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Friday, 13 February 2026

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Vice-Chair: Councillor N Ross

Members of the Committee:

Councillor A Brazier
Councillor C Brooks
Councillor A Freeman
Councillor J Hall
Councillor S Haynes
Councillor R Holloway
Councillor R Jackson

Substitutes

Councillor D Moore
Councillor P Rainbow
Councillor K Roberts
Councillor M Spoor
Councillor T Thompson
Councillor T Wendels

Councillor N Allen
Councillor D Darby
Councillor P Harris
Councillor S Michael
Councillor L Tift

MEETING: Policy & Performance Improvement Committee

DATE: Monday, 23 February 2026 at 6.00 pm

**VENUE: Civic Suite, Castle House, Great North Road,
Newark, NG24 1BY**

You are hereby requested to attend the above Meeting to be held at the time/place
and on the date mentioned above for the purpose of transacting the
business on the Agenda as overleaf.

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To consider resolving that, under section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

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NEWARK AND SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of **Policy & Performance Improvement Committee** held in the Civic Suite, Castle House, Great North Road, Newark, NG24 1BY on Monday, 12 January 2026 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor M Pringle (Chair)
Councillor N Ross (Vice-Chair)

Councillor A Brazier, Councillor C Brooks, Councillor A Freeman,
Councillor J Hall, Councillor S Haynes, Councillor R Jackson, Councillor
D Moore, Councillor P Rainbow, Councillor K Roberts, Councillor
K Smith, Councillor T Thompson and Councillor T Wendels

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor N Allen

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor R Holloway

177 NOTIFICATION TO THOSE PRESENT THAT THE MEETING WILL BE RECORDED AND STREAMED ONLINE

The Chair advised that the meeting was being recorded and live streamed from Castle House.

178 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Councillor A Freeman declared an Other Registerable Interest in Agenda Item No. 8 – Life Chances for Girls - Final Report and Recommendations as a Chair of the Board of Directors for Active4Today.

179 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1 DECEMBER 2025

The minutes from the meeting held on 1 December 2025 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

180 EQUALITY, EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION REVIEW AND REVISED STRATEGY

The Committee considered the report presented by the Business Manager – Transformation & Service Improvement which sought to update Members on the progress made through the review of the Council's Equality, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (EEDI) Strategy with the revised Strategy being attached as Appendix A to the report.

It was reported that the Council must maintain a current EEDI Strategy in order to comply with legal duties under the Equality Act 2010; to demonstrate its commitment to fairness and inclusion. Following a recent audit of how the Council delivered services in alignment with the Equality Act 2010, it was noted that whilst meeting statutory requirements and all appropriate activities taking place, there were gaps documenting this with the appropriate policies and procedures. A targeted action plan was produced with an overview of this being attached as Appendix B to the report, noting that the actions within the plan had been completed.

In considering the action plan, a Member sought further information in relation to Recommendation 5 – Review the Council’s buildings and assess their accessibility against good practice; and Recommendation 6 – Review toilet facilities across the estate following the supreme court ruling. In response the Business Manager advised that all Council assets were accessible except for older buildings, citing the Palace Theatre. This, however, provided access to lifts to enable accessibility. In relation to toilet facilities, all signage was now compliant following the supreme court ruling.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- a) the changes made to the Council’s EEDI approach be noted; and
- b) the revised Strategy be endorsed and recommended to Cabinet for approval.

Councillor S Hayes entered the meeting shortly after the presentation of the above item began and therefore did not take part in the debate or voting thereon.

181 CUSTOMER FEEDBACK REPORT - HALF YEAR 1 - 2025/2026

The Committee considered the report jointly presented by the Business Manager – Customer Services and the Senior Transformation & Service Improvement Officer which sought to provide Members with a summary of customer feedback in order to better understand how the customer was receiving the services delivered.

The report set out an overview of all types of customer feedback received between April and September 2025, including complaints, suggestions and compliments.

In considering the report, a Member noted that the majority of complaints were in relation to housing maintenance works. Officers advised that the newly appointed Business Manager was aware of the issues and had restructured his team in order to closely monitor the situation.

In relation to complaints received within Housing & Estates Management, it was noted that the most frequent category of complaints was poor quality work/service/repair. In acknowledging this a Member queried whether this was due to the works being outsourced. Officers advised that they would provide a written response.

Members noted that the Ombudsman had widely promoted the way in which complaints could be made and that this had likely led to an increase in the numbers lodged.

In summarising the debate, the Chair requested that further information be provided to a future meeting of the Committee in relation to the progression of complaints from Stage 1 to Stage 2.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- a) the Customer Feedback Half Year 1 report be noted; and

- b) reports to a future meeting of the Committee be provided in relation to:
 - i) progression of complaints from Stage 1 to Stage 2; and
 - ii) further detail behind the most frequent complaint category of poor-quality work/service/repairs.

182 PRESENTATION BY PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Committee considered the report presented by the Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Economic Development, Councillor Claire Penny.

As detailed in the report, the Portfolio Holder had been invited to attend Committee to respond verbally to six specific queries as at paragraph 2.2.

In relation to how the Council ensured that our area was prioritised for investment and resources to deliver economic growth, Councillor Penny advised that the Council had assisted in developing the framework for growth by providing evidence. Work had also been undertaken to ensure that the Council's strategy matched that of the East Midlands Combined County Authority, which included those areas which had been previously overlooked. The Council were proactive at applying for funding pots and had submitted three bids. Two of the bids had been successful with funding being granted of £4.25m. It was also hoped that a third would also be supported.

In relation to what the Council were doing to support town centres, Councillor Penny acknowledged the challenges recently faced citing the cost-of-living crisis and the covid pandemic. She noted that there had been a change in approach to how town centres were assisted with a move away from a retail only focus to now include leisure provision, open spaces, community led projects together with residential and hospitality. She advised that the Council provided free planning advice for key town centre sites, there was provision of discretionary rate relief to support new retailers and also charitable and community organisations. A number of capital projects had been instigated across the district and campaigns to promote retailers were also undertaken. Grant funding was also provided to restore historical shop fronts. There were active business forums within the district and an improved way in which to measure footfall had been launched all of which were done to support the district's town centres and high streets.

In relation to how the Council promoted the district to attract visitors, Councillor Penny noted that the area had a strong tourism offer. A project entitled the Rebel Rangers Tour had been instigated by Newark & Sherwood and involved other local authorities throughout the county. The tour enabled a person to visit a variety of locations and would promote the district as a whole rather than visiting a single point of interest in isolation. Work was also ongoing with the improvement and promotion of the district's green spaces and work was continuing with the Castle Gatehouse Project. She also advised that there had been a Happy Families promotion to encourage visitors and noted the continuing work of the Tourism Action Group, which included the promotion of the district both regionally and nationally. Councillor Penny also referred to the success of the shopper's gift card.

In relation to how the Council were supporting people with health issues into employment or training, Councillor Penny advised that much of this work was undertaken by partner organisations with the Council's role being that of influencing the project's direction, of supporting the projects and of providing funding. The work provided pathways and removed barriers to enable the district's residents to take up employment and/or training. The Council's health and wellbeing agenda was also aligned with this work to better support people into work who had existing health issues. The Council provided an annual Future First Expo which provided a forum for young people of engage with employers.

In referring to increased digitisation of processes arising from planning reforms and how the Council would meet the Government agenda for 1.5 million new homes, growth and investment whilst encouraging positive planning outcomes for local communities, it was noted that the reforms had resulted in the removal of some of the processes currently in place and Councillor Penny advised that the existing in-house process needed to be reviewed. She noted that the current local plan had been submitted some 2 years previously but was yet to be approved. Work had however already commenced on the development of the new plan which would cover a period of 36 months. Speculative applications were expected due to the situation with the current local plan and not having a 5-year housing delivery plan. She acknowledged the challenges this brought and noted that the Council were not able to compel developers to bring houses to the market.

In relation to what measure the Council may take to ensure that the voice of local residents continued to be heard following the planning reforms, Councillor Penny noted that this was a challenge for all local planning authorities and would continue to be following local government reorganisation. She commented that work would be required to encourage parishes to develop their own neighbourhood plans or planning statements. Also, that development of a process to allow community advocates to speak on planning applications would be required.

In considering the responses to the questions raised, a Member queried as to how successful the Shopper's Gift Card promotion had been. Councillor Penny advised that she would provide the Committee with a written reply.

In relation to attracting visitors to the district, a Member raised queries in relation to a number of issues in Newark including: the amount of budget spent on advertising outside of the district; what did the Tourist Action Group achieve; how was the data collected from the footfall sensors used; could consideration be given to producing physical information for the visitors rather than it being totally digital. In response, In acknowledging the comments, Councillor Penny advised that her remit was to consider the whole of the district. She added that discussions were held in relation to the provision of paper-based information and also the further enhancement of digital information. She also requested that, if possible, Members provide examples of how paper-based information was utilised in other areas.

In referring to a county-based tourist app called Visit Notts., a Member queried whether this was still in use and if so, how did Newark & Sherwood promote itself on there. He also queried what specific work was being carried out with local schools in terms of employment opportunities. In response, Councillor Penny commented that

she was not aware of the Visit Notts. App. but that the Rebel Rangers Tour was countywide and that the Council were at the heart of its development. In relation to working with the local schools, she advised of the opportunities for students to engage with businesses at the Future First Expo which was held annually at the Newark Showground.

In referring to economic growth in the district, a Member queried as to why funding was not allocated wider across the district than at present. In relation to promotion of the district, she stated that not all residents were able to use digital means and there should be, if possible, physical promotions or boards with QR codes on that took the user direct to a site with appropriate information. She also queried whether there was sufficient resource to allow Officers to assist parish councils with developing their neighbourhood plans as it was often very challenging for them to do so without assistance. In response, Councillor Penny advised that the allocation of funding was based on strict eligibility criteria and could not be extended beyond that which it was allocated for. In responding to the suggestion that Officers supporting the development of parishes neighbourhood plans, she advised that there was not sufficient resource to do this but that discussions with other organisations were ongoing who may be able to assist.

In closing the debate, the Chair thanked Councillor Penny for her attendance and detailed responses to the queries raised. He requested that reports be brought to future meetings of the Committee in relation to tourism in the district.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- a) the responses to the questions raised be noted; and
- b) a report be brought to a future meeting of the Committee in relation to tourism in the district.

Councillor P. Rainbow left the meeting during discussion of the previous item and therefore did not take part in the vote thereon.

183 LIFE CHANCES FOR GIRLS - FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee considered the report presented by Councillor K. Roberts, Chair of the Life Chances for Girls Working Group, which sought to provide Members with an update and the findings of the work of the group.

The report provided a comprehensive overview of the work undertaken and those Members and Officers who had contributed. The remit and three key aims of the group were detailed at paragraph 1.1 of the report with Appendix 3 listing the 20 recommendations together with a narrative as to the reasoning behind them.

In considering the report, the Chair thanked all those who participated, noting that the group had generated a great deal of conversation from both Members and Officers.

Members of the group spoke of what they had taken from their work. It was acknowledged that every effort must be made to promote feelings of self-worth in children and that this should be done at an early age; and that misogyny in all its forms must be 'called out' on a daily basis, with Members agreeing that attitudes towards women and girls must change.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- a) the findings and recommendations of the Working Group be noted; and
- b) the recommendations as outlined in Appendix 3 to the report be endorsed.

184 CABINET FORWARD PLAN (DECEMBER 2025 TO MARCH 2026)

NOTED the Forward Plan of the Cabinet for the period December 2025 to March 2026.

185 MINUTES OF CABINET MEETINGS

NOTED the Cabinet Minutes from the meetings held on:

11 November 2025; and
26 November 2025

186 PROVISIONAL ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- General Fund Capital Programme 2026/2027-2029/2030
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- General Fund Revenue Budget 2026/2027
- Q3 Community Plan Performance Report
- Presentation by Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing & Leisure
- Planning Infrastructure – Overview of Projects and Commitments
- Newark Town Centre Masterplan and Design Code
- Q3 Housing Compliance Performance Report

Meeting closed at 7.42 pm.

Chair



Report to: Policy & Performance Improvement Committee – 23 February 2026

Director Lead: Matt Lamb, Director of Planning and Growth

Lead Officers: Jane Hutchinson, Town Centres and Visitor Economy Manager and Matthew Tubb, Senior Planner

Report Summary	
Report Title	Newark Town Centre Masterplan and Design Code Update
Purpose of Report	To update Members and provide the report below which is also to be presented to Cabinet on 24 February 2026.
Recommendations	That the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee receive and recommend adoption of the Newark Town Centre Masterplan and Design Code (the latter through a revision to the Newark Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan) to Cabinet.

