

Council 6 March 2023

Budget 2023/24

Amendment proposed by Councillor Andrew Rule

In recommendation 2.1 add after “the revenue budget for 2023/24”

“subject to the following being undertaken, in parallel with the budget, within the next six months:-

Section 1

It is recommended that reviews of the following areas be undertaken:

- Review of relocation from Loxley House to Council House and other council owned property in the community
- Development of a strategy plan for the utilisation of the monies refunded to the Housing Revenue Account by the Council, with an emphasis on ensuring council tenants will benefit from the same
- Review of the impact of purpose built student housing on City Council’s tax base and business rates base against demand on council services
- Assessment of the economic impact on the City in the event the Tram Operator fails and any mitigations that can be put in place
- Review of alternative financing methods to Work Place Parking Levy in light of falling spaces
- Audit of availability payments made to operator to ensure they accurately reflect operational performance
- Review of marketing on bus stops and permanent alternative methods when existing contract ceases at the end of financial year
- Assessment of inefficiencies arising from Internal Charging within City Council
- Urgent review of parking charges on economy of City Centre
- Review of asset transfer and use of community trusts to safeguard community assets – specifically and immediately for Clifton Young People’s Centre in Clifton, in order to prevent the imminent threat of closure
- Review of voluntary and third sector access to Youth Centres, across the City as a whole, to improve provision of activities for young people.
- Review of membership of Companies Governance Committee
- Review of commercialisation opportunities within Tree Services
- Review of Area Capital allocation formula
- Develop a strategy for increasing the mix of affordable homes as a means of increasing the City Council’s Council Tax Base
- Identify and pursue commercialisation and joint service opportunities with other local authorities”

In recommendation 2.4 add after “the capital programme to 2026/27”

“subject to the following being undertaken, in parallel with the capital programme, within the next six months:-

It is recommended that a review of the existing capital programme be undertaken to:

- Reprioritise resources to create additional funds to improve pavements. Councillors who use Area Capital Fund to improve pavements on main thoroughfares could seek match funding from this fund.
- Reprioritise to fund repairs to roads across the City”

Signed Andrew Rule (signature removed for publication)

Proposed by Councillor Andrew Rule

Signed Kevin Clarke (signature removed for publication)

Seconded by Councillor Kevin Clarke

Chief Financial Officer Observation:

As the potential financial aspects of the proposed reviews in **Section 1** are not intended to be included in the Medium Term Financial Plan at this stage then there is no need for me to provide assurance at this time.

Signed Ross Brown (signature removed for publication)

Ross Brown – 24 February 2023