

# CITY COUNCIL

27 February 2012



## CABINET MINUTE 119

### 2012/13 UPDATED DRAFT BUDGET (REVENUE AND CAPITAL) ALLOCATED TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Further to minute 96 which gave approval to the 2012/13 Indicative Revenue and Capital Budget Report, the Director for Corporate Services submitted a written report on the 2012/13 updated draft budget (revenue and capital), allocated to corporate priorities. The report took into account the recommendations from the consultation process, including budget scrutiny (referred to in minute 115 above).

The draft budget would be presented to the City Council on 27 February 2012 and for comparative purposes, would be structured around the existing directorates, although a summary would be provided on how the new budget would look under the revised three directorate model.

The settlement was in line with officers' predictions and no major adjustments were necessary to the original budget assumptions and allocations. However, the settlement figures quoted in the written report were still subject to final approval by the government and the decision was expected in early February 2012.

The report identified areas of the budget where there were either perceived timing issues in relation to the implementation of budget delivery plans, or forecasted pressures which required greater clarity on funding. Officers and Cabinet would work through these areas in conjunction with the original budget allocations to ensure the correct alignment of resources to priorities and to enable a balanced budget to be presented to the City Council on 27 February 2012.

Following final analysis of all grants, a funding shortfall remained of circa £0.800m and final plans were being developed to address this.

The report needed to be read in conjunction with the third quarter Performance and Finance Report (including capital programme update) (referred to in minutes 117 and 117a above) and the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2012/13 (referred to in minutes 118 and 118a above).

Agreed that –

- (1) Cabinet notes -
  - (a) the impact of the funding requirements as shown in the written report of £203.7m available resources to meet an indicative spend of £204.5m and the progress to date to close the gap of £0.8m;

- (b) the proposed capital expenditure of £173.061m;
  - (c) that the report had taken into account the recommendations from the consultation process, including budget scrutiny referred to in minute 115 above;
- (2) officers identify further savings in advance of the City Council meeting on 27 February 2012 to arrive at the budget requirement;
  - (3) the City Council is Recommended to consider a final version of the 2012/13 draft budget (revenue and capital) in order to achieve the proposed target budget requirement of £204.5m for 2012/13.

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Note:

*The full report in connection with this minute is available on the website*

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*or by contacting Democratic Support on 01752 304867*