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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	1	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Judith Blake
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a. A reduction of £750k in the Strategic budget through reducing the budgeted contribution to the Council’s general reserve.
- b. An increase of £180k to the Communities and Environment directorate to fund an increase in the budget for Community Committees.
- c. An increase of £240k in the Parks and Countryside budget within the Communities and Environment directorate.
- d. An increase of £330k in Public Health budget within the Adults and Health directorate.



Councillor Judith Blake

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	2	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction of £240k to the Strategic budget through a reduction to the cost of full time trade union convenors.
- b) An increase of £240k in the Communities and Environment budget to fund the cessation of charges for inert waste.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

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Amendment to the Budget Motion	3	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An increase in the Adults and Health budget of £1m through a contribution from the NHS to support adult social care.
- b) Increased expenditure of £1m on Neighbourhood Networks within the Adults and Health budget.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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Amendment to the Budget Motion	4	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A decrease of £330k in the City Development budget through a reduction in the Cultural Legacy budget.
- b) An increase of £330k in the Communities and Environment budget to fund the implementation of two new rounds for the kerbside collection of food waste.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	5	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction in the Resources and Housing directorate budget of £240k to be achieved through the implementation of efficiencies in the revenue spending on back office IT systems.
- b) An increase of £240k in the Communities and Environment budget to implement kerbside glass collection to 24k properties.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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Amendment to the Budget Motion	6	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An increase of £1m in the City Development budget to fund the creation of a cultural legacy for the City. This will be funded through a contribution from the Leeds City Region Business Rates Pool.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	7	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction in the Strategic Budget as a result of a £750k reduction in the budgeted contribution to the Council's general reserve.
- b) A £750k reduction in the Strategic Budget resulting from an increment freeze for all staff on PO grades and above.
- c) An increase of £1.5m in the High Needs block of the Schools Budget to resource Funding for Inclusion (FFI).'



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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Amendment to the Budget Motion	8	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction of £100k to the Strategic Budget to reflect the part year savings from the withdrawal of double time overtime rates and replace them with time and a half.
- b) An increase in the City Development budget of £100k to fund planning enforcement prosecutions.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	9	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) Transfer responsibility for the management of the £450k Housing Advisory Panel discretionary budget in the Housing Revenue Account to Community Committees.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	10	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A decrease of £50k in the City Development budget through a reduction in the Cultural Legacy budget.
- b) A reduction of £50k in the Strategic Budget through a reduction to the cost of full time trade union convenors
- c) A reduction of £150k to the Strategic Budget to reflect the part year savings from the withdrawal of double time overtime rates, replacing them with time and a half.
- d) An increase to the Communities and Environment budget of £250k to fund an increase in the Wellbeing budget that is managed by the Community Committees.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	11	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction of £110k to the Resources and Housing directorate budget to be achieved through the implementation of efficiencies in the revenue spending on back office IT systems.
- b) A reduction of £75k in the City Development budget due to a reduction in energy costs as a result of fitting LED lights to street lighting columns.
- c) An increase of £185k to the City Development budget to fund the prudential borrowing costs of putting LED lights onto street lighting columns.'

In 7 (iii) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a. An injection of £3.2m into the capital programme, to be funded through additional borrowing, to invest in LED street lighting.'



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	12	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction of £19k to the Strategic Budget to fund the prudential borrowing costs of investment in a rent to buy housing company model.
- b) An increase of £19k to the Strategic Budget funded by repayment from the Local Housing Company.'

In 7 (iii) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection of £500k into the capital programme, to be funded through additional borrowing, to invest in a rent to buy housing company model.'



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	13	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (iii) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection into the capital programme of £1.5m for an additional highways maintenance programme to be funded through the re-phasing of the Capital Programme and additional asset sales.'



