

LABOUR GROUP: Proposed amendment to BUDGET 2025/26 (REVENUE BUDGET AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY)

Proposer: Cllr Ian Albert

Seconder: Cllr Daniel Allen

To propose to include:

1. Increase Grant funding for Community Forums by £30,000 for 2025/26 only, in the light of the continued reduced support to local organisations from County Council Member Locality Budgets.
2. Set aside a contingency budget of £40k in 2025/26 that will allow cost effective feasibility work to be carried out to further assess whether there are viable options for a Learner pool at Royston Leisure Centre.
3. Having spoken with our residents, particularly in the rural communities, add an additional Community Safety Officer post at a cost of £52,000 per year from 2025/26 onwards.