

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL
REPORT TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

DECISION

Agenda Item No

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title: REVISED REVENUE BUDGET 2011/12 AND ORIGINAL ESTIMATE 2012/13
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To agree a revised revenue budget for 2011/12, together with a draft revenue budget for 2012/13, for submission to Policy and Finance Committee.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The grant settlement for the next financial year was published on the 8 December 2011. This **confirmed** our formula grant for 2012/13 will be £2.902m which includes the second year of council tax freeze grant of £78,660. This is a reduction of 12.8% from that received for the 2011/12 financial year.
- 2.3 The two year settlement announcement last year was notably worse than had been anticipated for this council. The Government awarded 'transitional grant' to those authorities previously in receipt of Area Based Grant and other funding including Working Neighbourhoods Fund monies. However, as we did not receive such funding we are not entitled to this transition grant
- 2.4 This confirmed the need for the Council to identify substantial savings in its base budget. The management structure review in 2010/11 resulted in substantial savings, which greatly eased the financial position in which the council found itself for 2011/12 onwards.
- 2.5 Further substantial savings of over £600,000 were needed in order to achieve an affordable budget for 2012/13 onwards. A detailed review was been completed of all council services and on 22 November 2011 Policy and Finance Committee considered and approved a package of savings totalling around £645,000..
- 2.6 The proposed budget **within this report** for the next financial year 2012/13 represents the base budget for this committee **taking into account** the service review savings proposals that were approved at Policy and Finance Committee.

3 REVIEW OF 2011/12 REVENUE BUDGET

- 3.1 When the budget was prepared for the current year provision was made for increases in prices of 3%. A small allowance was included for a pay award for those earning below £21,000. However, no pay increase was awarded for 2011/12.
- 3.2 The revised budget is **£72,450** higher than the original estimate. This is decreased to **£8,230** higher than the original estimate after allowing for transfers to and from earmarked reserves. A comparison between the original and revised budgets for each cost centre is shown below.

Cost Centre	Cost Centre Name	Original Estimate 2011/12 £	Movement in Expenditure £	Movement in Income £	Movement in Support Services £	Movement in Capital Costs £	Revised Estimate 2011/12 £
PLANG	Planning Control & Enforcement	120,890	101,550	-1,980	-23,870	0	196,590
PLANP	Planning Policy	155,890	0	0	1,640	0	157,530
PLDEV	Planning Delivery Grant	143,320	15,430	0	50	0	158,800
BCSAP	Building Control SAP Fees	-1,470	690	-530	70	0	-1,240
BLDGC	Building Control	69,620	-6,770	42,100	-22,890	0	82,060
AONBS	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	13,270	-560	0	-1,370	0	11,340
COMMG	Community Groups	19,260	0	0	-760	0	18,500
COUNT	Countryside Management	49,930	5,000	-16,830	-2,010	0	36,090
FPATH	Footpaths & Bridleways	5,550	0	0	-210	0	5,340
HIGHH	High Hedges	2,100	0	0	-40	0	2,060
CONSV	Conservation Areas	12,000	0	0	-180	0	11,820
ALBNM	Albion Mill	-3,060	0	1,630	220	0	-1,210
INDDV	Economic Development	109,610	-12,150	0	-24,450	0	73,010
PLSUB	Grants and Subscriptions	15,390	-720	0	0	0	14,670
CINTR	Clitheroe Integrated Transport Scheme	6,910	-1,040	1,040	0	0	6,910
FORBW	Forest of Bowland Bridleways	0	27,140	0	0	0	27,140
PENDL	Pendle Hill Users	0	0	-7,750	0	0	-7,750
NET COST OF SERVICES		719,210	128,570	17,680	-73,800	0	791,660