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	14	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An increase to the Housing Revenue Account of £400k through the realisation of discounts from early payment to suppliers.
- b) A reduction to the Housing Revenue Account budget through the removal of charges to self-payers for the Sheltered Warden service.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	15	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction of £100k to the Strategic budget to reflect the part year savings from the withdrawal of double time overtime rates, replacing them with time and a half.
- b) An increase of £100k to the City Development budget to fund the clearing of snow and ice on highways, especially around schools.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	16	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Andrew Carter
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (iii) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection into the capital programme of £250k for grants for the provision of more changing place facilities for people with profound and multiple disabilities, to be funded through the re-phasing of the Capital Programme.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	17	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Andrew Carter
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction in the Strategic budget as a result of a £100k reduction in the budgeted contribution to the Council’s general reserve.
- b) An increase of £100k in the Communities and Environment budget to create an earmarked reserve to deal with fly tipping.’



Councillor Andrew Carter

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	18	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Stewart Golton
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction in the Strategic Budget of £914k by freezing increments for all staff.
- b) An increase of £200k to the Adults and Health budget to fund the establishment of social care community assurance panels
- c) An increase of £318k to the Adults and Health directorate to fund Admiral Nurses.
- d) An increase of £396k in the Strategic budget to reflect the impact of introducing a rate relief scheme for local pharmacies.'



Councillor Stewart Golton

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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COUNCIL MEETING – 21st FEBRUARY 2018

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	19	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Stewart Golton
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction in the Strategic Budget as a result of a £29k reduction in the budgeted contribution to the Council's general reserve.
- b) A reduction of £400k in the Strategic Budget of £400k by freezing increments for all staff.
- c) An increase of £29k to the Children and Families directorate budget to fund the prudential borrowing costs of building a residential home for children and young adults with complex needs.
- d) An increase of £400k in the Children and Families budget to provide sanitary products to school children, for the alleviation of period poverty.'

In 7 (iii) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection of £1.6m into the capital programme in respect of the provision of a new residential centre for children and young people with high level complex needs.'



Councillor Stewart Golton

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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COUNCIL MEETING – 21st FEBRUARY 2018

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	20	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Stewart Golton
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (iii) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection of £50k into the Capital Programme for additional signage at Merrion House, to reflect a change in its name to Alice Bacon House, funded through re-phasing of the Capital Programme.’



Councillor Stewart Golton

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	21	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Stewart Golton
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A reduction of £223k to the Strategic budget to be achieved through a reduction in the cost of full-time Trade Union Convenors.
- b) A reduction in the Strategic Budget as a result of a £1,727k in the budgeted contribution to the Council's general reserve.
- c) A reduction of £264k to the Strategic budget through a pay freeze to all staff earning above £50k.
- d) A reduction of £374k in the Strategic budget by freezing increments for all staff.
- e) A reduction of £1,076k in Section 106 balances which are held within the City Development directorate.
- f) An increase of £186k to the Communities and Environment directorate budget to fund the prudential borrowing costs of the Anaerobic Digester capital scheme in 2018/19.
- g) An increase of £240k in the Communities and Environment budget to fund the cessation of charges for the disposal of inert waste.
- h) An increase of £3,000k to the Communities and Environment budget £3,000k to fund the expansion of the kerbside collection of food waste city wide.
- i) An increase of £238k to the Communities and Environment budget to fund the kerbside collection of glass from 24k properties.'

In 7 (iii) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection of £4.29m into the capital programme in respect of the development and implementation of an Anaerobic Digester.'



Councillor Stewart Golton

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Amendment to the Budget Motion	22	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Stewart Golton
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (iii) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection of £500k in to the Capital Programme to establish a Local Housing Company by providing a capital grant funded from Commuted Sums.’



Councillor Stewart Golton

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	23	16/2/18	16/2/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Robert Finnigan
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7(i) after the words 'be approved' add 'subject to amendment to the council's budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7(ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An increase of £150k in the Strategic Budget for the Council's MICE (Members Improvement in the Community and Environment) scheme.
- b) A reduction of £240k in the Resources and Housing budget to reflect a 31% reduction in the Special Responsibility Allowances paid to Members.
- c) An increase in the Communities and Environment budget of £240k to fund the cessation of charges for the disposal of inert waste.
- d) A reduction in the Communities and Environment budget of £300k by reducing officer support to Community Committees.
- e) An increase in the Strategic Budget of £150k for a revenue contribution to capital to the Council's Ward Based Initiative (WBI) scheme in the Capital Programme.'



