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To: The Chair and Members of the Corporate

Infrastructure and Regulatory Services

**Scrutiny Committee** 

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## CORPORATE INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGULATORY SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Thursday, 27th January, 2022

A meeting of the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee is to be held on the above date at 9.30 am in the Council Chamber, County Hall to consider the following matters.

Phil Norrey Chief Executive

#### AGENDA

#### **PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE**

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2021 (previously circulated).

3 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

Items which in the opinion of the Chair should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.

4 Public Participation

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#### MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION OR REVIEW

5 <u>Budget 2022/23 and Capital Programme for 2022/23 to 2026/27</u> (Pages 1 - 60)

### **Overall Approach**

The 2022/23 budget proposals will be scrutinised with consideration of relevant service area budgets by Scrutiny Committees with the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee considering both its own budget responsibilities as well as any issues raised by the Children's Scrutiny Committee and the Health and Adult Care Scrutiny Committee, to produce an overarching set of recommendations.

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#### **This Meeting**

At this and other Scrutiny Committees in the current cycle, Members are asked to identify salient issues within each Committee's areas of responsibility, to examine the general thrust of the budget and take an overview of priorities and prospects.

At this meeting Chief Officers/ Heads of Services will report on

- the Cabinet's Target Budget for Services and likely implications of the 2022/23 target for individual areas of service (e.g. in percentage terms compared to current levels) and how those areas have been prioritised;
- any comparisons between the current year and next year's proposals for the major service areas, to illustrate the scale of change within those activities and how the budget has been allocated across services in those years (to illustrate changes of emphasis or priority);
- any "alternative delivery models" or other initiatives contemplated for given services and how it is thought that these may reduce costs; and
- impact assessments undertaken in relation to the draft budget.

In addition, the Chairs of both the Children's Scrutiny Committee and Health & Adult Care Scrutiny Committee will be invited to comment on their Committee's deliberations – in the context of any wider corporate issues that might be incorporated into any recommendations from that Committee to Cabinet and the Council.

#### Report and Budget 2022/23 Impact Assessment

Joint Report of the Director of Finance, Chief Executive, Director of Public Health and Chief Officer of Highways, Infrastructure Development & Waste (DF/22/03) on the proposed budget for Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services for 2022/23, attached.

For ease of reference:

Communities, Public Health, Environment and Prosperity – page 12 Corporate Services – page 22 Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste – page 32

NB: An overview of the impact assessments for all service areas entitled <a href="Budget 2022/23 Impact Assessment">Budget 2022/23 Impact Assessment</a> has been made available to all Members of the Council so that Scrutiny Committees have access to all equality impact assessments undertaken as part of the budget's preparation. Members are asked to consider the contents and retain it for future meetings, accepting that individual assessments may be updated with time. Members must have full regard to and consider the impact of any proposals in relation to equalities for this (and other) budget meeting prior to making any decisions. Scrutiny Committees will no doubt wish to be assured that risk assessments and projections are adequate and that the evidence supports the assumptions made in the formulation of the budget.

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Corporate Infrastructure & Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee 27th January 2022

Joint Report of the Director of Finance, the Chief Executive, the Director of Public Health and the Chief Officer of Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste.

### 2022/23 Budget

**Recommendation:** that the Scrutiny Committee considers whether it wishes to draw to the attention of Cabinet any observations on the proposals contained within the draft Revenue Budget 2022/23 and Capital Programme for 2022/23 to 2026/27.

### 1. Introduction & Commentary

- 1.1 Cabinet at its meeting on 8th December 2021 set Revenue Budget Targets for 2022/23. The provisional settlement was very close to what was expected, and therefore no change was proposed to the Budget Targets at Cabinet on 12th January 2022.
- As is normal at this stage, the final outcome of the Local Government Finance Settlement is awaited and details of the council tax base, collection fund surpluses and tax base yield have yet to be confirmed along with the local element of business rates. Information will be available when the County Council considers final budget proposals for 2022/23 on 17th February 2022. Given the late notification of the Provisional Settlement and in line with arrangements in previous years, 22nd February has been set aside for a second County Council budget meeting should it be required.
- 1.3 The draft budget attached to this report complies with the Targets set by Cabinet on 8th December which total £629.4 million. The total includes funding for budget pressures of £87.4 million that mainly relates to additional expenditure to allow for service growth to cater for demographic changes such as increased children and adult service users and unavoidable cost pressures. Savings and income initiatives of £38.7 million are required to set a balanced budget.
- 1.4 The targets set for each service area have been subject to different pressures and influences. The table over shows the 2022/23 Budget Targets by service area.

	2021/22 Adjusted Budget *	Inflation & Pressures	Savings & additional Income	2022/23 Budget	Net	change
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%
1 Adult Care & Health	283,294	47,875	(18,241)	312,928	29,634	10.5%
2 Childrens Services	159,036	28,787	(11,675)	176,148	17,112	10.8%
3 Communities, Public Health E&P	40,280	3,809	(2,846)	41,243	963	2.4%
4 Corporate Services	40,937	3,612	(2,830)	41,719	782	1.9%
5 Highways, Infrastructure D&W	57,124	3,349	(3,149)	57,324	200	0.4%
	580,671	87,432	(38,741)	629,362	48,691	8.4%

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted for permanent virements

1.5 This report provides detailed budget proposals in line with these targets.

#### 2. The Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement 2022/23

- 2.1 On 16 December 2021, the Secretary of State for the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC), Rt. Hon. Michael Gove MP, released a written statement to Parliament on the provisional local government finance settlement 2022/23, the details of which are set out below.
- 2.2 The 2022/23 local government finance settlement is for one year only and is based on the Spending Review 2021 (SR21) funding levels. This is the first time since 2015 that, in the context of a multi-year Spending Review, the government has only provided local authorities with a single-year settlement.
- 2.3 Spending Review 2021 Additional Funding The Chancellor announced an additional £1.6 billion per annum (2022/23 to 2024/25) for local government as part of SR21. The majority of this amount has been included in the Core Spending Power figures. Based on the figures in the Core Spending Power amounts, there has been a net increase in funding (excluding the multiplier adjustment and Adult Social Care reform funding) of £1.5 billion. A breakdown of this change is shown below.
  - + £822m 2022/23 Services Grant A new grant based on 2013/14 SFA shares
  - + £636m Increase to the Social Care Grant
  - + £63m Inflationary increase to the Improved Better Care Fund
  - + £72m Increased RSG (based on CPI)
  - (£68m) Reduction in New Homes Bonus Funding
- 2.4 Council Tax As previously announced at SR21, the council tax referendum limit will be 2% for local authorities, with social care authorities allowed an additional 1% social care precept.
- 2.5 Local Government Funding Reform No papers were published relating to the Fair Funding Review or the Business Rates Reset. It would appear the government intend to make further announcements in the new year, before then consulting on any potential changes.

2.6 The table below sets out Devon's Core Funding of £103.2 million and shows the other grants that have been announced so far. Other grants are expected to be announced in the coming weeks and months and these will be reporting as part of the overall budget papers in February if known by then.

	£000
Revenue Support Grant	566
BRRS Central Government Top Up	80,654
BRRS Local Element*	21,997
Core Funding	103,217
New Homes bonus	2,143
Rural Services Delivery Grant	7,823
Social Care Grant	32,317
Improved Better Care Fund	29,126
ASC Reform/Market Sustainability & Cost of Care Fund	2,413
Services Grant	7,076
Other Grants	80,898

<sup>\*</sup> the actual amount we receive will be derived from returns completed by our Devon Districts

### 3. Service Specific Budget Issues

- 3.1 The draft budget continues to strike a balance between available resources and maintaining statutory and essential services. This approach seeks to maximise efficiency and continue to review ways of providing flexible and responsive services whilst managing demand
- 3.2 The requirement for these areas to undertake transformational change whilst continuing to provide services remains challenging. Strategies used to achieve the budget include the review of policies and activity drivers, alternative methods of service delivery, process changes including digital by design and income generation. Any new and significantly increased fees and charges being proposed will be subject to approval by Cabinet in February 2022.

## 4. Service Specific Budget Issues - Communities, Public Health, Environment and Prosperity

- 4.1 All services within Communities, Environment and Prosperity have reviewed existing income generation opportunities. Increases for 2022/23 are based on inflationary rises, a restatement of time attributable to the service delivery or a realignment of required service outputs.
- 4.2 New legislation has resulted in an increase in budgets for Domestic Violence of £1.4 million and Environment Services of £140,000.
- 4.3 To achieve the target for Communities, a variety of actions are planned: community grant schemes have been reduced by £329,000, the Locality budgets reduced from £10,000 to £8,000 for each Councillor, temporary funding found for community grants of £462,000 and a mixture of slowing recruitment, finding additional income streams, and negotiated reduction to contract prices.

- 4.4 For the Council to continue to meet its targets set in the published Carbon Reduction Plan a further £71,000 has been allocated within budgets to purchase more carbon offsets. Exploration of other methods to meet these targets continues.
- 4.5 Concessionary travel numbers continue to reduce, alongside new guidance from the DfT on how we reimburse operators for this delivery following the ending of government support in March 2022. Combined this led to a budget reduction of £1.3 million for the service.
- 4.6 Economy services have been allocated an increase of £712,000 to continue to progress the Connecting Devon and Somerset broadband project and Skypark Development.
- 4.7 To meet target budgets, services have had to realign service priorities, consider efficiencies while still maintaining core services and explore new income generating opportunities. A total budget reduction of £677,000 is included but some of these are for one year only.
- 4.8 Historically this service area has been responsible for delivering many externally funded projects especially those from the European Union (EU). The residual EU projects are now in their final phases. During 2021/22 the Government initiated the Community Renewal Fund as part of the 'Levelling up' strategy. The Council, acting as the Managing Authority for the administrative area, was successful with 13 agreed projects which started in 2021/22 and will be complete in 2022/23. Future funding streams are anticipated.
- 4.9 The Public Health grant remains ring fenced for 2022/23. The value of the grant for 2022/23 has not yet been confirmed.
- 4.10 The medium-term and long-term impact on Public Health of the COVID-19 pandemic is still unknown so although planning continues as lessons are learnt, the changes to the budget allocation for this year mainly reflect contractual requirements. The Public Health earmarked reserve will be used to manage any cost pressures on the 2022/23 grant.
- 4.11 The Public Health budget was also included in the papers for the Health and Adult Care Scrutiny committee, which met on 20 January 2022.

### 5. Service Specific Budget Issues - Corporate Services

- 5.1 The continuing response to COVID-19 requires that the Authority maintain high levels of resilience in key areas. To offset the costs so far as possible, Services recognised the need to make savings.
- As part of the drive to identify savings Corporate Services once again reviewed all opportunities to generate additional income. This led to identification of an additional £439,000 to more than offset income lost across other parts of the Service.

- 5.3 Budgeted assumptions around staff turnover and subsequent vacancy savings of £1.3 million have meant the Service avoided the need to cut provision to front-line operations.
- 5.4 A review of the Corporate Accommodation Strategy following changes to working practices necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, is targeted with delivering a further £120,000 of savings in 2022/23
- 5.5 There continues to be a strong focus within the ICT Service on cybersecurity. As such, a further £170,000 has been invested to increase the Authority's resilience to cyber threats.
- In recognition of the additional work generated by the Authority's response to and recovery from COVID-19, in combination with the improvements required because of the last Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS); HR Services budgets have been increased by £206,000 and Legal Services budgets by £85,000.
- 5.7 Acknowledging the difficulty in recruiting staff to vacant positions across the Authority; £100,000 will be invested in piloting a new Recruitment Attraction invest-to-save strategy.

