

## COUNCIL MEETING 27 January 2022

### QUESTIONS RECEIVED From the Public:

#### Mr. David Turver to ask:

To the Portfolio Holder for Finance:

- 1) According to the FY21/22 budget book (account 91019), the track record of actual and budget for income from the Leisure Centres is:
  - FY18/19: £828K actual
  - FY19/20: £1,268K actual
  - FY20/21: £633K budget
  - FY21/22: £1,407K budget.

What was the thinking behind setting the budget at that level and what plans were made to deliver record revenue from the Leisure Centres during a pandemic?

- 2) The Q2 Monitoring report shows that the Leisure Centres are reported to have a shortfall in income of £700K YTD and Cabinet papers indicate that this shortfall will be made up from reserves earmarked for Sports Facilities. However, note 5.11.1 in the draft accounts sets out the details of earmarked reserves and does not explicitly mention a reserve for Sports Facilities. Can you please explain exactly how much is being transferred and where the money is coming from?

#### 5.11.1 TRANSFERS TO / FROM EARMARKED RESERVES

Earmarked reserves are created for specific purposes (legal/contractual requirement) that span financial years for which there is a definitive time frame. The note below sets out the amounts set aside from the General Fund in earmarked reserves to provide financing for future expenditure plans and the amounts posted back from earmarked reserves to meet General Fund expenditure in 2020/21.

	Balance at 1 April 2019	Transfers In 2019	Transfers Out 2019	Balance at 31 Mar 2020	Transfers in 2020/21	Transfers Out 2020/21	Balance at 31 Mar 2021
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Hitches Lane SANG	6,019	1,039	(135)	6,922	712	(272)	7,362
NNDR Smoothing Account	1,124	500	0	1,624	5,127	0	6,751
Bramshot - SANG	958	1,173	(322)	1,809	3,367	(1,878)	3,298
Corporate Services	2,592	150	(576)	2,166	500	(283)	2,383
Small SANG Sites	576	1	(20)	558	1,537	(69)	2,026
Housing	1,410	639	(569)	1,480	960	(626)	1,814
Digital Transformation	0	500	0	500	0	(35)	465
COVID-19 Reserves	0	0	0	0	413	0	413
Open Spaces	324	49	(53)	320	29	(54)	295
Planning	217	0	0	217	59	0	276
Health Contribution	263	2	0	265	0	0	265
Regulatory Services	50	57	0	107	0	(34)	73
Community Reserve	39	0	(26)	13	0	0	13
Other Earmarked Reserves	110	123	(38)	195	184	(124)	255
	13,682	4,233	(1,739)	16,176	12,888	(3,375)	25,689

To Portfolio Holder for Place

- 3) The recently published Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) shows a funding gap of £57.9m. However, 72% of the projects identified remain un-costed. What is the realistic estimate of the full infrastructure funding gap and when will a complete IDP be published?

Infrastructure Type	Total Projects	Completed	Costs to be Confirmed	Costs Known	% Unknown Costs	Total Known Costs (£)	Funding Secured (£)	Funding Gap Where Costs Known (£)
Education	8	2	4	4	50%	27,160,000	24,170,000	2,990,000
Green Infrastructure and SANG	25	0	23	2	92%	2,983,546	792,933	2,190,613
Healthcare	3	0	3	0	100%	TBC	TBC	TBC
Open Space, Leisure and Community	61	0	31	30	51%	3,795,000	1,340,904	2,454,096
Public Transport	7	0	5	2	71%	1,661,000	560,000	1,101,000
Walking and Cycling	31	0	28	3	90%	21,944,000	281,000	21,663,000
Roads	25	0	21	4	84%	27,923,000	412,797	27,510,203
Utilities	1	0	1	0	100%	TBC	TBC	TBC
<b>Total</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>85,466,546</b>	<b>27,557,634</b>	<b>57,908,912</b>

- 4) Which sports facilities will now not get delivered because of the transfer from reserves to cover the hole in the Leisure Centre budget?