Councillor Robert Finnigan

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by: n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	24	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor David Blackburn
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (iii) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection into the Capital Programme of £1m for additional works on collapsed gullies to be funded from the re phasing of the Capital Programme.’



Councillor David Blackburn

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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COUNCIL MEETING – 21st FEBRUARY 2018

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	25	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor David Blackburn
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (iii) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An injection into the 2018/19 capital programme of £150k for 500 replacement litter bins to be funded from the re-phasing of the capital programme.’



Councillor David Blackburn

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

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NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	26	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor David Blackburn
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7(ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a. A reduction of £214k in the Resources and Housing Budget from a 28% reduction in Special Responsibility Allowances for members
- b. A reduction of £139k in the Resources and Housing Budget from a 9% reduction in basic allowances for members
- c. A reduction of £749k in the Strategic Budget to reflect the half year impact of a 5% reduction in salaries above PO6 or equivalent
- d. Within the Communities and Environment budget implement a 50p price increase at Woodhouse Lane car park which will generate £130k in income
- e. An increase of £180k in the Communities and Environment Directorate to fund an increase to the Community Committees Wellbeing budgets
- f. An increase of £165k to the Communities and Environment budget representing an increase to the budget of Community Committees to fund local environmental projects
- g. An increase of £250k to the Communities and Environment budget for Community Committees to fund the additional investment in the Neighbourhood Improvement Partnerships
- h. An increase of £500k to the Communities and Environment budget to fund additional investment in local parks and cemeteries
- i. An increase of £137k in the Communities and Environment budget to provide additional resources for the Youth Activities Fund.’



Councillor David Blackburn

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

Budget Amendments - 10.00 am on Friday 16th February 2018

(All submissions should be made to Governance Services for receipt to be recorded and distribution made)

COUNCIL MEETING – 21st FEBRUARY 2018

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	27	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	David Blackburn
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer – Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate.

- a) A reduction in the Strategic budget through reducing the budgeted contribution to the Council's General Reserve by £756k.
- b) An increase of £150k in the Communities and Environment budget to fund the cessation of charges for the bulky collection service.
- c) An increase of £240k in the Communities and Environment budget to fund the cessation of charges for inert waste.
- d) An increase of £366k to the Communities and Environment budget to fund additional investment in local Streetscene Services.’



Councillor David Blackburn

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

Budget Amendments - 10.00 am on Friday 16th February 2018

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COUNCIL MEETING – 21st FEBRUARY 2018

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	28	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Mark Dobson
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An increase of £240k in the Communities and Environment Budget to fund the cessation of charges for inert waste
- b) An increase of £150k in the Communities and Environment Budget to fund the cessation of charges for the bulky collection service.
- c) An increase of £150k in the Communities and Environment budget to fund the cessation of charges for replacement bins.
- d) A reduction of £150k to the Communities and Environment budget by reducing the promotion and marketing budget in Waste Management.
- e) A reduction in the Strategic Budget as a result of a £390k reduction in the budgeted contribution to the Council’s Invest to Save Reserve.’



Councillor Mark Dobson

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

Budget Amendments - 10.00 am on Friday 16th February 2018

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COUNCIL MEETING – 21st FEBRUARY 2018

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	29	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by: Councillor Mark Dobson
 Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel: Executive Board
 Executive Member/Chair: Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) An increase of £100k in the Adults and Health budget to undertake a feasibility study to develop a business case to bring Dementia Residential Care back in house.
- b) A reduction of £36k in the Resources and Housing budget, by allowing no inflationary increases on Members allowances.
- c) A reduction in the Strategic Budget as a result of a £64k reduction in the budgeted contribution to the Council’s Invest to Save Reserve.’



Councillor Mark Dobson

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

Budget Amendments - 10.00 am on Friday 16th February 2018

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COUNCIL MEETING – 21st FEBRUARY 2018

NOTICE OF:	Reference No:	Date Received:	Date Forwarded:
Amendment to the Budget Motion	30	16/02/18	16/02/18

Submitted by:	Councillor Mark Dobson
Relevant Board/Regulatory Panel:	Executive Board
Executive Member/Chair:	Chief Officer - Financial Services

In 7 (i) after the words ‘be approved’ add ‘subject to amendment to the council’s budget for 2018/19 as set out below and adjustments to the figures at 7 (ii) 2 a to f and accompanying tables as appropriate

- a) A decrease in the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget of £125k through non implementation of the £2 per week increase in service charges for tenants in Sheltered Housing.
- b) An increase in the Housing Revenue Account budget of £125k through a reduction in the budgeted revenue contribution to the HRA Capital programme.’