ITEMS ADDED TO/ (TAKEN FROM) BALANCES AND RESERVES							
PLBAL H268	Planning Delivery Grant	-109,770	0	-23,080	0	0	-132,850
PLBAL H274	Forest of Bowland Bridleways	0	0	-27,140	0	0	-27,140
PLBAL H234	Building Control Reserve Fund	-44,730	16,590	-42,100	41,880	0	-28,360
PLBAL H253	Local Development Framework	-11,580	3,830	0	0	0	-7,750
PLBAL H273	Pendle Hill Users	0	7,750	0	0	0	7,750
PLBAL H336	Planning Reserve Fund	0	0	-41,950	0	0	-41,950
NET BALANCES AND RESERVES		-166,080	28,170	-134,270	41,880	0	-230,300
NET EXPENDITURE		553,130	156,740	-116,590	-31,920	0	561,360

3.3 The difference between the revised and original estimate is an estimated increase in net spending of **£8,230**. The main reasons for this are identified below:

	MOVEMENT IN EXPENDITURE £	MOVEMENT IN INCOME £	MOVEMENT IN SUPPORT £	MOVEMENT IN CAPITAL £	TOTAL MOVEMENT £
<i>Planning Control and Enforcement</i>					
Transfer of planning specific budget provision such as microfilm maintenance, consultants fees, ordnance survey costs, statutory notices and decision notices from community services to planning control	63,850	-5,470			
Increase in Planning consultants fees as a result of planning inquiry (funded from earmarked reserve)	41,950				
Reduction in Geographic Information System (GIS) service costs, as a result of transfer of suppliers for the GIS service from LCC to one connect.	-7,840				
Increase in Planning fee refunds as a result of application fees paid in error	5,620				
Fewer agricultural referrals to LCC and also reduction in statutory notices	-2,130				
Reduction in income from planning history and decision notices		3,490			
Reduction in support costs from community services and Chief Executive's offset by an increase from legal due to changes in staff time allocated to service			-24,450		
Total Planning Control and Enforcement					75,020

	MOVEMENT IN EXPENDITURE £	MOVEMENT IN INCOME £	MOVEMENT IN SUPPORT £	MOVEMENT IN CAPITAL £	TOTAL MOVEMENT £
<i>Planning Delivery Grant</i>					
Expenditure on headroom analysis (a model for reviewing housing numbers). Expenditure was budgeted to come in 2010/11 but has slipped into new financial year	9,700				
Increase in consultants fees to carry out sustainability appraisal for core strategy	5,000				
Total Planning Delivery Grant					14,700
<i>Building Control</i>					
Reduction in professional fees, car allowances, printing and stationery and provision for consultants fees as a result of staff leaving and freeze on non essential expenditure	-6,770				
Reduced Income from building regulations fees and search fees. This is mainly due to current economic climate and also due to some organisations using private competitors.		42,100			
Reduction in support costs from Computer services and Chief Executive's due to a review of cost allocations			-21,610		
Total Building Control					13,720

	MOVEMENT IN EXPENDITURE £	MOVEMENT IN INCOME £	MOVEMENT IN SUPPORT £	MOVEMENT IN CAPITAL £	TOTAL MOVEMENT £
<i>Countryside Management</i>					
Expenditure on visual tree assessment and decay detection on trees in Clitheroe Castle, funded from Habitats & Climate change grant	5,000				
Increase in income from Habitats & Climate change grant not anticipated when original estimates prepared		-16,830			
Reduction in support costs from chief executives due to changes in staff time allocated to service			-1,930		
Total Countryside Management					-13,760
<i>Economic Development</i>					
Reduction in subscription as a result of termination in subscription paid to PLACE	-5,150				
Reduction in subscription as a result of a contribution to sustainability appraisal as approved by Planning Committee on 16 June 2011	-5,000				
Reduction in promotional activities as a result of a freeze on non essential expenditure	-2,000				
Reduction in support costs from ground maintenance, fewer hours being charged for the upkeep of industrial sites and also a reduction in support costs from chief executives mainly due to reduction in staffing levels			-24,340		
Total Economic Development					-36,490