1.0 Background Information

1.1 In Autumn 2023, Newark and Sherwood District Council (the Council) commenced working in partnership with Historic England (HE) to deliver a Newark Town Centre Masterplan and Design Code. Allies & Morrison (A&M) urban designers and architects were instructed to deliver this programme, alongside public consultation on both documents. Developing these documents in parallel, with the same team, has ensured consistency and efficiencies throughout the project.

1.2 This report outlines the main principles of each document and the recommended next steps.

1.3 Newark Town Centre Masterplan

1.4 The purpose of the Newark Town Centre Masterplan is to provide a strategic framework to guide development, regeneration, and investment within Newark’s Conservation Area and its immediate context. It supports the Amended Core Strategy, Allocations & Development Management DPD, and the Conservation Area Management Plan. The document will inform planning decisions, being a material consideration for planning decision-making. The document should also inform funding bids, future investment decisions and partnership working within and beyond the Council.

1.5 The vision for Newark Town Centre is that it will remain a historic market town while embracing sustainable growth, creativity, and connectivity. The town centre will be

compact and walkable, with the Market Place as its vibrant heart. It will be economically resilient, offering a diverse mix of retail, leisure, residential, and cultural uses. The town will be inclusive and accessible, with improved public realm and active travel routes within it, and celebrated for its heritage, green spaces, and riverside assets.

1.6 The masterplan is structured around six themes:

1. Revitalising the Market Place as a safe and flexible space.
2. Supporting a strong economy and town centre living.
3. Promoting education, skills training, and creative industries.
4. Enhancing riverside leisure and flood resilience.
5. Improving walking, cycling, and public transport links.
6. Celebrating Newark's history and cultural assets through interpretation and events.

1.7 The masterplan was shaped by extensive engagement with residents, businesses, and stakeholders, as follows:

- Stage 1 (October 2023): Ideas gathering through an online survey (1,550 responses), website (830 visits), workshops (65 attendees), market stall event (350+ comments), and focus groups with businesses and Newark College students.
- Stage 2 (Nov 2023–Feb 2024): Draft vision shared for feedback.
- Stage 3 (Sept–Oct 2025): Exhibition of draft proposals online and in the Buttermarket, supported by staffed market stall drop-ins. Over 80 detailed responses were received and incorporated into the final plan.

1.8 Feedback highlighted tackling vacant shops, improving riverside leisure and activities, and better parking provision as top priorities. Other strong themes included more events, an improved night-time economy, safer and greener public spaces, greater town centre living, consolidating retail to the core and better transport links. Students emphasised the need for improved connectivity, creative spaces, apprenticeships, and youth-focused leisure.

1.9 Consultation feedback mirrored many challenges that the town centre current faces, including traffic congestion and poor integration of public transport, vacant retail units and a declining evening economy, fragmented public realm and poor maintenance, limited overnight accommodation for visitors, and flood risk along Tolney Lane and riverside areas.

1.10 Opportunities include improving station gateways and wayfinding to the town centre, activating vacant shops with art and community uses, expanding residential provision in the town centre, enhancing green spaces and biodiversity, and developing riverside leisure with continuous walking and cycling routes.

1.11 Challenges and opportunities highlighted in the Masterplan will now be incorporated into a Newark Town Centre Action Plan, which will be seeking to address these recommendations insofar as what this Council can directly and what we can do to

work with and/or influence others, such as the Highway Authority or landowners for example.

- 1.12 The Masterplan character area framework sets out tailored opportunity projects for nine areas, including the redevelopment of St Mark's Place, improvements to Town Wharf, and transformation of London Road car park. Key opportunity sites include Cow Lane Scrap Yard for riverside development, the former Orchard School for housing, and the Back of Lock Keep for mixed-use development. It also sets a number of general principles new developments should achieve. The town's infrastructure, comprising its historic streets and buildings, is largely fixed in form and, in some areas, creates constraints on transport and movement. The Masterplan identifies opportunities to address these challenges, offering examples of how spaces can be made more accessible, attractive, and better connected. Delivering these improvements will require further consideration and close collaboration with the highway authority, particularly as part of the transition into and beyond Local Government Reorganisation (LGR).
- 1.13 Members will recall that no funding is allocated for any of the major project opportunities or interventions set out in the Masterplan document. Rather, the masterplan serves to identify priority sites where landowners will be supported with guidance, advice, and comfort as to what is likely to be supported. A sites identification may be levered to secure funding from appropriate external sources. Successful delivery will require collaboration between Newark and Sherwood District Council, landowners, developers, and funding bodies. However, it should be noted that viability remains a significant challenge for development of major projects in Newark, and therefore interventions to assist with viability gaps should be considered to unlock larger opportunities. As Members will be aware, and as the Masterplan has identified, the Council has already delivered or commenced a number of projects which can act as a catalyst to raise standards, values and vibrancy. This includes the Council's Offices at Castle House, the Newark Air & Space Institute, the Construction College Centre of Excellence, Newark Buttermarket, the former Robin Hood Hotel, 32 Stodman Street, Newark Castle Gatehouse, Newark Town Centre Events (Newark Creates and Newark Cultural Heart), and Newark Market Place.
- 1.14 The Masterplan will represent a general strategy of the District Council and not hold formal planning status itself. It will however be capable of being a material consideration in planning decisions, and the emerging Amended Allocations & Development Management DPD provides policy support for schemes delivering its objectives.
- 1.15 Newark Town Centre Design Code
- 1.16 The purpose of the Newark Town Centre Design Code is to provide clear, detailed design requirements for development within the town centre, helping to deliver the vision and principles set out in the Masterplan. It will establish consistent standards for architecture, materials, public realm, and sustainability, ensuring that new development respects Newark's historic character while meeting modern requirements for accessibility, climate resilience, and quality of life.

- 1.17 The Design Code is a largely technical document. The production of the Design Code was agreed to follow a 2-stage consultation process given its detail and complexity. Stage 1 consultation has now taken place with key professional stakeholders, including architects, developers, Historic England, and Newark & Sherwood District Council planning officers. This occurred between July and September 2025. This engagement focused on testing the principles, technical guidance, and practical application of the code to ensure it was robust, deliverable, and aligned with heritage and planning requirements.
- 1.18 Feedback shows support for the principle of introducing a Design Code, and the benefits that this could provide, but in some cases concern around the detail has been raised by local professionals active in the Town Centre as well as from internal officers. To address these concerns, there would need to be additional work on the code before a second stage of consultation could be undertaken. This is expected to conclude over the summer.
- 1.19 It had been intended that the Design Code would be taken forward as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). Following some changes as part of the national new plan-making system this is no longer possible. Whilst this reduces the 'statutory' status of what may eventually be adopted it does not reduce its ability to inform decision-making. Indeed, it is recommended that the guidance is now adopted as part of the yet-to-be published Newark Conservation Area Review and associated Management Plan. It is this latter document which offers technical information, advice and guidance to inform new development and set expected standards.

2.0 Proposal/Options Considered

2.1 Newark Town Centre Masterplan – Proposed Next Steps

- 2.2 From a regulatory perspective, and subject to Cabinet approval, the next steps are to adopt the Newark Town Centre Masterplan and revised the Design Code as part of the Newark Conservation Area Review and Management Plan. The implementation of documents of this scope and scale with decision-makers and developers will take time, particularly for development proposals which are already well advanced. It is therefore suggested that the guidance is adopted from 1st April 2026 (noting that it will be referenced in negotiation with immediate effect) and is subject to a review after at least 6 months of adoption. This will allow the Planning Development team to ensure the masterplan is influencing outcomes and is received by the development industry.
- 2.3 To ensure the Newark Town Centre Masterplan translates into tangible outcomes, the Council is developing a comprehensive Town Centre Action Plan aligned with the Masterplan's principles and recommendations. This Action Plan will set out clear priorities, delivery mechanisms, and timescales for short-, medium-, and long-term interventions. This will be clear on what the District Council can do directly, what can be done by others (with our support and/or influence), and what may need further future funding decisions. It will include practical steps to revitalise the Market Place, enhance public realm, improve connectivity, and support a balanced mix of uses— such as increasing town centre residential provision while managing a meaningful

quantum of retail floorspace in line with changing trends. The Action Plan will also identify quick wins that can be delivered within existing budgets or through external funding, alongside larger strategic projects requiring partnership and investment. By providing a structured framework for implementation, the Action Plan will give confidence to Members, stakeholders, and developers that the Masterplan is not just aspirational but actionable, ensuring Newark's town centre remains vibrant, sustainable, and economically resilient.

2.4 Newark Town Centre Design Code – Proposed Next Steps

2.5 The Council's Conservation Team is confident, following the completion of the stage 1 'professional cohort' consultation that a user-friendly and useful Code can now be developed. It is proposed that this be incorporated into the work associated with the consultation and adoption of a revised Newark Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Management Plan. The Director for Planning & Growth has existing delegated authority to progress this. This would be subject to consultation with the Planning Committee and Portfolio Holder for Economic Development.

3.0 Implications

3.1 In writing this report and in putting forward recommendation's officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection, Digital and Cyber Security, Equality and Diversity, Financial, Human Resources, Human Rights, Legal, Safeguarding and Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

3.2 If the Design Code is not advanced as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), and instead relevant elements are incorporated within an updated Newark Conservation Area Management Plan, this would change the statutory status of the Design Code. SPDs are prepared under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, and while they do not set new planning policy, they support implementation of the Development Plan and can be material considerations within the Development Management process.

3.3 Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plans derive from the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and fulfil the statutory duty to identify special interest and set out proposals for the preservation and enhancement of Conservation Areas. Although not formal planning documents, they too may be treated as material considerations and are routinely used to inform advice, negotiate design changes and support decisions in Conservation Areas.

Implications Considered			
Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable			
Financial	NA	Equality & Diversity	Yes
Human Resources	NA	Human Rights	NA
Legal	Yes	Data Protection	NA
Digital & Cyber Security	NA	Safeguarding	NA
Sustainability	NA	Crime & Disorder	NA
LGR	NA	Tenant Consultation	NA

3.4 Financial Implications (FIN25-26/6815)

3.5 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

3.6 Legal Implication - LEG2526/2392

3.7 Cabinet is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report. The Newark Town Centre Design Code as guidance as part of an updated Newark Conservation Area Management Plan will be subject to the relevant consultation requirements.

3.8 Equalities Implications

3.9 The Masterplan and Design Code are expected to deliver positive outcomes by improving accessibility, safety and inclusivity across the town centre’s public realm, transport routes and facilities. The focus on enhanced walking and cycling connections, high-quality public spaces, and support for diverse community, cultural and educational uses will help meet the needs of all groups, including those with protected characteristics. No adverse equalities impacts are anticipated.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

[Newark Town Centre Masterplan Report Link](#)

[Newark Design Code \(Stage 1 Consultation Document\) Link](#)

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Report to: Policy & Performance Improvement Committee – 23 February 2026
 Director Lead: Sanjiv Kohli – Deputy Chief Executive, Director of Resources and S151 Officer
 Lead Officer: Nick Wilson, Business Manager Financial Services, ext. 5317

Report Summary	
Report Title	Budget Reports 2026/27
Purpose of Report	To provide Members with the attached reports which will be considered by Cabinet on 24 February 2026: General Fund Revenue Budget 2026/27 General Fund Medium Term Financial Plan 2026/27 – 2029/30 Capital Programme 2026/27 – 2029/30 (note exempt references in the appendix)
Recommendations	That the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee receive and note the reports which will be presented to Cabinet on 24 February 2026.

