

Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Wednesday 13 October 2021 at 10.00 am

Council Chamber - Shire Hall, Gloucester



AGENDA

1	APOLOGIES	Stephen Bace
2	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	Stephen Bace
3	CALL-IN OF CABINET DECISION (Pages 1 - 36) The Chief Executive has received notification that six members wish to call in the decision made by the Cabinet on 22 September 2021: Financial Monitoring Report 2021/22. “support a transfer of £435k developer contribution within the Highways capital budget from Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycle Track project to the A435 Bishops CI' to Racecourse Capacity project.” The signatories to the call-in are: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Cllr Paul Hodgkinson2. Cllr David Willingham3. Cllr Alex Hegenbarth4. Cllr Ben Evans5. Cllr Roger Whyborn6. Cllr Jeremy Hilton A report is attached setting out the matters to be considered by the Committee as well as a copy of the call-in notice and a response from the Cabinet Member.	

Membership – Cllr Phil Awford (Chair), Cllr Matt Babbage, Cllr John Bloxsom, Cllr Ben Evans, Cllr Andrew Gravells MBE, Cllr Terry Hale, Cllr Colin Hay, Cllr Jeremy Hilton, Cllr Stephen Hirst, Cllr Dr Andrew Miller, Cllr Dominic Morris, Cllr Lisa Spivey and Cllr Chloe Turner

Added Members -

Co-Opted Member -

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CORPORATE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

13 October 2021

Call-in of Cabinet decision taken on 22 September 2021

Financial Monitoring Report 2021/22.

“support a transfer of £435k developer contribution within the Highways capital budget from Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycle Track project to the A435 Bishops CI' to Racecourse Capacity project.”

1 Background

1.1 This decision has been called in, in accordance with the Council's constitution. The following information is attached to the report:

Appendix 1 – Call-in notice

Appendix 2 – Report by the Monitoring Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Appendix 3 – The report considered by the Cabinet on 22 September 2021

Appendix 4 – Cabinet Decision Statement 22 September 2021

1.2 The Constitution sets out the call-in procedure rules. Any decision which is the responsibility of the Cabinet, but not yet implemented, can be called-in within a prescribed timescale. Call-in should only be used in exceptional circumstances and be invoked only when there is evidence to suggest one or more of the prescribed grounds have been satisfied.

1.3 On 29 September 2021 the following six members called in the Cabinet decision:

1. Cllr Paul Hodgkinson
2. Cllr David Willingham
3. Cllr Alex Hegenbarth
4. Cllr Ben Evans
5. Cllr Roger Whyborn
6. Cllr Jeremy Hilton

2 Decision by the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee

2.1 Whether the committee agrees, wholly or partially with any of the grounds set out in the call-in notice.

2.2 Which of the options set out in paragraph 3.3 of this report is to be adopted and, what qualifications, comments, modifications and/or alternatives if any, are to accompany that decision.

3 Call-in procedure

3.1 The first stage in the process is for the committee to decide whether it agrees, wholly or partially with the grounds for call-in: These are outlined below:

- The decision would conflict in whole or in part with any existing policy that has been formally approved or adopted by the Council.
- The Cabinet, the Leader of the Council or a Cabinet Member or Officer under delegated powers acted contrary to the Cabinet Procedure Rules, the Access to Information about the County Council's Formal Business and/or the principles of decision making set out in Part 2, Article 7.02 of the Constitution.

The matter contravened is:

7.02.8: They should be properly reasoned and alternatives that are discounted should be identified and the reasons for their rejection explained adequately.

3.2 In the case where a decision is called in on the grounds that it would be contrary to or not wholly in accordance with the Council's Policy Framework or Budget, the Monitoring Officer and Chief Financial Officer are required to prepare a report, which they shall provide to the Cabinet and the relevant Scrutiny Committee that is charged with consideration the call-in, stating whether, in their opinion, the decision does not accord with the Council's Policy Framework and Budget. This report is provided as Appendix 2. The committee should note that this requirement relates only to the first of the two grounds for call-in listed in 3.1 above.

3.3 If the committee does agree with the grounds for call-in then members will need to consider the report presented at the Cabinet meeting on 22 September 2021 (Appendix 3), the Cabinet Decision Statement for that meeting (Appendix 4) and the response from the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change included within this report.

3.4 The following options are available to the committee:

- 3.4.1 Support the decision without qualification or comment (in which case it can be implemented immediately without being considered again by the Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member).
- 3.4.2 Make adverse comments regarding the process when set against the guiding principles for decision-making, but no adverse view on the decision itself (in which case it can be implemented immediately, with the committee's comments being set out in a report and considered by the Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member).
- 3.4.3 Propose modifications to the decision or an alternative to the decision to achieve the same effect (in which case the implementation is delayed until the Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member has received and considered a report of the relevant Scrutiny Committee and decided how to proceed).
- 3.4.4 In exceptional circumstances (which shall be determined by the relevant Scrutiny Committee and recorded in the minutes) arrange for the full Council to review or scrutinise the decision and decide whether or not to recommend the Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member to reconsider the decision and/or consider an alternative decision recommended by full Council. If full Council does not recommend the Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member to reconsider the decision and/or consider an alternative decision, the called in decision may be implemented immediately. If full Council does recommend the Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member to reconsider the decision and/or consider an alternative decision the called in decision shall not be implemented until the Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member has considered the recommendation of full Council and decided how to proceed.
- 3.4.5 In the event the decision is further considered by the Cabinet or Cabinet Member, the Cabinet or Cabinet Member may do any of the following and the reasons for its or their choice will be published and reported to the next meeting of the committee.
- 1 Confirm the called-in decision without modification.
 - 2 Confirm the called-in decision with modification.
 - 3 Rescind the called-in decision, take the alternative decision recommended by full Council or (if considered appropriate) propose a new one.
- 3.4.6 If the Committee does not agree with the grounds for call-in, then the Cabinet decision stands.

Response from the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change

Introduction

The A435 Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycleway and Capacity Improvements Schemes are two interlinked schemes on the A435 corridor both in part funded by developer contributions. These schemes are interlinked because the works remodel the junction to allow a cycleway to interface with the signalised junction and for statutory utilities to be diverted for future construction. The cycle remodelling interface aspects will include advance stop lines, signal controller upgrades, signal phasing for cycles and increased verge widths to allow for construction in the future. The capacity improvements include enabling works to create the space to provide the future cycleway upgrade. For this reason, they need to be undertaken first.

Both projects are in part funded by the same developer agreements. The conditions of the agreements include that both projects must be delivered or the monies will need to be returned. The Capacity Improvements Scheme already has a large slice of the funding contained within those agreements.