Councillor Mark Dobson

* Director to provide a copy of draft reply to Kevin Tomkinson, Governance Services by n/a

Deadlines for submission

Budget Amendments - 10.00 am on Friday 16th February 2018

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Report of the Chief Officer –Financial Services

Report to Council

Date: 21st February 2018

Subject: Revenue Budget 2018/19– Labour Amendment

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report provides Members of Council with comments on the robustness of the proposals contained in the amendment to the budget motion in the name of Councillor Judith Blake.

2. Robustness of the budget

- 2.1 The Local Government Act (Part II) 2003 places a requirement on the Council that when making decisions on the setting of the council's budget and the council tax, they must consider a report from the council's statutory finance officer (the Chief Officer - Financial Services) on the robustness of the budget and the adequacy of reserves within the proposals. The report of the Chief Officer - Financial Services at item 7 (i) on the council summons includes at section 12 comments to this effect in respect of the proposed budget motion.
- 2.2. Given this requirement, in considering any proposed amendment to the budget motion, members must also consider the comments of the Chief Officer - Financial Services on the robustness of the proposal. These comments supplement those contained in the main report.

3. Proposed amendments

- 3.1 Councillor Blake's amendment to the budget motion set out her proposals showing areas of additional spend and the source of funding which are largely self explanatory.
- 3.2 Should this budget amendment be approved, they will be subject to the Council's procedures for further consultation and will need to be informed by equality impact assessments as appropriate.
- 3.3 The budget amendment will reduce the overall level of General Reserves available to the Council to £20.2m. However the revised level of reserves are considered to be adequate to meet identified risks.

4. Overall conclusion

The budget motion to Council reflects a significant reduction in funding and cost pressures and as such contains savings proposals which carry varying degrees of risk. This is set out in sections 6 and 7 of the main revenue budget report and in each of the specific directorate reports attached.

In conclusion, the amendment to the budget motion in the name of Cllr Judith Blake will not materially impact on the overall robustness of the Council's estimates for 2018/19 or the adequacy of its general fund reserves as at 31st March 2019.

Report of the Chief Officer – Financial Services

Report to Council

Date: 21st February 2018

Subject: Revenue budget 2018/19 – Conservative Amendments

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report provides Members of Council with comments on the robustness of the proposals contained in the amendments to the budget motion in the name of Councillor Andrew Carter.

2. Robustness of the budget

- 2.1 The Local Government Act (Part II) 2003 places a requirement on the Council that when making decisions on the setting of the council's budget and the council tax, they must consider a report from the council's statutory finance officer (the Chief Officer - Financial Services) on the robustness of the budget and the adequacy of reserves within the proposals. The report of the Chief Officer – Financial Services at item 7 (i) on the council summons includes at section 12 comments to this effect in respect of the proposed budget motion.
- 2.2. Given this requirement, in considering any proposed amendment to the budget motion, members must also consider the comments of the Chief Officer – Financial Services on the robustness of the proposals. These comments supplement those contained in the main report.