	MOVEMENT IN EXPENDITURE £	MOVEMENT IN INCOME £	MOVEMENT IN SUPPORT £	MOVEMENT IN CAPITAL £	TOTAL MOVEMENT £
<i>Forest of Bowland Bridleways</i>					
Budget introduced to fund Expenditure on project work on Whitendale bridleway and Hodder roadside path (funded from earmarked reserve)	27,140				
Total Forest of Bowland Bridleways					27,140
<i>Pendle Hill Users</i>					
Contributions mainly received from LCC during year(to be added to earmarked reserve)		-7,750			
Total Pendle Hill Users					-7,750
<i>Reserve Funds</i>					
Increase in funding available from planning delivery reserve as a result of expenditure slippage from 2010/11 to 2011/12 and additional income received in 2010/11.		-23,080			-23,080
Funding from Forest of Bowland Bridleway reserve to fund expenditure		-27,140			-27,140
Reduction in funding from Building control reserve. This is mainly as a result of reduced service offset by a reduction in expenditure and support costs.	16,590	-42,100	-41,880		-16,370
Reduction in funds required from Local Development framework reserve to fund planning delivery expenses	3,830				3,830

	MOVEMENT IN EXPENDITURE £	MOVEMENT IN INCOME £	MOVEMENT IN SUPPORT £	MOVEMENT IN CAPITAL £	TOTAL MOVEMENT £
Increase in contribution to Pendle Hill users earmarked reserve as a result of contributions received during the year	7,750				7,750
Increase in contribution from planning reserve fund to cover planning inquiry expenses		-41,950			-41,950
OTHER	-800	2,140	-1,470		-130
TOTAL	156,740	-116,590	-31,920	0	8,230

4 2012/13 DRAFT REVENUE BUDGET

- 4.1 The three year forecast to Policy and Finance Committee in September highlighted the need for savings in the region of £600,000 in the 2012/13 financial year. There is continuing uncertainty surrounding the level of financial support the council will receive from the Government in future financial years, particularly following consultation papers on proposals to replace the current formula grant funding with an alternative based on the retention of business rates.
- 4.2 Due to this uncertainty, the three year forecast assumed a freeze on Government funding. Following the grant settlement in December, an updated budget forecast estimated the amount of savings needed for 2012/13 as £635,000. These figures will be updated further as detailed estimates are agreed by committees.
- 4.3 In addition, as always, there are a number of potential problems that will have a significant impact on the budget for 2012/13 and beyond. The immediate ones are:
- ❖ Future public sector funding
 - ❖ The continuing effect of the economic downturn on service income levels
 - ❖ The level of investment income received
- 4.4 As far as your budget is concerned, as stated earlier, the estimates have been prepared after allowing for savings from the service review savings package agreed at Policy and Finance Committee on 22 November 2011 and include provision for price increases of 2.5%. No allowance has been made for pay increases. Where possible budgets have been cash limited.
- 4.5 Whilst savings have been identified and incorporated into the base budget members are asked to consider any further potential areas for savings which they may be able to identify. These will be put forward for consideration by the Budget Working Group, be they for the 2012/13 budget or as proposals for any future years.

5 COMMITTEE SERVICE ESTIMATES

5.1 PLANNING CONTROL AND ENFORCEMENT

Service Description							PLANG
<i>Determination of planning applications, pre-application advice and investigation of authorised development.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Supplies and Services	3,490	90	500	53,050	0	0	57,130
Third Party Payments	0	0	260	10,490	0	0	10,750
Support Services	496,560	0	0	0	38,790	0	535,350
Depreciation and Impairment	2,470	0	0	0	-2,470	0	0
Total Expenditure	502,520	90	760	63,540	36,320	0	603,230
Customer and Client Receipts	-381,630	-9,540	9,540	-2,540	0	-71,930	-456,100
Total Income	-381,630	-9,540	9,540	-2,540	0	-71,930	-456,100
NET	120,890	-9,450	10,300	61,000	36,320	-71,930	147,130
Comments							
<p>The increase in supplies and services and third party payments is due to a transfer from community services of the budgetary provision for planning specific items such as microfilm maintenance, consultant's fees, ordnance survey costs, statutory notices and decision notices to become a direct cost on planning control.</p> <p>There has been an increase in support costs from community services and legal services and a decrease in support costs from chief executives this is due to a combination of the service review and changes in staff time allocated to the service.</p> <p>Income from planning fees and pre- application advice have been increased to fund the two additional posts arising from the restructuring exercise and also to reflect an increase in demand for planning applications.</p>							

