651 to Cabinet in July 2023 which was again amended at September 2023 Cabinet to £114,549,257.
- 3.3 A summary of the General Fund and HRA forecasted expenditure versus budget is below alongside financing of the programme and further detail will be reported to Cabinet in March 2024 as part of the quarterly update.

Expenditure	Forecast £'000	Budget £'000	Variance £'000
Business & Regeneration	16,225	56,868	40,642
Finance & Corporate	793	298	-495
Housing & Communities	6,767	7,559	791
Public Services	3,042	23,885	20,844
Miscellaneous	0	92	92
GENERAL FUND	26,828	88,702	61,874
HRA	16,766	25,848	9,082
	43,593	114,549	70,956

Funding			
Grants	9,689	41,006	31,317
Earmarked / Revenue	3,758	4,101	343
External Contributions	885	261	-624
Capital Receipts	38	1,435	1,397
Major Repairs Reserve	8,724	8,895	171
Borrowing	20,499	58,851	38,352
	43,593	114,549	70,956

4.0 Capital Programme Budget 2024/25

- 4.1 The Council's capital programme covers many projects for both the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account.
- 4.2 General Fund projects are developed in line with strategies reported to Cabinet/Council and are funded through Section 106 developer contributions, grant funding (from the Government and other external providers), internal and external borrowing plus capital receipts generated through asset sales.
- 4.3 HRA projects are mainly for refurbishment of council houses, disabled adaptations to council housing plus new build. They are funded from HRA reserves, capital receipts from Right to Buy plus grant income.
- 4.4 The Council approved the commencement of a large regeneration programme in Nuneaton and Bedworth towns in 2017 and significant levels of grant funding have been secured to support delivery. Unfortunately, the UK economic climate has changed dramatically since the inception of projects which has meant a pause has been in place whilst a review of affordability is undertaken.
- 4.5 Grayson Place phase 1 is underway with the Hampton by Hilton hotel due to open during the summer. The remaining programme has now been reviewed both internally and by external consultants to ensure a sustainable programme is delivered.
- 4.6 The Council has put forward proposals to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) to manage the grant funding secured on a smaller number of projects than was initially set out in business cases. Officers are awaiting feedback on the proposals.
- 4.7 The borrowing on regeneration is set at an affordable level of £36m and the Medium-Term Financial Plan includes income generation for the projects to offset costs of borrowing. No further borrowing can be afforded and if there are any changes to the proposals after feedback from DLUHC, further review will be required to ensure the borrowing levels remain affordable.

General Fund

- 4.8 As noted above, the regeneration programme has altered in the proposed budget and is detailed in Appendix 1.
- 4.9 The main areas to note:
 - Grayson Place has been revised and the cost profile reduced with grant funding proposed to transfer from other delayed or downscaled projects.

- Bridge to Living has been revised to fit within the grant funding secured for the project with a small sum transferred from downscaled or delayed projects.
- The Bedworth Physical Activity Hub has a final cost of £30.6m which will be funded in part by delayed or downscaled projects, Levelling Up and Sport England funding plus a reduced level of borrowing than initially set out.

4.10 The capital programme over the next three years outside of regeneration has a number of other key projects to consider.

- Grant funding has been received from DEFRA of £981k to support implementation of measures within the Environment Bill which is in relation to collection of food waste. The Council along with many other local authorities has challenged the grant amount as it will fall very short of the actual cost to supply caddies for food waste to all households plus buy new vehicles to manage the collections. There will also be revenue implications which have been noted in the revenue budget report. More detail on the impact of this change will be reported separately to Cabinet later in the year.
- Pingles Decarbonisation Scheme of £3.9m spanning two financial years has been added to the programme. This scheme is to be funded partially by internal borrowing of approximately £450k with the remainder funded by Sport England and the Government's Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS). To-date, Sport England have confirmed that we have been successful with our bid, but we are still waiting for confirmation from PSDS. Works up to the value of any grant secured can be undertaken which could mean a downscaled plan if grant funding is not at the level requested.
- Play Area Improvements has a budget allocation of £75k which was transferred from revenue as part of the 2024/25 budget process. This requirement to reallocate the budget has been reported during 2023/24.
- UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) projects underway with funding over the three-year plan expected to be fully utilised. The projects have been broken down individually in the detail for clarity. A detailed summary of the projects is included in Appendix 3.