These developer contributions are staggered over time and it is therefore essential that the initial contributions are assigned to the capacity improvements in light of their earlier delivery. The funding transfer relates purely to a programming matter in that the A435 Capacity Improvements scheme has been phased to be delivered first as the revised alignment of the carriageway will dictate the positioning of the revised fully compliant segregated footway/cycleway facilities.

Not all of the funding has yet to be received from the developer agreements and it is anticipated that a significant sum will be contributed by the County Council's capital programme and from further developer contributions. With all these funding sources aligned there remains a significant funding gap, given the County's ambition for the high quality compliance of the route with a total estimated project cost of £10.5 million. The County Council has invested significant resource into submitting an Active Travel bid earlier this year to the Department for Transport in order to help secure this funding gap with a decision expected in late 2021.

A435 Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Capacity Improvements

The A435 corridor between Bishops Cleeve and Cheltenham suffers from peak time congestion at the Hyde Lane/Southam Lane signal controlled junction. The need for improvements is documented in the Local Plan and Connecting Places Strategy for the Central Severn Vale. This project has been developed to improve capacity at this

location and to also include essential infrastructure improvements in readiness to implement the proposed A435 Bishops Cleeve to Cheltenham cycleway project.

Key aspects include the following: -

- Widening of the A435 to provide additional stacking lengths with two ahead movement lanes for southbound traffic approaching the junction.
- Widening of the A435 southbound from the junction to provide additional carriageway merge length for the two lanes coming from the north.
- Widening of Southam Lane approaching the A435 junction to provide additional stacking distances

In addition, the following works will also be required to facilitate the proposed cycleway project

- Construction of a new section of footway from the A435 into Southam Lane and linking into the rugby sports grounds.
- Traffic signals upgrade – including rearrangement of the splitter islands, new ducting, kerbing and signal controller apparatus. This is fundamental for the future key crossing of the proposed cycleway/pedestrian route on Southam Lane
- Advance cycle stop lines on Hyde Lane and Southam Lane approaches to the junction
- Relocation of utility apparatus on Southam Lane
- Relocation of street furniture that would otherwise provide obstruction to movement
- Removal of unnecessary street furniture
- Upgraded and relocated signage
- Upgraded street lighting

A435 Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycleway Improvements

Existing traffic and network conditions on the A435, between Cheltenham and Bishops Cleeve, deter cycling for all. Traffic flow data shows that over 17,000 vehicles use the road daily and it is considered that these traffic conditions present unattractive conditions for cyclists using a carriageway that is restricted by its width and geometry – this assertion is in-line with cycle design guidelines contained in Local Transport Note 1/20. The route will link both conurbations and will provide access to major employment centres along the route, access to services and local communities whilst providing public health benefits.

This scheme will link up Cheltenham via the Cheltenham Racecourse Roundabout and Bishops Cleeve with a new segregated footway and cycleway on the east side of the busy A435 corridor linking Bishops Cleeve to Cheltenham.

The A435 Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycleway is identified in the Local Transport Plan and remains a priority Active Travel scheme for the County Council. The project will contribute to the creation of a cycle spine once complete providing 26

miles of continuous cycleway facility covering four districts forming the spine of future cycle facilities through the County between Stroud and Bishops Cleeve.

Response to the Call-In Notice

In response to the specific grounds cited for this “call in”, Cabinet’s position is that this decision is fully consistent with this Council’s commitment to carbon reduction, and tackling climate change. It is part of an ambitious scheme that will improve provision for existing cyclists and increase cycling by removing some of the existing deterrents, at the same time as increasing the capacity of the junction to reduce congestion.

To characterise this decision as taking funds from a cycling scheme in order to fund a scheme for motor vehicles massively over-simplifies the programme management required to deliver such schemes.

The table below summarises the funding streams involved in these two schemes.

Development	Received	Expires	Amount
Homelands 2	May-16, Jan-18, May-18	Aug-23	£9,520 Cycling £48,869 Footway/Cycling £974,084 Highways
Wingmoor Farm	Oct-11	Not specified	£60,000 Capacity
Cleavelands	Aug-19	Aug-34 Condition on completing capacity scheme before any occupation can occur	£979,574 Highways £1,854,714 Public transport

The Cleavelands developer contribution alone is specified against a long list of items which GCC is required to deliver, or forfeit the associated funding:

- (i) corridor works along A435
- (ii) Central Severn Vale Transport Strategy
- (iii) signing of a cycle route between the development and Ashchurch
- (iv) footpath facilities between development and Bishops Cleeve centre and Cleeve School
- (v) footpath/cycleway facilities between the development and Cheltenham
- (vi) cycle parking facilities in Bishops Cleeve centre
- (vii) bus waiting facilities in Bishops Cleeve
- (viii) junction improvements on A435 corridor

Schemes like these are funded from contributions from a range of sources, so while some of the associated funding was secured several years ago, the most significant elements were only secured in August 2019. The scheme as a whole can only go ahead when sufficient funding is secured to make it viable.

Furthermore, because of that such schemes involve complex timelines and interdependencies, not only with each other, but with the wider developments that they are intended to serve and through which they are funded. For example, the planning permission associated with the Cleavelands development includes a condition that the Capacity Scheme is completed before the occupation of any building or dwelling. We are obliged to deliver this scheme under agreements we have in place with the developer.

Therefore, although the capital programme reflects the intended programme at a point in time, it is essential that we retain flexibility within the programme in order to ensure that the schemes within it are able to progress and that the funding for those schemes is used most effectively and efficiently.

Delaying this decision disrupts the programme timeline. Reversing it would make delivery of both schemes less viable.

The call-in goes on to argue that that the decision is not consistent with the principle that decisions should be properly reasoned and alternatives that are discounted should be identified and the reasons for their rejection explained adequately. Cabinet's position is that the decision at hand was a routine virement between capital schemes, taken as part of a wider financial monitoring report. The only alternative would be to not vire the funds, and that would mean that the scheme could not proceed. Such things are routine in the management of major schemes such as this and a report of this kind cannot set out the detail behind each and every transaction. This decision was due to be followed up with a further individual Cabinet Member decision report which would allow the procurement process for the scheme to commence. The report accompanying that decision would have clearly set out the rationale for the scheme, but it's publication has been delayed, regrettably, by this call-in.

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Appendix 1 - Notice of Call in

29 September 2021

We, the undersigned six Members, give notice of our desire to call-in the following executive decision, notice of which was published on 22/09/2021, Financial Monitoring Report 2021/22. Specifically the decision to: “support a transfer of £435k developer contribution within the Highways capital budget from Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycle Track project to the A435 Bishops Cl' to Racecourse Capacity project.” (Paragraph 51 on page 129 of the 22/09/2021 cabinet papers: <https://glostext.gloucestershire.gov.uk/documents/g10151/Public%20reports%20pack%20Wednesday%2022-Sep-2021%2010.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10>)

The grounds for the call-in are that the following conditions are satisfied for the reasons specified:

1. The decision would conflict in whole or in part with any existing policy that has been formally approved or adopted by the Council.