## 6. Service Specific Budget Issues - Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste.

- The Highways and Traffic Management service faces continued cost pressures from contractual inflation and the increase in red diesel tax from 1st April 2022. Together, the financial impact of these pressures is estimated at £1.6 million.
- All works budgets have been reviewed and savings are proposed from a number of maintenance budgets, totalling £1.8 million. Further energy savings of £324,000 are expected to accrue from the rollout of Street Lighting LED lamp conversions and dimming. Additional cost recovery from the permitting scheme of £120,000 is also anticipated.
- 6.3 Highway services income budgets have been reviewed to ensure that targets are reasonable. It is proposed that a new charge is introduced for disabled bay applications and that advertising on highways assets is considered in order to generate further income. Parking charges are not proposed to increase, and it is recommended that all other Highways charges are unchanged or subject to an inflationary increase only. The proposed changes to income streams are expected to generate additional income of £250,000.
- The On-street parking (OSP) income and costs are within a ring-fenced account which is shown on the page entitled "Analysis of Total Expenditure for 2022/23". This account is governed by legislation and any surplus can only be used for Highways and Transport related projects.
- 6.5 The Waste Service faces increased expenditure arising from contractual inflation and growth totalling £1.7 million. In addition, the ongoing impact of COVD-19 restrictions and associated household behavioural change

continues to generate higher than normal levels of household residual waste. Savings totalling £650,000 are anticipated from the impact of increased tonnages on shared savings projects, organic waste disposal and site maintenance expenditure.

### 7. Capital Programme

- 7.1 The Council's capital programme has been produced to maximise investment in the County's infrastructure and assets and to support service delivery and priorities. The capital programme continues to focus on maximising the leverage of external funding to support growth across the County. A number of external funding bids have been, and will be, submitted for funding from various sources. If successful these will be added to the capital programme, subject to the appropriate approvals.
- 7.2 The Local Transport Plan (LTP) maintenance figure for 2022/23 reflects the needs based formula funding and incentive funding allocations as announced by the Department for Transport. As allocations for the period 2024/25 to 2026/27 have not yet been announced, the same level as 2022/23 has been assumed in the capital programme at this time.
- 7.3 The Corporate Services capital programme for 2022/23 includes £23.3 million of new capital investment across the service, funded from corporate capital resources.
- 7.4 The Capital Programme sees an increase of £1 million to the Carbon Reduction Plan, taking the overall scheme total to £3 million, which aims to support the Councils Climate Change Strategy.
- 7.5 The Waste capital programme has seen an increase of £5.8 million to deliver a new Household Waste & Recycling Centre, to replace the Tavistock Household Waste Recycling Centre at Crowndale which is no longer fit for purpose.
  - The new site will be safer, encourage greater levels of recycling and eliminate queuing on the public highway leading to improved highway safety.
- 7.6 Digital Technology & Business Supports sees the addition of £4.9 million (in addition to the £5.5 million existing budget).
  - This will cover Laptop Replacement, replacement cost of mobile phone handsets (for one year), the installation of Hybrid Meeting/Collaboration Environments across the estate, the internal development of new digital services including cyber security, as well as the costs for a customer engagement model and disaster recovery investment.
- 7.7 The Buildings (capital) Maintenance budget has been increased by £3.7 million and recognises the pressures on buildings maintenance due to safety and compliance, investing in our estate to save, improving, and replacing life expired equipment and recognising the council's commitment to the climate emergency.

It also recognises the recent uplift in the cost of materials and labour in the current economic climate.

The increase requested of £3.7 million is partly offset by a reduction in the Buildings Maintenance revenue budget of £2 million (£500,000 per annum for 4 years). This is in recognition of the types of work being undertaken, which are capital rather than revenue in nature.

7.8 The County Farms budget has been increased by £2.4 million and is reflective of the requirement to meet the Decent Homes Standard across the Farms estate.

The programme is also helping to decarbonise the estate, improve and replace aging infrastructure, and covers the investment in slurry store covers, and storing silage, slurry, and agricultural fuel oil (SSAFO) compliant silage clamps in order to meet the Environment Agency minimum requirements.

7.9 SCOMIS budget have seen an increase of £717,000 to cover the cost of the following critical system improvements:

**Lifecycle management:** The bid delivers the capital funding required to maintain the operational performance of the SCOMIS service to existing customers and provide capacity for the planned and targeted sales targets of 8% per year.

**Disaster recovery:** The bid covers the implementation of a modernised Disaster Recovery provision to maintain service availability for customers and protect the Council's reputation in the event of a natural disaster, cybercrime, or ransomware attack etc.

**Firewall upgrade:** The bid covers the implementation of security improvements to segregate internal networks and move towards a zero-trust architecture. This initial phase will deliver investment in more powerful firewall hardware to enable a greater throughput of data to be secured per current industry best practice.

7.10 Funding and an amount of match funding has been added for the Stover Country Park project creating a total new budget of £657,000.

The country park has been awarded a £357,000 grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) for its "Restoring Stover Park" project.

The two-year grant from the NLHF is supporting the development phase for further work and studies to help restore Stover Park and its historic heritage. The grant will also help to enhance the park's facilities for local communities, visitors, and wider tourism. £300,000 in match funding is required to secure this grant with work continuing towards a larger bid to the NLHF; a cabinet paper will be brought forward to cover this approval in detail.

7.11 In addition, some of our projects within the existing programme are termed 'rolling budgets'; they require a new budget each budget setting period to

extend their programme of works into the next financial year, in the case 2026/27 totalling £4.1 million

For example, this includes monies committed to Flood Prevention, Property Enablement works and replacing / upgrading our corporate estate. This also includes the extension to, or reprofiling of our Vehicle Equipment Loans Pool (VELP) where funds are available to the Council's Fleet team or to Schools as a loan, repaid with interest.

### 8. Equality Impact Assessment

- 8.1 Under the Equality Act 2010, the County Council has a legal duty to give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations when making decisions about services. This duty applies to the eight 'protected characteristics' of age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion and belief, sex and sexual orientation. Where relevant, Impact Assessments are carried out to consider how best to meet this duty, which includes mitigating against the negative impact of service reductions.
- 8.2 The Equality Act 2010 and other relevant legislation does not prevent the Council from taking difficult decisions which result in service reductions or closures for example, it does however require the Council to ensure that such decisions are:
  - Informed and properly considered with a rigorous, conscious approach and open mind.
  - Taking due regard of the effects on the protected characteristics with the need to ensure nothing results in unlawful discrimination in terms of access to, or standards of, services or employment as well as considering any opportunities to advance equality and foster good relations.
  - Proportionate (negative impacts are proportionate to the aims of the policy decision).
  - Fair
  - Necessary
  - · Reasonable, and
  - Those affected have been adequately consulted.
- 8.3 The impact assessment for the 2022/23 budget is published at

https://www.devon.gov.uk/impact/budget22-23/

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**Local Government Act 1972: List of Background Papers** 

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## **Leadership Group Commentary**

Over the course of the last two years the Council has worked with other organisations to respond to and manage the impacts of COVID-19. As a community leader and part of Team Devon it has had new responsibilities for addressing issues such as food poverty, financial hardship and shielding. During that time the pressures on health, social care and children's services have increased. Those pressures have been exacerbated by the fragility of the care market and difficulties of recruiting key workers. The Council's finances and workforce remain under significant pressure and strain.

Looking ahead, our focus for the next 12 months as Leadership Team will be to listen, learn and lead on different and sustainable ways to support the health and wellbeing of the whole county and enable greater financial resilience for the Council.

The Team will also play a key role in leading on the Council's Strategic Plan for 2021 to 2025 [The best place - Strategic Plan (devon.gov.uk)] which describes the overall ambitions for Devon to become the best place to:

- Grow up We are committed to being a child friendly Devon where all children and young people are safe, healthy, ambitious, and can fulfil their potential.
- **Live well** We are committed to being a fairer Devon: inclusive, compassionate and caring, where everyone is safe, connected and resilient.
- Prosper We are committed to being a greener and prosperous Devon, with opportunities to create a sustainable future for all.

The Strategic Plan 2021-2025 has six priorities:

- Respond to the climate emergency.
- Be ambitious for children and young people.
- Support sustainable economic recovery.
- Tackle poverty and inequality.
- Improve health and wellbeing.
- Help communities be safe, connected and resilient.

For each of those priorities, the Strategic Plan sets out the areas of focus for the next four years. In April 2022, the Council will publish its Annual Plan for 2022/23 which will describe the main actions for the next 12 months and the specific activities to deliver or work towards achievement of priorities and outcomes.

At the time of writing the Government's Levelling Up White Paper is expected to be published early in 2022. The Government's Levelling Up ambitions include an opportunity for County Deals which will build on its support for high streets, towns and local infrastructure as part of a longer-term devolution offer. The detailed framework and scope for County Deals will be included in White Paper and there is a possibility that Devon will be invited to develop a Deal with Government over the coming months.

As a Leadership Team we will ensure that the Council continues to play a leading role in the Devon's response to the climate emergency, through the Interim Devon Carbon Plan and actions to implement the resolutions from the Citizens' Assembly.

The Council will continue to work with national, regional and local partners to find ways to address the workforce challenges facing adult social care. This includes changes and improvements to pay and conditions, training, development and career progression. Support for family and unpaid carers is also essential so that everyone who provides care and support is enabled to live a good life.

The Council will also be playing a part in tackling the county's housing crisis through the creation of a new Team Devon strategic housing task force in partnership with Devon's district, town and parish councils and other key partners such as Homes England. The Council will also look at whether it can offer accommodation to key workers to attract them to work for the authority and lobby MPs to press for tax loopholes on holiday rental homes to be tightened up.

The way that the Council works will change during 2022/23 to reflect the Strategic Plan's aims for it to be:

- A trusted council that shows leadership, brings people together and collaborates well with our partners; a Council that makes good decisions, uses resources well, and is financially resilient.
- An inclusive council that is intolerant to prejudice and discrimination, is a good employer that invests in, develops and nurtures our workforce, and hears the voices of all our communities.
- An innovative council that is agile, listens and learns, uses data and intelligence well, and can transform the way we work in order to improve services for the people of Devon.

As a Leadership Team, our membership, role and responsibilities will change during Spring 2022 to unlock the potential of individuals, teams and the organisation. These changes will reflect the <u>principles and behaviours</u> which apply to everyone at every level of the organisation.

# **Communities, Public Health, Environment and Prosperity**

## How the 2022/23 Budget has been built up

	2021/22 Adjusted Budget	Changes	2022/23 Outturn Budget
	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Communities and Other Services</b>	12,790	533	13,323
Economy, Enterprise and Skills	4,912	632	5,544
Planning, Transportation and Environment	22,578	(202)	22,376
Public Health	0	0	0
Total	40,280	963	41,243
Reasons for changes in Revenue Budget			£' 000
Technical and Service Changes			
Inflation and National Living Wage			1,052
Implementing Domestic Abuse and Environment Act			1,540
Funding for bus services previously paid under S106			434
Carbon offsetting			71
Broadband UK Connecting Devon and Somerset phase	2		112
Skypark Development			600
		-	3,809
Savings Strategies			
Reduction in Locality budgets			(120)
One-Year alternative grant funding for Community con	tracts		(462)
Reduction in community grant and crowdfunding schen	nes		(329)
Concessionary travel pandemic subsidy reduction			(1,000)
Concessionary travel volume reduction			(258)
One off efficiencies, additional income or funding from	other source	es	(314)
Permanent efficiencies and additional income			(363)
		-	(2,846)
Total			963

## **Analysis of Total Expenditure for 2022/23**

	Gross Expenditure	Grant and Contribution Income			Net Expenditure
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Communities and Other Services	14,837	(101)	(361)	(1,052)	13,323
Economy, Enterprise and Skills	9,268	(80)	(3,029)	(615)	5,544
Planning, Transportation and Environment	25,530	(1,079)	(1,389)	(686)	22,376
Public Health	30,045	(29,985)	0	(60)	0
Total	79,680	(31,245)	(4,779)	(2,413)	41,243

The following services (which are not included above) are wholly self-funded and do not directly impact on Council Tax.

