

POLICY, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

27 JANUARY 2015

REPORT OF HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL UNDER FINANCIAL PROCEDURE RULES

1.0 THE PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to submit requests for approval of this Committee under Financial Procedure Rules and to provide information on amounts approved under delegated powers and to report the impact of these on the Council's reserves and balances.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The virements approved under delegated powers (para. 3.1.1 refers) be noted and;

2.2 The supplementary estimates approved under delegated powers (para. 4.1.1 refers) be noted.

2.3 Members note the approach to managing the changes proposed by Leicestershire County Council in relation to the management of 'green' waste and include this into the 2015-16 budget as requested by the Rural Economic and Environmental Affairs committee as detailed in paragraph 5.1

3.0 VIREMENTS

3.1 Delegated Authority

3.1.1 Since the last meeting the Head of Central Services has approved seventeen requests for virement within the same service totalling £373,250 and eight requests for virement between services totalling £85,250. More details of those requests in excess of £10,000 can be found in Appendix A.

4.0 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

4.1 Delegated Authority

4.1.1 The following item has been approved under delegated authority in 2014-15 and funded from budget reduction money:

Budget Head	Reason	Amount £
<u>Policy, Finance & Admin C'tee</u>		
Central Services- Professional Fees	Equalities service from the Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Transgender Centre	3,000
Total		£3,000

5.0 REQUESTS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

5.1 Green Waste Credits

At a meeting of the Rural, Economic and Environment Affairs committee on 7 January 2015 it was approved that officers follow the approach outlined as an appropriate way forward in managing the changes proposed by Leicestershire County Council in relation to the management of 'green' waste. The draft budget for 2015/16 has been based on implications of this approach and therefore there are no significant changes required to 2015/16 budget if the committee approves the request.

6.0 POLICY & CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Policy and corporate implications are considered for each new budget proposal as part of the Council's priority assessment process. The results of this are reported to members as part of the budget setting process.

7.0 FINANCIAL & OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The current level of balances and reserves are shown in Appendix B. There are no other financial and resource implications arising from this report.

8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/POWERS

8.1 Any legal implications arising from these movements in funds will have been addressed during the approval process.

9.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY

9.1 Individual budgets could have links to community safety issues. These are covered in any associated reports and financial forms that refer to these budgets as they progress through the decision making process. As community safety is a corporate priority this is considered as part of the priority assessment and budget setting process when considering individual budget proposals.

10.0 EQUALITIES

10.1 The equality issues of each specific budget are considered as they progress through the approval process.

11.0 RISKS

11.1 There will be risks associated with all budgets and these should be considered as part of the consideration of these individual budget proposals through the decision making process.

12.0 CLIMATE CHANGE

12.1 Individual budget heads could have climate change issues but these are considered individually as they progress through the approval process.

13.0 CONSULTATION

13.1 Any proposed adjustments to budgets are made in consultation with budget holders and the Management Team where appropriate.

14.0 WARDS AFFECTED

14.1 All wards are affected.

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Appendices: Appendix A: Virements in Excess of £10k
Appendix B: Statement of Revenue and Capital Reserves

Background Papers: Committee Papers
Budget Reduction/Virements/Supplementary Estimate Forms

Reference: X: C'tee, Council & Sub-C'tees/PFA/2014-15/27-01-15/DG-Items for Approval