The policy with which the decision conflicts and the date of approval or adoption by the Council are: the declaration of a Climate Emergency on 15 May 2019 with the passing of Motion 836 “Carbon action plan”

The wording within the policy with which the decision conflicts is: “This council resolves to: Commit towards an 80 per cent reduction in the Council’s corporate carbon emissions no later than 2030, striving towards 100 percent with carbon offsetting by the same date.” and “This council resolves to: Ensure that our major plans, such as the local transport plan, have clearly identified strategies to reduce carbon emissions.”

The decision conflicts with the policy in the following ways: This decision to defund cycling infrastructure in favour of infrastructure for motor vehicles, is contrary to the policy agreed in that motion. The Capital Programme is a “major plan” within the scope of this formal resolution, and this decision is therefore in conflict with that policy, as this policy proposal lacks a clear strategy, and will result in an increase in carbon emissions compared to the alternative of maintaining funding within the Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycle Track project. Furthermore there is no commitment in the Cabinet papers or elsewhere to ensure that this funding will be allocated once again to the Cycle Track project at the same level or higher, endangering the realisation of this project, which runs contrary to the policy of a commitment to reduce emissions in the county by 80 per cent by 2030.

2. The Cabinet, Leader of the Council or Cabinet Member acted contrary to the Cabinet Procedure Rules, the Access to Information about the County Council’s Formal Business and/or the principles of decision making set out in Part 2, Article 7.02 of the Constitution.

The matter contravened is: Article 7.02.8, page 15 “[Decisions] should be properly reasoned and alternatives that are discounted should be identified and the reasons for their rejection explained adequately.”

The above matter was contravened in the following ways: This decision has not been properly reasoned in the Cabinet papers, as no reasons are given. No alternatives were identified or discounted.

Dated: 29/9/2021

Signed:

1. Paul Hodgkinson
2. David Willingham
3. Alex Hegenbarth
4. Ben Evans
5. Roger Whyborn
6. Jeremy Hilton

Appendix 2: Report by the Monitoring Officer and Chief Financial Officer

1. When a decision is called in on the grounds that it is contrary to or not wholly in accordance with the Policy Framework and Council's budget, the Monitoring Officer and Chief Financial Officer are required under Policy Framework and Budget Procedure Rule 6.1 to issue a report that provides our opinion on the matter.
2. In this case, one of the grounds for call-in is that the decision in question conflicts with the Council's policy on tackling climate change, as articulated in Motion 836 which was passed by Council on 15 May 2019.
3. In coming to an opinion, we have considered two separate questions:
 - Firstly, does this Motion qualify as being a constituent part of the Council's Policy Framework
 - Secondly, does this decision conflict with the Policy Framework.
4. With regard to the first question, the Council's constitution defines a list of documents that together form the Council's Policy Framework as being:
 - Council Strategy
 - Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget
 - Children and Young People's Plan
 - Youth Justice Plan
 - Community Safety Strategy
 - Local Transport Plan
 - Development Plan Documents
 - Library Services Plan
 - Pay Policy Statement
5. It goes on to prescribe a clear process by which the formal policy framework is developed and determined. We are therefore of the view that a Council Motion does not automatically qualify as being a formal part of the Council's Policy Framework.
6. However, we note that in the case of this particular motion it has gone on to be integrated into the Council Strategy. While the Strategy does not contain the full detail of the original Council motion, it does reiterate the Council's declaration of a climate emergency and makes a firm commitment to Carbon Reduction.
7. For that reason, we take the view that while the motion itself does not form part of the Council's Policy Framework, its purpose and intent has gone on to be incorporated into the Policy Framework by virtue of its inclusion in the Council Strategy.

8. With regard to the second question, the call-in notice argues that the decision was to defund cycling infrastructure in favour of infrastructure for motor vehicles. Both these schemes were already within the current capital programme; both remain within the capital programme; and the funding for both will extend beyond the life of the existing programme.
9. As such, it appears to us that the Council remains committed to delivering both schemes in full, albeit that this requires funding to be secured from a variety of sources, including developer contributions, Government grants and GCC capital funding. Some of these sources are already in place; others will need to be secured in coming years.
10. Our view is therefore that the virement of the funding between schemes was a matter of programme management and sequencing of the schemes, and does not indicate that the Council is assigning greater importance or priority to one scheme over the other.
11. Regarding the Council's Budget, the decision is within the Budget Framework as both schemes were agreed in the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy Report in February 2021.
12. In summary, our opinion is that this decision is not contrary to the Council's Policy Framework or Budget on the basis that.
 - The Council remains committed to delivering both schemes in the same sequence that was previously intended;
 - As a result, the infrastructure scheme is being afforded no greater importance than the cycle track scheme. It is being prioritised only in the sense that it is being completed first, and that appears to be of no detriment to the subsequent delivery of the cycle track.

Rob Ayliffe, Monitoring Officer

Steve Mawson, Chief Financial Officer

Appendix 3

REPORT TITLE: Financial Monitoring Report 2021/22

Cabinet Date	22 nd September 2021
Cabinet Member	Cllr Lynden Stowe, Cabinet Member for Finance and Change
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose of Report	To provide an update on the year-end forecast for the 2021/22 County Council's Revenue and Capital Budgets
Recommendations	<p>That the Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the forecast revenue year end position based on July 2021 (Period 4) forecasts for the 2021/22 financial year is an overspend of £6.743 million all of which relates to non Covid-19 expenditure, as we are forecasting a balanced position in relation to Covid-19 expenditure and income. 2. Notes delivery of the £5.453 million of savings against a target of £6.761 million in 2020/21 or 80.65%, a breakdown is shown at Paragraph 41. 3. Notes the forecast capital year end position as at the end of June 2021 of £160.163 million against the current budget of £156.719 million. 4. Approves the £1.713 million increase to the capital programme as outlined in section C of the report.
Reasons for recommendations	
Resource Implications	These are detailed within the report
Background Documents	MTFS Report to 12 th February 2021 County Council and Financial Monitoring Report to Cabinet 21 st July 2021,
Statutory Authority	
Divisional Councillor(s)	County Wide
Officer	<p>Paul Blacker, Director of Finance (01452) 328999 paul.blacker@gloucestershire.gov.uk Jayne Fuller, Corporate Finance Manager (01452) 328926 jayne.fuller@gloucestershire.gov.uk</p>
Timeline	Not applicable