	Gross Expenditure	Grant and Contribution Income			Net Expenditure
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Communities and Other Services					
Active Devon	1,572	(1,472)	(11)	(89)	0
Refugee Resettlement	322	(322)	0	0	0
Economy, Enterprise and Skills					
Building Better Opportunities Focus 5	342	(342)	0	0	0
Developing Entrepreneurship In Schools	27	(23)	0	(4)	0
EU - North Devon Enterprise Centre	65	(65)	0	0	0
Exeter Youth Hub	18	(18)	0	0	0
Growth Hub	568	0	(464)	(104)	0
Lead Authority Role - Levelling Up	4,457	(4,457)	0	0	0
Learn Devon	3,840	(3,787)	(53)	0	0
Service For All	495	(271)	(180)	(44)	0
Planning, Transportation and Environment					
AONB Blackdown Hills	225	(209)	0	(16)	0
AONB North Devon	196	(179)	0	(17)	0
Devon Maritime Forum	36	(5)	(26)	(5)	0
Exe Estuary Partnership	36	(24)	(2)	(10)	0
Low Carbon Energy and Transport (DELETTI)	32	(19)	0	(13)	0
NHS Patient Transport Advice Service	3,563	(66)	(3,466)	(31)	0
Other Countryside Projects	1,107	(1,062)	0	(45)	0
South West Coast Path Team	92	(92)	0	0	0
Transport Co-Ordination Service	2,974	(1,146)	(1,810)	(18)	0
Total	19,967	(13,559)	(6,012)	(396)	0
Grand total	99,647	(44,804)	(10,791)	(2,809)	41,243

## **Communities and Other Services**

2021/22				2022/23	2022/23
Adjusted		Gross	Gross	Outturn	Net
Budget		Expenditure	Income	Budget	Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Commissioning Services For Communities				
803	Heritage Centre and Devon Records Office	821	(10)	811	8
7,127	Library and Information Service	7,371	(322)	7,049	(78)
1,830	Youth Services	1,907	(57)	1,850	20
9,760		10,099	(389)	9,710	(50)
	Planning and Insight				
0	Community Safety and Violence Prevention	2,200	(800)	1,400	1,400
269	Emergency Planning	319	(43)	276	7
122	Research, Intelligence and Performance	125	0	125	3
391		2,644	(843)	1,801	1,410
;	Safer and Stronger Communities				
972	Commissioning / Grants	233	0	233	(739)
1,067	Community	1,381	(282)	1,099	32
600	Locality	480	0	480	(120)
2,639		2,094	(282)	1,812	(827)
12,790		14,837	(1,514)	13,323	533

Analysis of Changes:	£'000
Technical and Service changes	
Inflation and National Living wage	224
Implementing Domestic Abuse Act	1,400
	1,624
Savings Strategies	
Reduction in Locality budgets	(120)
One-Year alternative grant funding for Community contracts	(462)
Reduction in community grant and crowdfunding schemes	(329)
Reduction in service contracts - Inflationary award and Resource fund	(90)
Staffing costs - new funding sources and rephasing recruitment	(90)
	(1,091)
Total	533

## **Service Commentary**

The Communities portfolio leads a range of commissioning and collaboration to develop services and support, to help people and organisations in communities to be better connected, resilient and safe.

#### This includes:

- Commissioning of Devon's youth services, support around domestic and sexual violence, and library and heritage services;
- Community safety and co-ordination of work and partnerships to tackle serious violence and vulnerability; and statutory co-ordination to prevent extremism and radicalisation;
- Leading the council's response to food insecurity and wider aspects of poverty;
- Community development across the County and its links to the Council's priorities; and
- Work to support a range of communities including the Armed Forces
   Covenant partnership, the Syrian & Afghan families resettlement programme,
   gypsies, and travellers and through Active Devon, accessing and increasing
   physical activity across the County.

Additionally, during 2021 the Communities team led several key responses to the COVID-19 pandemic in Devon including the distribution of significant grants to support people and families in hardship, such as the Household Support Fund (£5 million), and around £400,000 of funds in small grants to organisations at the front line of community led COVID-19 responses and recovery. This work will continue in 2022/23. The team deployed a rapid, agile, and now ongoing response to provide 'bridging' accommodation in Devon to around 150 Afghan refugees.

### **Service Statistics and Other Information**

Service/ Activity	Unit of Measurement	2021/22	Change	2022/23
		<b>Estimate</b>		Estimate
Libraries				
Static Libraries	No.	50	0	50
Mobile Libraries	No.	4	0	4
PCs available with public access	No.	323	0	323
Stock issues	No.	2,200,000	200,000	2,400,000
Membership	No.	110,000	(15,000)	95,000
Youth Service				
Organisations supported	No.	90	0	90
Young people registered	No.	4,150	850	5,000
Heritage Service				
Searchroom visits	No.	5,223	(1,723)	3,500
Volunteer hours	No.	8,046	(3,046)	5,000
Accessions and new deposits	No.	345	0	345

## **Economy, Enterprise and Skills**

2021/22				2022/23	2022/23
Adjusted		Gross	Gross	Outturn	Net
Budget		Expenditure	Income	Budget	Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	<b>Business Support and Innovation</b>				
347	Business Growth Support	547	(226)	321	(26)
1,894	Trading Standards	4,255	(2,304)	1,951	57
2,241		4,802	(2,530)	2,272	31
	<b>Economic Infrastructure and Develo</b>	pment			
1,032	Economic Development	1,390	(264)	1,126	94
(15)	Industrial Estates	702	(153)	549	564
1,017		2,092	(417)	1,675	658
	Employment and Skills				
104	Labour Market Development	879	(657)	222	118
1,550	Post 16 Provision	1,495	(120)	1,375	(175)
1,654		2,374	(777)	1,597	(57)
4,912		9,268	(3,724)	5,544	632

Analysis of changes:	£'000
Technical and Service changes	
Inflation and National Living wage	104
Broadband UK Connecting Devon and Somerset phase 2	112
Skypark development	600
	816
Savings Strategies	
Realignment of service priorities	(94)
One off project income	(40)
Efficiencies - Post 16 transitions contract	(50)
	(184)
Total	632

## **Service Commentary**

This service supports creating productive, inclusive, and sustainable growth across the Devon economy and leads on responding to economic shocks, working with a range of public and private partners. It leads on delivering regulatory services through the Heart of the South West Trading Standards Service, delivers a range of adults and young people skills programmes and supports a range of infrastructure programmes including workspace and broadband. It provides a strategic overview of the Devon economy and works with Team Devon and a wide range of local and national partners to secure investment opportunities. The key priorities for the service are:

- Leading response and recovery to economic shocks, working with public and private sector;
- Delivering careers, advice and guidance for young people and adults, including our statutory duties for those moving on from education;
- Raising aspirations and opportunities for our young people through promoting apprenticeships, internships and work placements and delivering adult basic skills and community learning;
- Stimulating innovation and business support including encouraging new business start-ups, social enterprises, and business competitiveness;
- Developing growth sectors including clean energy, Agri-tech, digital, food and tourism, and bringing forward key employment sites;
- Protecting communities and consumers, in particular the most vulnerable, and supporting businesses by ensuring a safe, fair, responsible, sustainable, and competitive trading environment;
- Securing investment and external funding into Devon;
- Working with partners to develop plans for local places including regeneration, urban renewal, utilising joint assets and levelling up; and
- Leading on an economic evidence base and analysis to support growth strategies and influencing national and local policies impacting on growth and skills.

#### Service Statistics and Other Information

Service/ Activity	Unit of Measurement	2021/22	Change	2022/23
		<b>Estimate</b>		<b>Estimate</b>
Trading Standards (Shared Service)				
Business premises on Trading Standards database	No.	76,800	2,800	79,600
Programmed interventions at high priority premises	Percentage	100	0	100
Complaints and service requests	No.	16,400	400	16,800
Learn Devon				
Learn Devon - Enrolments	No.	5,500	500	6,000

## **Planning, Transportation and Environment**

2021/22				2022/23	2022/23
Adjusted		Gross	Gross	Outturn	Net
Budget		Expenditure	Income	Budget	Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Environment Service				
660	Environment Policy	1,001	(197)	804	144
824	Flood Risk and Surface Water	808	(3)	805	(19)
604	Projects and Partnerships	685	(8)	677	73
2,088		2,494	(208)	2,286	198
	Planning and Transportation				
497	Development Management	1,400	(988)	412	(85)
2,722	Planning and Transportation	2,887	(108)	2,779	57
3,219		4,287	(1,096)	3,191	(28)
	Public and Community Transport				
2,220	Fleet Services	2,273	(127)	2,146	(74)
8,615	National Concessionary Travel Scheme	7,643	(15)	7,628	(987)
4,901	Public Transport Support	6,602	(1,062)	5,540	639
1,535	Transport Co-Ordination Service	2,231	(646)	1,585	50
17,271		18,749	(1,850)	16,899	(372)
22,578		25,530	(3,154)	22,376	(202)

Analysis of changes:	£'000
Technical and Service changes	
Inflation and National Living wage	724
Funding for bus services previously paid under S106	434
Carbon offsetting	71
Implementing Environment Act	140
	1,369
Savings Strategies	
Concessionary travel pandemic subsidy reduction	(1,000)
Concessionary travel volume reduction	(258)
Fleet services efficiencies	(130)
One off efficiencies - Planning and Transport	(83)
Increased income - Planning and Environment	(100)
	(1,571)
Total	(202)

## **Service Commentary**

The Planning, Transportation and Environment service includes strategic infrastructure planning and statutory responses including development of the Education and Transport Plans and other strategic documents, such as the Waste and Minerals plans. Additionally, services include development and delivery of large infrastructure projects including planning applications, consultations, overview of planning applications and delivery of projects to enhance the ecology, landscape, marine and historic environment of Devon. The responsibility for planning schools' infrastructure, sustainable travel and road safety also resides in this team along with the flood and coastal risk management functions.

The Environment Team are responsible for progressing the climate change agenda where we are working with a number of stakeholders as well as progressing our own range of initiatives.

The Transport Co-ordination team work closely with the Public Transport operators to provide a range of services across the County. The range of services involved include subsidised bus services, concessionary fares, community transport, fleet management and services to education, adults, and the NHS. The coming year sees opportunities with a possible increase in funding from government to enhance the bus service in the county, but it also sees threats due to the decrease in patronage and revenue for bus companies due to COVID-19.

#### **Service Statistics and Other Information**

Service/ Activity	Unit of Measurement	2021/22	Change	2022/23
		<b>Estimate</b>		<b>Estimate</b>
Planning, Transportation & Environment				
County Matter applications	No.	40	5	45
County Council development applications	No.	30	5	35
Sustainable drainage consultations for major development	No.	500	20	520
Land drainage consents	No.	90	20	110
Public Transport				
Local bus services contracts	No.	120	0	120
Ring and Ride community transport schemes	No. of schemes	15	0	15
Community buses	No.	8	0	8
Fare car supported taxi schemes	No. of schemes	8	(2)	6

## **Public Health**

2021/22 Adjusted Budget		Gross Expenditure	Gross Income	2022/23 Outturn Budget	2022/23 Net Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Public Health	2 222			
2,229	Children 5-19 Public Health Programmes	2,229	0	2,229	0
860	Comm Sfty, Violence Prvntn and Social Excl	859	0	859	(1)
59	Health At Work	59	0	59	0
248	Health Protection	247	0	247	(1)
8,406	Mandated 0-5 Children's Services	8,406	0	8,406	0
80	National Child Measurement Programme	80	0	80	0
459	NHS Health Check Programme	459	0	459	0
522	Obesity	878	(278)	600	78
708	Other Public Health	752	(44)	708	0
180	Physical Activity	178	0	178	(2)
25	Public Health Development	25	0	25	0
321	Public Health Expert Advice	317	0	317	(4)
(29,663)	Public Health Income	0	(29,663)	(29,663)	0
737	Public Mental Health	796	(60)	736	(1)
7,041	Sexual Health	7,038	0	7,038	(3)
1,071	Smoking and Tobacco	963	0	963	(108)
5,490	Substance Misuse	5,489	0	5,489	(1)
1,227	Support Services	1,270	0	1,270	43
0		30,045	(30,045)	0	0

Analysis of changes:	£'000
Savings Strategies	
Obesity - Planned increase to the Diabetes Social Impact Bond	78
Support Service - Inflationary increase to support costs	43
Reduced demand for tobacco and smoking services	(108)
Various demand led, contract and allocation changes	(13)_
	0
Total	0

## **Service Commentary**

Public Health is predominantly funded by a ring-fenced grant from the Department of Health and Social Care.

