CARRY FORWARD REQUESTS 2020/21

Cabinet - 22 April 2021

Report of: Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Officer - Finance & Trading

Status: For Consideration

Also considered by: Finance & Investment Advisory Committee - 25 March 2021

Key Decision: No

This report supports the Key Aim of: Effective Management of Council

Resources

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Recommendation to Finance and Investment Advisory Committee:

That the recommendations below to Cabinet, be endorsed.

Recommendation to Cabinet:

- (a) the Revenue carry forward requests totalling up to £477,000 as set out in paragraph 3 of the report be approved, subject to any amendments suggested by the Finance and Investment Advisory Committee;
- (b) The Capital carry forward request totalling £524,000 as set out in paragraph 4 of the report be approved, subject to any amendments suggested by the Finance and Investment Advisory Committee.

Introduction and Background

- In order to meet the committee deadlines and to help facilitate a shorter final accounts process these requests for specific unspent budgets to be placed in an earmarked reserve for spending in a subsequent year (the 'carry forward' reserve) have been brought to this meeting rather than waiting until the final outturn results are available.
- 2 As was the case in 2019/20 any other variances at year end are transferred to the Budget Stabilisation Reserve.

Revenue Carry Forward Items

There are eight specific Revenue carry forward requests, summarised in table
1. Further details including the implications of not carrying forward these budgets are set out in the Appendix A.

Table 1 - Revenue Carry Forward Requests

No	Item	Chief Officer	Amount (up to) £
R1	Asset Maintenance	Strategic Head	220,000
		Commercial and	
		Property	
R2	Economic	Strategic Head	13,000
	Development &	Commercial and	
	Tourism	Property	
R3	Grants and	People and Places	10,000
	Support to		
	Voluntary Bodies		
R4	Youth Projects	People and Places	10,000
R5	Revenue &	Customer &	165,000
	Benefits	Resources	
R6	Building Control	Planning &	29,000
		Regulatory	
		Services	
R7	Customer	Assistant Chief	30,000
	Redesign Project	Executive	
	TOTAL		477,000

Capital Carry Forward Items

There is one Capital carry forward request, summarised in table 2. Further details including the implications of not carrying forward these budgets are set out in the Appendix A.

Table 2 - Capital Carry forward Request

No	Item	Chief Officer	Amount (up to) £
C1	Disabled Facilities	People and Places	524,000
	Grant		
	TOTAL		524,000

Key Implications

Financial

The financial implications are set out elsewhere in this report.

<u>Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement</u>

Under Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Section 151 officer has statutory duties in relation to the financial administration and stewardship of the authority.

Detailed budget monitoring is completed on a monthly basis where all variances are explained. Future risk items are also identified.

Equality Assessment

The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act. There is no perceived impact on end users.

Appendices

Appendix A - Budget Carry Forward Requests Background Papers

Background Papers

None

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