Children's Services Committee

Report title:	Strategic and Financial Planning 2018-19 to 2021-22
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Strategic impact

This report provides an update on the Council's budget setting process, and summarises the Policy and Resources Committee's guidance to Service Committees on the actions required to enable the Council to set a balanced budget for 2018-19. It also provides the Committee with an update on the Council's overall forecast financial position and in particular sets out details of the forecast budget gap for 2018-19 to 2021-22, and the strategic and financial planning framework recommended by the Policy and Resources Committee.

It also confirms key themes to be taken into account in the development of the next iteration of the Council Plan and sets out an overview of the organisational response to financial pressures.

Executive summary

The report sets out Policy and Resources Committee's guidance to the Committee on the actions required to support preparation of a balanced budget for 2018-19. This includes an overview of the Council's budget planning process, the principles for this year's budget-setting activity, and the latest forecast gap for budget planning purposes for the period 2018-19 to 2021-22.

Recommendations:

Children's Services Committee is recommended to:

- 1) Note the budget planning guidance for 2018-19 agreed by Policy and Resources Committee and in particular note:
 - a. the budget assumptions set out in this report;
 - b. the budget planning principles for 2018-19;
 - c. the forecast budget gap of £100.000m reflected in the Council's latest financial planning;
 - d. the allocation of saving targets for the MTFS period 2018-19 to 2021-22 to Departments and Committees, noting the existing savings for 2018-19 and beyond which were agreed as part of the 2017-18 budget round;
- 2) Consider and agree the service-specific budgeting issues for 2018-19 as set out in section 3,
- 3) Consider whether any planned 2018-19 savings could be implemented during 2017-18 to provide an in-year saving; and

- 4) In order to help close the forecast 2018-19 budget gap (as defined in recommendation 1)c, commission officers to report to the October Committee cycle:
 - a. whether any savings identified for 2019-20 have the capacity to be brought forward to 2018-19;
 - b. to identify alternative new savings for 2018-19;
 - c. to identify further savings for the future years 2019-20 to 2021-22 to close the budget gap identified in those years.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The County Council agreed the 2017-18 Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) to 2019-20 at its meeting 20 February 2017. At this point, the MTFS identified a gap for budget planning purposes of £35.015m. The Council has a robust and well-established framework for strategic and financial planning which updates the MTFS position through the year to provide Members with the latest available financial forecasts to inform wider budget setting work across the organisation. At its meeting 3 July 2017, Policy and Resources Committee therefore received a report "Strategic and Financial Planning 2018-19 to 2021-22" which updated Members on the Council's financial position forecasting a gap of £100.000m for the period to 2021-22, and represented the beginning of Committees' budget planning for 2018-19.
- 1.2. In 2018-19 the budget-setting process will also be closely aligned with development of the new Council Plan and associated corporate strategy work, to be completed in the autumn. Further details of this approach were set out in the report "Caring for your County" and also in the Strategic and Financial Planning report considered by Policy and Resources Committee in July.

2017-18 budget position

1.3. The latest details of the 2017-18 budget position are set out in the Integrated Performance and Finance Monitoring report elsewhere on the agenda. The budget planning assumptions for 2018-19 set out later in this report include an assumption that the 2017-18 Budget is fully delivered (i.e. that all savings are achieved as planned and there are no significant overspends). As the budget setting process progresses, the assumptions will be refined and reported to Members as the forecast year end position and achievement of savings for 2017-18 becomes clearer.

Use of reserves to support the budget in 2017-18

1.4. The 2017-18 Budget included plans for available reserves totalling £5.813m to be identified during the process of closing the 2016-17 accounts. This work has now been completed with sufficient reserves to support the Budget having been successfully identified. As a result the potential mitigating actions anticipated at the time the Budget was set will not be required in this respect. Further details of the proposed reserves to be used were provided in the 2016-17 Finance Monitoring Report Outturn to Policy and Resources Committee.

2. 2018-19 Budget planning

2017-20 Medium Term Financial Strategy

2.1. The Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) for 2017-20 agreed by Full Council in February set out a forecast gap for the years 2018-19 and 2019-20 of £35.015m and included planned net savings of £72.737m. The table below shows savings by Committee and the categorisation of these savings is shown in Appendix 1.

