Changes to the 10-Year Budget

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		Budget	Per	
	2024/25	Total	Annum	
	Impact	Impact	Impact	Comments
Growth/Additional Expenditure	£000	£000	£000	
Savings target built into budget	100	1,000	100	Annual savings assumption included in the 10-year budget.
April 2023 pay award	760	8,322	832	Current employers offer would cost £750,000 in 2023/24.
April 2024 pay award	188	2,060	206	Unknown but this reflects a 1% increase above the current assumption.
Apprenticeship levy	100	,000	200	Current growth SCIA for £55,000 ends after 2023/24 but the Government scheme is expected to continue. Future growth
Apprentices in levy	40	400	40	item reduced to £40,000 as assumed £15,000 could be removed from staff training budget.
Utility costs	180	500	50	Current growth SCIA of £180,000 only included for 2023/24. Assume this increase reduces over time.
Property Investment Strategy				Not currently achieving the budgeted income levels from properties held. A separate Property Investment Strategy
	150	1,500	150	Update report will be included in the budget process.
Direct Services				Agency staff required to deliver current service levels noting continuing high levels of refuse and recycling quantities.
				Vehicle costs and income issues should improve. Initially £600,000 but assumed that actions will be agreed to reduce
	600	2,500	250	future costs.
Homelessness				
				Current growth SCIA of £300,000 ends after 2023/24. A lot of work has been carried out so that the extra cost in 2024/25
	150	150	15	is estimated to be reduced to £150,000 with further actions to remove the extra cost completely from 2025/26.
Leisure provider change				Initial estimate of 2 year interim provider of £1.83m (as per report to Council). Updates on operator performance will be
				provided during the budget process to provide a basis for revised figures. The amounts here reflect the reimbursement of
	183	1,830	183	the reserve.
Markets: new contracts from 01/04/23				
	77	5	1	New contracts from April 2024. Assumed that the number of stalls at Swanley Sunday market gradually increases.
Growth/Additional Expenditure Total	2,428	18,267	1,827	
Savings/Additional Income	£000	£000	£000	
Quercus 7 dividend				Increase from £50,000 to £60,000 from 2024/25. Scope to increase further but Q7 then unable to build funds for further
	- 10	- 100	- 10	investment.
Council Tax: Premium Unoccupied Properties	- 12	- 132	- 13	Provisionally agreed by Council in February 2023. Starts on 01/04/24.
Council Tax: Second Homes Premium				Provisionally agreed by Council in February 2023. Start delayed until 01/04/25 due to Government legislation
	-	- 591	- 59	requirements.
Fees and Charges				Implementation of review. Assume that this will deliver an additional £200,000 of income per annum after allowing for
	- 200	- 2,000	- 200	the inflation assumption.
Interest receipts				This budget was increased by £100,000 for 4 years from 2023/24. Current receipts suggest that it can be increased further
	- 44	- 440	- 44	but note expected reduction in balances and fluctuations in interest rates.
Govt settlement: Funding Guarantee	- 912	- 912	- 91	Latest suggestion from Government is that this funding will continue in 2024/25 only.
Govt Settlement: Services Grant	- 90	- 90	- 9	Latest suggestion from Government is that this funding will continue in 2024/25 only.
Govt settlement: Rolled in Grants	- 75	- 75	- 8	Latest suggestion from Government is that this funding will continue in 2024/25.
	252			Include the expected extra retained income in 2024/25 only instead of transferring it to the Budget Stabilisation Reserve
Business Rates Retention Pool	- 250	- 250	- 25	as has previously been the case.
Savings/Additional Income Total	- 1,593	- 4,590	- 459	
	0.05	42.075	1.000	
NET TOTAL	835	13,677	1,368	