The COVID-19 pandemic has challenged Public Health operationally with a large number of the public health team being devoted to responding to the pandemic. Public Health commissioned services have continued during the year but with many services having to adapt their service delivery model. The pandemic has provided the opportunity to learn and explore how the commissioned services can adapt and develop to meet the needs of the residents, including understanding the opportunities and impact associated with an increased reliance on digital and telephone services.

The initial challenge for 2022/23 is for public health to continue to lead the ongoing response to the pandemic, however there is also a critical role for public health in assessing the impact of COVID-19 on the Devon population, with a clear understanding that the pandemic has impacted disproportionately on the most vulnerable individuals and communities in Devon. Public Health will work with Government, local health and care commissioners and partners to ensure the additional health needs are identified and are reflected in service planning and delivery, but this may require significant work to realign services and contracts.

Looking at the numbers of people public health's commissioned services have seen, there have been some significant changes because of the pandemic.

There is evidence nationally that there has been an increase in alcohol consumption, and which is expected to result in increased service demand next year. Drug use has changed as a result in a change to the drugs market and there has been an increase in the use of recreational drugs. Opiate-only use has declined slightly, in part because Afghan production and supply has dropped.

There has been a significant drop in the numbers of people accessing sexual health services compared to previous years' predictions. This reflects changes in behaviour during lockdown and the fact that there has been reduced capacity in sexual health walk-in services and in General Practice. It is hard to predict with confidence how quickly or to what extent activity will recover to levels seen in previous years, but we do expect demand to rise.

#### **Service Statistics and Other Information**

Unit of Measurement	2021/22	Change	2022/23
	<b>Estimate</b>		<b>Estimate</b>
Individuals	1,258	(15)	1,243
Individuals	133	66	199
Individuals	576	73	649
Individuals	212	7	219
Individuals	30,194	(7,606)	22,588
Individuals	31,259	(7,330)	23,929
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## **Corporate Services**

## How the 2022/23 Budget has been built up

	2021/22 Adjusted Budget	Changes	2022/23 Outturn Budget
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Chief Exec, HR, Legal and Communications	9,263	100	9,363
Devon Finance Services	11,715	0	11,715
Digital Transformation and Business Supprt	18,992	620	19,612
Organisational Development	967	62	1,029
Total	40,937	782	41,719
Reasons for changes in Revenue Budget			£'000
Technical and Service Changes			
Inflation and National Living Wage			1,848
Additional staffing resources			353
Loss of income			381
ICT Roadmap top-up & Cyber Security			311
Coroners Inquests			50
Other demographic, contract and service investment		_	669
			3,612
Savings Strategies			
Staff turnover savings			(1,269)
Removal of funding for capital programme			(500)
Additional income generation			(439)
Reduction in PFI unitary payments			(257)
Reduction in unfunded pension commitments			(245)
Accommodation Review		_	(120)
			(2,830)
Total			782

## **Analysis of Total Expenditure 2022/23**

	Gross Expenditure	Grant and Contribution Income	External Income	Internal Income	Net Expenditure
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Chief Exec, HR, Legal and Communications	30,893	0	(6,171)	(15,359)	9,363
<b>Devon Finance Services</b>	22,972	0	(8,658)	(2,599)	11,715
Digital Transformation and Business Supprt	37,787	(8,905)	(4,795)	(4,475)	19,612
Organisational Development	1,033	0	0	(4)	1,029
Total	92,685	(8,905)	(19,624)	(22,437)	41,719

The following services (which are not included above) are wholly self-funded and do not directly impact on Council Tax.

	Gross Expenditure	Grant and Contribution			Net Expenditure
<b>Devon Finance Services</b>					
Devon Audit Partnership	2,033	0	(2,033)	0	0
Digital Transformation and Business Supprt					
SCOMIS	9,039	0	(2,593)	(6,446)	0
Total	11,072	0	(4,626)	(6,446)	0
Grand total	103,757	(8,905)	(24,250)	(28,883)	41,719

# **Chief Executive, Human Resources, Legal and Communications**

2021/22				2022/23	2022/23
Adjusted		Gross	Gross	Outturn	Net
Budget		Expenditure	Income	Budget	Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,673	<b>Coroners Service</b>	1,793	0	1,793	120
	<b>Human Resources</b>				
485	Employee Services	16,565	(16,062)	503	18
148	Management and Strategy	628	(219)	409	261
1,044	Performance	1,076	(5)	1,071	27
1,165	Personnel Services Operations	2,243	(1,044)	1,199	34
2,842		20,512	(17,330)	3,182	340
2,156	Legal Services	3,321	(1,200)	2,121	(35)
1,169	Media, Marketing and Communications	1,403	(291)	1,112	(57)
	Other Services				
243	Corporate Management	297	(71)	226	(17)
1,916	Cost of Democracy	1,985	(104)	1,881	(35)
132	Local Authority Subscriptions	140	0	140	8
2,291		2,422	(175)	2,247	(44)
(868)	Registration Service	1,442	(2,534)	(1,092)	(224)
9,263		30,893	(21,530)	9,363	100

Analysis of changes:	£'000
Technical and Service Changes	
Inflation and National Living Wage	407
Growth in demand for HR services - additional staff resource	206
Recruitment Attaction Strategy	100
Children's Safeguarding & Adults Legal Teams - additional staff resouce	85
Coroners Inquests	50
Loss of income from payroll contracts	43
Other demographic, contract and service investment	49
	940
Savings Strategies	
Staff turnover savings	(471)
Registration Service - ceremonies income	(253)
Recruitment advertising income	(116)
	(840)
	100

## **Service Commentary**

Chief Executive, Legal Services, Human Resources & Communications provides advice, information and support to staff and Members. In addition, it provides for the Registration of Births, Deaths & Marriages, Her Majesty's Coroners Services, Democratic Services and Scrutiny.

There are a number of pressures affecting the service, not least the increasing demands for legal support in respect of childcare and safeguarding adults, financial pressures on the Coroners Service and a growing demand to develop an effective digital public information offer, to support greater self-service and help key service areas to reduce demand and deliver budget reduction targets. Additionally, the likelihood of ongoing COVID-19 restrictions and the consequences of earlier COVID-19 restrictions will heighten pressure on the Registration, Legal, Human Resources and Communications services; whilst recovery from the pandemic will also require them to meet the changing needs and shape of the Council.

The Human Resources Service assists the Council to recruit, retain and develop staff with the right skills and experience to achieve the strategic purposes of the Council. The service supports the Authority by identifying any external developments that will impact on the workforce, including employment related legislative changes.

The drive to transform and change services continues to be acute at present and balancing those demands with the need to make significant budget savings, particularly within the HR Service, remains a key pressure, as there are substantial demands for support from front-line services that are themselves undergoing significant organisational change.

Further development of the Human Resource Management System (HRMS) has seen the introduction of a recruitment specific module which removed inefficient paper-based processes. Future development will include an integrated Performance Management module.

In addition, Legal Services will be introducing a Case Management System which will improve work efficiency as well as assist officers as the Council moves to new ways of working and remote working.

#### Service Statistics and Other Information

Answered calls to Recruitment Helpdesk p.a

Coroners Service	Measurement	actual	Change	actual
Caseload	No.	2,424	(442)	1,982
Total inquests opened	No.	392	(34)	358
Natural deaths reported with a Post Mortem	No.	591	(38)	553
Registration Service				
Certificates issued	No.	52,528	(3,369)	49,159
* Latest figures available				
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Latest figures available	Unit of	2021/22		2022/23
Human Resources	Unit of Measurement	2021/22 estimates	Change	2022/23 estimates
•		•	<b>Change</b> 0	•
Human Resources	Measurement	estimates		estimates
Human Resources Apprentices employed	<b>Measurement</b> No.	estimates 150	0	estimates 150
Human Resources Apprentices employed Payslips p.a	<b>Measurement</b> No. No.	estimates 150 215,000	0 (2,200)	estimates 150 212,800

Unit of 2019/20

15,000

(3,000)

2020/21

12,000

## **Devon Finance Services**

2021/22 Adjusted		Gross	Gross	2022/23 Outturn	2022/23 Net
Budget		Expenditure	Income	Budget	Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Core Finance Services				
3,280	Accountancy Services	4,459	(1,138)	3,321	41
718	Corporate Management and Commissioning	1,604	(884)	720	2
1,479	Financial Systems, Processes and Compliance	7,336	(5,813)	1,523	44
1,587	Strategic Financial Planning	2,209	(566)	1,643	56
7,064		15,608	(8,401)	7,207	143
	Other Finance Services				
101	Bank Charges	126	0	126	25
102	External Audit	148	0	148	46
4,448	Unfunded Pensions	7,090	(2,856)	4,234	(214)
4,651		7,364	(2,856)	4,508	(143)
11,715		22,972	(11,257)	11,715	0

Total	0
	(540)
Staff turnover savings	(295)
Reduction in unfunded pension commitments	(245)
Savings Strategies	
	540
Other demographic, contract and service investment	20
Loss of income	48
Inflation and National Living Wage	472
Technical and Service Changes	
Analysis of changes:	₹.000

## **Service Commentary**

In 2021, following the retirement of the County Treasurer, the opportunity was taken to develop the role and move to a Director of Finance. This is more than just a change of title; it is a change to the purpose and culture of Finance. The new vision for Finance sees the team taking on three distinct but interdependent roles:

- Finance the Partner;
- Finance the Enabler of Learning; and
- Finance the Steward.

These roles will see Finance become a strategic enabler providing support and guidance throughout the service lifecycle, developing strategy, improvement plans and change programmes, supporting evidence-based decision making and ensuring rigorous financial appraisals and oversight.

Finance will enable measurement of public value, providing information, evaluation, and insight. It will facilitate learning across the organisation as well as looking outside the organisation to see how Devon compares and to learn from others. Curiosity will become a key part of our culture.

Finance the Steward will see Finance become the central pivot of stewardship across the authority by using clear and effective frameworks of financial controls and procedures. It will ensure appropriate measures are in place to allow the authority to protect itself from fraud and loss and that effective internal audit and risk management is in place and is valued.

#### **Service Statistics and Other Information**

		Unit of Measurement	2021/22 estimates	Change	2022/23 estimates
Pensions Administration Caseload (DCC pensioners only)					
,,	High Priority	No.	12,300	1,200	13,500
	Medium Priority	No.	18,300	1,100	19,400
	Low Priority	No.	4,200	200	4,400
Debt Management					
Debtors raised p.a.		No.	90,000	10,000	100,000
Debtors raised p.a.		£000	226,000	11,000	237,000
Aged debt (over 90 days old)		£000	2,700	0	2,700
Aged debt (over 90 days old)		Percentage	1.2	(0.1)	1.1
Payments					
Invoices paid p.a.		No.	400,000	0	400,000
Proportion paid using BACS		Percentage	99.9	0.0	99.9

## **Digital Transformation & Business Support**

2021/22				2022/23	2022/23
Adjusted		Gross	Gross	Outturn	Net
Budget		Expenditure	Income	Budget	Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Business Infrastructure				
5,653	Business Services and Support	8,337	(2,531)	5,806	153
611	Customer Relations	886	(156)	730	119
1,528	Customer Service Centre	1,477	(13)	1,464	(64)
2,360	Facilities Management	4,424	(1,969)	2,455	95
(6,682)	Private Finance Initiatives	2,094	(8,874)	(6,780)	(98)
3,470		17,218	(13,543)	3,675	205
	Estates				
1,544	Building Maintenance	1,091	(13)	1,078	(466)
1,190	Corporate Estates	1,533	(344)	1,189	(1)
(464)	Farms	719	(1,253)	(534)	(70)
2,270		3,343	(1,610)	1,733	(537)
12,549	ICT	15,019	(1,638)	13,381	832
703	Procurement	2,207	(1,384)	823	120
18,992		37,787	(18,175)	19,612	620

Analysis of changes:	£'000
Technical and Service Changes	
Inflation and National Living Wage	938
ICT Roadmap top-up & Cyber Security	311
Reduction in income	290
Other demographic, contract and service investment	500
	2,039
Savings Strategies	
Increased income from Farms Estate	(70)
Accommodation Review	(120)
Reduction in PFI unitary payments	(257)
Staff turnover savings	(472)
Removal of funding for capital programme	(500)
	(1,419)
Total	620

## **Service Commentary**

The Digital Transformation and Business Support Service leads and drives the digital transformation agenda. As such a primary focus of the service is to continue to develop a series of digital solutions that will enable citizens and staff to do business with the Council in a modern digital way that primarily meets their needs.