Revenue Expenditure 2021/22

A. Revenue Forecast Outturn Position 2021/22

1. The current forecast of the year end revenue position against the revenue budget of £483.008 million, based on forecasts in July 2021 (Period 4) is an overspend of £6.743 million all of which relates to non Covid-19 expenditure.
2. The largest non-Covid-19 budget variance is the £8.829 million forecast overspend in Children and Families – this overspend is partially offset by the £2.144 million underspend in Technical & Countywide.
3. The Council's forecast cost of responding to the Covid-19 pandemic (excluding expenditure funded from specific grants) is estimated to be £22.472 million in 2021/22 which is funded by £11.526 million 21/22 Covid-19 Emergency Grant and carry forward from 2020/21 of £10.946 million emergency grant. A balanced position is therefore forecast for Covid-19 related activity.
4. In addition to the £22.472 million of general Covid-19 grant funding detailed above, the Council has also received other ring fenced Covid-19 related grant funding. The specific grant allocations for 2021/22 total £14.319 million with an additional £17.197 million carried forward from 2020/21. Details are in the table below;-:

	Total £m	Received 21/22 £m	Carry forward 20/21 £m
Other ringfenced Covid -19 related grant			
Infection Control Grant	4.334	4.334	
Department for health and Social Care-Rapid Testing	3.031	3.031	
Test & Trace	1.426		1.426
Covid-19 Bus Service Support Grant	0.180		0.180
H2ST DFE grant	0.425	0.086	0.339
DHSC -Contain Outbreak Management fund	16.312	2.974	13.337
Department for Work & Pensions - Covid Winter Grant Scheme	0.524	0.524	
Department for Work & Pensions - Covid Local Support Grant	1.419	1.419	
MHCLG Clinically Extremely Vulnerable (CEV) people Tranches 1-4 .	1.435	0.205	1.230
Community Testing	0.409		0.409
Holiday & Activities Fund 20/21	1.547	1.391	0.156
DWP Local Support grant	0.355	0.355	
Practical support payment 1	0.121		0.121
Other ringfenced Covid -19 related grant	31.516	14.319	17.197

5. The following additional grant allocations have been confirmed since the Cabinet Report to the 21st July meeting was finalised:
- Additional allocations from Infection Control Grant confirmed at £1.779 million.
 - Department for Health & Social Care Rapid Testing £1.37 million
 - Department for Works & Pensions Covid Local Support Grant £1.419 million
 - Department for Works & Pensions Covid Local Support Grant £355k
 - Department for Education Home to School Transport grant £86k
 - Ministry of Housing Communities & Local Government, Extremely Vulnerable grant £205k

6. The assumption in this report is that relevant expenditure will be limited to the value of these ring fenced grants – any underspend will either need to be returned or carried forward to be spent in accordance with the grant conditions in future years.
7. An analysis of the current forecast position is provided in the table and narrative below.

Directorate Breakdown for Cabinet Report - Position July Forecasts 2021 (P4)

Service Area	Revised 2021/22 Budget	Forecast Outturn Position	Forecast Outturn Variance	Variance %	Covid-19 Forecast	Forecast excluding Covid-19
	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Adults	156,336	161,478	5,142	3.29%	5,142	0
Prevention & Wellbeing	35,566	35,687	121	0.34%	200	-79
Children & Families	126,563	142,405	15,842	12.52%	7,013	8,829
Economy, Environment & Infrastructure	75,888	80,983	5,095	6.71%	5,095	0
Community Safety	19,966	20,028	62	0.31%	62	0
Corporate Resources	35,528	40,625	5,097	14.35%	4,960	137
Total for Services	449,847	481,206	31,359	6.97%	22,472	8,887
Technical & Countywide	33,161	31,017	-2,144	-6.47%	0	-2,144
Total	483,008	512,223	29,215	6.05%	22,472	6,743
Additional Funding Covid-19 including carry forward to be allocated	22,472	0	-22,472		-22,472	
Revised Total	505,480	512,223	6,743	1.40%	0	6,743

Adult Social Care

8. Adult Social Care is reporting an underlying overspend of £6.708 million which includes £5.142 million for the COVID-19 costs. Excluding the COVID-19 costs ASC are reporting an overspend of £1.566 million, which can be covered by the Vulnerable Adults Reserve. Therefore Adult Social Care is reporting a balanced position, excluding Covid-19 spend.
9. Adult Social Care reserves currently stand at £9.879 million. The reserves continue to be held as Vulnerable Adults Reserve at £2.665 million, with £4.054 million carry forwards from 2020/21 anticipated to be used in 2021/22, primarily due to delays caused by COVID-19. The balance is specifically set aside for the backdated element of new Ordinary Residence cases and known commitments relating to the Care Act.
10. There continues to be a number of significant risks that are ongoing which mainly relate to, COVID-19, S117 backdated payments, responding to winter pressures, as well as the Adult Single Programme (ASP). Currently the ASP savings target stands at £3.193 million. The current reported position includes £2.260m as forecast as achieved or achievable with £0.799m of this amount being temporarily achieved (delayed or impacted by COVID and set against the COVID Emergency Fund). Currently the reported unachievable savings is therefore £0.933m
11. The forecast cost of the COVID-19 response for 2021/22 within Adults is made up of:
 - £4.261 million of additional support to care providers – not yet confirmed to pay
 - £0.065 million additional workforce spend
 - £0.103 million on PPE
 - £0.002 million miscellaneous spend across a range of budgets
 - £0.711 million ASP risks

£5.142 million funded from COVID-19 general grant

 - **£7.365 million** funded from Covid-19 Specific Grants for Infection Control Fund and Rapid Testing Grant, 1&2
12. Learning Disabilities External Care is projecting a £1.742 million underspend. The underspend relates to £512k of underlying underspends and £1.230 million of MTFS funding which is not expected to be used during 2021/22 because of delays relating to COVID-19. This is a one-off benefit in 2021/22.
13. Older People (OP) and Physical Disabilities (PD) is reporting an £2.773 million overspend. The overspend is split across individual service budgets with OP showing as £1.408 million and PD £1.725 million. The overspend relating to the unachieved cost reductions from previous years sat on OP but was showing as achieved under LD, this has now been amended. The current overspend relates

mainly to the brought forward underlying financial position, voids relating to homes run by a major provider, increased cover for bad debts and additional winter pressures.