4.11 The progress of all projects will be monitored during the year with further updates reported to Cabinet.

4.12 A three-year capital programme is included in Appendix 1. The proposed General Fund capital budget for 2024/25 is £53,612,739 and is fully funded.

HRA

- 4.13 The capital budget for the HRA was approved as £24,418,500 in February 2023 but an updated budget position was reported to Cabinet in July 2023 of £25,847,500 to include carry forwards of underspends from 2022/23.
- 4.14 Management of the HRA capital programme is based on scheduled works and progression of new build and acquisition targets. The budget as a whole is utilised by need of the customer and the most efficient use of resources to ensure value for money and will therefore fluctuate against the initial forecasted expenditure by line in any one year.
- 4.13 The capital programme has been scaled back from previous years whilst a review of the Business Plan is undertaken, and a one-year budget is proposed.
- 4.14 A one-year capital programme is included in Appendix 2. The proposed Housing Revenue Account capital budget for 2024/25 is £19,418,500.

Capital Reserves

- 4.15 Reserves are held by the Council for capital purposes either generated through sales of assets, setting aside sums from underspends and receipts of grants for capital purposes.
- 4.16 The Council's capital reserve position at the end of March 2023 is as follows.

	2022/23
	£
Capital Receipts	618,524
Capital Earmarked Sums	2,612,970
Capital Grants	16,736,909
General Fund	19,968,403
Capital Receipts	2,808,032
Capital Earmarked Sums	3,773,387
Major Repairs Reserve	2,752,340
HRA	9,333,759
CAPITAL RESOURCES	29,302,162

- 4.17 Capital reserves are allocated against specific projects with no residual unallocated amount available. This poses risks to any movement in the projected capital expenditure as there is nothing available to cover any fluctuations in expenditure.

5. **Conclusion**

- 5.1 The capital programme is fully funded in its present form and there is expected to be slippage on projects in 2023/24. The biggest risk to the Council at this stage is the current economic landscape with soaring inflation and price increases for building supplies. A full review of regeneration has been undertaken and changes to the plan have been reflected in this report.
- 5.2 The Council is awaiting feedback from DLUHC to confirm whether grant funding can be transferred across a revised programme. Without this approval, the regeneration programme will need to be halted unless additional grant funding can be achieved as the programme will not be financially sustainable.

6. **Appendices**

- 6.1 Appendix 1 – General Fund Capital Budget 2024/25
Appendix 2 – HRA Capital Budget 2024/25
Appendix 3 – UKSPF Project Summary Review

7. **Background Papers**

- 7.1 None.

GENERAL FUND PROPOSED BUDGET 2024/25

APPENDIX 1

	Original Budget £	Revised Budget £	Forecasted Spend to Mar 2024	2024/25 Proposed Budget £	2025/26 Forecasted Budget £	2026/27 Forecasted Budget £
Transforming Bedworth	18,612	18,612	6,928	0	0	0
Grayson Place	70,870,000	50,819,134	27,373,457	16,395,904	7,049,773	0
Bridge to Living	15,598,180	8,116,756	3,978,709	1,654,819	2,483,228	0
Weddington Cycle Lane	1,703,000	0	0	0	0	0
Museum	4,631,608	0	0	0	0	0
Parks Revival	1,062,492	1,750,000	144,193	1,605,807	0	0
Wheat Street Junction	3,703,000	390,000	0	0	390,000	0
George Eliot Visitor Centre	222,500	222,500	0	222,500	0	0
The Saints	1,870,090	1,870,090	1,870,090	0	0	0
Corporation Street/Queens Road Junction	7,083,000	390,000	0	390,000	0	0
Visiting Nuneaton Changing Perspectives	87,400	87,400	87,400	0	0	0
E-mobility Hub	302,800	302,800	0	302,800	0	0
CCTV Wireless Technology	52,957	52,957	138,957	0	0	0
Car Parking Machine Upgrades	300,000	300,000	0	300,000	0	0
Business & Regeneration	107,505,639	64,320,249	33,599,734	20,871,829	9,923,002	0
ICT Capital Programme	140,000	140,000	360,480	100,000	100,000	100,000
Changing Places	183,000	183,000	183,000	0	0	0
Camp Hill	25,000	25,000	250,000	25,000	0	0
Finance & Corporate	348,000	348,000	793,480	125,000	100,000	100,000
HEART	5,125,000	5,125,000	5,125,000	5,125,000	5,125,000	5,125,000

