

Budget Carry Forward Request 2012/13

Head of Service :	Jim Carrington West
Budget description :	Asset Maintenance
Type of expenditure:	Revenue
Cost Centre code :	YMKA*
Budget unspent at 31/3/13:	£27,813
Amount requested for carry forward:	£27,813

Reason for request, including the benefits of this expenditure, why the budget was not spent in 2012/13 and timescales for expenditure in 2013/14:

The money was not spent in 2012/13 due to the weather sensitive nature of the works to the roof dormers. Sustained wet and cold weather meant that the specialist roofing product could not be applied.

The works have continued in April and May 2013 and they are essential to keep the office building watertight.

Implications of not carrying forward this budget (e.g. impact on achievement of performance targets, etc):

Insufficient budget in 2013/14 to complete the essential works.

Inability to maintain assets to appropriate standards with potential for increased expenditure on maintenance.

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Head of Service : Jim Carrington-West
Budget description : Licensing Partnership IT Hub Costs
Type of expenditure: Revenue
Cost Centre code : XAXJHUB 56900 9999
Budget unspent at 31/3/13: £7,253
Amount requested for carry forward: £7,253

Reason for request, including the benefits of this expenditure, why the budget was not spent in 2012/13 and timescales for expenditure in 2013/14 :

The introduction of online forms for Licensing applications is a project that was scheduled for 2012/13 but has been delayed due to establishing a reliable supplier of the product and shortages in available resources within the Licensing Team. Initial investigations have been carried out culminating in scoping discussions with a preferred supplier – Victoria Forms. The company has submitted a proposal with budgetary costings and is deemed to be a fit for purpose solution by both the Licensing and IT sections. Implementation is now scheduled to take place in the first half of 2013/14.

Implications of not carrying forward this budget (e.g. impact on achievement of performance targets, etc):

The implementation of these forms will reduce the work required by the administration team for the Licensing Partnership. It is therefore anticipated that in the latter half of the financial year the level of the resource within the administration team can be reviewed with the intention of either taking on additional work/revenue streams or reducing the level of resource.

Should we be unable to fund the implementation of this project the additional income/reduction in resource will not be realised.

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Head of Service:	Richard Wilson
Budget description:	Vehicle Replacement Fund
Type of expenditure:	Capital
Cost Centre code:	YLLP
Budget unspent at 31/3/13:	£572,102
Amount requested for carry forward:	£572,102

Reason for request, including the benefits of this expenditure, why the budget was not spent in 2012/13 and timescales for expenditure in 2013/14:

The annual vehicle replacement programme is supported by a rolling, self-renewing capital fund. Expenditure on vehicles is repaid through depreciation payments made to the Vehicle Replacement Fund (VRF) over the life of each vehicle. Slippage in expenditure in any one year keeps the balance in the VRF higher, which should remain available for expenditure in the following year.

The agreed vehicle replacement programme for 2012/13 required estimated expenditure of £350,000. Actual spend total in 2012/13 after vehicle disposal credits amounts to £271,677. The slippage primarily results from deferment of purchases from 12/13 to 13/14 and savings realised through purchase of used rather than new freighters. Purchases deferred are a street cleaning tipper, a used pest control vehicle (service subject to further review) and also retro-fitting of vehicle tracking equipment, which is subject to evaluation of the most suitable cost effective system to meet our requirements. The Portfolio-holder has agreed the planned vehicle replacement expenditure and timescales for 2013/14.

Implications of not carrying forward this budget (e.g. impact on achievement of performance targets, etc):

The annual vehicle replacement programme underpins the on-going delivery of efficient services that are generally highly regarded by residents. These services have challenging performance targets and the rolling vehicle replacement is crucial to continuous improvement of each service.

The Council also has an obligation to reduce carbon emissions including those from its commercial vehicle fleet. The Vehicle Replacement Fund allows for purchase of

cleaner, fuel-efficient vehicles, manufactured to meet ever higher European emissions standards, so reducing fuel costs and vehicle emissions as well as ensuring the commercial fleet remains operationally effective.