3. Proposed amendments

- 3.1 Councillor Andrew Carter's amendments to the budget motion set out his proposals showing areas of additional spend and the sources of funding which are largely self-explanatory. In considering these amendments, the Deputy Chief Executive would wish members of Council to be aware of the following:
- (a) Amendments 2, 7, 8, 10 and 15 propose a reduction in the funding of full-time Trade Union Conveners, a freeze on all increments for Principal Officers and equivalent and above and ceasing the payment of overtime at double-time rates. These form part of employees' terms and conditions of employment that can only be achieved either through collective agreement with the Trade Unions or through the dismissal and re-engagement of staff on new contracts of employment. The amendments assume that they could be achieved within a six month timescale.
 - (b) Amendments 5 and 11 collectively propose a reduction of £425k to the Resources and Housing directorate budget to be achieved through the implementation of efficiencies in the revenue spending on back-office IT systems. It is uncertain at this stage as to what impact this level of reduction would have on service delivery.
 - (c) Amendment 12 proposes an injection of £0.5m into the capital programme, to be funded through additional borrowing, to invest in a rent to buy housing company model. The detailed governance arrangements underpinning this proposal would need to be in place before implementation.
 - (d) Amendment 3 seeks a contribution of £1m from the NHS to support adult social care. The additional spend on Neighbourhood Networks should not be committed until the contribution has been secured.
 - (e) Amendment 6 seeks a contribution of £1m from the Leeds City Region Business Rates Pool to fund the creation of a cultural legacy for the city. Receipt of this contribution will be the subject of a bid to the Pool and additional spend should not be incurred until the contribution has been secured.
 - (f) A number of savings and spending proposals in the various amendments are interdependent which creates additional risks to the budget. Where possible, this risk should be managed by not committing to the additional spend until the additional savings have been realised.
 - (g) Amendment 14 assumes the realisation of discounts from the early payment of invoices. Further work will be required to identify which suppliers are prepared to offer discounts on early payment. Any variation to the budgeted level of discounts will have to be funded through HRA reserves.
- 3.2 Should these budget amendments be approved, they will be subject to the council's procedures for further consultation and will need to be informed by equality impact assessments as appropriate.
- 3.3 Budget amendments 7 and 17 will reduce the overall level of general reserves available to the Council to £20.15m. However the revised level of reserves are considered to be adequate to meet the identified risks.

4. Overall conclusion

The budget motion to Council reflects a significant reduction in funding and cost pressures and as such contains savings proposals which carry varying degrees of risk. This is set out in section 6 and 7 of the main revenue budget report and in each of the specific directorate reports attached.

In conclusion, whilst the proposals in the amendments will collectively increase the risks associated with the delivery of the council's budget, the amendments to the budget motion in the name of Cllr Andrew Carter will not materially impact on the overall robustness of the council's budget for 2018/19 or the adequacy of its general fund reserves as at 31st March 2019.

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Report of the Chief Officer - Financial Services

Report to Council

DATE: 21st February 2018

Subject: Revenue budget 2018/19 – Liberal Democrat Amendments

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report provides members of Council with comments on the robustness of the proposals contained in the amendments to the budget motion in the name of Councillor Stewart Golton.

2. Robustness of the budget

- 2.1 The Local Government Act (Part II) 2003 places a requirement on the Council that when making decisions on the setting of the council's budget and the council tax, they must consider a report from the council's statutory finance officer (the Chief Officer – Financial Services) on the robustness of the budget and the adequacy of reserves within the proposals. The report of the Chief Officer – Financial Services at item 7(i) on the council summons includes at section 12 comments to this effect in respect of the proposed budget motion.
- 2.2. Given this requirement, in considering any proposed amendment to the budget motion, members must also consider the comments of the Chief Officer – Financial Services on the robustness of the proposals. These comments supplement those contained in the main report.

3. Proposed amendments

- 3.1 Councillor Golton's amendments to the budget motion set out his proposals showing areas of additional spend and the sources of funding which are largely self-

explanatory. In considering these amendments, the Chief Officer – Financial Services would wish members of Council to be aware of the following:

- a) Amendments 18, 19 and 21 propose a reduction in the funding of full-time trade union conveners, a freeze on increments for all staff and freezing of inflationary uplifts for all staff earning above £50k per annum. These form part of employees' terms and conditions of employment that can only be achieved either through collective agreement with the trade unions or through the dismissal and re-engagement of staff on new contracts of employment. The amendments assume that they could be achieved within a six month timescale.
- b) Amendment 21 proposes an injection of £13.5m into the capital programme for an anaerobic digester to be funded through prudential borrowing. Of this, £4.29m would be phased into the 2018/19 programme. At this stage, the £13.5m cost is based on preliminary estimates and therefore would be subject to the development of a more detailed business case including an assessment of value for money and procurement.
- c) Amendment 19 proposes an injection of £1.6m, funded by prudential borrowing, into the capital programme in respect of the provision of a new residential home for children and young people with high level complex needs. At this stage the £1.6m cost is based on preliminary estimates and therefore would be subject to the development of a more detailed business case including an assessment of value for money and procurement.
- d) Amendment 22 requires the application of commuted sums to establish a Local Housing Company. The detailed governance arrangements underpinning this proposal would need to be in place before implementation.
- e) Amendment 21 requires the use of Section 106 balances. Further work will be required to ensure that any legal requirements are satisfied e.g. clawback and this also creates an obligation in future years as the Council will be required to identify the resources to meet expenditure commitments that would previously have been funded through Section 106 balances.
- f) A number of savings and spending proposals in the various amendments are interdependent which creates additional risks to the budget. Where possible, this risk should be managed by not committing to the additional spend until the additional savings have been realised.

