

OFFICER COMMENTS ON CONSERVATIVE GROUP AMENDMENT

The financial elements of the amendment represent a lawful and balanced budget amendment.

Comments on the additional proposal included in the amendment are attached.

**OFFICERS' COMMENTS ON ALTERNATIVE BUDGET PROPOSAL
BY THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY**

The following sets out comments by officers on a proposal offered up in the budget amendment. Members of the Council should take this advice into consideration when considering and debating the amendment in question.

Proposal

Adding an extra £75,000 to Road Repairs

Corporate Director's Comments

There are a range of options for which an additional £75,000 added to the Highways Maintenance Budget for Road Repairs could be utilised, a selection of these is set out below:

1. Resurface whole carriageway in approx 5 residential streets of 75 - 100m in Length.
Or
2. Repave entire footways in 2 streets of similar length
Or
3. Catch up with the backlog of patching potholes and footway defects - permanent spot fixes to 150 of the worst minor potholes/cracked paving.

Any additional comments of the Chief Finance Officer

Any additional comments of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal Services)

Equality Impact Assessment: Test of Relevance

TRIGGER QUESTIONS	YES / NO	IF YES PLEASE BRIEFLY EXPLAIN.....
Does the change reduce resources available to address inequality?	No	
CHANGES TO A SERVICE		
Does the change alter access to the service?	No	
Does the change involve revenue raising?	No	
Does the change alter who is eligible for the service?	No	
Does the change involve a reduction or removal of income transfers to service users?	No	
Does the change involve a contracting out of a service currently provided in house?	No	

CHANGES TO STAFFING**Does the change
involve a
reduction in staff?****No****Does the change
involve a redesign
of the roles of
staff?****No**