The services are critical for the smooth running of the County Council, enabling all of us to work more efficiently; is fundamental to ensuring that the County Council's key resources are prioritised to meet organisational demand so that the County Council's statutory and legislative responsibilities are both supported and discharged.

As such it covers a range of functions that are critical to supporting frontline service delivery including Information and Communications Technology, Property Asset Strategy, Procurement Services, Land and Property Management (including the County Farms Estate), Facilities Management, Business Support (both front line and back office), Customer Services Centre, Customer Relations, Information Governance, Digital Transformation and Cyber Security.

In terms of pressures, the key challenge is to ensure efficient and effective service delivery to all front-line services, despite ever increasing demands being placed on Digital Transformation and Business Support from all services within the Council. The growth in demand from Children's Services and Adults Social Care is having a direct impact across a range of services such as Business Support, ICT, Procurement and Property. The ongoing response to the COVID-19 emergency has significantly increased those pressures and is likely to do so well into 2022/23. Recruitment and retention of professional staff across all sectors, but particularly Cyber Security and Digital Technology is increasing the pressure and challenge.

The Service must be developed and evolved to ensure it meets the changing shape of the Council and reflects the lessons learnt through the COVID-19 pandemic, whilst ensuring the Council has a robust and secure foundation on which to operate.

#### Service Statistics and Other Information

	Unit of Measurement	2021/22 estimates	Change	2022/23 estimates
Property				
DCC owned operational properties (including schools)	No.	452	2	454
The estate valuation based on depreciated replacement costs or market value, (excluding Church				
Schools)	£m	652	(15)	637
County Farms Estate				
No of Farms	No.	65	0	65
Total acreage	Acres	9,564	(33)	9,531
IT Infrastructure				
Managed Desktops	No.	6,347	(33)	6,314
Networked Sites	No.	219	(12)	207
User accounts (DCC IT systems)	No.	5,555	354	5,909

## **Organisational Development**

2021/22				2022/23	2022/23
Adjusted		Gross	Gross	Outturn	Net
Budget		Expenditure	Income	Budget	Changes
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
967	Organisational Development	1,033	(4)	1,029	62
967		1,033	(4)	1,029	62

Analysis of changes:	£'000
Technical and Service Changes	
Inflation and National Living Wage	31
Other demographic, contract and service investment	62
	93
Savings Strategies	
Staff turnover savings	(31)
	(31)
Total	62

#### **Service Commentary**

The Organisational Change and Policy Teams report to the Chief Executive. They work across the whole organisation, and with partners, to help the Council meet its vision of Devon being the best place to grow up, live well and prosper. In 2022/23, the two teams will focus on supporting and challenging the Council to address the priorities in the Council's Strategic Plan and to be trusted, inclusive and innovative in the way it works.

More specifically, the purpose of the Organisational Change Team is to unlock the potential in individuals, teams, and the organisation in order to increase the overall effectiveness of the Authority to meet its vision and priorities now and into the future. The priority for the team in 2022/2023 will be to support and challenge leaders to reimagine and redesign our organisation to enable long term financial resilience and transformation.

The Policy Team will continue to support and strengthen collaboration on issues such as the development of a county deal, tackling the housing crisis, and addressing poverty & inequality. It will also continue to work with Devon's Members of Parliament to influence Government policy and legislation.

### **Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste**

#### How the 2022/23 Budget has been built up

	2021/22 Changes Adjusted Budget		0 2022/23 Outturn Budget	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Highways and Traffic Management	28,780	(891)	27,889	
Infrastructure Development and Waste	28,344	1,091	29,435	
Total	57,124	200	57,324	

	Change
Reasons for changes in Revenue Budget	£' 000
Technical and Service Changes	
Inflation and National Living Wage	2,565
Growth in household waste	286
Extension of Household Waste Recycling contract	400
Extension of Waste sweepings contract	48
Red diesel tax increase	50
	3,349
Savings Strategies	
Highways maintenance works	(1,805)
Energy savings from Street Lighting LED lamp conversions	(324)
New Highways income streams	(250)
Permitting scheme cost recovery	(120)
Impact of increased waste tonnages on shared savings projects	(450)
Change in organic waste disposal volumes	(100)
Maintenance expenditure for recycling centres and closed landfill sites	(100)
	(3,149)
Total	200

#### **Analysis of Total Expenditure for 2022/23**

	Gross Expenditure	Grant and Contribution			Net Expenditure
	•	Income			•
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Highways and Traffic Management	31,029	(118)	(1,219)	(1,803)	27,889
Infrastructure Development and Waste	34,416	0	(4,187)	(794)	29,435
Total	65,445	(118)	(5,406)	(2,597)	57,324

The following services (which are not included above) are wholly self-funded and do not directly impact on Council Tax.

	Gross Expenditure	Grant and Contribution Income			Net Expenditure
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Highways and Traffic Management					
Highways Permit Scheme	550	0	(550)	0	0
On Street Parking	7,370	(114)	(7,242)	(14)	0
Infrastructure Development and Waste					
Lottery Community Fund - Food Rescue	62	(62)	0	0	0
Total	7,982	(176)	(7,792)	(14)	0
Grand total	73,427	(294)	(13,198)	(2,611)	57,324

### **Highways and Traffic Management**

2021/22 Adjusted Budget £'000		Gross Expenditure £'000	Gross Income £'000	2022/23 Outturn Budget £'000	2022/23 Net Changes £'000
	Highway Maintenance				
4,282	Cyclic Maintenance	4,618	0	4,618	336
3,986	Highway Lighting	3,725	0	3,725	(261)
633	Maintenance of Public Rights of Way	786	(36)	750	117
34	Other Highway Services	167	(133)	34	0
546	Retaining Walls and Bridges	296	0	296	(250)
3,177	Routine Maintenance	3,554	0	3,554	377
6,450	Safety Reaction	5,789	0	5,789	(661)
3,720	Winter and Emergencies	3,291	0	3,291	(429)
22,828		22,226	(169)	22,057	(771)
	Highway Network Management				
5,948	Highway Network Management	8,588	(2,760)	5,828	(120)
4	Management and Support	215	(211)	4	0
5,952		8,803	(2,971)	5,832	(120)
28,780		31,029	(3,140)	27,889	(891)

Analysis of Changes:	£'000
Technical and Service changes	
Inflation and National Living Wage	1,558
Red diesel tax increase	50
	1,608
Savings Strategies	
Reduced safety defects demand	(700)
Drainage maintenance	(300)
Cyclic cleaning	(100)
Bridges and retaining walls maintenance	(250)
Winter and emergency operations	(455)
Energy savings from Street Lighting LED lamp conversions	(324)
Income from advertising on highways assets	(150)
Introduction of charge for disabled bay applications	(100)
Permitting scheme cost recovery	(120)
	(2,499)
Total	(891)

#### **Service Commentary**

The purpose of the Highways and Traffic Management services is to maintain, improve and operate the existing local highway and public rights of way networks. The service is driving efficiency in the way it works, through managing demand and enabling community self-help. The service prioritises safety and meeting the travel needs of businesses, communities, and individuals.

To cope with reducing budgets, the service adopts asset management principles to identify priority needs and to focus the available funding on reducing whole life maintenance costs, for example by delivering preventative maintenance rather than repairing roads on a worst first basis. The main road network is being maintained in a good condition; however, parts of the minor road network are in poor condition. Such roads will be kept safe by repairing defects in accordance with adopted policy.

The service works in a collaborative way with its contractors, communities, and individuals, which should enable Devon to maximise Government capital funding. Service discipline on spending enables the service to respond to in-year changes and pressures due, for example, to extreme weather events.

#### Service Statistics and Other Information

Service/ Activity	Unit of Measurement	2021/22 Estimate	Change	2022/23 Estimate
Size of Network	Km	12,978	1	12,979
Bridges	No.	3,317	20	3,337
Structural retaining walls (>1.35m height)	No.	1,749	40	1,789
Structural retaining walls (>1.35m height)	Km	126	(7)	119
Street lights total	No.	80,244	383	80,627
Street lights to have been converted to part night lighting	No.	53,886	0	53,886
Rights of way	Km	5,012	0	5,012
Length of road salted	Km	2,664	0	2,664
Illuminated road markings and signs	No.	10,694	689	11,383
Gullies emptied	No.	149,000	0	149,000
Total grass area cut	$m^2$	7.60 million 0	.5 million	7.65 million
Surface dressed	Km	443	(203)	240
Resurfacing / reconstruction	Km	101	(16)	85

### **Infrastructure Development and Waste Management**

2021/22 Adjusted Budget £'000		Gross Expenditure £'000	Gross Income £'000	2022/23 Outturn Budget £'000	2022/23 Net Changes £'000
	Infrastructure Development				
196	Compliance Surveys - School Buildings	196	0	196	0
(237)	Engineering and Design Group	666	(762)	(96)	141
83	Schools Estates Work	83	0	83	0
42		945	(762)	183	141
	Waste Disposal and Recycling				
14,397	Disposal of Statutory Waste	18,646	(3,918)	14,728	331
1,440	Landfill Tax on Disposal	1,440	0	1,440	0
323	Other Site Related Costs	225	(2)	223	(100)
6,389	Recycling Centres	6,977	0	6,977	588
4,753	Recycling Credits	4,861	0	4,861	108
859	Waste Management	914	(32)	882	23
141	Waste Minimisation Activities	408	(267)	141	0
28,302		33,471	(4,219)	29,252	950
28,344		34,416	(4,981)	29,435	1,091

Analysis of changes:	£'000
Technical and Service changes	
Inflation and National Living Wage	1,007
Growth in household waste	286
Extension of Household Waste Recycling contract	400
Extension of sweepings contract	48
	1,741
Savings Strategies	
Impact of increased waste tonnages on shared savings projects	(450)
Change in organic waste disposal volumes	(100)
Maintenance expenditure for recycling centres and closed landfill sites	(100)
	(650)
Total	1,091

#### **Service Commentary**

The purpose of Infrastructure Development is to deliver the County Council's Capital Programme. The Service provides technical engineering consultancy services. The Group is the Authority's intelligent client for the procurement of construction contracts and is focussed on driving efficiency and providing a flexible and responsive service to meet the needs of the council.

The Waste Management service is responsible for the disposal of local authority collected waste. The service supports and enables waste prevention activity, manages waste contracts for recycling, treatment, and disposal, provides new waste infrastructure and manages redundant landfill sites. The service works with Waste Collection Authorities to join up waste collection and waste disposal where possible. Less than 5% of Devon's residual household waste is now disposed of at landfill sites.

Waste tonnage is extremely volatile and sensitive to both economic and demographic factors, including COVID-19, and needs to be closely monitored as there is growth in this area, which could have a significant impact on the budget.