Table 1: Agreed MTFS savings 2017-20 by Committee

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Adult	-11.213	-18.716	-10.000	-39.929
Children's	-1.854	-0.859	-0.535	-3.248
Communities	-1.906	-0.102	0.000	-2.008
EDT	-5.340	-0.605	0.000	-5.945
Policy and Resources	-23.646	9.100	0.290	-14.256
Business and Property	-1.710	-1.751	-1.000	-4.461
Digital Innovation and Efficiency	-2.105	-0.726	-0.059	-2.890
Total	-47.774	-13.659	-11.304	-72.737

2.2. The MTFS position represents the starting point for 2018-19 budget planning.

Budget planning principles 2018-19

- 2.3. Policy and Resources Committee have agreed the following key principles for budget planning in 2018-19:
 - Budget planning will cover the four year period 2018-19 to 2021-22;
 - Budget planning will have an emphasis equally on increasing income as much as reducing cost;
 - Budget planning will seek the early identification, and Member agreement, of 2018-19 savings where possible (i.e. before February 2018), in order to facilitate implementation and delivery; and
 - Savings targets will be profiled to require savings towards the beginning of the budget period in order to seek to ensure that no savings are necessary in the final year of the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2021-22.
- 2.4. The outline budget-setting timetable for 2018-19 is set out in Appendix 2 to this report.

Latest forecast budget gap 2018-19

2.5. As set out above, the budget gap identified in the MTFS at February 2017 was £35.015m. In spite of the four-year funding settlement from Government for the period 2016-17 to 2019-20, there is considerable uncertainty about future funding levels, in part as a result of the general election. Financial forecasts have now been extended to cover the four year budget period, although the levels of funding to be received in the final two years, 2020-21 and 2021-22, are unknown. There is currently particular uncertainty about the implementation of 100% rates localisation.
Based on previous indications from the government, this

forecast assumes that Revenue Support Grant will substantially disappear in 2020-21. This equates to a pressure of around £36m, but significant uncertainty is attached to this and clearly the level of savings required in year three could be materially lower should this loss of funding not take place.

2.6. With these caveats, the latest estimate of the budget gap for the four year planning period up to 2021-22 is £100.000m. The table below sets out the summary County Council forecast position. Further details of the budget planning changes as reported to Policy and Resources Committee are shown in Appendix 3.

Table 2: Revised Norfolk County Council budget gap forecast

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Gap as at MTFS February 2017	16.125	18.890	0.000	0.000	35.015
New pressures	13.135	-6.897	20.773	21.366	48.377
Funding changes	-11.612	5.998	42.343	0.000	36.729
Savings changes	0.878	0.535	-10.000	0.000	-8.587
Council tax increase (1.99% 2020-21, 0% 2021-22)	0.000	0.000	-7.657	0.000	-7.657
Council tax base growth (0.5%)	0.000	0.000	-1.914	-1.962	-3.877
Revised gap as at P&R July 2017	18.526	18.526	43.544	19.404	100.000
Reallocate year 4 saving to years 1-3 (split 20/60/20)	3.881	11.642	3.881	-19.404	0.000
Total new savings to find (in addition to savings in 2017-18 MTFS)	22.407	30.168	47.425	0.000	100.000
Note: Budget planning assumes:					
Forecast council tax	373.535	382.873	392.445	394.407	n/a
Forecast increase in council tax in					
budget planning (including ASC precept, council tax increase and council tax base growth)	14.723	9.338	9.572	1.962	35.595
Council tax increase	1.9%	2.0%	2.0%	0.0%	
Adult Social Care precept increase	3.0%	-	-	-	

Budget assumptions 2018-19

2.7. The 2018-22 MTFS forecast position assumes:

- 2017-18 Budget and savings delivered in line with current plans (no overspend);
- Use of additional Adult Social Care funding during 2017-18 and future years as agreed by Adult Social Care Committee 10 July 2017;
- Substantial loss of RSG will occur in 2020-21;

- Council tax increases are agreed (subject to annual decision by Full Council) as shown in the table above for 2018-19 to 2020-21 (including Adult Social Care precept in 2018-19) with no increase in council tax in 2021-22; and
- Moderate council tax base growth over the period of the MTFS.
- 2.8. Uncertainties remain about a number of items which **have** <u>not</u> been reflected in the budget planning assumptions, but which could potentially result in an increase in the overall gap. Risks include:
 - Implications of work on the National Pay Spine resulting from the National Living Wage (potentially costing 6-7% over three years) this could result in an additional 1% pay pressure each year, as 1% is already included within the MTFS; and
 - The potential for transfer of the Fire and Rescue Service to the Police and Crime Commissioner.
- 2.9. This budget position and the associated assumptions will be kept under continuous review, and updated to reflect any changes arising from the Government's Autumn Budget, or further information about the Council's funding position as it becomes available. Reports on the latest financial planning position will be presented to Policy and Resources Committee up until budget-setting by County Council in February.