5.2 PLANNING POLICY

Service Description							PLANP
<i>The budget is for the local development framework.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Support Services	156,120	0	0	0	34,500	0	190,620
Total Expenditure	156,120	0	0	0	34,500	0	190,620
Customer and Client Receipts	-230	0	0	0	0	0	-230
Total Income	-230	0	0	0	0	0	-230
NET	155,890	0	0	0	34,500	0	190,390
Comments							
Support costs from chief executives department have been increased due to the extension of the senior planning (Forward Planning) post to 31 December 2012 and also reflects the time being spent developing the Council's Core Strategy.							

5.3 PLANNING DELIVERY

Service Description							PLDEV
<i>To improve housing delivery and other planning outcomes in the area.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To match the supply of homes in our area with the identified housing need							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Employee Related	62,590	1,560	-1,560	-62,590	0		0
Transport Related	1,000	30	-30	-1,000	0		0
Supplies and Services	60,250	1,510	-1,510	-60,250	0		0
Support Services	19,480	0	0	0	-19,480		0
Total Expenditure	143,320	3,100	-3,100	-123,840	-19,480	0	0
NET	143,320	3,100	-3,100	-123,840	-19,480	0	0
Comments							
The planning delivery service was funded from the planning delivery grant set aside in an earmarked reserve. This reserve will be fully utilised by March 2012.							

5.4 BUILDING CONTROL SAP FEES

Service Description							BCSAP
<i>Procedure for estimating energy performance of dwellings</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Employee Related	1,030	20	-20	310	-	-	1,340
Supplies and Services	340	10	0	0	0	0	350
Support Services	1,900	0	0	0	1,960		3,860
Total Expenditure	3,270	30	-20	310	1,960	0	5,550
Customer and Client Receipts	-4,740	-120	0	-330	0	0	-5,190
Total Income	-4,740	-120	0	-330	0	0	-5,190
NET	-1,470	-90	-20	-20	1,960	0	360
Comments							
Only accredited staff can carry out these inspections, the increase in employee costs is offset by additional income. Support costs from financial services have increased due to changes in staff time allocated to the service.							

5.5 BUILDING CONTROL

Service Description							BLDGC
<i>Determination of all types of building control applications and related legislation and standards, including dangerous buildings and elements of licensing</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Employee Related	5,270	130	-80	-690	0	0	4,630
Transport Related	22,270	560	30	-3,440	0	0	19,420
Supplies and Services	24,270	640	-340	-4,190	0	-370	20,010
Support Services	253,210				-28,010		225,200
Total Expenditure	305,020	1,330	-390	-8,320	-28,010	-370	269,260
Customer and Client Receipts	-235,400	-5,880	50	25,850	0	0	-215,380
Total Income	-235,400	-5,880	50	25,850	0	0	-215,380
NET	69,620	-4,550	-340	17,530	-28,010	-370	53,880

Comments
The reduction in employee costs and transport costs is due to a reduction in professional fees and car allowances, as a result of the end of a fixed term contract of a member of staff in the building surveyors section. This is also reflected in a reduction of the support cost from the chief executive department.
In addition to the reduction in support costs from chief executive department there has been a reduction in support costs from community services and computer services. This is due to a review of cost allocations as part of an examination of the deficit on the building control account.
The reduced income from building control fees is anticipated to continue.

5.6 AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY

Service Description							AONBS
<i>This relates to the cost of membership of National AONB Organisation and the annual contribution to the Joint Advisory Committee Partnership. Funding contributes to managements work and projects</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Third Party Payments	7,360	180	-180	0	0	0	7,360
Support Services	5,910	0	0	0	-1,380	0	4,530
Total Expenditure	13,270	180	-180	0	-1,380	0	11,890
NET	13,270	180	-180	0	-1,380	0	11,890

Comments
Support costs from chief executives department shows a small decrease this is due to savings from the structure review.