Empty Homes - Works in Default	40,000	40,000	0	40,000	40,000	40,000
Empty Property Loans	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	100,000	100,000
Green Homes LAD 3 and HUG 1	905,359	905,359	905,359	0	0	0
Homeless Hostel Conversion	200,000	200,000	75,000	125,000	0	0
Home Upgrade Grant 2	733,000	733,000	33,000	1,702,000	0	0
Safer Streets - Stubbs Pool/The Dingle	41,917	41,917	69,774	0	0	0
Lily Pad Fountain	35,000	35,000	39,660	0	0	0
New Road Park Improvements	50,000	50,000	75,000	0	0	0
Sherbourne Open Space Improvements	150,000	150,000	150,000	0	0	0
Stockingford Rec	45,000	45,000	45,000	0	0	0
Multi-storey Car Park Improvements	56,000	56,000	56,000	0	0	0
Museum Lift	150,000	150,000	150,000	0	0	0
Community Safety & Engagement Grant	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	0	0
Community Safety - Nomad Cameras	40,000	40,000	40,000	0	0	0
Attleborough - Community Park	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	0	0
Marlborough - Community Park	150,000	150,000	0	150,000	0	0
Sorrell Road - Community Park	125,000	125,000	0	225,000	0	0
Bedworth Market	716,184	716,184	0	716,184	0	0
Boundary Paddock Toilet Block Improvements	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	0	0
Housing & Communities	8,937,460	8,937,460	6,838,793	8,383,184	5,265,000	5,265,000
Major Repairs	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000
Vehicle & Plant Replacement	308,000	308,000	308,000	683,000	674,000	553,000
Environment Bill Food Waste Grant	0	0	0	981,000	0	0
Sub-Regional Materials Recycling Facility	4,874,894	4,874,894	4,874,894	0	0	0
Leisure Strategy	230,904	230,904	3,295	227,609	0	0
Play & Teenage Provision	4,710	4,710	0	0	0	0

Fly Tipping Cameras	5,000	5,000	0	5,000	0	0
Bedworth Physical Activity Hub	27,500,000	30,600,000	1,719,355	20,216,451	8,664,193	0
Pauls Land Pavilion	10,500	10,500	0	10,500	0	0
Sandon Park/Jack Whetstone Pavilion	26,859	26,859	0	26,859	0	0
Cemetery Extension	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	0	0
Play Area Improvements	0	0	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Stockingford Community Centre Grant	25,000	25,000	25,000	0	0	0
Community Centre Grants	55,000	55,000	55,000	0	0	0
Buttermere Recreation Ground Redevelopment	447,500	447,500	499,906	0	0	0
Ambleside Sports Club - Table Tennis Provision	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	0	0
Pingles LC Decarbonisation Scheme	3,914,614	3,914,614	0	1,957,307	1,957,307	0
Public Services	37,827,981	40,927,981	7,885,450	24,532,726	11,620,500	878,000
Miscellaneous Projects	92,000	92,000	0	100,000	100,000	100,000
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE	154,711,080	114,625,690	49,117,457	54,012,739	27,008,502	6,343,000

HRA PROPOSED BUDGET 2024/25

Appendix 2

	Approved Budget 2023/24 £	Forecast Outturn 2023/24 £	Proposed Budget 2024/25 £
DECENT HOMES	1,900,000	1,680,932	1,200,000
ROOF COVERINGS/MODIFICATIONS	750,000	964,036	900,000
WINDOWS AND DOORS	700,000	833,347	800,000
SHELTERED ALARM CALL SYSTEM	18,000	0	40,000
DOOR ENTRY SCHEME	160,000	158,467	0
CCTV RENEWAL - GP FLATS	10,000	10,879	0
SHOP IMPROVEMENTS	0	0	15,000
NEW PROPERTIES - NEW BUILDS	4,539,000	1,376,730	6,032,768
NEW STREET	0	0	1,365,000
BYFORD COURT	3,011,000	2,312,644	458,720
CONVERSION OF HOMELESS HOSTEL	50,000	50,000	176,000
DECENT HOMES WORKS - HOMELESS HOSTELS	0	0	167,000
FIRE SAFETY WORKS	2,600,000	1,871,349	2,400,000
KINGSWAY HOUSE	0	8,000	0
196/198 CHURCH ROAD	0	167,000	0
ILU REMODELLING	150,000	0	150,000
NEW PROPERTIES ACQUISITION	512,500	513,000	0
VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS	1,750,000	1,750,000	0
LEVEL ACCESS SHOWERS	600,000	180,782	700,000
AIDS AND ADAPTATIONS	1,175,000	832,884	1,000,000
CENTRAL HEATING	1,000,000	927,200	720,000
GARAGES	30,000	15,000	15,000
SLABS TO TARMAC	124,000	212,760	304,500
LIFT RENEWAL WORKS	30,000	30,000	50,000
DISTRICT HEATING WORKS	310,000	310,000	150,000
PIR ELECTRICAL WORKS	400,000	67,800	396,000
VOIDS	760,000	938,593	800,000
STOCK CONDITION SURVEY	200,000	437,932	0
25 CHEVERAL PLACE	0	0	120,000
EWI	0	300,000	2,400,000
CONCRETE/STRUCTURAL REPAIRS	4,196,000	0	190,000
ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS	190,000	170,200	0
HOUSING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	10,000	0	0
CAPITAL SALARIES/CONSULTANCY	472,000	472,000	470,000
CONTINGENCY	200,000	174,000	200,000
CLEAVER GARDENS	0	0	360,000
WARM AIR UNITS	0	0	200,000
ELECTRIC STORAGE HEATING	0	0	300,000
	25,847,500	16,765,534	22,079,988