Allocation of savings required

2.10. The following table sets out indicative savings by department (excluding Schools and Public Health) as approved by Policy and Resources Committee. Savings have been based on allocating the budget gap with reference to the planned departmental net budgets for 2018-19. Recognising that Adult Social Care is delivering a significant proportion of the savings planned in the 2017-20 MTFS (see Table 1), and further savings enabled by the additional funding reflected in the budget planning gap, the indicative savings do not include a further apportionment to Adult Social Care for 2018-19. Adults do however receive a share of the year 4 (2021-22) saving to be achieved.

Table 3: Allocation of 2018-19 savings required by Department¹

Allocation of savings by Department excluding Schools and Public Health	Net previously agreed savings 2018-19	Share of new savings 2018-19	Share of year 4 savings 2021-22	Total new savings to find	New savings and proposed changes to agreed savings identified in budget planning	Total net savings to deliver 2018-19
	а	b	С	(b+c)	d	(a+b+c+d)
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Adult Social Care	-18.716	0.000	-1.477	-1.477	0.250	-19.943
Children's Services (Non Schools)	-0.859	-6.314	-0.819	-7.134	0.450	-7.543
Community and Environmental Services	-0.178	-8.373	-1.087	-9.460	0.000	-9.638
Managing Director's Department	-1.016	-0.339	-0.044	-0.383	0.300	-1.099
Finance and Commercial Services	-3.489	-0.991	-0.129	-1.119	0.000	-4.608
Finance General ²	10.599	-2.509	-0.326	-2.835	-0.122	7.642
Total	-13.659	-18.526	-3.881	-22.407	0.878	-35.188

Table 4: Allocation of new MTFS 2018-22 savings required by Department

Allocation of new 2018-22 MTFS savings by Department excluding Schools and Public Health	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Adult Social Care	-1.477	-11.480	-18.047	0.000	-31.004
Children's Services (Non Schools)	-7.134	-6.369	-10.013	0.000	-23.516
CES	-9.460	-8.447	-13.279	0.000	-31.185
Managing Director's Department	-0.383	-0.342	-0.537	0.000	-1.261
Finance and Commercial Services	-1.119	-0.999	-1.571	0.000	-3.689
Finance General	-2.835	-2.531	-3.979	0.000	-9.345
Total	-22.407	-30.168	-47.425	0.000	-100.000

2.10. The County Council has approved the establishment of two new Committees, the Business and Property Committee, and the Digital Innovation and Efficiency

¹ Savings have been considered by Policy and Resources allocated by Department. Work has been undertaken to determine the apportionment of savings to Service Committees following confirmation of the Committee structure. Indicative savings by Committee are shown in this report, subject to confirmation by Policy and Resources Committee of the budgets which are the responsibility of the Business and Property Committee and the Digital Innovation and Efficiency Committee.

² The net position of Finance General savings reflects the reversal of a number of one-off savings from 2017-18. Further details can be seen in the 2017-18 Budget Book.

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Committee. Taking account of the budgets relating to these Committees, the allocation of savings by Committee is shown below.

Table 5 Allocation of new MTFS 2018-22 savings required by Committee

Allocation of new 2018-22 MTFS savings by Department excluding Schools and Public Health	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Adult Social Care	-1.477	-11.480	-18.047	0.000	-31.004
Children's Services	-7.134	-6.369	-10.013	0.000	-23.516
Communities	-2.461	-2.197	-3.454	0.000	-8.112
Environment, Development and Transport	-6.663	-5.950	-9.353	0.000	-21.966
Policy and Resources	-3.553	-3.172	-4.987	0.000	-11.712
Business and Property	-0.362	-0.323	-0.507	0.000	-1.192
Digital Innovation and Efficiency	-0.757	-0.677	-1.064	0.000	-2.498
Total	-22.407	-30.168	-47.425	0.000	-100.000