1.0 Background

1.1 As per the attached individual reports attached as the following appendices:

Appendix 1 – General Fund Revenue Budget 2026/27

Appendix 2 – General Fund Medium Term Financial Plan 2026/2027 – 2029/2030

Appendix 3 – General Fund Capital Programme 2026/2027 – 2029/2030

2.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection; Digital & Cyber Security; Equality & Diversity; Financial; Human Resources; Human Rights; Legal; Safeguarding & Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Implications Considered			
Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable			
Financial	NA	Equality & Diversity	NA
Human Resources	NA	Human Rights	NA
Legal	NA	Data Protection	NA
Digital & Cyber Security	NA	Safeguarding	NA
Sustainability	NA	Crime & Disorder	NA
LGR	NA	Tenant Consultation	NA

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Nil

Report to: Cabinet Meeting - 24 February 2026
 Portfolio Holder: Councillor Paul Peacock, Strategy, Performance & Finance
 Director Lead: Sanjiv Kohli, Director – Resources and Deputy Chief Executive
 Lead Officer: Nick Wilson, Business Manager – Financial Services, Ext. 5317

Report Summary	
Type of Report	Open Report, Key Decision
Report Title	2026/27 Proposed General Fund Revenue Budget
Purpose of Report	To enable Cabinet to consider the spending proposals in the Council’s proposed 2026/27 General Fund revenue budget and make recommendations to Full Council for its meeting on 5 March 2026.
Recommendations	<p>That Cabinet recommends to Full Council at its meeting on 5 March 2026 that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the 2026/27 financial year, in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by the Localism Act 2011: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. £57,909,340 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for items set out in Section 31A(2)(a) to (f) of the Act, as the District Council’s gross expenditure for 2024/25); 2. £37,209,230 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3)(a) to (d) of the Act, as the District Council’s gross income for 2024/25); and 3. £20,700,110 being the amount by which the aggregate at (b)(i) above exceeds the aggregate at (b)(ii) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its Net Budget Requirement for the year; ii. the figures shown as i.1. and i.3. above to be increased only by the amount of Parish Precepts for 2026/27; iii. the budget amounts included in the report be the Council’s budget for 2026/27; and iv. the fees and charges shown in Appendices C1-C23 be implemented with effect from 1 April 2026.

Alternative Options Considered	Not applicable, the Cabinet is required to make recommendations on the budget to the Full Council.
Reason for Recommendations	To enable Cabinet to make recommendations to Council of the amounts to be calculated in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended by the Localism Act 2011, for the purposes of setting Council Tax levels for the 2026/27 financial year.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 This report sets out details of the Council’s proposed General Fund (GF) revenue budget for the 2026/27 financial year. The GF revenue budget has been prepared in accordance with the Council’s budget setting strategy for 2026/27 which was approved by Cabinet on 8 July 2025.
- 1.2 The 2026/27 GF revenue budget has accordingly been derived from the 2026/27 base budget within the Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) approved by Full Council on 6 March 2025. In accordance with the Budget Strategy, growth and efficiencies have been included based on the engagement with Portfolio Holders throughout the budget setting process. Additionally, changes as described in the Budget Strategy around pay awards and inflation, have also amended that base position.

2.0 Financial Summary

- 2.1 The Council’s proposed 2026/27 GF revenue budget is shown in further detail, including information on priority areas in **Appendices A1** to **A2** to this report. The current overall position is summarised below:

Line in Appendix A1		2026/27 (£)
9	Total service budgets	23,835,950
14	Total other operating income & expenditure	1,525,100
20	Total financing and investment income & expenditure	(1,453,440)
29 & 30	Less capital reversals	(3,207,500)
	Net Budget Requirement	20,700,110
21 to 25	Other government grants	(7,827,000)
26 & 27	Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) (Business Rates)	(5,018,000)
29 to 31	Contributions to or (from) Usable Reserves	738,800
34	Net call on Council Tax	8,593,910
35	Council Tax Adjustments	0
36	Amount to collect through Council Tax	8,593,910

- 2.2 As the total service budgets (line 9 of **Appendix A1**) include capital costs, the table below breaks down the total service budgets for each Committee by the amounts which relate to capital costs and which relate to cash budgets:

Line in Appendix A1	Portfolio	2026/27 base budget (March 2025) (£)	2026/27 base budget (February 2026) (£)	Variance (£)
Without Capital costs	Climate and the Environment	3,859,260	3,700,000	(159,260)
	Health, Wellbeing and Leisure	819,770	440,440	(379,330)
	Heritage, Culture and the Arts	917,140	764,730	(152,410)
	Housing	435,190	325,060	(110,130)
	Public Protection and Community Relations	3,781,900	4,235,820	453,920
	Strategy, Performance and Finance	10,282,150	10,982,490	700,340
	Sustainable Economic Development	2,120,540	2,197,700	77,160
	Vacancy Factor and Notional Savings	(1,169,680)	(2,017,790)	(848,110)
	Cash Service Budgets	21,046,270	20,628,450	(417,820)
Capital costs	Climate and the Environment	938,260	883,670	(54,590)
	Health, Wellbeing and Leisure	882,570	623,380	(259,190)
	Heritage, Culture and the Arts	335,840	188,630	(147,210)
	Housing	50,740	75,030	24,290
	Public Protection and Community Relations	230,840	317,900	87,060
	Strategy, Performance and Finance	1,497,580	1,115,750	(381,830)
	Sustainable Economic Development	6,480	3,140	(3,340)
	Vacancy Factor and Notional Savings	0	0	0
28 & 29	Capital Service Budgets	3,942,310	3,207,500	(734,810)
1	Climate and the Environment	4,797,520	4,583,670	(213,850)
2	Health, Wellbeing and Leisure	1,702,340	1,063,820	(638,520)
3	Heritage, Culture and the Arts	1,252,980	953,360	(299,620)
4	Housing	485,930	400,090	(85,840)
5	Public Protection and Community Relations	4,012,740	4,553,720	540,980
6	Strategy, Performance and Finance	11,779,730	12,098,240	318,510
7	Sustainable Economic Development	2,127,020	2,200,840	73,820
8	Vacancy Factor and Notional Savings	(1,169,680)	(2,017,790)	(848,110)
9	Total Service Budgets	24,988,580	23,835,950	(1,152,630)

2.3 The budget above delivers the Council’s ambitions within the community plan. **Appendix B** summarises within each Portfolio, where large proportions of spend is directed.

2.4 The table below shows how the 2026/27 base budget approved by Full Council on 6 March 2025, has been adjusted for changes totalling £417,820 based on paragraph 2.2 above. Paragraph 3.37 describes the main changes between the assumed base budget and the proposed within this paper.

Portfolio	2026/27 base budget (March 2025) (£)	Realignments	Salary Uplift	Approved Variations	Inflation	Requested Changes	2026/27 base budget (February 2026) (£)
CE	3,859,260	0	(27,310)	0	900	(132,850)	3,700,000
HWL	819,770	(329,610)	0	53,070	30	(102,820)	440,440
HCA	917,140	(10,000)	(150)	0	(880)	(141,380)	764,730
H	435,190	0	18,090	(94,990)	300	(33,530)	325,060
PPCR	3,781,900	350,960	57,380	(27,920)	(4,010)	77,510	4,235,820
SPF	10,282,150	10,000	10,640	161,030	20,830	497,840	10,982,490
SED	2,120,540	0	(15,040)	56,320	2,060	33,820	2,197,700
VF-NS	(1,169,680)	(21,350)	(816,820)	(12,550)	0	2,610	(2,017,790)
Non-Capital	21,046,270	0	(773,210)	134,960	19,230	201,200	20,628,450

3.0 Development of Proposed 2026/27 General Fund Revenue Budget

3.1 The development of the proposed 2026/27 General Fund budget was set out in the Budget Strategy document that was presented to Cabinet on 8 July 2025. This document set out the strategy for the year which was to build upon the notional 2026/27 budget as compiled in the preparation of the MTFP for the period 2025/26 to 2028/29 and was approved by Council on 6 March 2025.

3.2 Directors and Business Managers worked with their allocated Finance Officers to go through the budget and MTFP estimates in order to ascertain whether the actions under each of the 8 Community Plan objectives have been included in the base budget, are growth items for inclusion either in the budget for 2026/27 and/or MTFP period, or do not require a financial allocation as the activities are to be delivered by a third party with the Council having a facilitating and monitoring role. Portfolio Holders then met with responsible Directors to ensure that all actions necessary to meet the ambitions set out within the Community Plan were resourced. The portfolio holder for Strategy, Performance and Finance has also reviewed the overall Council Position. Subsequently, this budget has therefore been proposed for the 2026/27 financial year.

3.3 The proposed 2026/27 General Fund revenue budget collates various types of information, such as the:

- a) level of government grant receivable;
- b) expected level of council tax and business rates income;

- c) expected level of other income, such as from fees and charges;
- d) expected level of spend on employees; and
- e) expected use of reserves.

3.4 The sub-sections in this part of the report summarise these and other areas of importance.

Local Government Finance Settlement: Settlement Funding Assessment (SFA) and Core Spending Power 2026/27 to 2028/29

- 3.5 The annual Local Government Finance Settlement provides councils with the amount of government grant and other information pertinent for setting the next financial year's budget. The provisional settlement was announced on 17 December 2025, and the final settlement is expected during February 2026.
- 3.6 The settlement sets out a new needs-based funding system following the Fair Funding Review 2.0. For district councils, the LGFS is expected to result in a relative reduction in funding for most authorities, as updated needs formulas and changes to the tier split shift resources towards counties and metropolitan areas. While transitional protections will ensure that funding reduction are phased in over three years – typically with a 95% funding floor – many districts will still face a gradual decrease in their allocations.
- 3.7 Additionally, grants such as the Homelessness Prevention Grant will be rolled into new consolidated funding streams.
- 3.8 Core Spending Power (CSP) is a measure of the resources made available to local authorities to fund service delivery, based on the Government's annual Local Government Finance Settlement (LGFS). Government makes assumptions within this based on levels of Council Tax and growth in an authorities Tax Base (the Band D equivalent number of properties to charge Council Tax over).
- 3.9 For 2026/27 the long-awaited Fair Funding Review 2.0 has been completed and fed into the LGFS for this year. This settlement will result in more redistribution of funding within the sector than any other for at least the last 13 years. Funding distribution was last updated in 2013-14 (with damping frozen within funding allocations), and since then there has been an updated 4-year settlement (from 2016-17) and a series of one-year settlements.
- 3.10 Added to this, is a full baseline reset (for the first time since the Business Rate Retention Scheme was introduced in 2013-14), major changes to all of the Relative Needs Formulas (through the Fair Funding Review 2.0), and the simplification of many grants into either Settlement Funding Assessment or into one of four Consolidated grants.
- 3.11 The reset included two levels of protection for authorities depending on their pre and post reform 2025/26 levels of income.
- Eligibility for 100% income protection is determined where a Shire District has a protection metric of less than or equal to 15%.
 - Eligibility for 95% income protection is determined where a Shire District has a protection metric of greater than 15%.

3.12 The protection metric is based upon pre and post reform 2025/26 income levels and for this Council the metric is above 15% meaning that at least 95% of 2025/26 income levels are protected.

3.13 Over the course of the three year settlement, it is expected that the Council will receive 95% of the post funding reform revised 2025/26 CSP.

3.14 The table below includes the strands of income that are used to calculate the Income protection floor, and hence demonstrates the post reform 2025/26 CSP compared with the 2026/27 CSP at slightly higher than 95% for 2026/27:

	2025/26 Post reform revised CSP	2026/27 Core Spending Power	2026/27 budget as at March 2025	2026/27 proposed budget
Legacy Business Rates Retention Funding	£9.308m	£3.873m	£8.640m	£3.873m
Revenue Support Grant	£1.663m	£6.533m	£0.554m	£6.533m
Adjustment Support Grant	£0m	£0.814m	£0m	£0.814m
Council Tax	£8.484m	£8.883m	£8.730m	£8.593m
Recovery Grant	£0.321m	£0.321m	£0m	£0.321m
Consolidated grants:				
Employer NI contribution	£0m	£0m	£0.146m	£0m
Other consolidated grants	£0.228m	£0m	£0m	£0m
Total	£20.004m	£20.424m	£18.070m	£20.134m

3.15 As can be seen from the table, funding is significantly higher than expected at the time of writing the 2025/26 to 2028/29 Medium Term Financial Plan in March 2025.

3.16 The consolidated grants referred to above relate to:

Grant	Value
Biodiversity Net Gain Planning Requirement Grant	£0.027m
Enforcement of Location and Volume Price Promotions Restrictions Grant	£0.001m
Enforcement of OOH Calorie Labelling Regulations Grant	£0.001m
Homelessness Prevention Grant - Temporary Accommodation	£0.198m
Local Government Finance Data Review New Burdens Grant	£0.001m
Total	£0.228m

3.17 The LGFS for this year is a three-year settlement allowing meaning authorities are aware of funding allocations over a longer period, rather than the single year allocations since 2020/21. This will be reported further within the 2026/27 to 2029/30 Medium Term Financial Plan.