14. The Mental Health position of a £1.787 million (was £991k) overspend as calculated by the Gloucestershire Health and Care NHST Finance Team, net of unallocated MTFs growth and savings held by the Lead Commissioner. A long term plan is being developed with Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Trust to address the underlying overspend.
15. Other Services comprise of all staffing budgets for Adult Social Care, as well as a number of specific commissioned contracts. The position for these services nets to a £1.110 million underspend (was £1.186 million). Significant variances:
 - a. £870k significant overspend in Reablement in respect of unfound ASP 2021/22 savings however this is a worst case position, with additional planning work being undertaken in July and early August with the aim to reduce this.
 - b. £1.063 million significant underspends: £635k OP/PD Integrated Social Care Management (ISCM) due largely to vacancies; and £427k LD Assessment, Support Planning & Management mainly due to vacancies.

Prevention and Wellbeing

16. Services within this area include Public Health, Supporting People and a number of smaller budgets covering the prevention hub team and grants. In total Prevention Services are £121k over-spent but this includes £200k of Covid-19 expenditure.
17. In total Covid-19 grants either carried forward or allocated in year to the Council total £18.630 million. The funding will be targeted at continuing the containment and management of the outbreak through testing and tracing, supporting vulnerable groups and communities.
18. The underlying non-Covid-19 position for Prevention and Well Being is a £686k under-spend. Public Health services are funded by a ring-fenced grant, which if unspent is required to be carried forward in a specific reserve. The Public Health (PH) position, excluding Covid-19 expenditure, is forecast to be £607k under-spent and this will be transferred to the PH reserve at year end. Therefore the forecast non-Covid-19 underspend net of the transfer to the PH Reserve is £79k relating to prevention hub activities.

19. Initial estimates of supplier relief for supporting people providers against the general grant are £200k; the actual position will be clarified in the Autumn
20. The in-year forecast for Public Health is an under-spend of £607k due to lower take-up for health checks as fewer people are currently accessing the service, and the cost of staff involved with the COVID response being charged to grants instead of the Public Health grant.

Children & Families

21. The current forecast for the year end revenue position as at July 2021 for non-DSG funded services is an overspend of £15.842 million (12.52% of budget). Included within these figures is the forecast additional cost of the impact of Covid-19 on budgets which totals £7.013 million giving an underlying overspend of £8.829 million. The significant overspend continues to be against the external placements budget due to increasing numbers of children in care partly linked to the pandemic but also the number and cost of placements. Home to school transport and social care staffing costs are also overspending.
22. Additional forecast expenditure for the impact of Covid-19 covers three key areas which are external placement costs including the additional cost of accommodation for care leavers, cost of social care staff and support to vulnerable pupils. A significant part of this forecast includes the continuing impact on social care and education services even though lockdown measures are easing.
23. Activity levels within social care continue to cause significant budgetary pressures on children's services and in particular against the external placement resulting in the over-spend. At the end of June 2021 children in care numbers were 828 compared to 754 at the end of April 2020.
24. The current forecast over-spend against the external placement budget is £11.856 million (38.1% above budget) and includes a contingency of £3.65 million for new cases in-year to allow for additional placements to replace existing care commitments or for higher number of placements due to increased activity. The forecast also includes the current and future impact of Covid-19 on placement numbers which totals £5.272 million resulting in an underlying overspend of £6.584 million. The underlying over-spend is due to the number of residential, fostering and supported living placements and also the cost of complex residential placements. The current forecast average unit cost of a placement is £110,100 per annum, (residential/supported living average unit cost of £177,700). The current unit costs are likely to change due to fluctuations in assumptions used at the start of the financial year. There are currently 482 external placements, of which 128 are residential and 132 supported living placements.

25. At this stage in the year the forecast has to be based on a lot of assumptions in terms of growth in activity, delays in transitions, capacity in the fostering market both in-house and external and the positive impact of Trevone House providing additional capacity for young people. Assumptions will be reviewed on a monthly basis and adjusted accordingly. Improving social care practice to divert children from care at an earlier point and achieve permanence at the earliest opportunity will reduce numbers of children in care costs in the longer term.
26. Against safeguarding staffing budgets there is a forecast over-spend of £1.013 million (5.3% above budget) with an underlying position net of COVID of £718k. Effective management of the workforce, improved processes for recruitment, more effective advertising and the support and training provided by the social work academy should address the current cost pressure. Turnover of staff has been between 15.5% and 18.1% over the last six months and at the end of June there were 88 agency workers in post.
27. Home to School transport is reported as £1.168 million overspent and is due to the number and cost of the transport for SEN pupils, increased cost of procuring new routes and the number of solo journeys required.
28. The increase in the number of Education, Health and Social Care plans (EHCPs) is causing a budgetary pressure in SEN budgets with a reported over-spend of £334k. Whereas in-house fostering and adoption services are under-spent by £529k due to activity at the start of the year being below budgeted assumptions resulting in the increased placements required having to be absorbed by the external market.

Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) position

29. Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) funded services are forecast to be over-spent by £17.643 million in 2021/22, which includes the deficit carry forward of £13.67 million and the 2021/22 deficit budget for High Needs of £4.105 million including recent adjustments between Local Authorities. The deficit budget results from setting realistic budgets within high needs services considering growth trends and existing activity demands on special school and independent provision and top up budgets.
30. The budget pressures that Gloucestershire is facing reflect the national picture with significant deficits in DSG high needs being held in many Local Authorities. The implementation of the High Needs Strategy will be essential to ensure the budget is balanced in future years and a spending review of services is in progress with a financial recovery plan being reviewed and developed alongside this review.

Economy, Environment & Infrastructure

31. Economy, Environment and Infrastructure are currently forecasting an overspend position of £5.095 million (6.71% of the budget). This is all down to the impact of Covid-19 related costs or loss of income as set out in the paragraphs below.
32. Loss of income is forecasted to be £2.535 million which is split between £0.426 million from Registrations and Libraries, £2.064 million from parking related income and £0.045 million from other income.
33. Covid-19 costs are forecasted to be £2.560 million made up of £1.703 million for the Economic Recovery Strategy, £0.083 million for PPE and social distancing related spend and £0.337 million of other spend across the directorate on a range of issues. Included within the £2.560 million of Covid 19 costs are unachievable savings relating to £0.193 million for registration & library income and £0.244 million against parking fee income which are both highly unlikely to be achieved.
34. There is a non Covid-19 overspend forecast against Highways due to the high level of road defects arising from the prolonged period of bad weather which has required additional gangs and material spend in quarter one of £0.430 million. If we continue with the additional gangs and materials throughout the year then we will be forecasting an overspend of circa £1.72 million. EE&I are looking to absorb £0.420 million with vacancies throughout the year and a Lead Cabinet Member key decision has been taken to fund up to £1.3 million from un-ring fenced reserves such as the Insurance Reserve therefore we are currently forecasting a balanced position for EE&I excluding the Covid-19 related pressures outlined above.