UK Shared Prosperity Fund

The Council was awarded funding of £4,028,173 from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), for the period 2022/23 to 2024/25. This fund has replaced European Funding and is intended to reduce inequalities between communities as part of the Government's wider levelling up agenda. It has three investment priorities covering Communities and Place, Supporting Local Business and People and Skills, with each priority becoming live at differing points during the three-year funding cycle.

For the years 2022/23 and 2023/24, the following projects have been undertaken:

- Safety and security improvements to Ropewalk Car Park, including additional CCTV and the installation of a mosquito device to deter anti-social gatherings;
- Safety and security improvements to Harefield Road Car Park, including re-lining the ground floor to create wider spaces, improved lighting and CCTV;
- Installation of a new lift at the Museum to improve access to the exhibits and events:
- The provision of 24 hour per day live CCTV monitoring:
- Additional entertainment events in the town centres to attract visitors and support the economy of the town centres:
- Provision of two Changing Places Toilets – one each in Nuneaton and Bedworth – to provide larger accessible toilets for severely disabled people, supporting greater mobility for people with complex and multiple disabilities:
- Sherbourne Avenue Recreation Ground – new infrastructure and equipment to improve the play and landscaped areas, as well as improving the accessibility for users and the ecology of the area:
- New Road Recreation Ground – the installation of new play area and additional pathways to improve accessibility:
- Stockingford Recreation Ground – the removal of the defunct tennis court, returning it to a grassed area enabling safer usage and accessibility for residents:
- Community Safety Grants – the award of grants to third sector and local voluntary groups to tackle issues such as anti-social behaviour, serious violence and domestic abuse:
- Support for local businesses – This includes support to start up new businesses, assisting existing businesses to grow and to help with all forms of innovation to support business viability:
- Town Centres Commercial Units Grants – to offer funding to landlords to remodel larger scale retail premises to provide smaller, more cost effective units for businesses;
- Provision of lighting improvements to the Greenmoor Road BMX bike track, to enable year round use:

- Provision of facility improvements and new PA system for Nuneaton Harriers, improving the facilities on offer for local people.

For the final year of the current grant cycle, 2024/2025, the following projects are proposed;

£ Amount	Project
375,000 (capital)	To undertake further improvement works to the play areas at Marlborough Recreation Ground, Sorrell Road Park and Attleborough Recreation Ground. The works will improve equipment provision and offer opportunities for active recreation.
350,000 (250,000 revenue / 100,00 capital)	To undertake community projects and install infrastructure to combat crime, including anti-social behaviour, violence and domestic abuse.
716,184 (capital)	Redevelopment of Bedworth Indoor Market to improve the retail experience and provide additional incubation units for small/start-up businesses.
£80,000 (capital)	For the remodelling of larger retail premises to provide smaller, more cost effective units for businesses.
421,044 (revenue)	To provide bespoke skills training, allied with the needs of local businesses, to support the provision of a well equipped local workforce, able to meet the demands of local businesses whilst enabling residents to acquire and improve skills to assist them both into work and to support progression within the work environment.
500,000 (revenue)	To provide ongoing support to local businesses to support them to start-up, grow, innovate and sustain.