3.18 The Baseline Funding level for Business Rates has also been revised further in that previously Government would compensate Councils where their Business Rates income fell below 92.5% of their Baseline Funding level. This was determined as the safety net payment. The remainder of any shortfall in funding would be subject to agreement

through the relevant Business Rates Pool for the authority or would need to be made up through their reserves.

- 3.19 For 2026/27 the safety net threshold has been set at 100% meaning that should any authorities actual Business Rates income fall below the Business Rates baseline, this would be compensated by MHCLG.

Proposed 2026/27 Council Tax

- 3.20 Chapter IVA (Limitation of Council Tax and Precepts) of the *Local Government Finance Act 1992* requires billing authorities to hold referenda if their relevant basic amount of council tax for a financial year is in excess of a set of principles determined by the Secretary of State.
- 3.21 An authority's relevant basic amount of council tax is its average band D council tax excluding local precepts. The relevant basic amount of council tax for Newark & Sherwood District Council (NSDC) includes the levy that Internal Drainage Boards charge the Council.
- 3.22 The proposed core principle for 2026/27 is 3%. The Government's proposed council tax referendum principle for shire district councils therefore permits increases in the Council's 2026/27 relevant basic amount of council tax of up to (and including) the greater of 2.99% or £5.00 without holding a referendum.
- 3.23 The proposal within this paper is a Council Tax freeze for the 2026/27 financial year. This would therefore mean a charge of £198.60 for a Band D property. 41% of properties within the District are assigned to Band A meaning a charge of £132.40.
- 3.24 The Council Tax base (being the number of band D equivalent properties within the district) assumes a 1.3% increase on 2025/26. The Tax Base for 2026/27 is set at 43,272.45 (42,720.66 for 2025/26). This is calculated taking all the properties in the district and weighting them depending on their banding, adjusting for estimated discounts and premiums.
- 3.25 The tax base is then multiplied by the annual charge in order to calculate the total Council Tax receivable for the year being £8,593,910. Where further discounts or premiums are actually charged/awarded during the year and the amount of properties charged Council Tax is different to the assumptions above, the surplus or deficit in the Collection Fund will be calculated and will be distributed/clawed back in the following financial year.
- 3.26 Annually, in January, each year the Council must declare whether it expects, by the 31st March, to generate a surplus or deficit on the Collection Fund for Council Tax. A surplus would be generated where the actual number of properties charged is higher than anticipated (through the tax base), conversely a deficit arises from a lower number of properties charged. Where a surplus is generated, this would be distributed to preceptors in the following financial year, similarly a deficit would be recouped from preceptors in the following financial year.

3.27 For 2025/26 the Council anticipates a balanced position on the Council Tax collection fund, and hence no surplus nor deficit will be paid/recouped during 2026/27.

Proposed 2026/27 Business Rates

3.28 There has been significant change for the 2026/27 financial year within Business Rates. The retained rates system has been overhauled (within the LGFS) together with a revaluation of businesses ratable values and the introduction of a number of new multipliers.

3.29 Businesses will now pay one of five different multipliers depending on their ratable values and trade:

- Small multiplier (applicable to non- Retail, Hospitality and Leisure (RHL) businesses with a ratable value of less than £51,000) – 43.2p multiplied by their ratable value.
- Standard multiplier (applicable to non- Retail, Hospitality and Leisure businesses with a ratable value of £51,000 or above) – 48.0p multiplied by their ratable value.
- Small RHL multiplier (applicable to Retail, Hospitality and Leisure businesses with a ratable value of less than £51,000) – 38.2p multiplied by their ratable value.
- Standard RHL multiplier (applicable to Retail, Hospitality and Leisure businesses with a ratable value of £51,000 or above) – 43.0p multiplied by their ratable value.
- High value multiplier (applicable to all businesses with a ratable value of £500,000 and above) – 50.8p multiplied by their ratable value.

3.30 Although businesses will pay the various rates, the income the Council will generate from business rates will be equivalent to the standard multiplier, s any additional money it receives from the high value multiplier will be passed to MHCLG, and any loss in income from lower multipliers will be compensated for by MHCLG.

3.31 Based upon all of the above, and the Governments assumptions on appeals provision and bad debt provision, the Business Rates baseline funding level (referred above at paragraph 3.11) has been calculated based upon:

Business Rates baseline (NSDC share at 40% of collectable rates)	£24.180m
Tariff payable to MHCLG	£20.307m
Baseline funding level	£3.873m

3.32 As part of the LGFS revamped the Business Rates Retention system, all business rates baselines have been more accurately matched with the anticipated 2026/27 actual figures. Hence there is unlikely to be any upside variance and hence growth in the business rates system. Due to this, the Council has not included any forecast growth within its budget for 2026/27.

3.33 As there is unlikely to be any growth, the Nottinghamshire Business Rates Pool conducted a review as to whether to continue to pool for the 2026/27 financial year. The outcome of that review found that the risks outweighed the rewards and hence the

Pool would be dissolved at the end of the 2025/26 financial year. This was approved via Portfolio Holder decision on the 12th January 2026.

3.34 As per paragraph 3.15 above, should NSDC’s share of collectable rates fall below the £24.180m (paragraph 3.25) MHCLG would compensate the Council back to the baseline funding level of £3.873m through a safety net payment.

Proposed 2026/27 Budget – General Principles

3.35 The appropriate bases agreed in the Budget Strategy and used in the preparation of the budget are:

a)	Employees	Some of the main assumptions used to budget for employee costs for 2026/27 are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a 3.5% increase in basic pay; and 7.5% of the Council’s total salary budget, or £1,767,790, has been budgeted to be saved from posts that remain vacant for a period of time before being filled. This is often referred to as the vacancy factor.
b)	Employer’s Superannuation	Pension-related costs have been budgeted for in line with the actuarial review which took place as at 31 March 2025 for the three years between 2026/27 and 2028/29. The Council’s budgeted pension-related costs have increased, because its total 2026/27 basic pay budgets have increased. The Council’s primary rate (charged as a proportion of basic salary at employee level) is 16.4%.
c)	General Inflation	Most non-pay expenditure budgets have been uplifted by 2.5%. Specific budgets have had larger increases on where applicable. Some costs, such as insurance and utilities, are expected to increase by around 5%; and others, such as fixed-price goods and services, are expected to increase by less than 2.5%. Income Budgets have been increased where appropriate based on the Fees and Charges schedule.
d)	Average Interest Rate re External Debt	The Council’s General Fund borrowing will be in accordance with the Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities. The cost of borrowing will depend on the rates available at the time that funding is required.
e)	Capital Charges	The proposed budgets for each Portfolio (Appendix A1 , lines 1-9) includes the notional costs of assets used in delivering services, so that the Council can reflect the true cost of delivering services. Statute, however, requires these capital charges be reversed out (Appendix A1 , lines 29 & 30) and replaced with the cost to the Council taxpayer of the underlying capital decisions that have yet to be financed (Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP)) (Appendix A1 , line 15). Legislation determines that council taxpayers cannot be charged for the notional costs of assets used.
f)	Capital Financing Charges	The Council’s General Fund (GF) revenue budget is charged when the Council borrows to fund the purchase or creation of non-current assets. These charges will be in line with the Council’s Minimum

		Revenue Provision (MRP) policy for 2026/27 to be approved by Council on 5 March 2026. MRP is a charge to the taxpayer, calculated by apportioning the value borrowed for assets over their expected useful lives.
g)	Internal Drainage Boards	There is a 3% increase in cost for the 2026/27 financial year, the anticipated cost of levies to the two Internal Drainage Boards (Trent Valley and Upper Witham) for 2026/27 is £981,370. This cost had increased by 40% from the 2022/23 financial year. During 2023/24 the Council received £239,690 towards contribute towards the increase in cost. The Council has budgeted to receive £158,000 towards the additional costs of the IDB, which is equivalent to the grant received during 2025/26.

3.36 The table below details the Council's net budget requirement for 2026/26, broken down by gross expenditure and gross income:

Line		2026/27 gross expenditure (£)	2026/27 gross income (£)	2026/27 net expenditure (£)
9	Total service budgets	59,307,400	(35,471,450)	23,835,950
29 & 30	Reversal of Capital Charges	(4,067,500)	860,000	(3,207,500)
	Sub Total Service Budget (Appendix A2)	55,239,900	(34,611,450)	20,628,450
14	Other operating income & expenditure	1,525,100	0	1,525,100
20	Total Financing and Investment income & expenditure	1,144,340	(2,597,780)	(1,453,440)
	Net Budget Requirement	57,909,340	(37,209,230)	20,700,110

3.37 A summary of the main reasons for changes requested in the table at paragraph 3.3 are listed below:

Changes requested for 2026/27 base budget compared to 2026/27 base budget (MTFP as at March 2025)	Variance (£)
Requested Changes by Members	
Parks and Playing fields feasibility	30,000
Programme of Prison Me, No Way initiatives, the Safety Challenge Events and In Her Shoes Programme	50,000
Environmental Schemes	150,000
Feasibility for Middle Beck Green and Blue Basin	50,000
Domestic Violence x3 Domestic Homicide Reviews	34,650
Council Motion for Discretionary Council Tax relief for the Terminally ill	23,720
Facilitate and lead on environmental behavioural change projects	10,000
Requested Changes by Officers	
Vehicle Pool HVO budget removed and reduction in volatility contingency for diesel	(129,000)
Electricity budgets have been revised in line with energy prices and projected future trends.	(76,370)

Contract car park barriers	45,000
Review of Planning income in line with updated Fees and Charges and number of applications. Expected Majors to be less than in previous years given current trends.	51,830
Care leavers discount a council tax discretionary scheme based on actuals from previous years	75,000
Asylum Seekers - not due to receive any income in 2026/27	75,500
Homes for Ukraine - Income previously received from Nottinghamshire County Council, this level of income is not expected to be received going forward as it is based on a fixed charge per house visit	148,780
Alexander Lodge reduction of service charges budget in line with the previous financial year	79,450
Corporate Estate Fire Doors Repairs	106,200
Revenue and Benefits - Civica Re-licence and increased annual licence	358,700
Holistic Service Changes	
Changes to Pension from 18.6% to 16.4%	(386,920)
Business Rates adjustment following change to the multiplier	(53,420)
Commercial Strategy and MTFP Changes	
Active 4 Today Management Fee removed following review of the management agreement.	(142,760)
Increase income to reflect recent trends at the palace theatre	(98,470)
Savings relating to the new cleaning contract	(14,520)
Saving made due to no longer using the Concerto system for managing corporate estate	(45,000)
The Beacon has projected to reach 97% occupancy by Q3 of 2025–26.	(84,620)
Trade Refuse Income increase due to simpler recycling legislation requiring additional bins / collections	(64,290)
Expecting an increase in the price of Glass Recycling	(64,360)
Private Sector Speech Call expenditure is recharged from HRA to reflect the costs for the private customers. This has not increased as much as previously anticipated therefore reduce.	(64,320)
Others	
Salary Uplift 3% to 3.5%	43,603
Vacancy Factor change from 5% to 7.5%	(816,820)
Changes to budget approved during the year	134,967
Inflation	19,230
Other various changes < £10k	136,420
Total Change	(417,820)

2026/27 Employee Plan

3.38 The salary budget for the General Fund has been based on 514.66 FTE posts in 2026/27 (489.65 in 2025/26). Any changes to the establishment will require the relevant approvals.

Fees and Charges Review

- 3.39 The fees and charges for many services administered by the local authority are set by statute. The amounts for these, and their timing and review, are therefore prescribed by central government. There remains, however, many services where the Council has the ability to review and if necessary, amend its charges or charging regime.
- 3.40 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, each service area should consider the level of fees and charges to be implemented in the following financial year as part of the process of service planning and budget setting.
- 3.41 The proposals for the levels of fees and charges to be implemented from 1 April 2026 were reviewed by Directors during November and have now been updated where appropriate. The Council is currently budgeting to receive £5.8m of income from fees and charges in 2026/27. This is an increase of £0.404m from 2025/26.
- 3.42 The table below summarises the services which provide the Council with most of its fees and charges income and the fees and charges income budgeted from these services for 2026/27:

Service	2026/27 base budget (March 2025) (£)	2026/27 base budget (February 2026) (£)	Summary
Fees and Charges			
Trade Waste, Recycling and Garden Bins	1,911,440	2,011,570	Businesses based in Newark and Sherwood have to pay for their waste to be collected and disposed of. Nottinghamshire County Council sets the waste disposal charges for all district and borough councils in the county, through its statutory role as the Waste Disposal Authority for these authorities. Further details of these and the other proposed charges for 2026/27 can be found in Appendix C13 .
Car and Lorry Parking	929,860	952,130	The car parking charges proposed for 2026/27 are largely the same as those in 2025/26, though increases have been proposed for lorry parking. Further details can be found in Appendix C16 .
Planning	1,123,820	1,071,990	Planning application fees are statutory, set by the Government, whereas pre-application advice fees are discretionary, set by the Council. The Council categorises its pre-application advice fees by the size and type of developments. Further details, including the statutory fees chargeable, can be found in Appendix C1 & C2 .
Culture	761,010	944,750	The charges related to the Palace Theatre Newark, National Civil War Centre, and Newark Castle and Gardens.

