

**SOCIAL CARE AND INCLUSION
SCRUTINY AND PERFORMANCE PANEL**

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**Revised Draft Revenue Budget and Draft Capital Programme 2010/11
for Social Care and Inclusion Portfolio**

Ward(s) All

Portfolio:

Councillor McCracken – Health, Social Care and Inclusion

Summary of report

This report presents Cabinet's revised draft revenue budget and draft capital programme proposals for 2010/11 for consultation with the panel and provides an opportunity for the panel to make further recommendations to Cabinet.

Recommendation

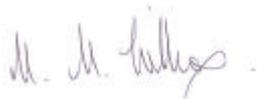
The panel are recommended to consider the draft proposals in this report and make further recommendations to Cabinet as appropriate.

Background papers

Various financial working papers.

Reason for scrutiny

To enable consultation and scrutiny of the draft budget proposals for 2010/11.



Signed

Margaret Willcox - Assistant Director – Social Care & Inclusion

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Resource and legal considerations

Services were requested to identify efficiency savings and investment for consideration in the setting of the 2010/11 corporate revenue budget and to review their base budgets in line with the corporate guidelines and estimated changes in inflation and pay awards.

1. Draft Revenue Budget 2010/11 – Social Care & Inclusion Portfolio

- 1.1 Cabinet on 18 November 2009 presented their draft revenue budget proposals for 2010/11 for consultation. These proposals, including savings and investment proposals for the services within the remit of this panel, were reported to the panel meeting on 30 November 2009.

Table 1 sets out the draft revenue budget 2010/11 for the Social Care & Inclusion Portfolio

Table 1 – 2010/11 Draft Revenue Budget – Social Care & Inclusion Portfolio	
	£m
Budget brought forward from previous year	71.277
Inflation	1.527
Other budget refresh	0.157
Budget pressures : demographics, cost pressures, fall out of grant	0.758
Investment : service developments	0.312
Full year effect of 2009/10 growth	(4.994)
Efficiencies, savings and income generation	(1.444)
Full year effect of 2009/10 savings	71.277
Net budget requirement 2010/11	67.593

2. Scrutiny Recommendations to Cabinet

- 2.1 At its budget scrutiny meeting on 30 November 2009, this panel received the detailed breakdown of investment bids and savings options submitted to Cabinet to enable the panel's recommendations to be made for Cabinet to consider as part of the budget process. The panel discussed the options in principle, and made the following recommendations to Cabinet:-

That the Social Care and Inclusion Scrutiny and Performance Panel:

1. note the budget presentation received;
2. request that the Council continues to prioritise social care for vulnerable adults within its budgetary process;
3. request hypothetical case studies to show the potential practical impact of proposals on individuals be provided to Panel Members prior to the next meeting on 18 January 2010;
4. request that guidance explaining the impact on learning disability of the pooled budget with NHS Walsall be provided to Panel Members prior to the

next meeting on 18 January 2010.

All recommendations have been reported and noted by Cabinet.

In relation to recommendation 3 detailed analysis of the effects of the entitlements review will be concluded by the end of January and will be reported to the scrutiny panel in February.

In relation to recommendation 4 regarding the impact on Learning Disability of the Pooled Budget the panel is requested to note that the pooled budget is a section 75 partnership agreement with NHS Walsall. This agreement sets out the arrangements for the joint service and the corresponding pooling of resources, both staffing and financial resources. The service is managed by the Council via a Pooled Fund Manager, employed by the Council but funded in part by NHS Walsall. Contributions to the pool by each partner are agreed annually by each partner and signed off at the Partnership Executive Board. This board is formally constituted and includes finance and directors from both parties. This role will be undertaken by the Vulnerable Adults Executive Board for 2010/11.

The current split of funding to the pool is 55% from NHS Walsall and 45% from Walsall Council. Should members wish for further information, this can be provided from the Head of Joint Commissioning (Andrew Rust)

3. Draft Capital Programme 2010/11 – Social Care and Inclusion Portfolio

3.1 Cabinet on 16 December 2009 presented their draft capital programme for 2010/11 for consultation.

Table 2 sets out the draft capital programme 2010/11 for the Social Care and Inclusion Portfolio, with the full list of associated schemes listed in **Appendices 1 and 2**

Table 2 – 2010/11 Draft Capital Programme – Social Care and Inclusion Portfolio	
Mainstream (Council's own resources)	£m
Schemes with Prior Year Approvals	0.300
Capital impact of proposed revenue investment / Invest to save	0.600
Total Mainstream resources - Appendix 1	0.900
Non Mainstream (Externally Funded) – Appendix 2	0.266
Total	1.166

If grant or mainstream funding is unavailable the scheme will not proceed. At this point in time, a number of grants have not been confirmed, therefore there is likely to be some movement as the budget process progresses.