3. Committee response

- 3.1. The Council is responding to the financial challenges through a number of strategic initiatives focused on demand management, prevention and early help, and a locality focus to service provision.
- 3.2. In line with the national picture of increasing pressure upon social care services for Children, NCC is experiencing pressure both due to volume and mix within the placements budget for children who are looked after. Additionally, NCC is experiencing pressure as a result of the numbers and complexity of support for children with Special Educational Needs and alternative education for permanently excluded pupils.
- 3.3. In Children's Services, the focus is on the Improvement Plan to move the service out of inadequate and towards a good Ofsted rating. The service will put in place an ambitious change programme across the Council and the wider children's partnership to further develop a sustainable system for children's care, focused on timely, cost effective and efficient service provision, and help manage demand differently. The overall approach will be to focus on providing families with earlier help, reduce the number of referrals to social care, have clearer thresholds, increase permanence for children, reduce the number of Looked After Children, and reduce overall service cost. There will also be a specific objective to reduce the unit costs for each child looked after. It is expected that the transformation programme will not only lead to better outcomes for children and a reduction in the cost of formal care arrangements, but also achieve significant reductions of public spending further downstream.
- 3.4. Existing savings planned for 2018-19 as part of the 2017-18 budget round are shown below:

Table 6 Existing savings agreed during 2017-18 budget round

Saving reference	Saving	2018-19	2019-20
CHL013	Update our budget for retirement costs for teachers to reflect how much we are now spending on this - we are not responsible for paying redundancy and retirements costs for teachers that work for the growing number of academy schools	-0.100	
CHL017	Reduce the number of social workers we use who work for employment agencies - we are giving more support to families at an earlier stage so that the challenges they face are resolved quicker and before they turn into more serious problems. As a result the number of families we are working with that need support from a social worker is reducing. We therefore won't need to use as many agency social workers	-0.450	-0.535
CHL026	Efficiency savings with current Children's Centre contracts to keep them all open and to focus their work on supporting the families that need them most	-0.309	

- 3.4.1 The savings target agreed for 2018-19 for CHL013 is expected to be delivered early in 2017-18. This forecast achievement has been taken into account within the period 4 (July) forecast (part of the Integrated Performance and Finance Monitoring report elsewhere on the agenda).
- 3.4.2 Within the forecast of the Budget Gap for 2018-22 (shown in Appendix 3) it is proposed that CHL017 is removed. This is due to the current additional pressures and strengthening of social work teams, for which additional funding has been allocated. Subject to agreement by Policy and Resources committee, and subsequently Children Services committee, of the proposed Demand Management and Prevention Strategy for Children's services, it is anticipated that future social worker resourcing requirements (including agency usage) will be considered as part of service needs.
- 3.4.3 A review of commitments in relation to Children's Centres is being undertaken, but it is too early to confirm whether any of the 2018-19 saving can be brought forward to 2017-18.

4. Financial implications

4.1. Financial implications for the Committee's Budget are set out throughout this report.

5. Issues, risks and innovation

5.1. Significant risks or implications have been set out throughout the report. Specific financial risks in this area are also identified in the Corporate Risk Register, including the risk of failing to manage significant reductions in local and national

income streams (RM002) and the risk of failure to effectively plan how the Council will deliver services (RM006).

- 5.2. Additionally, there are significant risks identified within the Corporate Risk Register that are specific to Children's Services that could have an impact upon the ability of the service to deliver savings. These are the risk of failing to avoid significant adverse variance to budgeted spend on home to school transport (RM014a) and the risk of failure to move out of intervention (RM018).
- 5.3. Decisions about significant savings proposals with an impact on levels of service delivery will require public consultation. As in previous years, saving proposals, and the Council's Budget as a whole, will be subject to equality and rural impact assessments later in the budget-setting process.