			Further details can be found in Appendix C6 .
Rents			
Corporate Property	2,127,590	2,131,200	The rents for Corporate Property include income at the Newark Beacon, the Industrial units across the District, the Air and Space Institute, Castle House rents and the ButterMarket to name a few.
Housing Services	452,340	470,260	Rental income at various properties across the District, also including the income for the rental of the Careline technology

3.43 Details of the Council's proposed charges for 2026/27 for all services can be found in **Appendices C1-C23**.

Total Financing and Investment income & expenditure (**Appendix A1**, line 20)

3.44 Capital financing costs have been estimated based on assumptions of interest rates going forward, taking into account the forecasts of cash balances over the next year. Due to their nature and composition, however, they are subject to change on a regular basis. This reflects movements in the financial markets as well as changes to the predicted cashflow.

3.45 The Council will seek to borrow money from the most efficient and effective institution in order to support its cash flow position. Regard will be taken to the Council's Treasury Strategy (which is subject to a separate report which is to be considered by the Audit and Accounts Committee on 4 March 2026 and is due to be approved by Full Council on 5 March 2026) and due diligence through the Council's Treasury Advisers.

3.46 In previous financial years, decisions regarding capital expenditure have been taken to utilise internal resources and maintain an under-borrowed position against its Capital Financing Requirement. This is not uncommon across the Local Government sector, at a time when budgets have been squeezed, but reserves have existed. The Council is proposing to utilise some of its reserves on projects such as Yorke Drive, Clipstone Holding Centre, Castle Gatehouse, Bilsthorpe Hub and the Southern link Road. This means that as cash backed by these reserves will be utilised, there is a potential need to borrow money to ensure that the Council has cash at hand to service its day to day costs.

3.47 There is an overall decrease in the total net Financing and Investment income & expenditure by £0.726m (**Appendix A1**, line 20) in 2026/27. The 2026/27 interest payable and MRP budget is lower than was budgeted for in March 2025, mainly due to the reprofiling of larger capital projects which are financed by borrowing. Additionally there is a £0.260m budgeted increase of the financial contribution, which includes dividend and interest investment income, due from Arkwood Developments Ltd.

3.48 All treasury investments are made in line with the Council's Treasury Management Strategy. Advice from the Council's external treasury consultants will be sought prior to the investment of any funds to ensure maximum scrutiny is taken on any decision making.

Contribution to or From Reserves

- 3.49 Section 25 (Budget calculations: report on robustness of estimates etc) of the *Local Government Act 2003* requires local authority chief finance officers (Section 151 officers) to report on the adequacy of financial reserves in the Council's proposed budget and robustness of estimates made.
- 3.50 The Council's s151 Officer has reviewed the adequacy of the Council's financial reserves to ensure that these are neither too low (imprudent) or too high (over prudent) based on their purpose and likely use.
- 3.51 The table below summarises the amount of council earmarked reserves as at 31 March 2025, and forecasts of these as at 31 March 2026 and 31 March 2027.

	At 31 March 2025 (£)	Forecast at 31 March 2026 (£)	Forecast at 31 March 2027 (£)
Budget Funding Reserves	9,011,918	8,924,549	8,924,549
Earmarked for Known Pressures	9,153,586	5,491,013	3,651,620
Ring Fenced Reserves	2,163,126	1,490,219	1,717,219
Un-ringfenced Reserves	15,286,934	14,736,618	3,583,703
Total Revenue Reserves	35,615,564	30,642,399	17,877,092
Capital Reserves	14,587,997	14,136,895	14,686,697
Total Revenue and Capital Reserves and Balances	50,203,561	44,779,294	32,563,788

The main reductions relate to the usage of the Change Management/Capital Fund over the next two years, which will draw down the balances held. Large capital projects include:

- Yorke Drive
- Southern Link Road
- Clipstone Holding Centre
- Belvoir Iron Works
- Castle Gatehouse
- Bilsthorpe Hub

General Fund Balance

- 3.52 The Council's £1.500m General Fund balance has been set aside to pay for exceptional items. Officers consistently review the appropriateness (prudence) of this amount in light of internal and external risks identified. For the Council to maintain this balance, it is intended that it will only be used to fund expenditure once other appropriate reserves have been fully utilised.
- 3.53 The Council's total forecast reserves and general fund balance to 31 March 2026 is £30,642,399. The s151 Officer of the Council is satisfied with the adequacy of the levels of reserves and balances.

- 3.54 The budget has been prepared in accordance with the budget strategy approved Cabinet on 8 July 2025. The draft budget has been scrutinised and challenged by the Council's Senior Leadership Team, the Leader and Portfolio Holders. The draft budget (and Medium Term Financial Plan) has also been scrutinised informally by the ruling administration. The s151 Officer of the Council is therefore satisfied by the robustness of the estimates and assumptions underpinning the budget for 2026/27.

Parish and Town Council Precepts

- 3.55 Parish and town councils can raise money to help meet their spending requirements by issuing a 'precept' (mandatory demand) to the district council. The district council must account for such precepts when calculating its council tax requirement. Council tax requirement is the amount of money that councils need to raise from council tax to fund council spending once income from other sources (such as government grants) have been deducted.
- 3.56 The Council is still awaiting confirmation from each parish and town council regarding their level of precept for 2026/27. These details will be included in the revenue budget and council tax setting report to be presented to Council on 5 March 2026.

Subjective Analysis

- 3.57 **Appendix A2** contains a breakdown of the Council's General Fund revenue budget for 2026/27 by statutory categories used to categorise expenditure and income.

Risk Assessment and Sensitivity

- 3.58 As mentioned in paragraph 3.49, section 25 of the *Local Government Act 2003* requires the Council's chief finance officer, currently the Director of Resources and Deputy Chief Executive, to report on the robustness of estimates made in the Council's proposed budget. This section fulfils that requirement.
- 3.59 In considering the Council's proposed budget for 2026/27 and the sensitivity of expenditure and income to changes, it should be noted that:
- a) a 1% increase in Council Tax is equivalent to £85,939 of net expenditure; and
 - b) a £1 increase in Council Tax is equivalent to £43,272 of net expenditure.
- 3.60 Various assumptions were required to be made when preparing the proposed 2026/27 budget. The two areas where it seems that variations between the proposed budget and reality could be greatest are employee pay and income receivable. Further details on each of these are below.

2026/27 Pay Award and changes in National Insurance

- 3.61 Employee costs form a significant proportion of all district council budgets. As mentioned in paragraph 3.35, the 2026/27 budgets have been prepared assuming a 3.5% annual increase in basic pay.

3.62 The National Joint Council (NJC) for Local Government Services’ pay award for 2026/27 has not yet been finalised. If the 2026/27 pay award agrees a more than 3.5% increase in basic pay, and if reductions in employee costs elsewhere cannot offset the increase in pay award costs, the additional costs unbudgeted for will need to be funded from council reserves. A 1% increase over and above the budgeted 3.5% in basic pay for 2026/27 would result in around £198,000 needing to be funded from reserves.

Income

3.63 A significant part of the Council’s annual net budget is dependent on income from rents; sales, fees and charges; and other receipts. Officers have reviewed the income that services have achieved against the current and previous years’ budgets and have considered factors expected to affect future income levels, to ensure the 2026/27 income budgets for services have been set at levels considered achievable.

3.64 Significant underperformance against budgeted income would increase the Council’s annual net expenditure and thus place unbudgeted demand on council reserves. A 1% reduction in council income from fees and charges would cost £58,000, or a council tax increase equivalent to £1.35 per property (0.68%).

3.65 Officers closely monitor income levels as part of the Council’s monthly budget monitoring processes.

3.66 Officers plan to develop a more detailed understanding of the volumes of activity which underpin each of the Council’s main income sources. This will allow the Council to more accurately model changes to expected activity levels, as well as increase assurance regarding the risks of such changes materialising.

Other Significant Potential Risks

3.67 Though less likely, but other assumptions which could result in the Council’s actual expenditure and/or income varying significantly from its proposed budgets are below:

a)	Interest rates	<p>The proposed 2026/27 budget includes amounts for both interest payable (Appendix A1, line 17) and interest receivable (Appendix A1, line 18). This is because the Council expects that it will both borrow money and lend money throughout the 2026/27 financial year.</p> <p>The budgeted amounts for 2026/27 have accounted for factors such as the amount of council funds expected to be available. The actual amounts of council interest payable and receivable for 2026/27 will likely differ from those budgeted.</p> <p>The impact of a 1% change in interest rate would be insignificant on the Council’s overall budget.</p>
b)	General Inflation	<p>As mentioned in paragraph 3.35, the proposed service budgets for 2026/27 include increases for inflation where appropriate.</p>

		<p>The most recent month for which inflation data was available at the time of writing is December 2025. There was a 2.7% increase in inflation (Consumer Prices Index (CPI)) from December 2024.</p> <p>Though it is likely that actual inflation rates throughout 2026/27 will differ from the Government's own forecasts for 2026/27 and the 2.5% the Council has generally budgeted for, the small differences anticipated are expected to have insignificant impact on the Council's budget.</p>
c)	Apprenticeship Scheme	In addition to Apprenticeship Levy payments the Council is required to make to the Government (Appendix A1 , line 10), the Council employs apprentices which have been budgeted for within the revenue budget.
d)	Reserves	As mentioned in paragraph 3.50, the Council has reviewed the adequacy of the financial reserves proposed in the 2026/27 budget, as statutorily required.

4.0 **Implications**

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection; Digital & Cyber Security; Equality & Diversity; Financial; Human Resources; Human Rights; Legal; Safeguarding & Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Implications Considered			
Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable			
Financial	NA	Equality & Diversity	NA
Human Resources	NA	Human Rights	NA
Legal	NA	Data Protection	NA
Digital & Cyber Security	NA	Safeguarding	NA
Sustainability	NA	Crime & Disorder	NA
LGR	NA	Tenant Consultation	NA

Equalities Implications

4.1 Business Managers consider the implications on equalities when assessing how best to deliver the services they are responsible for.

5.0 **Community Plan – Alignment to Objectives**

5.1 The Community Plan 2023-2027 was approved by Full Council on 12 December 2023 and sets out the Council's objectives over the next three years, building on previous published plans for the same time period.

5.2 The Community Plan was further revised at the meeting of Cabinet on 1 April 2025.

5.3 The budget proposed has the appropriate allocation of resources in order to ensure the delivery of all the objectives within the Community Plan.

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None.

