

PERTH & KINROSS COUNCIL

REVENUE BUDGET 2021/22

SUMMARY OF PRESSURES & SAVINGS

	Feb '21 Proposed 2021/22 Expenditure Pressures £'000	Feb '21 Proposed 2021/22 Net Savings £'000
Giving Every Child the Best Start in Life	0	0
Developing Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens	622	437
Promoting a Prosperous, Inclusive and Sustainable Economy	345	55
Supporting People to Lead Independent, Healthy and Active Lives (Including Health and Social Care)	155	10
Creating a Safe and Sustainable Place for Future Generations	35	175
Organised to Deliver	282	0
TOTAL	1,439	677

Giving Every Child the Best Start in Life	New Pressures 2021/22
	£'000
No new pressures for Giving Every Child the Best Start in Life	
Total New Pressures for 2021/22	0

Developing Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens	New Pressures 2021/22 £'000
<p>Securing the Future of the School Estate</p> <p>Our communities are changing and the school estate needs to adapt to this change efficiently and effectively. Over the long term, new schools and refurbishments or extensions will be required as part of the drive to grow the economy of Perth and Kinross.</p> <p>This review proposes a ‘rebalancing’ of the school estate to help achieve what is articulated above. This may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catchment reviews • New builds and extensions • Reconfiguration of accommodation • Shared Headships • Closures <p>The projected saving in 2021/22 will not be met by £99,000.</p>	99
<p>Home to School Transport</p> <p>The provision of Home to School Transport is the statutory responsibility of ECS where pupils live more than the prescribed distance from school.</p> <p>Demand pressures (£133,000) within Additional Support Needs and Looked after Children.</p>	133

Developing Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens	New Pressures 2021/22 £'000
<p>Teacher Numbers in Secondary Schools</p> <p>Included in the 2021/22 Provisional Revenue Budget that was at Council in March 2020, a saving to reduce the number of Secondary Teachers in schools across PKC was agreed as follows:</p> <p>•<i>Reduction to Teacher numbers in Secondary Schools. All schools currently have a budget which would allow for class sizes of 20 in English and Maths. This reduction would mean that all schools would have a revised budget to support class sizes of maximum of 30 except in agreed practical subjects.</i></p> <p>Since that time, the COVID-19 pandemic has affected all of our lives in ways we could not have imagined. There is clear evidence that time out of school and childcare has had, and continues to have a detrimental effect on children and young people's wellbeing and attainment, including impacts on their development and mental health.</p> <p>Previous recent savings in staffing in secondary schools have resulted in a reduction of 11.8FTE teachers and a total of £1.063m savings from Devolved School Management, staffing and supply cover budgets.</p> <p>Given this, officers in Education & Children's Services propose that instead of further reducing teachers in secondary schools by an additional 11.5FTE and making a saving to the budget of £390,000 (2021/22) and £234,000 (2022/23) that funding would be redirected to provide long-term teaching support to the most vulnerable children in secondary schools.</p>	390
Total New Pressures for 2021/22	622

Promoting a Prosperous, Inclusive and Sustainable Economy	New Pressures 2021/22
	£'000
Arms Length External Organisations - Contract Management Perth & Kinross Council commissions services from 3 Arms Length External Organisations (ALEOs) with a total value of £8 million. Resources were applied, on a non-recurring basis, to support statutory Best Value and Following the Public Pound duties and allow for the coordination of contract performance monitoring and compliance. Additional ALEO scrutiny and oversight has been necessary in light of Covid impacts and the ongoing improvement work within Horsecross Arts following financial difficulties in 2019/20.	36
Building Standards Reinstatement of previously approved saving in recognition of increased workload, including the Edinburgh Schools Review requiring a greater number of physical inspections. Perth & Kinross Council also has one of highest caseload ratios in Scotland impacting on resilience and capacity.	47
Employability Reinstatement of previously approved saving within Employability in response to current economic climate.	62
Events Income This target was introduced a number of years ago and has increased since then to a target of £150k from 2021/22. In light of the Covid-19 global pandemic it is highly unlikely that this will be achievable over the medium term.	150

Promoting a Prosperous, Inclusive and Sustainable Economy	New Pressures 2021/22
	£'000
Local Full Fibre Network Ongoing commitment to the Local Full Fibre Network project that will roll out high speed internet connectivity across Perth and Kinross. Increased revenue funding is required to enable improved connection speeds and overlapping connections / contracts until 2025.	50
Total New Pressures for 2021/22	345

Supporting People to Lead Independent, Healthy and Active Lives	New Pressures 2021/22
	£'000
<p>Welfare Rights / Scottish Welfare Fund</p> <p>Additional resources to support the significant increase in demand for the Welfare Rights and the Scottish Welfare Fund</p> <p>The number of Crisis Grant applications to the Scottish Welfare Fund has increased by around 30% in the last 4 years (3,572 in 2016/17 to 4,611 in 2019/20) and the increase in Crisis Grant applications is 33% to the end December 2020 compared with the same point last year. This demand is unlikely to reduce to pre Covid-19 levels due to a number of factors such as redundancy, reduced household incomes etc. Similarly, Community Care Grant applications have increased by 14% over the last 4 years.</p> <p>The Covid-19 response has heightened awareness and access to the Welfare Fund and Welfare Rights support. This has increased the contacts to Welfare Rights by 50%. These contacts range from maximising benefits to supporting families that are experiencing debt.</p>	155
Total New Pressures for 2021/22	155