3.2 Leasing Programme

Leasing minimises the call on capital resources by spreading the acquisition cost over some years. Revenue funds are needed to finance operating leases. Assets identified

within the draft leasing programme relating to services within the remit of this panel total £0.118m and are summarised in **Appendix 3**.

3.3 Reserve List

A reserve list of schemes is in place should resources become available for new starts in 2010/11. There is one scheme identified on this reserve list that relate to services within the remit of this panel, Personalisation - Refresh of ICT and PARIS, and is shown in **Appendix 4**.

Citizen impact

The budget is aligned with service activity within service plans across the council. Investment is intended to be targeted at service improvement, stability and user influence. The report to the panel on 30 November set out the vision and priorities for the services within the remit of this panel.

Environmental impact

Services within the remit of this panel have a direct influence and impact on the environment.

Performance management

Financial performance is considered alongside service targets. Managers are required to deliver their service targets within budget, wherever possible. The report to the panel on 30 November included reference to performance management and key indicators.

Equality Implications

Services consider equality issues in setting budgets and delivering services. Irrespective of budgetary pressures the council must fulfil its equal opportunities obligations

Consultation

This is the second of two meetings for scrutiny to consider Cabinets draft budget proposals. Recommendations from the panel's first meeting on 30 November 2009 were presented to Cabinet at its meeting on 16 December 2009. This meeting provides the panel with a further opportunity to consider the revised draft revenue budget and first draft capital programme 2010/11 and make recommendations for Cabinet to consider prior to Cabinet proposing the final budget for 2010/11 at its meeting on 3 February 2010.

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DRAFT CAPITAL SCHEME PROPOSALS 2010/11: Mainstream (council's own resources)

PORTFOLIO	PROJECT	CAPITAL 2010/11 £	COMMENTS
Prior Year Approvals			
Health, Social Care & Inclusion	Hollybank rehabilitation centre	300,000	A review of Hollybank has taken place with the preferred option of operating to provide a residential rehabilitation centre, respite care and short breaks, emergency placements and a promotion of independence and reablement.
Capital Costs of Revenue Proposals for Investment / Invest to Save approved in 13th and 20th October Cabinet Budget meeting			
Health, Social Care & Inclusion	Refurbishment of Goscote Adult Training Centre	600,000	This is an invest to save bid which will improve day services for people with learning and physical disabilities and relies on capital investment of £600k for Goscote. The closure of Brewer Street, scheduled for 2009 will bring in a capital receipt. Refurbishment of Goscote will facilitate the transfer the transfer of services from Pinfold, enabling the closure of day services at Pinfold and a further capital receipt from that site.
TOTAL SCHEMES		900,000	

DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2010/11: EXTERNALLY FUNDED

Portfolio	Project	2010/11 £	Funding body
Social Care & Inclusion	Social Care Single Capital Pot	129,000	Department of Health
Social Care & Inclusion	Mental Health Single Capital Pot	137,000	Department of Health
Social Care & Inclusion	Information for Social Care Grant	TBC	Department of Health
TOTAL EXTERNALLY FUNDED		266,000	

DRAFT LEASING PROPOSALS 2010/11

	2010/11 DRAFT LEASING PROGRAMME			
	NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	REVENUE IMPLICATIONS		
		NEW STARTS	CURRENT LEASES	TOTAL
	£' 000s	£' 000s	£' 000s	£' 000s
Social Care & Inclusion - Equipment	0	0	92	92
Social Care & Inclusion - Vehicles	0	0	26	26
TOTAL LEASING PROGRAMME	0	0	118	118

Note that the revenue implications have been calculated using an indicative rate per £'000 which will fluctuate with market conditions

DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2010/11: RESERVE LIST

PORTFOLIO	PROJECT	CAPITAL BIDS 2010/11 £	Priority High/Medium/Low	COMMENTS
RESERVE LIST SCHEMES				
Social Care and Inclusion	Personalisation - Refresh of ICT and PARIS	150,000	High	This will provide an 'end to end' ICT solution which will replace current, disparate and insufficient systems, resulting in a process which will link care management and financial spend in an efficient, reliable and robust way.
TOTAL RESERVE LIST		150,000		