3.2 Should these budget amendments be approved, they will be subject to the council's procedures for further consultation and will need to be informed by equality impact assessments as appropriate.

3.3 The budget amendments 19 and 21 will reduce the overall level of general reserves to £19.2m. However the revised level of reserves are considered to be adequate to meet the identified risks.

4. Overall conclusion

The budget motion to Council reflects a significant reduction in funding and cost pressures and as such contains savings proposals which carry varying degrees of

risk. This is set out in section 6 and 7 of the main budget report and in each of the specific directorate reports attached.

In conclusion, whilst the proposals in this amendment will increase the risks associated with the delivery of the council's budget, the amendments to the budget motion in the name of Cllr Stewart Golton will not materially impact on the overall robustness of the council's budget for 2018/19 or the adequacy of its general fund reserves as at 31st March 2019.

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Report of the Chief Officer - Financial Services

Report to Council

Date: 21st February 2018

Subject: Revenue budget 2018/19 – Morley Independents Amendment

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report provides Members of Council with comments on the robustness of the proposals contained in the amendment to the budget motion in the name of Councillor Robert Finnigan.

2. Robustness of the budget

- 2.1 The Local Government Act (Part II) 2003 places a requirement on the Council that when making decisions on the setting of the council's budget and the council tax, they must consider a report from the council's statutory finance officer (the Chief Officer – Financial Services) on the robustness of the budget and the adequacy of reserves within the proposals. The report of the Chief Officer – Financial Services at item 7 (i) on the council summons includes at section 12 comments to this effect in respect of the proposed budget motion.
- 2.2. Given this requirement, in considering any proposed amendment to the budget motion, members must also consider the comments of the Chief Officer – Financial Services on the robustness of the proposals. These comments supplement those contained in the main report.

3. Proposed amendment

- 3.1 Councillor Finnigan's amendment to the budget motion sets out his proposals showing areas of additional spend and the sources of funding which are largely self-explanatory.
- 3.1 The amendment includes savings and spending proposals which are interdependent and which create additional risks to the budget. Where possible this risk should be managed by not committing to the additional spend until the additional savings have been realised.
- 3.2 Should this budget amendment be approved, it will be subject to the council's procedures for further consultation and will need to be informed by equality impact assessments as appropriate.
- 3.3 The budget amendment does not have any impact on the Council's general reserve.

4. Overall conclusion

The budget motion to council reflects a number of cost pressures and as such contains savings proposals which carry varying degrees of risk. This is set out in section 6 and 7 of the main revenue budget report and in each of the specific directorate reports attached.

In conclusion, the amendment to the budget motion in the name of Cllr Robert Finnigan will not materially impact on the overall robustness of the council's budget for 2018/19 or the adequacy of its general fund reserve as at 31st March 2019.

Report of the Chief Officer – Financial Services

Report to Council

Date: 21st February 2018

Subject: Revenue Budget 2018/19– Greens Amendments

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report provides Members of Council with comments on the robustness of the proposals contained in the amendments to the budget motion in the name of Councillor David Blackburn.

2. Robustness of the budget

- 2.1 The Local Government Act (Part II) 2003 places a requirement on the Council that when making decisions on the setting of the council's budget and the council tax, they must consider a report from the council's statutory finance officer (the Chief Officer - Financial Services) on the robustness of the budget and the adequacy of reserves within the proposals. The report of the Chief Officer - Financial Services at item 7 (i) on the council summons includes at section 12 comments to this effect in respect of the proposed budget motion.
- 2.2. Given this requirement, in considering any proposed amendment to the budget motion, members must also consider the comments of the Chief Officer - Financial Services on the robustness of the proposals. These comments supplement those contained in the main report.