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT COUNCIL BUDGET REQUIREMENT

A	B	C	D = C - B
Portfolio	2026/27 Base Budget (March 2025) £	2026/27 Base Budget (February 2026) £	More or (Less) £
1 Climate and the Environment	4,797,520	4,583,670	(213,850)
2 Health, Wellbeing and Leisure	1,702,340	1,063,820	(638,520)
3 Heritage, Culture and the Arts	1,252,980	953,360	(299,620)
4 Housing	485,930	400,090	(85,840)
5 Public Protection and Community Relations	4,012,740	4,553,720	540,980
6 Strategy, Performance and Finance	11,779,730	12,098,240	318,510
7 Sustainable Economic Development	2,127,020	2,200,840	73,820
8 Vacancy Factor and Notional Savings	(1,169,680)	(2,017,790)	(848,110)
9 Total Service Budgets	24,988,580	23,835,950	(1,152,630)
Other Operating Income & Expenditure			
10 Apprenticeship Levy	77,250	89,730	12,480
11 Pensions - employer's lump sum	382,390	354,000	(28,390)
12 Corporate Contingencies	100,000	100,000	0
13 Drainage Levy	954,000	981,370	27,370
14 Total other operating income & expenditure	1,513,640	1,525,100	11,460
Financing and Investment income & expenditure			
15 Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP)	1,075,430	807,490	(267,940)
16 Financial Instruments Adjustment	3,650	3,650	0
17 Interest Payable	826,935	333,200	(493,735)
18 Interest Receivable	(1,793,700)	(1,497,780)	295,920
19 Financial Contribution from Arkwood Developments Ltd (incl interest and dividend)	(840,000)	(1,100,000)	(260,000)
20 Total Financing and Investment income & expenditure	(727,685)	(1,453,440)	(725,755)
Taxation and Non Specific Grant Income			
Other Government Grants			
21 Revenue Support Grant	(554,000)	(6,533,000)	(5,979,000)
22 Recovery Grant	0	(321,000)	(321,000)
23 National Insurance Grant	(145,930)	0	145,930
24 Internal Drainage Board Levy Grant	(119,000)	(158,000)	(39,000)
25 Adjustment Grant	0	(815,000)	(815,000)
Non Domestic Rates (NDR)			
26 Retained NDR- Including Pool Surplus	(9,785,330)	(5,313,500)	4,471,830
27 Business Rates Deficit from 2024/25	0	295,500	295,500
28 Total Taxation and Non Specific Grant Income	(10,604,260)	(12,845,000)	(2,240,740)
Contributions to or (from) Reserves and Balances			
Contributions to or (from) Unusable Reserves			
29 Reversal of capital expenditure	(4,802,310)	(4,067,500)	734,810
30 Reversal of capital income	860,000	860,000	0
Contributions to or (from) Usable Reserves			
31 Contributions to or (from) usable reserves	(1,613,187)	738,800	2,351,987
32 Shortfall mitigations identified in the MTFP - March 2025	(885,000)	0	885,000
33 Total Contributions to or (from) Reserves and Balances	(6,440,497)	(2,468,700)	3,971,797
34 Net call on Council Tax	8,729,778	8,593,910	(135,868)
Council Tax Adjustments			
35 Brought forward Council Tax deficit	0	0	0
36 To be collected through Council Tax	8,729,778	8,593,910	(135,868)

Appendix A2

BUDGET SUMMARY - SUBJECTIVE (GENERAL FUND (GF) CASH SERVICES REVENUE) - EXCL CAPTIAL

COST CENTRE	CENTRE NAME	2026/27 EST SET IN MARCH	FINAL 2026/27 BASE BUDGET	MORE OR (LESS)
111	SALARIES AND WAGES	17,025,510	16,684,120	(341,390)
112	OTHER SALARIES/WAGES PAYMENTS	104,780	104,800	20
113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	2,309,010	2,353,815	44,805
114	SUPERANNUATION	3,490,820	3,162,560	(328,260)
115	OTHER EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS	39,600	39,790	190
	EMPLOYEES	22,969,720	22,345,085	(624,635)
211	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,039,660	1,550,580	510,920
212	ENERGY COSTS	779,000	619,430	(159,570)
213	RENT	471,550	558,230	86,680
214	RATES	589,270	552,130	(37,140)
215	WATER SERVICES	207,760	170,920	(36,840)
216	FIXTURES AND FITTING	11,440	16,470	5,030
217	CLEANING AND DOMESTIC	40,070	38,120	(1,950)
218	COMPLIANCE SERVICING	163,700	182,520	18,820
219	CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	721,750	517,870	(203,880)
311	TRANSPORT	1,267,520	1,146,140	(121,380)
313	CONTRACT HIRE OP LEASE	8,160	10,850	2,690
315	CAR ALLOWANCES	83,360	82,910	(450)
411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	478,870	510,920	32,050
412	MATERIALS	49,860	59,500	9,640
421	CATERING	166,590	190,250	23,660
431	CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	45,210	46,400	1,190
441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	401,760	430,540	28,780
451	CONTRACTUAL	1,275,370	1,448,010	172,640
452	OTHER SERVICES	1,251,120	1,748,535	497,415
461	COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTING	1,734,340	1,447,740	(286,600)
471	STAFF	33,240	31,150	(2,090)
472	MEMBERS	363,440	378,860	15,420
473	CHAIRMAN	8,510	8,550	40
481	GRANTS	627,380	579,530	(47,850)
482	SUBSCRIPTIONS	99,810	100,870	1,060
491	INSURANCE	463,710	515,000	51,290
492	CONTRIBS TO FUNDS AND PROVISION	260,110	252,210	(7,900)
493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	2,215,620	2,629,370	413,750
497	DISCOUNTS	36,210	35,750	(460)
611	HOUSING BENEFITS	16,562,230	16,562,230	0
612	OTHER TRANSFER PAYMENTS	503,670	473,230	(30,440)
	RUNNING EXPENSES	31,960,290	32,894,815	934,525
911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	(17,164,120)	(17,813,830)	(649,710)
922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	(402,150)	(244,830)	157,320
928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	(4,989,460)	(4,798,660)	190,800
931	SALES	(742,930)	(870,240)	(127,310)
932	FEES AND CHARGES	(6,520,960)	(6,734,580)	(213,620)
933	RENTS	(3,426,730)	(3,434,430)	(7,700)
939	OTHER RECEIPTS	(637,390)	(714,880)	(77,490)
	INCOME	(33,883,740)	(34,611,450)	(727,710)
	PORTFOLIO TOTAL	21,046,270	20,628,450	(417,820)

PORTFOLIO HOLDER Climate and the Environment

	CODE	CODE DESCRIPTION	2026/27 EST SET IN MARCH	2026/27 REALIGNMENTS	2026/27 SALARY UPLIFT	2026/27 VARIATIONS APPROVED	INFLATIONARY CHANGES	TOTAL REQUESTED CHANGES	FINAL 2026/27 BASE BUDGET
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	111	SALARIES AND WAGES	3,300,140	0	(162,310)	0	270	317,830	3,455,930
	112	OTHER SALARIES/WAGES PAYMENTS	4,780	0	0	0	20	0	4,800
	113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	415,130	0	(5,710)	0	0	0	409,420
	114	SUPERANNUATION	616,980	0	(8,980)	0	0	(72,020)	535,980
	115	OTHER EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES Total			4,337,030	0	(177,000)	0	290	245,810	4,406,130
RUNNING EXPENSES	211	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	34,240	80,610	0	0	400	2,000	117,250
	212	ENERGY COSTS	530	0	0	0	30	0	560
	213	RENT	6,350	0	0	0	0	(130)	6,220
	217	CLEANING AND DOMESTIC	1,130	0	0	0	10	0	1,140
	219	CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	124,430	(69,420)	0	0	0	(55,010)	0
	311	TRANSPORT	1,267,520	(2,650)	0	0	10,270	(129,000)	1,146,140
	313	CONTRACT HIRE OP LEASE	0	2,650	0	0	0	0	2,650
	315	CAR ALLOWANCES	1,860	0	0	0	10	0	1,870
	411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	238,000	0	0	0	1,160	0	239,160
	412	MATERIALS	36,950	0	0	0	190	10,000	47,140
	421	CATERING	3,600	0	0	0	20	0	3,620
	431	CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	26,770	0	0	0	130	0	26,900
	441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	30,600	0	0	0	150	0	30,750
	451	CONTRACTUAL	137,270	(11,190)	0	0	600	6,000	132,680
	452	OTHER SERVICES	202,710	0	0	0	(110)	423,680	626,280
	461	COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	471	STAFF	20	0	0	0	0	0	20
	492	CONTRIBS TO FUNDS AND PROVISIONS	18,700	0	0	0	40	(1,510)	17,230
	493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	436,530	0	0	0	2,150	(20,500)	418,180
	612	OTHER TRANSFER PAYMENTS	44,910	0	0	0	0	33,880	78,790
	821	CAPITAL	938,260	0	0	(65,110)	13,890	0	883,670
RUNNING EXPENSES Total			3,550,380	0	0	(65,110)	28,940	269,410	3,780,250
INCOME	911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	(17,190)	0	0	0	(40)	0	(17,230)
	928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	(862,370)	0	0	0	(6,070)	(168,490)	(1,036,930)
	931	SALES	(254,390)	0	0	0	(1,250)	(64,360)	(320,000)
	932	FEES AND CHARGES	(2,127,130)	0	0	0	(7,080)	(93,730)	(2,227,940)
	933	RENTS	(610)	0	0	0	0	0	(610)
	939	OTHER RECEIPTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INCOME Total			(3,261,690)	0	0	0	(14,440)	(326,580)	(3,602,710)
Grand Total			4,625,720	0	(177,000)	(65,110)	14,790	188,640	4,583,670

PORTFOLIO HOLDER Climate and the Environment

COST CENTRE	COST CENTRE NAME	2026/27 EST SET IN MARCH	2026/27 REALIGNMENTS	2026/27 SALARY UPLIFT	2026/27 VARIATIONS APPROVED	INFLATIONARY CHANGES	TOTAL REQUESTED CHANGES	FINAL 2026/27 BASE BUDGET
A10701	UPKEEP OF DYKES	9,990	0	0	0	40	0	10,030
A10901	CLIMATE CHANGE	3,370	0	0	0	0	0	0
A10902	DECARBONISATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A11002	WASTE & RECYCLING	2,167,650	0	(91,190)	0	(26,460)	(55,930)	1,994,070
A11103	SEWERAGE WORKS	0	0	0	0	0	44,910	44,910
A11105	CLEANER, SAFER, GREENER	0	0	0	0	0	10,000	10,000
A11331	PARKS AND PLAYING FIELDS	108,380	0	0	0	1,480	24,460	134,320
A11334	PRIVATE ESTATES	10,040	0	0	0	30	(4,010)	6,060
A11335	CLOSED CHURCHYARDS	5,420	0	0	0	10	(2,820)	2,610
A11336	VICAR WATER PARK	70,860	0	(1,250)	0	(10)	5,980	75,580
A11338	SCONCE & DEVON PARK	81,290	0	(1,590)	0	2,390	10,880	92,970
A11340	ENV SERV MANAGEMENT	285,950	0	(8,860)	0	(50)	18,390	295,430
A11582	LIFE SAVING	520	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,520
A11702	ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEMES	27,020	0	0	0	3,190	(5,120)	25,090
A11842	DEVELOPMENT COSTS	0	0	0	0	0	200,000	200,000
A15003	BRUNEL DRIVE DEPOT	69,240	0	0	0	27,560	0	96,800
A15023	STREET SCENE GROUNDS MAINT	314,570	0	(65,790)	0	(3,210)	46,410	291,980
A26901	VEHICLE POOL AND WORKSHOP	1,471,420	0	(8,320)	(65,110)	9,820	(106,510)	1,301,300
Grand Total		4,625,720	0	(177,000)	(65,110)	14,790	188,640	4,583,670

PORTFOLIO HOLDER Health, Wellbeing and Leisure

	CODE	CODE DESCRIPTION	2026/27 EST SET IN MARCH	2026/27 REALIGNMENTS	2026/27 SALARY UPLIFT	2026/27 VARIATIONS APPROVED	INFLATIONARY CHANGES	TOTAL REQUESTED CHANGES	FINAL 2026/27 BASE BUDGET
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	111	SALARIES AND WAGES	394,050	(176,130)	(20,480)	36,280	0	25,700	259,420
	113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	55,210	(25,580)	0	5,310	0	0	34,940
	114	SUPERANNUATION	77,120	(36,360)	0	7,500	0	(5,720)	42,540
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES Total			526,380	(238,070)	(20,480)	49,090	0	19,980	336,900
RUNNING EXPENSES	213	RENT	1,200	0	0	0	0	0	1,200
	315	CAR ALLOWANCES	4,080	(3,000)	0	0	0	1,000	2,080
	411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	510	0	0	0	0	(510)	0
	451	CONTRACTUAL	900	0	0	0	0	0	900
	452	OTHER SERVICES	8,830	0	0	0	40	(510)	8,360
	471	STAFF	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
	481	GRANTS	152,760	0	0	0	0	(152,760)	0
	492	CONTRIBS TO FUNDS AND PROVISIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	109,240	(69,240)	0	0	0	55,680	95,680
	821	CAPITAL	882,570	0	0	0	(64,600)	530	623,380
RUNNING EXPENSES Total			1,160,190	(72,240)	0	0	(64,560)	(96,570)	731,700
INCOME	911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	932	FEES AND CHARGES	(2,520)	0	0	0	(10)	0	(2,530)
	933	RENTS	(2,250)	0	0	0	0	0	(2,250)
INCOME Total			(4,770)	0	0	0	(10)	0	(4,780)
Grand Total			1,681,800	(310,310)	(20,480)	49,090	(64,570)	(76,590)	1,063,820