#### Service Statistics and Other Information

Service/ Activity	Unit of Measurement	2021/22 Estimate	Change	2022/23 Estimate
Municipal waste disposal to landfill	Tonnes	12,250	4,750	17,000
Municipal waste recycled (excl. soil & rubble)	Tonnes	216,000	(10,000)	206,000
Trade Waste - rechargeable income	Tonnes	14,000	(5,500)	8,500
Municipal waste sent for energy recovery	Tonnes	148,500	8,500	157,000
Recycling, reusing and composting	Percentage	55.0	0	55.0
Recycling centres provided	No.	19	0	19
Landfill sites after care	No.	58	0	58

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#### **Grants Paid to External Organisations**

2021/22		2022/23
£000	Service and Grant Title	£000
	Service and Grant Title	
	Planning, Transportation and Environment	
49	AONB (East, South and Tamar)	49
40	Dorset & East Devon World Heritage site (Jurassic Coast)	40
25	Cornwall & West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage site	25
23	South West Energy & Environment group	25
4	Wembury Centre	4
2	Tamar Estuaries consultative forum	2
20	Devon Wildlife Trust Nature Improvement Area Project	20
40	Devon & Cornwall Rail Partnership	40
248	Community bodies - Transport Ring & Ride	248
451		453
	Communities and Other Services	
400	Citizens Advice Bureau	400
62	Devon Communities Together	62
462		462
	Highways and Traffic Management	
9	Meldon Viaduct	9
9		9
922	TOTAL	924

### Staffing Data 2022/23

	2021/22				
	Adjusted	Changes	Revenue	Externally	Total
	Total	FTEs		Funded	FTEs
	FTEs		FTEs	FTEs	
Communities and Other Services	48	13	33	28	61
Economy, Enterprise and Skills	215	7	73	149	222
Planning, Transportation and Environment	178	10	160	28	188
Public Health	35	10	0	45	45
Community, Health, Environment, Prosperity	476	40	266	250	516
Chief Exec, HR, Legal and Communications	308	15	322	1	323
Devon Finance Services	315	17	201	131	332
Digital Transformation and Business Supprt	569	1	508		570
Organisational Development	20	(6)	14	0	14
Corporate Services	1,212	27	1,045	194	1,239
Highways and Traffic Management	287	11	296	2	298
Infrastructure Development and Waste	101	11	112		112
Highways, Infrastructure and Waste	388	22	408	2	410
Total	2,076	89	1,719	446	2,165

Explanation of Movements	
Communities and Other Services	
Externally funded - Safer & Stronger Communities	4
Externally funded - Active Devon Safe Accommodation - new Domestic Abuse Act	2 4
Safer & Stronger Communities	3
	13
Economy, Enterprise and Skills	(2)
Externally funded - Reduction in Learn Devon posts  Externally funded - Various projects	(3) 6
Temporary roles - Funded from Economic Recovery reserve	4
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Planning, Transportation and Environment	_
Externally funded - Various projects  Temporary roles - Transport co-ordination route review officers	7 2
Carbon Offsetting officer	1
Carson Chrostenig Chico.	10
Public Health	
Externally funded - Core Function	4
Externally funded - Temporary roles	<u>6</u>
Chief Executive, HR, Legal and Communications	10
HR - Demand driven increase in employee services	8
HR - Health & Safety	1
Uplift of hours across HR (Strategy & Leadership)	2
Uplift of hours across Legal, Democratic Support and Communications	1
Lieutenancy - Apprentice Legal Services - Adults Senior Lawyer	1 1
Legal Services - Children's Safeguarding Advocate	1
	15
Devon Finance Services	
Finance Strategy - Systems Development Accountancy Services posts	1 2
IR35 Compliance post	1
Externally funded - Charging For Care	3
Externally funded - Accountancy Services	2
Externally funded - Devon Audit Partnership	5
Externally funded - Capital projects	2
Externally funded - Pensions	<u>1</u>
Digital Transformation and Business Support	
Increased resilience through leadership capacity	1
Overniestianal Payalanment	1
Organisational Development Cessation of fixed term contracts	(2)
Transfer to Communities	(4)
	(6)
Highways and Traffic Management	_
Highways permitting scheme	9 2
Network Response Technicians	11
Infrastructure Development	
North Devon Link Road project	11_
	11
Total	89

### **Communities, Public Health, Environment and Prosperity - Risk Assessment**

Service	Budget 2022/23 £'000	Risk and Impact		במם
All - Impact of COVID-19 pandemic	41,243	Unknown medium and long term impacts on Public Health demands, Transport usage trends, local economy, employment market, community resilience, changing ways of working, delays to key strategic projects, income generation.	Clear communication on priorities. Use business continuity and service leadership plans to identify emerging risks and pressures. Actively engage and influence the Council's recovery programme.	<u>a</u>
Community Grant and Crowdfunding schemes	110	Community funding (Doing What Matters, Making the Connection) has provided important small/medium grants to local organisations particularly to support COVID-19 response and recovery. The reduction of £249,000 means the Council may lose capacity in supporting community resilience and organisations will have fewer opportunities to fund wellbeing, preventative and local connection and capacity building. In ending crowdfunding activities (£50,000), the Council may see a reduction in local innovation and is losing the opportunity to maximise funding (by joining fundraising with the crowd – each £1 of Council spend brings around £10 of private funds)	Crowdfunding has limited local momentum and is not suitable for some projects and organisations.  The Council will optimise the use of the remaining community grant funds for 2022/23 by prioritising strategy.	
Public & Community Transport	7,655 (budget and other funding)	Prior to COVID-19 around 80% of passenger journeys were on commercial bus services with no DCC control over them. The remainder are on supported (contracted) bus services. The commercial sector therefore shapes the network,	Government is being lobbied to maintain their support for service until they are stabilised post COVID.  There is a current bid into Government for additional support for bus based public transport. If this is successful permission would be sought to rebase the	

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		and DCC responds to fill in gaps, optimising the scope for an integrated network.	current service and use some of these funds to maintain existing services as well as develop new services.
		The current situation is patronage levels have dropped to 70% of pre COVID-19. The loss of revenue is currently supported by central	Failing both of these additional funds would have to be sought and consultation would be undertaken on reduced frequency or services.
		government funding. This is currently only in place until 6 April 2022. If this support stopped or reduced, then commercial services are likely to operate at a reduced frequency and rural services will require additional support from the County Council.	DCC maintains close relationships with this sector, provides some financial support and works with groups to develop new initiatives.
		Recent experience has shown that the sector is increasingly commercially fragile which increases the cost risk to the provision of supported services.	
		DCC also supports the voluntary and community transport sector where conventional buses are not sustainable.	
		Any reductions to service will have an impact on Devon communities as 19% of Devon residents have no access to a car.	
Flood Risk Management – Surface water	805 (excludes capital prog.)	DCC is the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) as defined by the Flood and Water Management Act and the Flood Risk Regulations. Consequently, there would be costs associated with statutory requirements in the event of a major incident.	DCC has processes in place to undertake the required duty should there be a significant flood incident. However, funding over and above this budget might need to be identified.  Devon to contact Local Planning Authorities to request education be treated as Section 106 item following the
School Place		The introduction of Community Infrastructure Levy	Devon to contact Local Planning Authorities to request
Planning (capital		in three Local Planning Authorities has created further uncertainty on securing development	
funding/home		contributions towards education infrastructure.	Government review of CIL. Ensure approved Free

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to school transport revenue)		Failure to provide appropriate schools places locally will have knock on implications for the Home to School Transport budget  The number of learners who require an Education, Care and Health Plan continues to rise with a proportion of these learners requiring a specialist placement with limited capital grant from National Government. Failure to provide appropriate schools places locally will have knock on implications for the Home to School Transport budget and the High Needs Block within the Dedicated Schools Grant Several schools have been identified at risk of flooding including Tipton St John.	Schools are delivered, realising central Government investment.  Continued delivery of additional SEN Places across the county.  Evidence based assessment of investment of limited SEN capital funding to increase local capacity in particular, in Maintained Special Schools.  Detailed assessment of schools impacted to be undertaken to ensure safety of school users and/or priorities for mitigation are identified.
Exeter Science Park (loan guarantee)	Max 2,652	The Science Park Innovation Centre Construction was built by Exeter Science Park Limited (ESPL). This was partially funded via a loan from the Local Enterprise Partnership. DCC have guaranteed 50% of the loan and interest. There remains in the balance sheet a provision of £1.8 million to cover the guarantee. This figure was based on the shortfall in the ESPL business plan. It is likely that part of this provision will be required	The guarantee is based on development monies being generated in the future to repay the loan. If the budgeted requirement increases further funds may need to be set aside. This will be monitored during the year via ESPL Business Plans which have to be approved by the Board at regular intervals.
Budget Reductions (incl. Policy Changes)	2,846	Reductions are becoming harder to achieve. Some reductions are reliant on collaboration and cooperation from partners which cannot be fully guaranteed or controlled by DCC and others on supply and demand for services. In order to achieve budget reductions, polices are continually being reviewed using a more risk-based approach.	The priority is to maintain statutory compliance. A rigorous programme with risk assessment has been developed and will be continually monitored during 2022/23 with particular emphasis on high risk or new strategies. Continuous efforts to influence and negotiate with partners will be maintained.

This may lead to an increase in the risk of challenge or failure.	
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### **Corporate Service – Risk Assessment**

Service Budget 2022/23		Risk and Impact	Mitigation
	£000		
All Corporate Services	40,719 (net)	Unknown medium and long-term impacts on demands for increased support from front-line services, changing ways of working, delays to key strategic projects, and income generation most notably within the Registration Service because of COVID-19.	Clear communication on priorities. Use business continuity and service leadership plans to identify emerging risks and pressures. Actively engage and influence the Council's recovery programme.
All Corporate Services	40,719 (net)	Where DCC insource or take on additional services and staff to the Authority, this will require significant back-office support including Business Support, ICT, Procurement, Estates, HR, and Finance. Along with responsibility for linked assets such as buildings which also transfer, this combines to put pressure on all budget lines.	Work closely with front-line service heads to ensure Corporate Services develop and evolve to meet the changing needs of the Authority, capturing cost and resource requirements, and identifying funding.
ICT	13,381 (net)	Nationally the threat of Cyber Security is a growing risk, and the County Council must ensure its staff and Members have sufficient skills to operate technology in a secure way to protect the data assets of the Council.	Activity built into the Digital and Technology roadmap to educate staff and Members. This will include increased cyber security training.
Business Services and Support	5,806 (net)	Ongoing increasing demands for business support for Children & Adults at risk, place increasing pressure on the service.	Work closely with service heads to identify where efficiencies can be made and assess resource requirements.
Digital Transformation	19,612 (net)	The unknown medium and long-term impacts of all aspects of the COVID-19 emergency	Clear communication on priorities. Utilising business continuity plans and effective service leadership plans

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and Business Support		including employment market, changing ways of working, delays to key strategic projects, income generation, capacity, and demand.	to identify emerging risks and pressures. Actively engage and influence the Council's recovery programme.
Coroners Service	1,793 (net)	There is a risk of unavoidable additional costs in medical (pathology), analysts, funeral directors, and mortuary facility fees.	Continue to work closely with colleagues across the region conducting ongoing reviews of commissioning processes and joint working arrangements with a view to curtailing expenditure and producing additional efficiencies in this respect.
Legal Services	2,121 (net)	Demands for legal support to Children's and Adults Services place increasing pressure on the service leading to potential for cases being delayed, negative outcomes for vulnerable people and cases being outsourced to the private sector to supplement capacity.	Engagement with service heads to monitor the activity drivers, implementing an Improvement Plan to support and compliment the Children's Services Improvement Plan, interim use of locum lawyers to end outsourcing of cases and seeking to recruit additional staff to progress increased caseloads.
		Increasing workloads and demands for legal support in relation to Litigation, particularly SEN, and Procurement, resulting in the need to outsource legal work to the private sector to relieve capacity as well as affecting team resilience and leading to delays in the provision of legal support. In addition, adding to the increasing Procurement workload, there are potentially sweeping post-Brexit changes to the public procurement regime by central government anticipated in the near future (Green Paper entitled 'Transforming public procurement').	Four new Senior Lawyer posts have been appointed to (one for Litigation, one for Procurement and two for Children's Safeguarding) to increase in-house capacity and resilience and reduce the need for external legal support.  A further new Senior Lawyer post in support of Adults Services and an Advocate post for Children's Safeguarding have also been secured and will be recruited to over the next 12 months.