5.7 COMMUNITY GROUPS

Service Description							COMMG
<i>Support funding for biodiversity, conservation and environmental community projects.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To help make peoples lives safer and healthier.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Transfer Payments	6,100	150	-150	0	0	0	6,100
Support Services	13,160	0	0	0	2,540	0	15,700
Total Expenditure	19,260	150	-150	0	2,540	0	21,800
NET	19,260	150	-150	0	2,540	0	21,800
Comments							
There has been a increase in support costs from chief executives department largely due to changes in staff time allocated to the service.							

5.8 COUNTRYSIDE MANAGEMENT

Service Description							COUNT
<i>The Council provides advice on countryside management matters and gives grants for trees, woodlands, hedgerows planting and environmental projects.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Premises Related	10,000	250	-250	0	0	0	10,000
Supplies and Services	5,880	150	-150	2,650	0	0	8,530
Transfer Payments	19,050	480	-480	-2,650	0	0	16,400
Support Services	22,500	0	0	0	-1,260	0	21,240
Total Expenditure	57,430	880	-880	0	-1,260	0	56,170
Miscellaneous Recharges	-7,500	-190	190	0	0	0	-7,500
Total Income	-7,500	-190	190	0	0	0	-7,500
NET	49,930	690	-690	0	-1,260	0	48,670
Comments							
A movement in the types of bodies receiving grants from the council has resulted in some budget switching between supplies and services, and transfer payments.							
Support costs from chief executive's department show a small decrease this is due to savings from the structure review.							

5.9 FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

Service Description							FPATH
<i>The Council provides assist in footpath diversion orders</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Premises Related	290	10	-10	0	0	0	290
Supplies and Services	1,500	40	-40	0	0	0	1,500
Support Services	5,260	0	0	0	-1,110	0	4,150
Total Expenditure	7,050	50	-50	0	-1,110	0	5,940
Other Grants and Contributions	-1,500	-40	40	0	0	0	-1,500
Total Income	-1,500	-40	40	0	0	0	-1,500
NET	5,550	10	-10	0	-1,110	0	4,440
Comments							
A small reduction in support costs from community services department, mainly due to service review savings.							

5.10 HIGH HEDGES

Service Description							HIGHH
<i>The Council adjudicate on whether a hedge adversely affects a complainant's reasonable enjoyment of their property.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Support Services	2,100				-40		2,060
Total Expenditure	2,100	0	0	0	-40	0	2,060
NET	2,100	0	0	0	-40	0	2,060
Comments							
A small reduction in support costs from community services department due to the service review savings.							

5.11 CONSERVATION AREAS

Service Description							CONSV
<i>The Council has the power to designate areas as Conservation Areas, these are areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Support Services	12,000	0	0	0	-120	0	11,880
Total Expenditure	12,000	0	0	0	-120	0	11,880
NET	12,000	0	0	0	-120	0	11,880
Comments							
Reduction in support costs from community department due to the service review savings.							

5.12 ALBION MILL

Service Description							ALBNM
<i>The Council leases industrial units at Albion Mill, Clitheroe and sublets these to tenants</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To sustain a strong and prosperous Ribble Valley							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Premises Related	30,000	750	-750	0	0	0	30,000
Supplies and Services	1,540	40	0	0	0	0	1,580
Support Services	1,830	0	0	0	250	0	2,080
Total Expenditure	33,370	790	-750	0	250	0	33,660
Customer and Client Receipts	-36,430	-910	910	0	0	0	-36,430
Total Income	-36,430	-910	910	0	0	0	-36,430
NET	-3,060	-120	160	0	250	0	-2,770
Comments							
The costs of supplies and services have increased by an inflationary increase in the provision for legal fees							