6. Background Papers

6.1. Background papers relevant to the preparation of this report are set out below.

Norfolk County Council Revenue and Capital Budget 2017-20, County Council, 20 February 2017, Item 4:

http://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/ Meeting/444/Committee/2/SelectedTab/Documents/Default.aspx

Norfolk County Council Budget Book 2017-20, May 2017:

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/-/media/norfolk/downloads/what-we-do-and-how-wework/budget-and-council-tax/the-2017-2020-budget-book.pdf?la=en

Caring for your County, Policy and Resources Committee, 3 July 2017, Item 7: http://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/ Meeting/1359/Committee/21/Default.aspx

Strategic and Financial Planning 2018-19 to 2021-22, Policy and Resources Committee, 3 July 2017, Item 9:

http://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/ Meeting/1359/Committee/21/Default.aspx

Finance Monitoring Report Outturn, Policy and Resources Committee, 3 July 2017, Item 11:

http://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/ Meeting/1359/Committee/21/Default.aspx

Additional Social Care Funding, Adult Social Care Committee, 10 July 2017, Item TBC: http://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/ Meeting/1377/Committee/10/SelectedTab/Documents/Default.aspx

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APPENDIX 1 Categorisation of previously agreed MTFS savings 2017-20

Categorisation of saving	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2017-20
	£m	£m	£m	£m
A) Cutting costs through	-32.813	8.967	-0.245	-24.091
efficiencies				
(i) Efficiency savings	-32.531	9.589	-0.245	-23.187
(ii) Reducing service standards	-0.282	-0.622	0.000	-0.904
B) Better value for money	-1.161	-1.044	0.000	-2.205
through procurement and				
contract management				
(i) Efficiency savings	-1.161	-1.044	0.000	-2.205
C) Service Redesign: Early help	-8.978	-18.411	-10.000	-37.389
and prevention, working locally				
(i) Efficiency savings	-0.458	-0.950	-0.500	-1.908
(ii) Reducing service standards	-1.170	-7.199	-0.800	-9.169
(iii) Ceasing a service	-0.350	0.000	0.000	-0.350
(iv) Providing statutory services	-7.000	-10.262	-8.700	-25.962
differently				
D) Raising Revenue; commercial	-3.059	-1.561	0.000	-4.620
activities				
(i) Efficiency savings	-3.049	-1.561	0.000	-4.610
(ii) Reducing service standards	-0.010	0.000	0.000	-0.010
E) Maximising property and	-1.763	-1.610	-1.059	-4.432
other assets				
(i) Efficiency savings	-1.763	-1.610	-1.059	-4.432
Total	-47.774	-13.659	-11.304	-72.737

Further details of savings by Department can be found in the 2017-18 Budget Book.

2018-19 Budget Timetable

Activity/Milestone	Time frame
County Council agree recommendations for 2017-20 including that further plans to meet the shortfall for 2018-19 to 2019-20 are brought back to Members during 2017-18	20 February 2017
Spring Budget 2017 announced	8 March 2017
Consider implications of service and financial guidance and context, and review / develop service planning options for 2018-20	March – June 2017
Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services to commission review of 2016-17 outturn and 2017-18 Period 2 monitoring to identify funding from earmarked reserves to support Children's Services budget.	June 2017
Member review of the latest financial position on the financial planning for 2018-20 (Policy and Resources Committee)	July 2017
Member review of budget planning position including early savings proposals	September – October 2017
Consultation on new planning proposals and Council Tax 2018-21	October to December 2017 / January 2018
Service reporting to Members of service and budget planning – review of progress against three year plan and planning options	November 2017
Chancellor's Autumn Budget 2017	TBC November / December 2017
Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement	TBC December 2017
Service reporting to Members of service and financial planning and consultation feedback	January 2018
Committees agree revenue budget and capital programme recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee	Late January 2018
Policy and Resources Committee agree revenue budget and capital programme recommendations to County Council	29 January 2018
Confirmation from Districts of council tax base and Business Rate forecasts	31 January 2018
Final Local Government Finance Settlement	TBC February 2018
County Council agree Medium Term Financial Strategy 2018-19 to 2020-21, revenue budget, capital programme and level of Council Tax for 2018-19	12 February 2018