PORTFOLIO HOLDER Health, Wellbeing and Leisure

COST CENTRE	COST CENTRE NAME	2026/27 EST SET IN MARCH	2026/27		2026/27 VARIATIONS APPROVED	INFLATIONARY CHANGES	TOTAL REQUESTED CHANGES	FINAL 2026/27 BASE BUDGET
			REALIGNMENTS	SALARY UPLIFT				
A11101	PUBLIC CONVENIENCES	900	0	0	0	0	0	900
A11110	PUBLIC HEALTH FUNERALS	5,800	0	0	0	30	0	5,830
A11305	SOUTHWELL LEISURE CENTRE	10,000	0	0	0	0	(10,000)	0
A11314	LINCOLN ROAD SPORTS HALL	80,160	0	0	0	(64,600)	0	15,560
A11339	NEWARK SPORTS & FITNESS CENTRE	(540)	0	0	0	0	20	(520)
A11576	ACTIVE 4 TODAY	945,170	0	0	0	0	(142,760)	607,290
A11577	TOUR OF BRITAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A11583	HEALTH & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	640,310	(310,310)	(20,480)	49,090	0	20,470	379,080
A11915	COST OF LIVING RESPONSE	0	0	0	0	0	55,680	55,680
C54467	HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT GRANT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54471	COVID-NCC EAF FOOD COORDINATOR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54473	THE HOLIDAY ACTIVITY & FOOD GR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54477	SHERWOOD LEVELLING UP SCHEME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54495	FOOD ENVIRONMENT GRANT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		1,681,800	(310,310)	(20,480)	49,090	(64,570)	(76,590)	1,063,820

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EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	111	SALARIES AND WAGES	826,050	(4,920)	(32,880)	19,810	150	72,650	880,860
	112	OTHER SALARIES/WAGES PAYMENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	106,820	(630)	(730)	2,570	0	(11,530)	96,500
	114	SUPERANNUATION	156,300	(920)	(1,340)	3,680	0	(34,370)	123,350
	115	OTHER EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES Total			1,089,170	(6,470)	(34,950)	26,060	150	26,750	1,100,710
RUNNING EXPENSES	211	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	8,090	6,240	0	0	50	0	14,380
	213	RENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	216	FIXTURES AND FITTING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	217	CLEANING AND DOMESTIC	3,920	0	0	0	20	0	3,940
	219	CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	6,240	(6,240)	0	0	0	0	0
	315	CAR ALLOWANCES	1,680	0	0	0	0	(500)	1,180
	411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	13,490	0	0	0	70	0	13,560
	412	MATERIALS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	421	CATERING	89,550	15,950	0	0	450	4,940	110,890
	431	CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	1,090	0	0	0	0	0	1,090
	441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	47,770	0	0	0	240	0	48,010
	451	CONTRACTUAL	18,260	0	0	0	90	0	18,350
	452	OTHER SERVICES	133,760	0	0	0	600	4,790	139,150
	461	COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTING	11,860	0	0	0	30	0	11,890
	471	STAFF	1,720	0	0	0	0	0	1,720
	481	GRANTS	16,940	0	0	0	80	0	17,020
	482	SUBSCRIPTIONS	780	0	0	0	0	0	780
	492	CONTRIBS TO FUNDS AND PROVISIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	622,910	136,540	0	0	3,040	2,350	764,840
	821	CAPITAL	335,840	0	0	0	(77,710)	(69,500)	188,630
RUNNING EXPENSES Total			1,313,900	152,490	0	0	(73,040)	(57,920)	1,335,430
INCOME	911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	(27,340)	6,470	0	0	0	200	(20,670)
	922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	0	0	0	(26,060)	0	0	(26,060)
	931	SALES	(292,180)	(13,870)	0	0	(1,440)	(42,230)	(349,720)
	932	FEES AND CHARGES	(775,600)	(125,820)	0	0	(3,810)	(31,780)	(937,010)
	933	RENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	939	OTHER RECEIPTS	(92,710)	(22,800)	0	0	(450)	(33,360)	(149,320)
INCOME Total			(1,187,830)	(156,020)	0	(26,060)	(5,700)	(107,170)	(1,482,780)
Grand Total			1,215,240	(10,000)	(34,950)	0	(78,590)	(138,340)	953,360

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A10101	NCWC & NEWARK MUSEUM	327,800	(3,780)	(10,990)	0	(5,110)	5,410	313,330
A10105	NEWARK CASTLE/CASTLE GROUNDS	192,140	(10,000)	(2,620)	0	(63,240)	3,670	119,950
A10108	RESOURCE CENTRE	43,880	0	(2,520)	0	10	2,740	44,110
A10110	CULTURAL EVENTS	47,280	0	(1,010)	0	60	2,080	48,410
A10111	L&P EDUCATION/OUTREACH	98,660	0	(3,470)	0	(90)	5,680	100,780
A11443	PALACE THEATRE	283,420	3,780	(14,050)	0	(10,730)	(88,840)	173,580
A11573	PROMOTION OF TOURISM	222,060	0	(290)	0	510	(69,080)	153,200
C54022	CASTLE GATEHOUSE HLF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54026	BUILDING BRIDGES - NEWARK CAST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54031	NPO 2025-26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54492	WORKING TOGETHER FOR H&W	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54599	NEWARK CREATES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		1,215,240	(10,000)	(34,950)	0	(78,590)	(138,340)	953,360

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EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	111	SALARIES AND WAGES	876,690	(10)	(33,630)	(66,440)	0	168,330	944,940
	112	OTHER SALARIES/WAGES PAYMENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	121,030	10	3,810	(11,230)	0	7,660	121,280
	114	SUPERANNUATION	172,800	0	2,270	(13,130)	0	(9,240)	152,700
	115	OTHER EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES Total			1,170,520	0	(27,550)	(90,800)	0	166,750	1,218,920
RUNNING EXPENSES	211	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	79,480	5,200	0	0	30	0	84,710
	212	ENERGY COSTS	66,860	8,000	0	0	0	2,800	77,660
	213	RENT	4,320	0	0	0	20	13,470	17,810
	214	RATES	0	0	0	0	0	1,710	1,710
	215	WATER SERVICES	28,530	(8,000)	0	0	0	(8,560)	11,970
	216	FIXTURES AND FITTING	11,440	0	0	0	30	5,000	16,470
	217	CLEANING AND DOMESTIC	8,320	(5,320)	0	0	0	0	3,000
	219	CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	41,610	(5,200)	0	0	0	(31,210)	5,200
	315	CAR ALLOWANCES	5,050	0	0	0	0	4,080	9,130
	411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	7,510	0	0	0	0	(1,500)	6,010
	441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	500	0	0	0	0	0	500
	451	CONTRACTUAL	25,090	2,980	0	0	0	(18,230)	9,840
	452	OTHER SERVICES	5,310	0	0	0	10	20,130	25,450
	461	COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTING	17,930	0	0	0	90	(550)	17,470
	471	STAFF	1,720	0	0	0	0	(1,070)	650
	481	GRANTS	144,240	21,480	0	0	(100)	0	165,620
	492	CONTRIBS TO FUNDS AND PROVISIONS	16,070	0	0	0	80	100,000	116,150
	493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	193,930	5,320	0	0	140	(18,220)	181,170
	612	OTHER TRANSFER PAYMENTS	458,760	0	0	0	0	(64,320)	394,440
	821	CAPITAL	910,740	0	0	0	0	24,290	935,030
RUNNING EXPENSES Total			2,027,410	24,460	0	0	300	27,820	2,079,990
INCOME	911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	(1,207,850)	(47,150)	0	0	0	(287,520)	(1,542,520)
	922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	(192,880)	0	0	0	0	148,780	(44,100)
	928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	(195,790)	0	0	0	0	48,230	(147,560)
	932	FEES AND CHARGES	(50,000)	47,150	0	0	0	2,850	0
	933	RENTS	(849,820)	(24,460)	0	0	0	(19,460)	(893,740)
	939	OTHER RECEIPTS	(267,960)	0	0	0	0	(2,940)	(270,900)
INCOME Total			(2,764,300)	(24,460)	0	0	0	(110,060)	(2,898,820)
Grand Total			433,630	0	(27,550)	(90,800)	300	84,510	400,090

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A10204	MISCELLANEOUS HOUSING (GF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A10211	NORTHGATE ROUGH SLEEPER ACCOM	63,720	(27,060)	(2,270)	0	70	2,010	36,470
A10212	PRIVATE SECTOR SPEECH CALL	(199,680)	0	0	0	0	(40,700)	(240,380)
A10213	HOUSING OPTIONS	325,480	11,360	(740)	(27,820)	200	(135,530)	172,950
A10215	STRATEGIC HOUSING	190,670	0	(13,730)	(51,740)	0	68,580	193,780
A10217	SYRIAN VP RESETTLEMENT SCHEME	0	2,030	(150)	0	0	110	1,990
A10219	AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT SCHEME	0	75,570	(5,670)	0	0	4,900	74,800
A10220	COLD WEATHER/SWEP SCHEME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A10223	HOMES FOR UKRAINE	30,410	(59,870)	(1,230)	(11,240)	130	78,760	36,960
A10224	HOARDING SUPPORT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A10225	BARRATT MANAGED PROPERTIES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A10226	ALEXANDER LODGE	(99,360)	1,480	(890)	0	0	17,400	(81,370)
A10227	WELLOW GREEN	(1,020)	(3,510)	(590)	0	0	19,280	14,160
A10228	ASYLUM SEEKERS	(75,500)	0	0	0	0	75,500	0
A11607	ENERGY AND HOME SUPPORT	78,290	0	(2,280)	0	0	(5,800)	70,210
A11922	COMMISSIONING CONTRIBUTIONS	120,620	0	0	0	(100)	0	120,520
A11932	COMMUNITY LOTTERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54475	VICTIM CARE - CATCH 22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		433,630	0	(27,550)	(90,800)	300	156,510	400,090

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EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	111	SALARIES AND WAGES	2,298,730	339,720	(70,962)	14,432	250	297,190	2,879,360
	112	OTHER SALARIES/WAGES PAYMENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	305,510	51,570	5,783	2,187	0	0	365,050
	114	SUPERANNUATION	440,930	74,280	8,005	2,675	0	(62,230)	463,660
	115	OTHER EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES Total			3,045,170	465,570	(57,174)	19,294	250	234,960	3,708,070
RUNNING EXPENSES	211	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	0	2,100	0	0	0	0	2,100
	213	RENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	219	CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	36,710	(36,710)	0	0	0	0	0
	311	TRANSPORT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	313	CONTRACT HIRE OP LEASE	8,160	0	0	0	40	0	8,200
	315	CAR ALLOWANCES	20,280	2,580	0	0	90	(1,320)	21,630
	411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	8,670	280	0	0	40	0	8,990
	412	MATERIALS	6,400	(360)	0	0	30	(320)	5,750
	421	CATERING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	431	CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	11,230	740	0	0	50	0	12,020
	441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	11,930	(60)	0	0	60	(300)	11,630
	451	CONTRACTUAL	110,130	1,770	0	(51,000)	290	(7,540)	53,650
	452	OTHER SERVICES	106,690	(1,720)	0	0	510	94,490	199,970
	461	COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTING	15,540	0	0	0	80	(2,350)	13,270
	471	STAFF	2,050	420	0	0	0	(790)	1,680
	481	GRANTS	4,890	0	0	0	0	(4,890)	0
	482	SUBSCRIPTIONS	4,430	3,000	0	0	30	(1,030)	6,430
	491	INSURANCE	463,710	50,000	0	0	1,950	(660)	515,000
	492	CONTRIBS TO FUNDS AND PROVISIONS	198,200	(75,260)	0	0	290	(31,630)	91,600
	493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	289,800	(49,690)	0	3,790	220	106,080	350,200
	821	CAPITAL	230,840	0	0	41,090	45,970	0	317,900
RUNNING EXPENSES Total			1,529,660	(102,910)	0	(6,120)	49,650	149,740	1,620,020
INCOME	911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	(19,080)	0	0	0	(40)	8,620	(10,500)
	928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	(302,690)	(50,000)	0	0	(6,080)	8,390	(350,380)
	931	SALES	(127,800)	0	0	0	(630)	(1,820)	(130,250)
	932	FEES AND CHARGES	(230,600)	(2,350)	0	0	(1,160)	(44,620)	(278,730)
	939	OTHER RECEIPTS	(5,590)	0	0	0	(30)	1,110	(4,510)
INCOME Total			(685,760)	(52,350)	0	0	(7,940)	(28,320)	(774,370)
Grand Total			3,889,070	310,310	(57,174)	13,174	41,960	356,380	4,553,720

