

SUBJECT:	Summary REVENUE BUDGET PROPOSALS 2019/20
MEETING:	Stronger Communities Select Committee
DATE:	31st January 2019
DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED:	All

1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1 The backing main report is being shared with all Select Committee members so that they can understand the holistic budget position being considered by Cabinet. The holistic nature of that report recognises that savings proposals should not be viewed in isolation, and may be necessary to allow other service priorities to be maintained.
- 1.2 Subsequent to the consultation process and feedback from individual Select Committees and other representative groups on particular proposals, the resulting report will be provided to full Council in their consideration of settling a balanced budget for 2019/20.
- 1.3 This abridged report seeks to ensure that all proposals have a designated scrutiny oversight, and the tables below highlight those illustratively earmarked to the Scrutiny role of Stronger Communities Select Committee for specific feedback.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That Select Committee consider specifically the following table of pressure and savings below, with a view to providing pertinent feedback on the adoption or otherwise of such by full Council in its subsequent consideration.

3. PRESSURES

Ref	Chief Executive's Unit	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
PCEO001	GOVDEMSUP - Contact Centre VOIP communications contract increases	35			
PCEO002	GOVDEMSUP - Communications Unachievable external income targets.	20			
PCEO003	LEGAL & MONITORING - Legal Review	196			
PCEO004	LEGAL & MONITORING - Land charges income decline	30			
	CEO Totals	281	0	0	0

Ref	Resources	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
PRES001	CORPLLORD Estates Climate change levy increases (Elec,Gas,etc)	57	59	60	62
PRES002	FINANCE SRS - Revenues & systems admin transferring to Torfaen	24			
PRES003	RES (Procurement - Gateway Review) - unachievable saving 1819	150			
PRES004	TLC Monlife central support consequence	111	5	16	
	RES Totals	342	64	76	62

Ref	Corporate Costs & Levies	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
PCORP001	CORP Living Wage Foundation increase	9			
PCORP004	Spinal point harmonisation	1,027			
PCORP002	Insurance - uplift in rates based on activity and claims during 2018-19	50			
PCORP005	Council Insurance Consequences of Monlife	15			
PCORP003	Coroners Joint Committee - increased levy	17			
	Unidentified Pressures	0	675	2,166	2,307
	Corporate Costs & Levies Totals	1,118	675	2,166	2,307

Ref	Appropriations	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
PAPP001	OPS Waste vehicles replacement, annual borrowing cost	95			
PAPP002	Net Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) increase based on additional activity	163	157	(105)	114
PAPP003	Interest Payable	74	12	69	(3)
	Appropriations Totals	332	169	(36)	111

4. SAVINGS & INCOME PROPOSALS

Ref	Chief Executive's Unit	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
CEO001	GOVDEMSUP - Releasing budget saving on Wales local government association (WLGA) Subscription	(3)			
CEO002	GOVDEMSUP - Reduction in annual grant provided to Monmouth CAB (1k), releasing budget saving (3k)	(1)	(1)	(1)	
CEO003	GOVDEMSUP - Additional Income from Caldicot Hub - Desk Leasing Scheme	(2)	(2)	(2)	
CEO004	GOVDEMSUP - Policy - Net Staff Savings from not filling admin post	(3)			
CEO005	GOVDEMSUP - Community Hubs - Cross-subsidy with new income from Com Ed external	(25)			
CEO006	GOVDEMSUP – Contact Centre – Integrated Customer Communications	(60)			
CEO007	GOVDEMSUP - Members - Chairman's charity - Reduce/remove MCC Subsidy	(8)			
CEO008	GOVDEMSUP – Make wider use of Chairmans car to enable a release of a pool car within MCC	(3)			
CEO009	Discretionary fees & charges uplift	(1)			
	CEO Totals	(106)	(3)	(3)	0

Ref	Resources	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
RES001	CORPLLORD Estates RE-FIT Energy Savings (net after funding repayments)	(25)	(50)	(62)	(75)
18-19	RES (Procurement - supplementary duplicate payment review) - one off saving in 18-19 - needs to come back out	25			
RES002	Central Services Recharge to Monlife (gross, £143k pressure accommodated in 2018-19 budget)	(704)			
RES003	Commercial property income - additional acquisitions - rental income above borrowing and other costs	(400)			
RES004	Commercial property income - Castlegate - create sinking fund through wider reserve replenishment from one-off VAT savings to afford release of annual net income to revenue account	(170)			
RES005	Further Travel cost reduction (10%) to be allocated via Future Mon	(50)			
RES006	Discretionary fees & charges uplift	(18)			
	Resources Totals	(1,342)	(50)	(62)	(75)

Ref	Appropriations	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
APP001	Interest Receivable	(162)	(1)		(2)
APP002	Minimum revenue provision (MRP) savings from capital receipts set aside - to be confirmed	(120)			
	Appropriations Totals	(282)	(1)	0	(2)

Ref	Financing	2019/20 £000	2020/21 £000	2021/22 £000	2022/23 £000
FIN001	Council tax base increase - further increase anticipated beyond CT1 taxbase	(40)			
FIN001	Council Tax Reduction Scheme activity saving	(110)			
FIN002	Anticipated "floor" change to Aggregate external funding (AEF) (0.5% improvement)	(468)			
	Financing Totals	(618)	0	0	0

5. REASONS

- 5.1 To assist Chairs of Select Committees in their agenda management.
- 5.2 To better ensure Select committees members are able to focus on proposals affecting their portfolios.

6. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The financial consequences of specific proposals are indicated in summary in table above, and in detail in the holistic Cabinet report attached and related Appendices.

7. WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS IMPLICATIONS (INCORPORATING EQUALITIES, SUSTAINABILITY, SAFEGUARDING and CORPORATE PARENTING):

- 7.1 As in indicated in main report and appendices.

8. CONSULTEES:

SLT
Cabinet
Head of Legal Services

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Budget Proposals 2019/20
Appendix 1: Summary of budget pressures
Appendix 2: Summary of budget savings
Appendix 3: Directorate pressure proposals
Appendix 4: Directorate savings proposals
Appendix 5: Future Generations Evaluations
Appendix 6: Future Generations Evaluation for the overall budget

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