Appendix A

GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET : 2014/15 TO 2017/18

For Consideration by Cabinet 17 February 2015

Summary Budget Position						
	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18		
	£000	£000	£000	£000		
Original Revenue Budget & Projections	18,540	17,877	19,154	0		
Allowing for budgeted use of Balances	(458)	(1,000)	0	0		
Base Budget Changes previously reported	(816)	(1,180)	(904)	18,613		
Latest Base Budget Changes:						
Capital Programme financing - reprofiling & scheme updates	0	(92)	(77)	(34)		
Efficiency Support Grant - see report	0	(84)	0	0		
Employee Costs - further staffing changes	0	(11)	(11)	(11)		
Other minor adjustments	0	(7)	(14)	(16)		
Growth Proposals for Consideration						
PCSO's	0	99	0	0		
Fees & Charges - Car Parking: Charging Freeze	0	18	19	19		
Beyond the Castle - Maintenance	0	8	8	8		
Empty Homes Officer	0	25	34	C		
Empty Homes Improvements Funding	0	200	0	0		
Street Cleansing Renewable Energy	0	10	10	10		
St.Leonard's House	See reports elsewhere on agenda					
Provisions and Reserves Review	0	189	0	0		
Additional Contribution to/(from) Balances	816	0	0	0		
Latest Net Revenue Budget Forecast	18,540	17,052	18,218	18, 590		
Funding Assumptions:						
Revenue Support Grant	(5,700)	(3,861)	(3,298)	(2,754)		
Retained Business Rates - Baseline Funding Level	(5,110)	(5,207)	(5,311)	(5,417)		
Estimated Collection Fund Surplus	(131)	<mark>(131</mark>)	0	0		
COUNCIL TAX REQUIREMENT	7,599	7,853	9,610	10,419		
TARGET COUNCIL TAX REQUIREMENT	7 505	7.055	0.46.5			
(To fit with a council tax increase of 1.99% per year)	7,599	7,853	8,134	8,423		
Potential Savings Requirement	0	0	1,476	1,996		

Impact on Council Tax						
Tax Base Projections	38,000	38, 500	39,100	39,700		
Band D City Council Tax Rate - MTFS Targets	£199.99	£203.97	£208.03	£212.17		
Percentage Increase Year on Year	1.99%	1.99%	1.99%	1.99%		
Current Council Tax Projections	£199.99	£203.97	£245.77	£262.44		
Percentage Increase Year on Year	1.99%	1.99%	20.49%	6.78%		

General Fund Unallocated Balances							
	£M		£M				
Original projected balance as at 31 March 2014	3.436	Amount available	2.071				
Add: 2013/14 underspend	0.277	Less 2016/17 savings	(1.476)				
Less: Budgeted Contribution for 2014/15	(0.458)	requirement	(1.470)				
Add: Current Projected Underspend	0.816	Amount still available	0.596				
Latest Projected Balance as at 31 March 2015	4.071	at 31/03/17	0.550				
Less: Current Minimum Level	(1.000)	Less 2017/18 savings	(1.996)				
Less: Budgeted Contribution for 2015/16	(1.000)	requirement					
Amount Available to Support Future Years' Budgets	2.071	Savings still to be found in 2017/18	(1.400)				

Note: If balances are simply applied to future savings requirements then they will effectively run out before the end of 2017/18.