Community Safety Directorate

35. The Community Safety Directorate is forecasting an overspend of £62k (0.31% of budget) which are estimated costs attributed to Covid-19. Excluding Covid-19 costs, the forecast outturn indicates an on-target spend. The figures include £587k of carried forward funds, approved by June Cabinet, to implement the Fire and Rescue Service Improvement Plan.

Corporate Resources

36. Corporate Resources are forecasting an overspend of £5.097 million (14.35% of the budget). Included within these figures is the forecast additional cost of the impact of Covid-19 on budgets which totals £4.960 million giving an underlying overspend of £137k.

37. The additional forecast expenditure of 4.960 million for the impact of Covid-19 includes £100k in the Asset Management & Property Services budgets, £75k against Occupational Health, £74k Information Management Service, and £33K in Policy & Performance and £490k Legal costs, together with a contingency allocation of £4.188 million which is available to support further Council wide spend pressures should they arise during 2021/22.

Technical and Countywide

38. The forecast Non-Covid-19 outturn position for Technical and Countywide budgets is a £2.144 million underspend. The main areas of variance are highlighted in the paragraphs below.

39. Positive interest rate credits on cash balances are forecast to produce a £915k under spend during the year. This is lower than previous years as a result of lower interest rates introduced to mitigate the economic impact of Covid-19.

40. The 2021/22 budget includes a savings contingency. This was approved by Council to reflect the high risk nature of some of the savings programmes in demand led areas in 2021/22. £1.229 million is being used to support the overall budget position for 2021/22.

B. Delivery of Savings Programme

41. At the end of Quarter 1, £5.453 million savings are forecast to be been delivered against a target of £6.761 million. This represents 80.65% of the annual target achieved

42. A total of £1.308 million is forecast to be at risk of being delivered by the end of 2021/22, which would represent 19.35% of the annual target. The most significant elements at risk being £870k reablement savings and £375k income target across Economy, Environment & Infrastructure

C. Capital Expenditure

Current Spend 2021/22

43. The re-profiled capital budget for 2021/22 is £156.719 million. Actual spend against the capital programme as at the end of June 2021 (period 3) is £15.474 million.

Budget and Forecast Outturn Position 2021/22

44. The forecast outturn position for 2021/22 is £160.163 million, against the budget of £156.719 million, giving a forecast in-year overspend / advanced delivery of £3.444 million.

Service Area	Reprofiled Budget 2021/22	Current Year Spend 2021/22	% Current Year Spend Against Reprofiled Budget	Forecast Outturn 2021/22	Forecast Year-end Variance
	£'000	£'000	%	£'000	£'000
Capital Receipts Works Before Sale	0	0		0	0
Adults	6,726	917	14	8,921	2,195
Childrens Services					
Schools	41,591	5,806	14	42,738	1,147
Non-Schools	543	17	3	604	61
Economy, Environment & Infrastructure					
Highways	65,619	4,967	8	65,619	0
Strategic Infrastructure	5,321	57	1	5,321	0
Waste Disposal	712	10	1	712	0
Libraries	1,289	28	2	1,336	47
Community Safety					
Fire and Rescue Service	648	322	50	642	-6
Trading Standards	39	0	0	39	0
Corporate Services					
AMPS	12,022	3,142	26	12,022	0
ICT Projects	8,457	48	1	8,457	0
Business Service Centre	227	82	36	227	0
Archives & Information Management	53	0	0	53	0
Customer	972	78	8	972	0
Investing In Self Funded Income Schemes	12,500	0	0	12,500	0
Total	156,719	15,474	10	160,163	3,444

Adults Capital Programme 2021/22

45. The Adults Capital Programme is forecasting an in-year overspend of £2.195 million. The 2021/22 forecast spend has increased following the agreement of the Disabled Facilities Grant spending plan to support people throughout the county to live independently through improvements to the home, including support for children with complex needs. This is an in-year overspend only but has no effect on the overall capital budget.

Children's Services Capital Programme 2021/22

Schools

46. The Schools Capital Programme is forecasting an in-year overspend of £1.147 million. This is mainly due to a revised forecast spend profile for the New Cheltenham Secondary School in order to complete the project on time following delays caused by the judicial review. This is an in-year overspend only and has no effect on the overall capital budget.

Economy, Environment and Infrastructure Capital Programme 2021/22

Highways

47. The Highway Capital Programme is currently forecasting in line with the £65.619 million reprofiled budget, however Covid and the associated self-isolating of staff is starting to impact on delivery of the programme. At this point it isn't possible to forecast the consequences of this going forward.

Other Services Capital Programmes

48. All other services are forecast to spend within £250k of the current budgets.

Changes to the Capital Programme in 2021/22 and future years

Adults

49. It is proposed that Cabinet support a £676k increase in the GIS capital budget to fund the purchase of 22 vehicles over the next 3 years as the current vehicles reach the end of their useful life. These vehicles were previously leased so the estimated capital financing costs of £104k per annum can be funded from the existing base budget.

Highways

50. It is proposed that Cabinet support a net increase of £361k in the Highways capital budget as summarised below:

- £57k transfer from income Reserves towards the capital maintenance of Travellers sites.
- £10k contribution from Hucclecote parish council towards a Community Offer project.
- £10k contribution from Leckhampton parish council towards a Community Offer project.
- £10k developer contribution towards the B4063 Gloucester to Chelt Cycle Route project.
- £124k developer contribution towards Lydney Highway Strategy project.
- £108k developer contribution towards Twigworth/Longford Footway Improvements project.
- £32k developer contribution towards Ermin Street Traffic Management project.

- £-5k developer contribution currently allocated to Whaddon Rd Traffic Calming project. This funding is not currently refundable and therefore will remain available to reallocate at a later date.
- £15k developer contribution towards the WCTIS project.

51. It is proposed that Cabinet support a transfer of £435k developer contribution within the Highways capital budget from Cheltenham to Bishops Cleeve Cycle Track project to the A435 Bishops Cl' to Racecourse Capacity project.

Waste Disposal

52. It is proposed that Cabinet support an increase of £90k in the Waste capital budget using approved funding from the Energy from Waste reserve.

Libraries

53. It is proposed that Cabinet support an increase of £50k in the Libraries capital budget relating to a developer contribution to the Chipping Campden Library project.

Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service

54. It is recommended that Cabinet support a decrease of £6k in the GF&RS capital budget for the TRANMAN Database project. This project has an approved budget of £81k funded from reserves. The project is now complete and this £6k underspend can now be made available to fund other service priorities.

ICT Projects

55. It is recommended that Cabinet supports a £483k increase to the ICT capital budget funded from the Covid grant towards 2020/21 cost of WAN/LAN and Desktop replacements.