5.13 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Service Description							INDDV
<i>This budget covers costs for economic development and regeneration works, including projects, partnership work and joint working, to support, maintain and enhance the local economy.</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To sustain a strong and prosperous Ribble Valley							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Premises Related	3,460	0	0	0	-2,790	0	670
Supplies and Services	27,660	690	-200	0	0	-10,000	18,150
Support Services	78,490	0	0	0	-16,730	0	61,760
Total Expenditure	109,610	690	-200	0	-19,520	-10,000	80,580
NET	109,610	690	-200	0	-19,520	-10,000	80,580
Comments							
There has been a reduction in premises related expenses, particularly from the ground maintenance service on the level of upkeep needed on industrial development sites.							
There has also been a decrease in supplies and services mainly due to a reduction in hours worked by the Regeneration Project Officer as part of the savings identified from the subscription budget in the service review.							

5.14 GRANTS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS – PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Service Description							PLSUB
<i>Within this budget are various Grants, Contributions and Subscriptions paid by the Council from this committee</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Supplies and Services	15,390	380	-10	-480	0	0	15,280
Total Expenditure	15,390	380	-10	-480	0	0	15,280
NET	15,390	380	-10	-480	0	0	15,280
Comments							
Inflationary increase in the subscriptions paid to Lancashire archaeological service and East Lancashire partnership. Removal of the provision for the contribution to Ribble Valley Rail, not paid since 2004.							

5.15 CLITHEROE INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SCHEME

Service Description							CINTR
<i>The council makes a small contribution to the running costs of the County Council's bus and rail interchange in Clitheroe</i>							
Link to Ambitions							
To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area							
Budget Analysis	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Premises Related	1,140	30	-30	-1,040	0	0	100
Supplies and Services	30	0	0	0	0	0	30
Transfer Payments	5,150	130	0	0	0	0	5,280
Support Services	570	0	0	0	0	0	570
Depreciation and Impairment	1,190	0	0	0	-10	0	1,180
Total Expenditure	8,080	160	-30	-1,040	-10	0	7,160
Customer and Client Receipts	-1,170	-30	30	1,040	0	0	-130
Total Income	-1,170	-30	30	1,040	0	0	-130
NET	6,910	130	0	0	-10	0	7,030
Comments							
The reduction in premises related expenses and income is due to Ribble Valley staff no longer cleaning shelters on behalf of LCC.							
The increase in transfer payments is due to an inflationary increase in the contribution to the Clitheroe line rail partnership							

6 SUMMARIES

6.1 The draft budget is summarised in two ways. One over the cost of the service (objective) provided by the committee. The other is over the type of expenditure and income (subjective).

a) *Cost of Services Provided (Objective)*

Cost Centre	Service Name	BUDGET ANALYSIS						
		Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
PLANG	Planning Control & Enforcement	120,890	-9,450	10,300	61,000	36,320	-71,930	147,130
PLANP	Planning Policy	155,890	-10	10	0	34,500	0	190,390
PLDEV	Planning Delivery Grant	143,320	3,100	-3,100	-123,840	-19,480	0	0
BCSAP	Building Control SAP Fees	-1,470	-90	-20	-20	1,960	0	360
BLDGC	Building Control	69,620	-4,550	-340	17,530	-28,010	-370	53,880
AONBS	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	13,270	180	-180	0	-1,380	0	11,890
COMMG	Community Groups	19,260	150	-150	0	2,540	0	21,800
COUNT	Countryside Management	49,930	690	-690	0	-1,260	0	48,670
FPATH	Footpaths & Bridleways	5,550	10	-10	0	-1,110	0	4,440
HIGHH	High Hedges	2,100	0	0	0	-40	0	2,060
CONSV	Conservation Areas	12,000	0	0	0	-120	0	11,880
ALBNM	Albion Mill	-3,060	-120	160	0	250	0	-2,770
INDDV	Economic Development	109,610	690	-200	0	-19,520	-10,000	80,580
PLSUB	Grants and Subscriptions	15,390	380	-10	-480	0	0	15,280
CINTR	Clitheroe Integrated Transport Scheme	6,910	130	0	0	-10	0	7,030

