

Assumes £5 increase in Council Tax rates each year

Notes / Assumptions

- 1 The Lump Sum contribution in 2013/14 of £2.4million reduced the annual lump sum contribution to £565k per annum until 2017/18. The full details of the 2017 triennial valuation have not yet been published, estimates assume pension contribution rate will remain 15.5%. A capitalisation direction has been requested to make a lump sum contribution to the pension fund to mitigate the impact of the revaluation on the General Fund over the next three years.
- 2 The government announced the introduction of the Single Tier Pension from April 2016.
- 3 Contractual increase (increments) and 1% pay award in 2017/18 and each year thereafter.
- 4 Inflation based on relevant indices as per contracted arrangements.
- 5 An investment allowance of £150k per annum over the life of the New Homes Bonus.
- 6 Fees and charges inflation based on CPI+2%, however this total includes statutory fees and charges that are not subject to an annual discretionary increase (approx. 30% of total). CPI projections as per November 2016 OBR forecast of CPI. OBR forecast CPI at 2.5% at November 2017, 2.5% November 2018 and 2% at November 2019.
- 7 Specific grants and contributions largely consist of SLA and Agency agreements with other bodies. Assumed contributions will increase in line with inflation.
- 8 Figures reflect final settlement announcement in February 2016 and the proposed 4 year funding arrangement. Settlement confirmed funding level for 2016/17 and included indicative figures for the following three years through to 2019/20.
- 9 Retained business rates income expectations in line with final settlement announcement in February 2016.
- 10 New Homes Bonus based on estimate of new properties built between October and October of the previous year and a 80:20 split between the District and County and assumes an average award of £1,236 per new property (based on 16/17 allocation). Estimates provided by Planning Officers for 17/18 are based on an approved Local Plan but will need to be updated as data is published. A total of £150k per annum of the bonus is being used to provide an allowance for new investment over the life of the new homes bonus.
- 11 For 2016/17 and 2017/18, this is the Transition grant allocation within the final settlement published in February 2016.
- 12 District precept is the band D tax rate multiplied by the taxbase. The taxbase incorporates the Council Tax Reduction Scheme. An overspend on the scheme will create a deficit on the Collection Fund.
- 13 Estimated tax base increase of 1.30% for 2016/17. Assumed tax base increase of 0.5% per annum for each year thereafter and collection rate of 99%
- 14 Minimum general fund reserve balance includes an allowance for known risks and a 5% of net expenditure for unknown risks.
- 15 Special Reserve maintained to fund invest to save projects and to support unavoidable fluctuations in contract prices as contracts are renewed.