Creating a Safe and Sustainable Place for Future Generations	New Pressures 2021/22
	£'000
Non-Statutory/Discretionary Charges Reversal of the proposal to increase charges for Bereavement Services, Regulatory Services and Pitches.	35
Total New Pressures for 2021/22	35

Organised to Deliver	New Pressures 2021/22
	£'000
Local Government Digital Office Contribution to national scheme to fund the Local Government Digital Office (LGDO). The LGDO delivers a national Digital Programme Office for all 32 local authorities and provides a collaboration space for sharing best practice as well as leading activities across research, planning and commonality of approach.	25
Corporate Procurement Maintain existing capacity within Corporate Procurement to support Services in ensuring the Council's procurement activity is legally compliant; market aware; maximises the level of community benefits available and is focused on securing best value. This function also support procurement on both Revenue and Capital expenditure.	97
Support for Digital Continuation of funding to support the roll out of Digital Workplace including homeworking and Office 365. This will deliver the digital skills support needed to ensure our staff have the confidence and know-how required to exploit digital change and will provide continued support for Live Event meetings.	160
Total New Pressures for 2021/22	282

Giving Every Child the Best Start in Life	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
No new savings for Giving Every Child the Best Start in Life		
Total New Savings for 2021/22	0	0.0

Developing Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Property Energy Provision for energy prices reduced based on up to date Scottish Procurement predictions net of energy efficiency measures. Total budget £4.6m <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	150	0.0
Property Maintenance Provision for contract inflation of 1.6% decreased from 2.5% across planned and reactive maintenance contracts. Total budget £4m. <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	35	0.0

Developing Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
<p>Inflation on Investment In Learning Programme (IIL)</p> <p>IIL is the shorthand reference used for the 6 community campuses across Perth and Kinross. There is an annual inflationary increase in the operational costs of the programme.</p> <p>Projected RPI inflation for 2021/22 is 1.9% decreased from 2.5% (£99,000 reduction).</p> <p><u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None</p>	99	0.0
<p>Property Costs</p> <p>The total budget for Property Costs is currently £9.6m.</p> <p>Revised inflation rates for Rates 2% decreased from 3% and Ground Maintenance 1.6% decreased from 2.3% resulting in a (£72,000) reduction.</p> <p><u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None</p>	72	0.0

Developing Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Home to School Transport The provision of Home to School Transport is the statutory responsibility of ECS where pupils live more than the prescribed distance from school. The current budget for Home to School Transport is approximately £8m. Inflation is estimated at 1.6% decreased from 2.1% for 2021/22 (£61,000) reduction. <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	61	0.0

Developing Educated, Responsible and Informed Citizens	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Review of Service Level Agreements - Adult Learning Proposed reduction is across an £88,000 budget of Service Level Agreements with partners including Fife College, Perth College, Church Action for the Homeless. Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: This funding supports adult learners to develop the literacy skills required to find and retain employment. Workforce: There are no workforce implications Customer: Whilst a budget reduction is proposed, the SLA review will enable a stronger shared focus across partners on priority target groups, and specifically Perth and Kinross residents, who require learning support in an economic context where job opportunities will be scarcer. Equalities/Diversity: An EQIA will be completed as part of the SLA review to ensure priority target groups are clearly identified and new SLAs clearly defined to support these priority groups. Outcome and Performance: New SLA performance targets will be agreed with partners including evaluation to assess the long-term impact on adult learners in finding and retaining employment. A Commissioning Panel will oversee performance monitoring and determine annual SLA targets.	20	0.0
Total New Savings for 2021/22	437	0.0

Promoting a Prosperous, Inclusive and Sustainable Economy	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Public Transport - Tendered Services Provision for contract inflation for 2021/22 of 1.6% decreased from 3.5% on subsidised local bus service contracts. Total budget £2.1m. <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	55	0.0
Total New Savings for 2021/22	55	0.0

Supporting People to Lead Independent, Healthy and Active Lives	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Community Greenspace - Contract Inflation Provision for contract inflation of 1.6% from 2.5% on community greenspace planned and reactive maintenance contracts. Total maintenance budget £1m. <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	10	0.0
Total New Savings for 2021/22	10	0.0

Creating a Safe and Sustainable Place for Future Generations	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Operations - Fuel Remove provision for fuel price increase previously 5% in 2021/22 across all activities. Total budget £1.1m. <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	50	0.0
Winter Maintenance - Contract Inflation Provision for contract inflation reduced to 1.6% from 2.5% in 2021/22. Total budget £3.7m. <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	30	0.0

Creating a Safe and Sustainable Place for Future Generations	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Waste Disposal - Contract Inflation Provision for contract inflation reduced to 1.6% from 2.5% on waste disposal contracts and 3% from 3.5% on Landfill Tax rates in line with Government projections. Total budget £5.5m. Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	50	0.0
Roads, Structures, Traffic & Network - Contract Inflation Provision for contract inflation reduced to 1.6% from 2.5% across all roads related planned and reactive maintenance contracts. Total maintenance budget £3.2m. Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	25	0.0

Creating a Safe and Sustainable Place for Future Generations	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
Pullar House Provision for contract inflation reduced to 1.6% from 2.5% in Pullar House PFI contract. Total budget £2.4m. <u>Impact Analysis and Risk Assessment</u> Promote Fairness/Reduce Inequality/Address Socio Economic Disadvantage: None Workforce: None Customer: None Equalities/Diversity: None Outcome and Performance: None	20	0.0
Total New Savings for 2021/22	175	0.0

Organised to Deliver	New Savings 2021/22	Staffing Implication 2021/22
	£'000	FTE
No new savings for Organised to Deliver		
Total New Savings for 2021/22	0	0.0