### **Highway, Infrastructure Development and Waste - Risk Assessment**

Service	Budget 2022/23 £'000	Risk and Impact	Mitigation
Highways Maintenance - Impact of COVID-19 pandemic	8,000	The implementation of lockdown restrictions could impact the ability of the Highways term maintenance contractor to complete planned routine and cyclic works.	Work's planning is continually monitored and reviewed. Some contractor resources can be assigned to other Highways works if required.
Highways On- Street Parking and enforcement income - Impact of COVID-19 pandemic	7,200	Further lockdown restrictions would reduce the volume of vehicles on the network and associated parking income.	The demand led nature of parking income means that there is very little scope to alleviate a reduction in income levels without further financial assistance from central government.
Highways Maintenance term maintenance contract	17,000	A new payment mechanism will be in place for the term maintenance contract from 1st April 2022. Any change of this type inevitably increases the short-term financial risk during the transition period.	Work is underway to ensure appropriate financial controls are in place prior to the start of the new payment mechanism.
Winter Maintenance and Emergencies	3,300	Winter maintenance and other emergencies which are typically weather related, cannot be predicted. There is a risk of overspend in the event of severe weather conditions. Proportions of this budget are based on a mild to average winter. Therefore, a	There is limited scope for management action as the bulk of the costs tend to fall in the latter part of the financial year thus precluding funding by deferral of planned maintenance work. DCC policy is to respond appropriately to such events and wherever possible divert resources from other works in order to mitigate

		worse than average year will place additional pressure on this budget.	some of the costs. Scenario modelling is undertaken to assess any potential overspend.
Safety Defect Repairs	Approx. 4,000	This continues to be a volatile service area. Prolonged adverse weather conditions significantly affect the level of safety defects needing attention. Over the last 7-8 years significant extra resources from both central government and DCC have been targeted towards this area. However, the level of investment is still well below the backlog.	Works are closely monitored during the year and funds diverted from planned works where possible to mitigate increases in expenditure as far as possible.
Highways Services Income from Fees and Charges	1,200	The Authority is legally entitled to levy charges for a variety of Highways services. These services are completely demand led and are therefore susceptible to variations in economic factors. A variation in demand of +/- 10% could result in a budgetary impact of £120,000.	There is limited scope for direct management action to significantly influence the demand for Highways services. However, income levels are monitored during the year and, where possible, mitigating actions are taken in other areas of the budget.
Waste Management	29,200	Waste tonnage levels and growth rates are volatile and difficult to predict as they are subject to a range of influences outside the control of DCC, such as the wider economic climate and more working from home due to COVID-19. Similarly, the extent to which contractors will meet recycling targets is uncertain. These risks may result in the budget being over or under provided. A variation in tonnages of +/- 1% could result in a financial variation of approximately £300,000.	Current budgets reflect recent trends in waste volumes. Other than undertaking work to influence behaviours there is limited scope for management to alleviate financial pressures should tonnage increase. Tonnage levels are closely monitored. More cost effective ways of disposing of waste are continually explored.

#### **Capital Programme**

The following table details the medium term capital programme for this service and how that programme is being funded.

#### **Communities, Public Health, Environment and Prosperity**

Total Approval (includes prior		2022/23	023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
years)	Project	Ä	Ñ	Ñ	Ñ	Ñ
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Economy, Enterprise and Skills					
500	Economic Recovery Programme	250	0	0	0	0
2,590	North Devon Enterprise Centre - Phase 2	500	1,090	0	0	0
	Economy, Enterprise and Skills Total	750	1,090	0	0	0
	Planning, Transportation and Environment					
	Large and Major Highway Schemes					
2,680	A379 Sandy Park Junction Newcourt, Exeter	1	0	0	0	0
3,800	Long Lane widening and new link road on Silverdown Office Park	500	0	0	0	0
67,629	North Devon Link Road	25,630	12,593	871	460	0
110	River Taw pedestrian and cycle bridge, Barnstaple	110	0	0	0	0
3,793	Safer Roads Fund A3121	1,257	0	0	0	0
117,999		1,504	448	752	0	0
55,140	South West Exeter Housing Infrastructure Fund	17,940	21,966	0	0	0
5,700	Tiverton Eastern Urban Extension Phase 1	5	0	0	0	0
8,200	Tiverton Eastern Urban Extension Phase 2	4,989	3,016	0	0	0
	Large and Major Highway Schemes Total	51,936	38,023	1,623	460	0
	LTP					
N/A	Local Transport Plan (LTP) Integrated transport block	3,496	3,628	3,628	3,628	3,628
	LTP Total	3,496	3,628	3,628	3,628	3,628
	Environment					
2,000	Carbon Reduction Programme	1,000	1,000	0	0	0
342	Connecting the Culm (part of Co-Adapt)	16	0	0	0	0
N/A	Flood Prevention Works	350	350	350	350	350
7,030	Sustainable Warmth - Home Upgrade Grant (HUG1)	7,030	0	0	0	0
2,431	Sustainable Warmth - Local Authority Delivery (LAD)	2,431	0	0	0	0
	Environment Total	10,827	1,350	350	350	350

Total Approval (includes prior years)	Project	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Schools Expansion					
N/A	Advanced Design Fees	150	150	0	0	0
12	Ashburton Primary School - Additional Classroom	3	0	0	0	0
2,424	Axminster Primary School, phased expansion to 420	1,193	1,100	0	0	0
420	Childrens Accomodation - Barnes & Welland House	420	0	0	0	0
N/A	Confirmed Basic Need Allocation	260	297	3,000	2,000	
625	Cullompton Community College - Multi Use Games Area	525	0	0	0	0
3,971	Exeter Creative Free School Contribution	0	3,971	0	0	0
3,487	Exmouth Community College Expansion	0	1,853	0	0	0
500	Great Torrington School - New teaching block and remodelling works	400	0	0	0	0
150	Honiton Primary School - Phased Expansion	0	100	0	0	0
1,477	Ivybridge College - Additional Accommodation	0	1,477	0	0	0
46	Kenn CofE Primary School, energy reduction scheme	0	34	0	0	0
362	Kingsteignton - New School Contribution	181	0	0	0	0
175	Mill Water School - Extension	115	0	0	0	0
1,766	Monkerton Primary - Contribution	701	0	0	0	0
95	Ottery St Mary Primary School	95	0	0	0	0
582	Pilton Community College - Additional Accommodation	0	582	0	0	0
242	Proposed New Primary School, West Barnstaple	18	200	0	0	0
1,604	Roundswell Primary - Contribution	670	0	0	0	0
894	Seaton Primary School - expansion and improvements	304	571	0	0	0
100	Sidmouth Primary - Expansion to PAN 90	0	100	0	0	0
1,454	South Molton Community College - phased expansion	874	0	0	0	0
400	South Molton Community College - Support Accommodation	100	300	0	0	0
768	Uffculme Primary Academy Add Classrooms	739	0	0	0	0
50	Westcliff School - Expansion to 420	0	50	0	0	0
474	Willowbank Primary Expansion to PAN60	100	0	0	0	0
1,506	West Clyst Primary	1,506	0	0	0	0
	Childrens & Strategic Schools Programme Total	8,354	10,785	3,000	2,000	0

Total Approval (includes prior years)	Project	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	SEND Programme					
700	Ace Tiverton Special School	700	0	0	0	0
136	Bodley House BIS0442 Convert for SEN	36	100	0	0	0
81	Charlton Lodge, Tiverton - SEND Provision	31	50	0	0	0
4,208	Lampard School - Expand to 180	2,670	0	0	0	0
1,700	Marland Day - Additional Accomodation Bideford	1,000	700	0	0	0
10,950	Okehampton Special School	7,810	1,513	0	0	0
3,081	Orchard Manor Special School, expansion	1,000	0	0	0	0
100	development	0	100	0	0	0
2,300	SW Devon Special School	2,300	0	0	0	0
	SEND Programme Total	15,547	2,463	0	0	0
N/A	Commissioning Services For Communities Youth service minor capital works	27	27	27	27	27
	Library modernisation partnership schemes - Bideford	37	37	37	37	37
590 N/A	Library estate RFID / self service	1,000	0	0	0	0
N/A	Library management system replacement	50	0	0	0	0
N/A N/A	Vehicle Equipment Loans Pool - Fleet management	50	1 100	1 126	-	1 421
IN/A	Commissioning Services For Communities Total	1,478 <b>2,615</b>	1,109	1,136	1,246	1,431
	Commissioning Services For Communication Form	2,015	1,146	1,173	1,283	1,468
	Communities, Health, Environment & Prosperity Total	93,525	58,485	9,774	7,721	5,446
	Financed by:					
	Borrowing - Internal	11,393	3,692	637	0	387
	Borrowing - VELP	1,478	1,109	1,136	1,246	1,431
	Capital Receipts - General	470	3,198	771	387	0
	External Funding - Contributions	6,511	3,116	0	0	0
	External Funding - Grants	69,544	41,243	6,628	5,628	3,628
	External Funding - S106	4,129	6,127	602	460	0
	Total	93,525	58,485	9,774	7,721	5,446

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#### **Corporate**

Total Approval (includes		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
prior years)	Project	20	20	20	20	20
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Information and Communications Technology					
N/A	Babcock Laptops	276	0	0	0	0
N/A	DCC Operating Model ICT Replacement and Renewal	5,240	3,800	200	950	200
717	SCOMIS - Disaster Recovery	397	266	54	0	0
	Information and Communications Technology Total	5,913	4,066	254	950	200
	County Farms Estate					
N/A	County Farms Estate Enhancement Programme	1,000	1,000	600	600	600
	County Farms Estate Total	1,000	1,000	600	600	600
	Corporate Property Estate					
N/A	Building Maintenance	900	900	900	900	900
N/A	Property Enabling Budget	150	150	150	150	150
N/A	Replace and Upgrade Corporate Estate	600	600	600	600	600
1,259	Solar Carports (DELETTI)	46	0	0	0	0
	Corporate Property Estate Total	1,696	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650
	Corporate Services Total	8,609	6,716	2,504	3,200	2,450
	Financed by:					
	Borrowing - Internal	6,262	2,516	254	950	950
	Capital Receipts - General	2,301	4,200	2,250	2,250	1,500
	External Funding - Contributions	0	0	0	0	0
	External Funding - Grants	46	0	0	0	0
	Total	8,609	6,716	2,504	3,200	2,450

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#### Highways, Infrastructure, Development and Waste