Business Service Centre

56. It is proposed that Cabinet support an increase of £59k in the BSC capital budget funding from the Covid grant towards 2020/21 cost of relating to Business Analytics.

Overall

57. As a result of the above changes, the overall capital programme will increase by £1.713 million.

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Appendix 4

Cabinet Decision Statement	Gloucestershire County Council
Wednesday 22 September 2021 Published	

Agenda Item	Decision	Portfolio
5	<p>RECOMMISSIONING OF A MOVE-ON AND ENABLEMENT SERVICE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN STROUD</p> <p>Cllr Carole Allaway Martin, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning, sought Cabinet approval of commissioning plans that will allow for the continued provision of a move-on and enablement support service for young people with learning disabilities in Stroud from April 2022.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Public Health in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning to:</p> <p>a) Conduct a compliant tender process for the award of a three year (with provision for an optional two-year extension) move-on and enablement service for young people with mild/moderate learning disabilities (LD) in the Stroud locality.</p> <p>b) Upon conclusion of the tender process, award and enter into contract with the provider who has been evaluated as achieving the highest requisite score against the relevant evaluation criteria, as set by the Council.</p> <p>c) Determine whether to exercise the option to extend the contract for a further period of not more than two years on expiry of the initial three year term.</p>	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning

<p>6</p>	<p>RECOMMISSIONING OF AN EXPERT BY EXPERIENCE (EBE) LED QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA) PROGRAMME FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE COMMISSIONED SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES..</p> <p>Cllr Carole Allaway Martin, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning, sought Cabinet approval of commissioning plans that will allow for the continued provision of an Expert by Experience (EBE) led Quality Assurance service for health and social care services provided for people with disabilities from April 2022.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Public Health, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning to:</p> <p>a) Conduct a competitive procurement process in respect of a contract for the supply of Expert by Experience (EBE) led quality checking service for health and social care commissioned support for people with disabilities (learning disabilities, physical disabilities, mental health and autism) for an initial period of three years and include an option to extend its term for a further period of up to two years;</p> <p>b) Upon conclusion of the tender process award and enter into contract arrangements with the preferred tenderer; and</p> <p>c) Determine whether to exercise the option to extend the contract for a further period of not more than two years on the expiry of the initial three-year term.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>COMMUNITY MEALS – RE-PROCUREMENT</p> <p>Cllr Carole Allaway Martin, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning, sought Cabinet to consider options for the community meals service going forward, including approval to procure a new three year community meals service contract for Gloucestershire which includes two extension options each 12 months in length. In addition to request the continued delivery of the community meals contract's term (due to expire on the 31st</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning</p>

	<p>October 2021) to cover the period whilst the procurement exercise was undertaken and new contractual arrangements are put in place. As well as to provide information on work being undertaken to refine the criteria for allocating Community Meals and how this links into alternative community-based options that support people to help themselves whilst linking with their local community, in line with Gloucestershire County Council's Looking to the Future Strategy 2019-2022.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <p>1. Approve the procurement of a council commissioned, partially subsidised, community meals service in Gloucestershire which supports vulnerable individuals by helping them cope with daily living and which also provides short term help supported by comprehensive advice and information to ensure they regain their confidence and independence and therefore delegates authority to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care & Public Health in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning to:</p> <p>(a) conduct a competitive tender process in respect of a contract for the provision of community meals services in Gloucestershire (the "Community Meals Contract"). The proposed contract shall continue for an initial period of 3 years and include two extension options each 12 months in length.</p> <p>(b) award such contract to the preferred tenderer.</p> <p>(c) apply an inflationary uplift each year in line with other commissioned community based services.</p> <p>(d) determine whether to exercise each of the two contract extension options under the Community Meals Contract (each 12 months in length) on the third and fourth anniversaries thereof respectively.</p> <p>2. Continue with existing contract delivery arrangements whilst undertaking the proposed procurement exercise.</p>	
8	<p>THE PROCUREMENT OF HIGHWAY SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE WORKS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DELIVERY OF BLAKENEY WEST GEOTECHNICAL STABILISATION SCHEME</p> <p>Cllr Vernon Smith, Cabinet Member for Highways and Flood asked Cabinet to delegate authority to the Head of Highway Authority (in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Highways and Flood) for the purpose of procuring highway services and construction phase works, through competitive tender, in relation to Blakeney West</p>	Cabinet Member for Highways and Flood

	<p>Geotechnical Stabilisation Scheme and awarding contracts for the provision of such services and works.</p> <p>In addition, it would be necessary to make further ancillary orders in order to successfully implement the Project and authority is sought to enable GCC to make legal orders (such as temporary traffic regulation orders (TTROs for speed limits etc.)) during the construction phase of the Project.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <p>Delegates authority to the Head of Highway Authority (in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Highways and Flood) to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. conduct a competitive procurement process(es) for the supply of highway services and construction phase works in relation to the Blakeney West Geotechnical Stabilisation Scheme and awarding contracts for the provision of such services and works and 2. make any other ancillary traffic regulation orders that might be required in order to successfully implement the Project (such as temporary traffic regulation orders (TTROs for speed limits etc.)) during the construction phase of the Project. 	
<p>9</p>	<p>HIGHWAYS MAJOR PROJECT FRAMEWORK CONTRACT</p> <p>Cllr Vernon Smith, Cabinet Member for Highways and Flood sought Cabinet approval for the Executive Director of Economy, Environment & Infrastructure to be authorised to procure a highways framework agreement for a term of four years with an estimated value of £60 million over its term. The proposed framework agreement will be set up under two lots; one for Highways Schemes and the other for Structures and Geotechnical Schemes.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Economy, Environment & Infrastructure (in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Highways and Flood) to:</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Highways and Flood</p>

	<p>1. Conduct a competitive procurement process in respect of a four year Framework Agreement for the supply of highway construction services required by the council in relation to Highways Major Projects. Such framework agreement shall comprise two lots; one for Highways Schemes and the other for Structures and Geotechnical Schemes. No more than eight preferred tenderers shall be appointed to each lot. Preferred tenderers will be selected based on quality, financial and social value criteria.</p> <p>2. Appoint each of the preferred tenderers to the relevant Lot under such Framework Agreement.</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>PROCUREMENT OF PHYSICAL BOOK STOCK FOR GLOUCESTERSHIRE LIBRARIES</p> <p>Cllr Dave Norman, Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries sought Cabinet approval for Gloucestershire Libraries & Information to work with the Consortium for United Stock Purchase (CUSP) to undertake a procurement for the supply of physical adult and children's books for a period of 5 years.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Executive Director for Economy, Environment and Infrastructure in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Approve the continued membership of the CUSP consortium arrangement 2) Procure as a member of CUSP, led by Somerset County Council, for the supply of Adults and Children's books to combine our budget with other public bodies to leverage better value for money 3) Conduct a compliant procurement process in accordance with the arrangements with CUSP and using the 376F Library Stock ESPO Framework Agreement for the supply of physical stock: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. to do a direct award for Adult book stock under Lot 1 to Askews & Holts Library Services Ltd, which is a single supplier lot. b. to use ESPO Framework Lot 2 to undertake a mini competition for the supply of Children's and Teen stock 4) Award one or more Call-Off Contracts under the ESPO Framework Agreement whose combined aggregate value shall not exceed £2million and for a term of up to five years. 	<p>Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries</p>