Cost Centre	Service Name	BUDGET ANALYSIS						
		Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
NET COST OF SERVICES		719,210	-8,890	5,770	-45,810	4,640	-82,300	592,620
ITEMS ADDED TO/(TAKEN FROM) BALANCES AND RESERVES								
PLBAL H253	Local Development Framework	-11,580	0	0	11,580	0	0	0
PLBAL H268	Planning Delivery	-109,770	0	0	109,770	0	0	0
PLBAL H234	Building Control Reserve Fund	-44,730	0	0	43,650	0	0	-1,080
NET BALANCES & RESERVES		-166,080	0	0	165,000	0	0	-1,080
NET EXPENDITURE		553,130	-8,890	5,770	119,190	4,640	-82,300	591,540

b) Type of Expenditure/Income (Subjective)

	Original Estimate 2011/12	Inflation at 2.5%	Inflation above or below 2.5%	Unavoidable Changes to Service Cost	Support Services & Capital	Service Review Savings	Original Estimate 2012/13
Employee Costs	68,890	1,710	-1,660	-62,970	0	0	5,970
Premises Costs	44,890	1,040	-1,040	-1,040	-2,790	0	41,060
Transport Costs	23,270	590	0	-4,440	0	0	19,420
Supplies and Services	140,350	3,550	-1,750	-9,220	0	-10,370	122,560
Third Party	7,360	180	80	10,490	0	0	18,110
Transfer Payments	30,300	760	-630	-2,650	0	0	27,780
Support Services	1,069,090	0	0	0	9,910	0	1,079,000
Depreciation & Impairment	3,660	0	0	0	-2,480	0	1,180
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,387,810	7,830	-5,000	-69,830	4,640	-10,370	1,315,080
Customer & Client Receipts	-659,600	-16,680	10,730	24,020	0	-71,930	-713,460
Other grants and reimbursements	-1,500	-40	40	0	0	0	-1,500
Miscellaneous Recharges	-7,500	0	0	0	0	0	-7,500
TOTAL INCOME	-668,600	-16,720	10,770	24,020	0	-71,930	-722,460
NET COST OF SERVICES	719,210	-8,890	5,770	-45,810	4,640	-82,300	592,620

ITEMS ADDED TO/ (TAKEN FROM) BALANCES AND RESERVES							
PLBAL/H253 : Local Development Framework	-11,580			11,580			0
PLBAL/H268: Planning Delivery	-109,770			109,770			0
PLBAL/H234: Building Control Reserve Fund	-44,730			43,650			-1,080
NET BALANCES & RESERVES	-166,080	0	0	165,000	0	0	-1,080
NET EXPENDITURE	553,130	-8,890	5,770	119,190	4,640	-82,300	591,540

6.2 Net costs for this committee after allowing for transfers to and from earmarked reserves, have increased by £38,410. This change is due to a number of large fluctuations as detailed below:

- ❖ Reduced planning delivery employee costs of £62,500 and consultancy fees of £60,000 offset by reduced contribution from reserve fund due to service ending
- ❖ Transfer of £58,380 planning specific budgets from community services to planning control.
- ❖ Extension to the post of Senior Planner (Forward Planning) to 31 December 2012 making the Assistant Planning Officer's post permanent and creating a new post of part time Planning Assistant to deal with pre-planning advice to be part funded from increased income from planning fees of £58,310 and pre-application advice of £13,620. Reduction in building control fees of £23,750

7 FEES AND CHARGES

- 7.1 Fees and charges for this Committee were agreed in November 2011, and have been increased by 2½%, or more if the increase could be sustained. Detailed rates are contained in the Council's fees and charges book and the new rates will be applicable from 1 April 2012.

8 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

- 8.1 Approve the revised budget for 2011/12.
- 8.2 Agree the revenue budget for 2012/13 and to submit this to the Special Policy and Finance Committee subject to any further consideration by the Budget Working Group.

SENIOR ACCOUNTANT

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17 January 2011