Total Approval (includes prior years)	Project	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Schools Maintenance and Improvements					
	Committed Works					
45	Bassett's Farm Primary Sch Hot water Heater	8	0	0	0	0
93	Beaford Community Primary & Nursery Sch - Block 01 replace windows & renew render. Replace sports flooring.	18	0	0	0	0
24	Berrynarbor CofE Primary Sch - Block 01 replace kitchen ventilation hood & provide gas detection	5	0	0	0	0
92	Bishops Nympton Primary Sch - Blk 01 Rewire. Blk 02 Replace alarm. Blk 04 Replace cladding & door	18	0	0	0	0
89	Brampford Speke CofE Primary Sch - Block 01 Replace windows, doors & replace flat roof Canada Hill Community Primary Sch - Block 01 replace suspended	18	0	0	0	0
53	ceiling & renew tarmac	10	0	0	0	0
32	Cheriton Fitzpaine Primary School - Hot water & BMS	6	0	0	0	0
36	Copplestone Primary School - Block 01 replace suspended ceiling Countess Wear Community School - Replace drainage pipe in	6	0	0	0	0
27	playground	5	0	0	0	0
47	Cullompton Community College - Water Heaters	10	0	0	0	0
N/A	DDA projects (contingency)	250	0	0	0	0
123	Doddiscombsleigh Community Sch - Blk 01 kitchen doors, WC & Storeroom windows. Blk 04 cladding East The Water Community Primary School - Block 01 Upgrade	25	0	0	0	0
50	incoming electrical service  Great Torrington Bluecoat CofE Primary Sch - Block 01 pitched	11	0	0	0	0
460	roof replacement Gulworthy Primary Sch - Block 01 above girls WC-Partial renew al	86	0	0	0	0
33	of flashings/valleys, partial re-roof & scaffolding	6	0	0	0	0
38	Halberton Primary Sch - Block 06 Replace windows & replace gas heater	8	0	0	0	0
182	Hatherleigh Community Prim - Blk 01 windows. Blk 02 replace timber skirt, cladding, fascias, windows & doors	36	0	0	0	0
170	Hayward's Primary Sch - Block 01 roofing	34	0	0	0	0
49	Highweek Primary - Block 01 Replace Central Heating boiler	9	0	0	0	0
24	Ilfracombe Infant and Nursery Sch - Replace retaining wall	5	0	0	0	0
16 81	Kenn CofE Primary Sch - Adaption Works Kentisbeare CofE Primary - Blk 01 replace lighting, windows &	3	0	0	0	0
	door/frame. Refurbish Fascias & Bargeboards	16	0	0	0	0
9	Kilmington Primary Sch - replace flooring	2	0	0	0	0
50	King Edw ard VI Community College - Block 05 renew wet heating	10	0	0	0	0
65	King Edw ard VI Community College - Renew tarmac Ladysmith Infants Sch - Renew wet heating system, pipes &	13	0	0	0	0
177	radiators Ladysmith Infants Sch, Nursery Redevelopment (previously	35	0	0	0	0
175	external refurbishment of Block 03)  Littleham CofE Primary Sch - Reinforce wall around WPD. Block 01	35	0	0	0	0
106	replace flat roof at nursery area	22	0	0	0	0
124	Marland Primary Sch - Block 01 Replace windows & doors	21	0	0	0	0
N/A	MUMIS (contingency)	180	0	0	0	0

Total Approval (includes prior years)	Project	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
52	New town Primary Sch - Block 02 renewal of fascias	10	0	0	0	0
158	Payhembury CofE Primary Sch - Block 01 replace timber windows, door/frame & replace night storage heaters	30	0	0	0	0
21	Pilton Infants Sch - Infill basement	4	0	0	0	0
164	Plymtree CofE Primary Sch - Blk 01 ext. refurb, windows & fire door. Blk 02 Replace ceiling, windows & doors	33	0	0	0	0
314	Sandford Primary Sch - Blk 01 Ext refurb & toilet refurb. Blk 02 windows. Blks 03 & 04 fascias. Blk 05 velux rooflight	63	0	0	0	0
N/A	Schs capital maintenance (contingency)	1,655	0	0	0	0
49	Seaton Primary Sch - Replace Sewage Pumping System	10	0	0	0	0
52	Shaugh Prior Primary Sch - Block 02 renew fascias & soffits. Block 02 replace roof	10	0	0	0	0
50	Shute Community Primary Sch - Block 02 replace flat roof	11	0	0	0	0
160	Silverton Primary Sch - Adaption works	32	0	0	0	0
84	Stoke Canon CofE Primary Sch - Block 01 replace window s & doors	15	0	0	0	0
93	Stoke Hill Junior Sch - Renew playground tarmac & pedestrian paths	20	0	0	0	0
46	Tavistock Community College - Accessible changing space	9	0	0	0	0
600	The Castle Primary Sch / Elmore Church, Tiverton - Replacement wall	0	138	0	0	0
58	The Erme Primary Sch - Block 01 External refurb & replace North & West Elevation windows	12	0	0	0	0
78	Thorverton CofE Primary Sch - Flat Roof Replacement	16	0	0	0	0
189	Tiverton High Sch - Heating/Ventilation upgrades	38	0	0	0	0
43	Tiverton High Sch - Lift Refurbishment	9	0	0	0	0
655	Tiverton High Sch - roof replacement	115	0	0	0	0
280	West Croft Sch - Blk 01 partial replace flat roof & fascias/soffits. Blk 201 Replace rooflight. Blk 212 Guttering	55	0	0	0	0
417	West Exe Nursery Sch - Block 01 Roof replacement	83	0	0	0	0
289	Whitchurch Community Primary Sch - Block 01 pitched roof replacement	22	0	0	0	0

Total Approval (includes prior years)	Project	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Planned Works					
329	Bassets Farm Primary - Block 01 flat roof	329	0	0	0	0
82	${\bf Bishops\ Tawton\ Primary\ -\ Block\ 06\ Refurbishment.\ Boundary\ Wall}$	82	0	0	0	0
49	Bovey Tracey Primary Sch - replacement windows Clyst St Mary Pri - Blk 01 render, doors & load bearing	49	0	0	0	0
72	components	72	0	0	0	0
49	Decoy Primary - Various work to Blocks 01, 04, 05 & 09		0	0	0	0
42 53	Ellen Tinkham Sch - Fire Doors and Fire Compartmentation Work Hazeldown School - Mechanical Ventilation, fans, CO Detec &	42	0	0	0	0
	heating pipework	53	0	0	0	0
1,096 43	Heathcoat Primary - Main Block Re-Roof Honiton Primary Sch - Fire Doors and Fire Compartmentation	1,096	0	0	0	0
201	Work Instow Community Pri - Tarmac, Blk 02 refurbish, Blks 03 & 04 timber skirting	43	0	0	0	0
82	Ladysmith Infants - Block 01 renew windows	201 82	0	0	0	0
37	Lympstone CE Pri - Render, doors and timber skirt	37	0	0	0	0
38	Marpool Primary - Paving slabs, service chamber benching & tarmac	38	0	0	0	0
22	Marwood School - Blk 01 Gable End Purlin	22	0	0	0	0
60	Pathfield School - Fire Doors and Fire compartmentation Work	60	0	0	0	0
912	Pilton Infants School - Replace Blocks 03, 04 & 05	912	0	0	0	0
105	Seaton Primary - Various work to Blocks 01, 06, 10 & 12	105	0	0	0	0
9	St Michaels CE Pri Kingsteignton - Boundary wall & Blk 01 doors	9	0	0	0	0
95	Tavistock Primary Sch - Fire Doors and Fire Compartmentation Work	95	0	0	0	0
163	The Grove Primary - Blk 01 windows, roof walkway decking & rainwater goods	163	0	0	0	0
101	Thorverton CE Pri - Various work to Blocks 01 & 02. Boundary Wall.	101	0	0	0	0
33	Withycombe Raleigh CE Pri - Walls, footpaths and steps	33	0	0	0	0
38	Woolsery Primary - Upgrade fire alarm and CO Detection	38	0	0	0	0
N/A	Estimate Capital Maintenance - SCA Grant	0	3,500	3,000	2,500	2,000
	Schools Maintenance and Improvements Total	6,874	3,638	3,000	2,500	2,000
	Waste					
5,838	Tavistock Household Waste Recycling Centre	0	417	4,471	950	
N/A	Waste Recycling Centre - Capital works	220	220	220	220	220
	Waste Total	220	637	4,691	1,170	220
	Highways					
N/A	Local Transport Plan (LTP) Maintenance	41,132	41.132	41.132	41,132	41.132
8,673	Street Lighting LED	860	0	0	0	0
657	Stover Discovery Centre	20	637	0	0	0
N/A	DfT Traffic Signal Maintenance Bid	290	0	0	0	0
	Highways Total				41,132	
						40.55-
	Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste Total	49,396	46,044	48,823	44,802	43,352

	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Financed by:					
Borrowing - Internal	880	405	0	0	220
Capital Receipts - General	220	637	4,691	1,170	0
External Funding - Contributions	0	357	0	0	0
External Funding - Grants	48,296	44,645	44,132	43,632	43,132
Total	49,396	46,044	48,823	44,802	43,352

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#### **Abbreviations**

Abbreviations used within the budget for all Scrutiny reports:

ADASS Association of Directors of Adult Social Services

AMHP Approved Mental Health Professional AONB Area of Outstanding Nature Beauty

ASW RAA Adopt South West Regional Adoption Agency

BACS Bankers automated clearing services (electronic processing of financial

transactions)

BCF Better Care Fund - formerly known as the Integration Transformation Fund, a

national arrangement to pool existing NHS and Local Government funding starting

in April 2015.

BDUK Broadband delivery UK

Blk Block

CCG Clinical Commissioning Group

CCLA Churches, Charities and Local Authorities

CFR Capital Financing Requirement
CIL Community Infastructure Levy

CIPFA The Chartered Institue of Public Finance & Accountancy

CO Carbon Monoxide C of E Church of England

CPG Capital Programme Group
CVS Council of Voluntary Services
CYP Children and Young People
DAF Devon Assessment Framework

DAP Devon Audit Partnership

DC District Council

DCC Devon County Council
DDA Disability Discrimination Act

DEFRA Department for Environmental Food & Rural Affairs

DELETTI Devon low-carbon Energy and Transport Technology Innovator

DFC Devolved Formula Capital
DfE Department for Education
DFG Disabled Facilities Grant
DfT Department for Transport

DLUHC Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities formally known as

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

DoLS Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards
DPLS Devon Personalised Learning Service

DPT Devon Partnership NHS Trust
DSG Dedicated Schools Grant
DYS Devon Youth Services
EFA Education Funding Agency
EH4MH Early Help 4 Mental Health
EHCP Education & Health Care Plans

ERDF European Regional Development Fund

ESPL Exeter Science Park Ltd

EU European Union

FF&E Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment

FTE Full Time Equivalent

HIF Housing Infrastructure Fund
HIV Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HMRC Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs

HNB High Needs Budget HR Human Resources

HRMS Human Resources Management System

iBCF Improved Better Care Fund - Additional grant funding to supplement the Better

Care Fund

ICT Information & Communications Technology

IID Investing in Devon funds

ILACS Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services

INNOVASUMP Innovations in Sustainable Urban Mobility plans for low carbon urban transport

INTERREG European Territorial Co-operation

IVC In Vessel Composting LAG Local Action Group

LEP Local Enterprise Partnership
LGA Local Government Association
LMC Local Medical Committee
LPS Liberty Protection Safeguards

LTP Local Transport Plan

MH Mental Health

MHCLG Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government is now called

Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

MRP Minimum Revenue Provision
MTCP Medium Term Capital Programme
MTFS Medium Term Financial Strategy

MUGA Multi Use Games Area

MUMIS Major Unforeseen Maintenance Indemnity Scheme

NDEC North Devon Enterprise Centre

NDLR North Devon Link Road

NEWDCCG Northern, Eastern and Western Devon Clinical Commissioning Group

NFF National Funding Formula
NHS National Health Service
NLW National Living Wage

NPIF National Productivity Investment Fund

NPV Net Present Value
OP&D Older People & Disability
OSP On Street Parking Account
OT Occupational Therapist
PFI Private Finance Initiative

PH Public Health

PHN Public Health Nursing

PPE Personal Protective Equipment
PSPB Priority School Building Project
PTE Part-time Equivalent (15 hours)
PWLB Public Works Loans Board

R&R Ring and Ride

REACH Reducing Exploitation and Absence from Care or Home ROVICs Rehabilitation Officers for Visually Impaired Children services

RD&E Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital

RPA Rural Payments Agency RSG Revenue Support Grant

S106 Funding from developers resulting from planning obligations authorised by section

106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

SCF Southern Construction Framework

SCOMIS Schools Management Information Service SEND Special Education Needs and Disability

SGO Special Guardianship Order SR21 Spending Review 2021

STP Sustainable Transformation Programme

TBC To be confirmed

TCS Transport Co-Ordination Services

TIDE Atlantic Network for Developing Historical Maritime Tourism

TUPE Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment)

UASC Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children

UK United Kingdom

VELP Vehicle Equipment Loan Pool

VfM Value for Money

WEG Water Environment Grant