3. Proposed amendments

- 3.1 Councillor Blackburn's amendments to the budget motion set out his proposals showing areas of additional spend and the sources of funding which are largely self explanatory. In considering these amendments, the Chief Officer - Financial Services would wish members of Council to be aware of the following:
- (a) Amendment 26 proposes a 5% reduction in salaries in salaries above PO6 and equivalent which will impact of employees' terms and conditions of employment which can only be achieved either through collective agreement with the trade unions or through dismissal and engagement of staff on new contracts of employment. The amendment assumes that this could be achieved within a six month timescale.
 - (b) A number of savings and spending proposals in the amendments are interdependent which creates additional risks to the budget. Where possible, these risks should be managed by not committing to the additional spend until the additional savings have been realised.
- 3.2 Should these budget amendments be approved, they will be subject to the council's procedures for further consultation and will need to be informed by equality impact assessments as appropriate.
- 3.3 The budget amendment 27 will reduce the overall level of General Reserves available to the Council to £20.2m. However the revised level of reserves are considered to be adequate to meet identified risks.

4. Overall conclusion

The budget motion to Council reflects a significant reduction in funding and cost pressures and as such contains savings proposals which carry varying degrees of risk. This is set out in sections 6 and 7 of the main revenue budget report and in each of the specific directorate reports attached.

In conclusion, whilst the proposals in these amendments will increase the risks associated with the delivery of the council's budget, the amendments to the budget motion in the name of Cllr David Blackburn will not materially impact on the overall robustness of the Council's estimates for 2018/19 or the adequacy of its general fund reserves as at 31st March 2019.

Report of the Chief Officer – Financial Services

Report to Council

Date: 21st February 2018

Subject: Revenue budget 2018/19 – Garforth & Swillington Independent amendments

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report provides Members of Council with comments on the robustness of the proposals contained in the amendment to the budget motion in the name of Councillor Mark Dobson.

2. Robustness of the budget

- 2.1 The Local Government Act (Part II) 2003 places a requirement on the Council that when making decisions on the setting of the council's budget and the council tax, they must consider a report from the council's statutory finance officer (the Chief Officer – Financial Services) on the robustness of the budget and the adequacy of reserves within the proposals. The report of the Chief Officer – Financial Services at item 7(i) on the council summons includes at section 12 comments to this effect in respect of the proposed budget motion.
- 2.2. Given this requirement, in considering any proposed amendment to the budget motion, members must also consider the comments of the Chief Officer – Financial Services on the robustness of the proposals. These comments supplement those contained in the main report.

3. Proposed amendments

- 3.1 Councillor Dobson's amendments to the budget motion sets out his proposals showing areas of additional spend and the sources of funding which are largely self-explanatory. In considering these amendments the Chief Officer - Financial Services would wish members of Council to be aware of the following:
- (a) A proportion of amendments 28 and 29 are funded through a reduction in the budgeted contribution to the Council's Invest to Save reserve. As a result these reduce the level of resource available to the Council to invest in projects that will deliver revenue savings that will support future budget strategies.
- 3.2 The amendments include savings and spending proposals which are interdependent and which create additional risks to the budget. Where possible these risks should be managed by not committing to the additional spend until the additional savings have been realised.
- 3.3 Should these budget amendments be approved, they will be subject to the council's procedures for further consultation and will need to be informed by equality impact assessments as appropriate.
- 3.4 These budget amendments do not have any impact on the council's general reserve.

4. Overall conclusion

The budget motion to council reflects a significant reduction in funding and cost pressures and as such contains savings proposals which carry varying degrees of risk. This is set out in sections 6 and 7 of the main revenue budget report and in each of the specific directorate reports attached.

In conclusion, the amendments to the budget motion in the name of Cllr Mark Dobson will not materially impact on the overall robustness of the council's budget for 2018/19 or the adequacy of its general fund reserve as at 31st March 2019.