<p>11</p>	<p>PARKING ICT CONTRACTS</p> <p>Cllr Dave Norman, Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries sought Cabinet approval for the procurement of a parking and enforcement related ICT service contracts, divided into three separate lots, to replace the council's existing parking and enforcement related ICT services contracts.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Executive Director: Economy, Environment and Infrastructure, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries to:</p> <p>1. Conduct a competitive procurement process in respect of a contract divided into the following three lots for the purpose of replacing the council's existing parking and enforcement related ICT services contracts:</p> <p>(a) Lot 1: Replacement ICT back office Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) Management system, including the council's correspondence management requirements;</p> <p>(b) Lot 2: Replacement Cashless Parking system;</p> <p>(c) Lot 3: Replacement Permit Management System</p> <p>Such lots may be awarded to the same tenderer under a single contract or awarded to a number of separate tenderers under not more than three separate contracts, whose term(s) shall continue for an initial period of 5 years and include an option to extend such term(s) for a further period of not more than 2 years.</p> <p>2. Award such contract(s) to the preferred tenderer(s).</p> <p>3. Determine whether to exercise the option to extend such contract(s) for a further period of two years on the expiry of the initial five year term</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>GLOUCESTERSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE DRAFT COMMUNITY RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN 2022-2025</p> <p>Cllr Dave Norman, Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries sought Cabinet approval for the objectives and consultation proposals relating to the Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service (GFRS) draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) 2022-2025.</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Public Protection, Parking and Libraries</p>

	<p>The proposed consultation would take place with the public, relevant stakeholders and partners in an 8 week period between October 2021 and November 2021. A period of 4 weeks pre-consultation was performed in February 2021 to inform the development of the first draft. Therefore, a total of 12 weeks consultation will have been conducted.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the content of the GFRS draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) 2022 - 2025 prepared on the basis of the 8 Objectives set out in Paragraph 1.4 of this Report; and 2. Delegate authority to the Chief Fire Officer to undertake a public consultation on the draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) 2022-2025. 	
<p>13</p>	<p>FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT 2021/22</p> <p>Cllr Lynden Stowe, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance and Change gave an update on the Council's forecast revenue year end position at the end of July 2021 which was a £6.743 million overspend all of which was non Covid-19 related.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the forecast revenue year end position based on July 2021 (Period 4) forecasts for the 2021/22 financial year is an overspend of £6.743 million all of which relates to non Covid-19 expenditure, as we are forecasting a balanced position in relation to Covid-19 expenditure and income. 2. Note delivery of the £5.453 million of savings against a target of £6.761 million in 2020/21 or 80.65%, a breakdown is shown at Paragraph 41. 3. Note the forecast capital year end position as at the end of June 2021 of £160.163 million against the current budget of £156.719 million. 4. Approve the £1.713 million increase to the capital programme as outlined in section C of the report. 	<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Change</p>
<p>14</p>	<p>SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED DISPOSALS</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Finance and Change</p>

	<p>Cllr Lynden Stowe sought approval for the schedule of disposals proposed to meet the capital receipts targets. Cabinet were being asked to approve the two schedules within the exempt appendices. Appendix A had been approved in October 2020 and confirmation was required by Cabinet that those sites not yet disposed on remained surplus to requirements and Appendix B was a new schedule recommended by Property Board as being surplus to requirements.</p> <p>Prior to the discussion, members were advised that, should Cabinet wish to discuss the contents of the exempt information reported at Appendix A and Appendix B of the report, consideration would need to be given as to whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Regulation 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>Cabinet agreed to consider this item without having to refer to the exempt information.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information, Cabinet noted the report and,</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirm that those sites described at Appendix A (Exempt) which have previously been declared surplus by Cabinet in March 2021 and not yet disposed of, continue to be declared surplus to requirements. 2. Declare the sites listed on the proposed Schedule of Disposals Appendix B (Exempt) surplus to the Council's land and property requirements. 3. Delegate authority to the Assistant Director – Asset Management and Property Services to dispose of these sites in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Change and Council's Chief Financial Officer. 	
15	<p>BUS BACK BETTER - GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S BUS SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLAN</p> <p>Cllr Philip Robinson, Cabinet Member for Economy, Education and Skills asked Cabinet to note the progress to date on developing the Gloucestershire Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) and to agree the areas of focus to be included in the plan.</p> <p>Having considered all of the information. Cabinet noted the report and</p> <p>RESOLVED to:</p>	Cabinet Member for Economy, Education and Skills

<p>1. Note the update and progress to date on the Gloucestershire BSIP;</p> <p>2. Approve the areas of focus in 1.8 of this report; and</p> <p>3. Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Economy, Environment and Infrastructure to:</p> <p>(a) further develop and finalise the BSIP in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economy, Education and Skills, and</p> <p>(b) submit this to the DfT no later than its deadline of 31 October 2021.</p>	
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The decisions published above will come into force and may be implemented on , unless a request is made for the decision to be called-in.

CALL-IN PROCEDURE

A decision may only be only called-in if one or more of the following conditions are satisfied: -

- 1) The decision conflicts in whole or part with any existing policy that has been formally approved or adopted by the Council;
- 2) The decision would not be wholly in accordance with the Council's budget;
- 3) In making the decision, the Cabinet, the Leader of the Council, or a Cabinet Member or Officer under delegated powers, has taken account of an irrelevant matter or failed to take account of a relevant matter, which in the opinion of the Chief Executive, had (or would have), a significant bearing on that decision;
- 4) The Cabinet, the Leader of the Council, or a Cabinet Member or Officer under delegated powers, acted contrary to the Cabinet Procedure Rules, the Access to Information about the County Council's Formal Business, and/or the principles of the decision making set out in Part 2, Article 7.02 of the Council's Constitution.

At least **five members** of the council must give notice in writing of their request to call-in a decision.

The request, including reasons for the call-in, must be delivered to the Chief Executive before the end of the fifth working day after the day on which the decision is published.

The request for a call-in of any of the decisions above should be made to Stephen Bace by **5 pm on Wednesday 29 September 2021**.

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