2018-19 to 2021-22 Forecast Budget Gap

	2018- 19	2019- 20	2020- 21	2021- 22	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
MTFS gap as at February 2017	16.125	18.890	0.000	0.000	35.015
New pressures					
Additional expenditure funded from ASC	45 044	0.700	0.005		44 440
allocations announced in Spring 2017 budget	15.841	-3.733	-0.665		11.443
Pressure from ending of Section 75 protection		5.100			5.100
of social care funding agreement		5.100			5.100
ASC demand and demographic growth –			6.100	6.100	12.200
future years			0.100	0.100	12.200
Other pressures within Adult Social Care	0.288				0.288
Remove unspecified iBCF pressures from 2017-20 Budget round	-13.943	-12.544			-26.487
Remove 2017-18 growth for ASC 2016-17	-1.000				-1.000
overspend lower than forecast					
Children's: New funding School Improvement					
(Monitoring and Brokering) which may come	0.635				0.635
with additional responsibilities					
Add back 2017-18 growth in Children's	9.000				9.000
Services as ongoing pressure					
Assumed waste pressures (based on average annual increase)	1.700	1.700	1.700	1.700	6.800
Coroners – additional ongoing cost for					
storage of bodies. (Note: may be potential to					
offset in future through capitalisation – i.e.	0.080	0.080	0.080	0.080	0.320
construction of an NCC facility)					
CRC - increased price per tonne (£16.60 to	0.045				0.045
£17.20)	0.045				0.045
National Living Wage pressure for NCC staff	0.026	0.121	0.271		0.410
(based on £0.15 increments)	0.026	0.121	0.271		0.418
NCC Pensions valuation 31 March 2019 for			1.067	1.152	2.219
2020-21 to 2022-23 (estimate)			1.007	1.102	2.213
Other Pensions valuation 31 March 2019 for			0.933	0.848	1.781
2020-21 to 2022-23			0.000	0.010	1.701
Environment Agency Levy pressure for	0.050	0.050	0.050	0.050	0.200
annual increases experienced	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.200
IR35 Personal Service Companies additional					
employer's national insurance liability	0.138				0.138
(estimate)					
Reduced cost of borrowing - defer borrowing	-0.630	2.329			1.699
to 2019-20	1.555				
Inflation – higher than forecast at 2017-20	0.905	0.000	11.237	11.436	23.578
MTFS and addition of future years					
Total new pressures	13.135	-6.897	20.773	21.366	48.377

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2018-19 to 2021-22 Forecast Budget Gap

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	2018- 19	2019- 20	2020- 21	2021- 22	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Funding changes			, , , , ,	7-2-2-2	
War veterans (assumed recurring)	-0.287				-0.287
Additional ASC allocations announced in	44.004	F 000			47.004
Spring 2017 budget	-11.901	-5.903			-17.804
Reversal of additional ASC allocations		11.901	5.903		17.804
announced in Spring 2017 budget		11.901	5.905		17.004
Children's: Troubled Families Grant less than	0.576				0.576
expected	0.070				0.070
Risk of loss of Revenue Support Grant					
following implementation of 100% BRRS -					
probably addressed through increased			36.440		36.440
retention of business rates (though additional					
responsibilities may be also given). Significant uncertainty around implementation.					
Total new funding changes	-11.612	5.998	42.343	0.000	36.729
Revised gap / (surplus)	17.648	17.991	63.116	21.366	120.121
Potential changes to agreed savings					
Removal of saving ASC021 (Information	0.250				0.250
Advice and Guidance)	0.200				0.200
Removal of saving CHL017 (Reducing	0.450	0.535			0.985
number of social workers)	0.400	0.000			0.000
Adjustment for duplicated savings not	0.300				0.300
achievable	0.000				
Additional saving from reduction in Second	0.400				0.400
Homes repayment to Districts to 12.5%	-0.122				-0.122
(saving value updated for latest forecasts)	0.070	0.505	0.000	0.000	4 440
Total potential saving changes	0.878	0.535	0.000	0.000	1.413
Revised gap including changes to agreed	18.526	18.526	63.116	21.366	121.534
savings	10.020	10.020	00.110	21.000	121.004
New savings identified					
Add in ASC saving (ASC006) re-profiled from			40.000		40.000
2018-19 to 2020-21 in MTFS February 2017			-10.000		-10.000
Revised gap including new savings					
identified	18.526	18.526	53.116	21.366	111.534
Council tax increase (1.99% 2020-21, 0%			-7.657	0.000	-7.657
2021-22)			-1.914	-1.962	-3.877
Council tax base increase (0.5%)			-1.914	-1.902	-3.011

APPENDIX 3

2018-19 to 2021-22 Forecast Budget Gap

	2018- 19	2019- 20	2020- 21	2021- 22	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Final revised gap as at July 2017	18.526	18.526	43.544	19.404	100.000
Reallocate year 4 saving to years 1-3	3.881	11.642	3.881	-19.404	0.000
Total savings to find (in addition to savings in 2017-18 MTFS)	22.407	30.168	47.425	0.000	100.000