

# GENERAL FUND - 2021/22 SAVINGS AND BUDGET PROPOSALS MONITORING (QUARTER 3)

Initiative	Reserves Funding	Budget	Profiled Budget	Actual to Date	Variance	Progress
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
<b>2021/22 APPROVED SAVINGS</b>						
<b>Communities &amp; the Environment</b>						
<b>Public Protection</b>						
Savings from combined post and reduction in hours		(16)	(12)	(12)	0 →	As budgeted. Post hours lowered as agreed and working to savings plan
Selective Licensing part Savings part Growth but will net nil over 5 years		(35)	(26)	0	26 ↓	Consultation and implementation delayed due to pandemic. Discussion are ongoing about the future plan.
<b>Public Realm &amp; Business Support</b>						
Service restructure Phase 2		(10)	(7)	0	7 ↓	Delayed by continuing pandemic response.
Deletion of vacant posts		(29)	(22)	(22)	0 →	Savings built into current and future years budgets.
Increase trade waste capacity, via route optimisation		(50)	(37)	(37)	0 →	Anticipate increase in income will be attained.
Drainage / pressure jetting service		(4)	(4)	0	4 ↓	Equipment not purchased as yet. Delayed due to continuing pandemic response, now hoped to commence 1st April 2022.
<b>Customer Involvement &amp; Leisure</b>						
Salt Ayre Vacant Post		(44)	(33)	(33)	0 →	Savings built into current and future years budgets
Customer Services Restructure		(40)	(30)	(30)	0 →	Savings built into current and future years budgets
<b>Economic Growth &amp; Regeneration</b>						
<b>Planning &amp; Place</b>						
DM- Planning pre-application fee review		(10)	(8)	0	8 ↓	On-going resource implications/DM application backlog mean income target unlikely to be achieved in current financial year. £25K underachievement of full budget est for 21/22
Building Control - Fee Review		(10)	(8)	0	8 ↓	Mainly due to covid, but also an absence of BC Officers. To be explored further in 21/22
<b>Property, Investment &amp; Regen</b>						
Reduced staff activity and increased community use (LTH/MTH)		(111)	(85)	(85)	0 →	Savings being achieved by a mixture of reduced utility costs and additional rental income from NHS
Relocate ICT		21	21	0	(21) ↑	scheme not started due to resource issues in both ICT and Facilities Management unlikely to spend relocation money in 2021/22 but no savings until 2022/23 so actual costs will need to be carried forward to next year.
Printing & Postage		(30)	(22)	(22)	0 →	Reduced postage being achieved due to remote working.
Centralisation of budgets		(5)	(4)	(4)	0 →	Printing & Stationery budgets not centralised but savings achieved across the Council.
<b>Corporate Services</b>						
<b>Legal Services</b>						
Legal Fee Increases		(40)	(30)	(20)	10 ↓	Slow start but expected to hit the target income by the end of the year.
<b>ICT</b>						
ICT Mobile Telephone / Fixed Lines Review		(11)	(11)	0	11 ↓	Review currently being undertaken but no savings in current year and mobile costs increased considerably in first 6 months due to remote working - going forward we expect these savings to be met.
ICT Review and Consolidation of Printers		(5)	(5)	(5)	0 →	Reviewed and savings achieved.
ICT Recharging for Street Naming/Numbering		(15)	(11)	0	11 ↓	Currently not in place - Service to look at.
<b>2021/22 APPROVED REDIRECTION</b>						
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Salt Ayre Restructure		(87)	(87)	0	87 ↓	Transfer of staff not yet taken place as it is still awaiting service review (as below)
Property Services Restructure		87	87	0	(87) ↑	Transfer of staff not yet taken place as it is still awaiting service review (as above)
<b>2021/22 APPROVED GROWTH</b>						
<b>Communities &amp; the Environment</b>						
<b>Economic Growth &amp; Regeneration</b>						
<b>Planning &amp; Place</b>						
DM Planning Enforcement - Team Restructure		4	2	2	0 →	Restructure changes now taken place
DM Planning applications - Service continuity and restructure		230	162	68	(95) ↑	8 posts from July 2021, 3 recruited to in July remainder vacant (1 filled October)
Planning and Housing Strategy - Conservation Graduate		26	20	13	(7) ↑	Post made permanent already budgeted to July 2021 - budget too high
<b>Economic Development</b>						
Business Support & Skills expand Local wealth Building Officer post		5	4	4	0 →	Regrading of post now taken place
<b>Property, Investment &amp; Regen</b>						
Strategic Project Management		55	41	41	0 →	Postholder in place
<b>Corporate Services</b>						
<b>Financial Services</b>						
HR/Payroll Software move to Cloud		23	17	17	0 →	Work complete awaiting final invoicing
Financial Services Staffing		60	45	0	(45) ↑	Awaiting service review
<b>Human Resources</b>						
HR & OD Project Teams		40	30	0	(30) ↑	Awaiting service review
<b>Democratic Services</b>						
Democratic Services (re-establishment)		26	20	12	(8) ↑	Delay in appointing to new post
<b>Office of the Chief Executive</b>						
Head of Policy		68	51	0	(51) ↑	Position not recruited to and suggested to be offered up as a saving as part of the 22/23 revenue budget process - may require some resource at a lower level.
Wellbeing		12	9	0	(9) ↑	To be allocated to actions associated with the working well project - all work to date has been in-house during Covid. Likely to be some underspend in current year.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>(114)</b>	<b>(182)</b>	