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A10210	DOMESTIC ABUSE SUPPORT	5,200	0	0	0	30	40,000	45,230
A10814	LICENSING ADMIN	23,470	0	(5,300)	0	(780)	(10,200)	7,190
A10816	COMMUNITY SAFETY	44,720	(1,570)	(1,130)	0	(2,210)	560	40,370
A10823	ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR	243,830	1,070	(6,934)	4,294	110	13,800	256,170
A10826	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	31,900	0	(1,630)	0	(2,790)	38,000	65,480
A10899	INSURANCE	452,600	0	(2,760)	0	1,730	12,930	464,500
A11104	STREET SCENE STREET CLEANSING	1,234,470	0	5,240	0	46,120	58,880	1,344,710
A11107	DOG CONTROL	21,570	500	0	0	110	0	22,180
A11122	SAFETY & RISK MANAGEMENT	79,250	0	(4,570)	0	(310)	19,010	93,380
A11126	CCTV	441,160	(12,040)	2,420	41,090	80	22,610	495,320
A11135	ENV HEALTH & COM PROTECTION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A11136	NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDENS	199,050	0	(7,170)	0	250	10,900	203,030
A11138	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	495,890	0	(21,300)	7,060	(450)	31,800	513,000
A11139	COMMUNITY PROTECTION	375,650	0	(11,330)	(43,060)	0	74,060	395,320
A11442	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	37,720	310,310	880	0	0	(8,750)	340,160
A11923	EMERGENCY PLANNING	96,200	12,040	(3,590)	3,790	70	9,170	117,680
A11940	COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME	106,390	0	0	0	0	43,610	150,000
A11941	FLOODING - OCTOBER 2023	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A11942	FLOODING - JANUARY 2024	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54461	SANCTUARY (PREV DV FORUM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54507	OPCC LOCALITY FUNDING 2024-26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		3,889,070	310,310	(57,174)	13,174	41,960	356,380	4,553,720

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EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	111	SALARIES AND WAGES	7,271,860	(99,290)	(334,823)	154,833	80	861,810	7,854,470
	112	OTHER SALARIES/WAGES PAYMENTS	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	100,000
	113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	1,017,150	(3,190)	(3,200)	21,010	500	5,544	1,037,820
	114	SUPERANNUATION	1,622,530	(5,990)	(3,840)	30,410	0	(155,837)	1,487,270
	115	OTHER EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS	39,600	0	0	0	190	0	39,790
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES Total			10,051,140	(108,470)	(341,863)	206,253	770	711,517	10,519,350
RUNNING EXPENSES	211	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	917,850	451,430	0	0	3,420	(40,560)	1,332,140
	212	ENERGY COSTS	711,610	(4,140)	0	0	6,160	(172,420)	541,210
	213	RENT	459,680	0	0	0	80	73,240	533,000
	214	RATES	589,190	0	0	0	13,910	(52,720)	550,380
	215	WATER SERVICES	179,230	(11,850)	0	0	1,050	(9,480)	158,950
	217	CLEANING AND DOMESTIC	26,700	1,070	0	0	60	2,210	30,040
	218	COMPLIANCE SERVICING	163,700	18,010	0	0	810	0	182,520
	219	CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	507,080	(455,810)	0	0	0	461,400	512,670
	311	TRANSPORT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	315	CAR ALLOWANCES	35,440	0	0	0	130	(4,210)	31,360
	411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	210,810	0	0	0	30	31,780	242,620
	412	MATERIALS	6,510	0	0	0	20	80	6,610
	421	CATERING	73,440	0	0	0	170	2,130	75,740
	431	CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	5,120	0	0	0	20	140	5,280
	441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	241,210	10,000	0	0	1,190	17,480	269,880
	451	CONTRACTUAL	773,610	71,640	0	(93,810)	1,790	217,960	971,190
	452	OTHER SERVICES	542,630	(20,500)	0	40,000	1,010	84,075	647,215
	461	COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTING	1,664,840	(297,920)	0	0	3,160	9,700	1,379,780
	471	STAFF	18,870	0	0	0	80	(60)	18,890
	472	MEMBERS	363,440	0	0	0	2,420	13,000	378,860
	473	CHAIRMAN	8,510	0	0	0	40	0	8,550
	481	GRANTS	306,550	0	0	0	0	6,330	312,880
	482	SUBSCRIPTIONS	85,160	8,070	0	0	440	(10,970)	82,700
	491	INSURANCE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	451,960	0	0	0	2,230	102,867	557,055
	497	DISCOUNTS	36,210	0	0	0	0	(460)	35,750
	611	HOUSING BENEFITS	16,562,230	(6,440)	0	0	0	6,440	16,562,230
	821	CAPITAL	1,497,580	0	0	0	0	(386,270)	1,115,750
RUNNING EXPENSES Total			26,439,160	(236,440)	0	(53,810)	38,220	351,682	26,543,250
INCOME	911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	(16,738,930)	6,440	0	0	0	53,850	(16,678,640)
	922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	(173,000)	0	0	0	0	0	(173,000)
	928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	(3,600,980)	348,470	0	0	(11,900)	30,100	(3,234,310)
	931	SALES	(68,360)	0	0	0	(10)	(1,700)	(70,070)
	932	FEES AND CHARGES	(2,010,390)	0	0	0	(4,160)	(36,310)	(2,050,860)
	933	RENTS	(2,574,050)	0	0	0	(2,050)	38,270	(2,537,830)
	939	OTHER RECEIPTS	(193,910)	0	0	0	(40)	(25,700)	(219,650)
INCOME Total			(25,359,620)	354,910	0	0	(18,160)	58,510	(24,964,360)
Grand Total			11,130,680	10,000	(341,863)	152,443	20,830	1,121,709	12,098,240

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A10104	GILSTRAP INTERPRETATION CENTR	33,080	0	0	0	220	(18,220)	15,080
A10601	ELECTORAL REGISTRATION	235,670	0	(3,810)	0	620	46,750	279,230
A10802	ICT	1,482,030	67,890	14,500	0	30	49,310	1,613,760
A10803	INTERNAL AUDIT	93,010	0	0	0	0	0	93,010
A10804	PAYMENTS & RECEIPTS	(2,600)	0	0	0	170	7,790	5,360
A10805	INCOME SECTION	202,270	0	(3,990)	0	100	9,670	208,050
A10806	BANK CHARGES	129,340	0	0	0	800	(35,570)	94,570
A10809	CUSTOMER SERVICES	843,850	0	(40,350)	0	(6,730)	89,290	886,060
A10810	COMMUNICATIONS	445,830	10,000	(8,210)	0	600	33,900	482,120
A10812	HUMAN RESOURCES	579,910	0	(19,660)	0	(1,830)	50,277	605,165
A10818	COMMITTEE SECTION	220,950	0	710	0	(30)	38,190	259,820
A10819	LEGAL SECTION	466,310	0	(20,943)	6,523	330	61,860	514,080
A10832	CENTRAL TELEPHONES	112,190	(67,890)	0	0	470	1,330	46,100
A10833	CENTRAL POSTAGES	59,460	0	0	0	290	10,170	69,920
A10841	CENTRAL PERSONNEL EXPENSES	285,430	0	0	0	1,390	16,135	302,955
A10842	OTHER EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	58,190	0	0	0	280	4,380	62,850
A10845	INFORMATION GOVERNANCE	106,070	0	(3,160)	0	(10)	7,300	110,200
A10864	SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM	1,023,150	0	(75,480)	0	(450)	38,480	985,700
A10865	CORPORATE ASSET DEVELOPMENT	272,030	344,510	(12,770)	0	0	104,980	708,750
A10895	FINANCIAL SERVICES	606,400	0	(23,110)	0	(1,310)	31,880	613,860
A10896	TRANSFORMATION	409,850	0	(20,140)	0	(270)	34,530	423,970
A10897	PROCUREMENT	41,790	0	0	0	210	5,520	47,520
A10898	ADMINISTRATION SERVICES	398,750	0	(15,370)	105,920	30	(41,820)	447,510
A10904	REVENUES	112,030	0	(54,210)	0	220	448,747	506,790
A10905	RENT ALLOWANCES	(14,300)	0	0	0	0	6,440	(7,860)
A10907	RENT REBATES	(27,200)	0	0	0	0	48,650	21,450
A10908	HOUSING BENEFIT ADMIN	198,030	0	(34,160)	0	310	61,220	225,400
A10911	BUSINESS RATES PROPERTY UNIT	6,890	0	(2,290)	0	30	5,130	9,760
A11321	NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRES	72,480	0	0	0	30	(17,720)	54,790
A11574	SHERWOOD YOUTH HOSTEL	(12,850)	0	0	0	0	0	(12,850)
A11810	NEWARK BEACON	61,240	(19,620)	19,320	0	2,220	(165,940)	(102,780)
A11813	SUTTON ON TRENT WORKSHOPS	(33,930)	0	0	0	10	(3,030)	(36,950)
A11814	CREWE CLOSE BLIDWORTH WORKSHOP	(47,770)	0	0	0	0	(6,040)	(53,810)
A11815	BOUGHTON WORKSHOPS	(34,070)	0	0	0	0	(8,290)	(42,360)
A11816	CHURCH FARM WORKSHOPS	(34,400)	0	0	0	50	15,400	(18,950)
A11817	BILSTHORPE WORKSHOPS	(36,720)	0	0	0	10	(9,450)	(46,160)
A11818	BURMA ROAD WORKSHOPS	(13,810)	0	0	0	0	600	(13,210)
A11819	JUBILEE BRIDGE	8,620	0	0	0	30	(220)	11,430
A11821	CLIPSTONE WORKSHOPS	(36,070)	0	0	0	10	(2,620)	(38,680)
A11822	BOUGHTON ADVANCE FACTORY	(42,540)	0	0	0	0	(1,150)	(43,690)
A11823	CLIPSTONE ADVANCED FACTORIES	(43,170)	0	0	0	0	(3,060)	(46,230)
A11824	SHERWOOD FOREST CRAFT CENTRE	(10,760)	0	0	0	340	(2,730)	(13,150)
A11826	CLIPSTONE HOLDING CENTRE	69,450	0	0	0	0	(50,450)	19,000
A11828	LEACH WAY BLIDWORTH ADV	(41,110)	0	0	0	0	(6,810)	(47,920)
A11831	CASTLE HOUSE	471,660	0	10,470	0	4,930	(90,970)	402,910
A11835	BUTTERMARKET	(74,180)	0	(230)	0	270	4,730	(69,410)
A11836	GATEWAY LODGE	(12,690)	0	0	0	0	1,130	(11,560)
A11837	FARRAR CLOSE	(72,970)	0	0	0	150	54,400	(18,420)
A11838	ROBIN HOOD WALK(BEAMOND CROSS)	(49,580)	0	0	0	10	(3,660)	(53,230)
A11839	OLLERTON OFFICE	(6,470)	0	0	0	0	1,700	(4,770)
A11841	CORPORATE PROPERTY	731,100	(344,510)	(25,970)	0	650	(45,780)	315,490
A11846	VICAR WATER PROPERTY	71,270	0	0	0	310	(15,240)	56,340
A11847	LINCOLN ROAD PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	500	500
A11848	SCONCE & DEVON PROPERTY	45,170	0	0	0	100	1,910	47,180
A11849	BRUNEL DRIVE DEPOT PROPERTY	190,460	0	0	0	1,910	(2,310)	190,060
A11850	TOM MANN PAVILION PROPERTY	710	0	0	0	0	(600)	110
A11855	NEWARK CASTLE PROPERTY	107,650	0	0	0	40	(81,040)	26,650
A11856	NCWM PROPERTY	126,800	0	0	0	1,480	8,180	136,460
A11857	PALACE THEATRE PROPERTY	233,420	0	0	0	1,610	(30,110)	204,920
A11858	RESOURCE CENTRE PROPERTY	31,580	0	0	0	390	(11,040)	20,930
A11861	COMPLIANCE SERVICING	218,920	0	0	0	1,450	10,810	231,180
A11886	32 STODMAN STREET	205,190	0	0	0	0	(15,720)	189,470
A11887	ASI	(41,570)	0	0	0	(170)	(5,830)	(47,570)
A11888	ACTIVE4TODAY - PROPERTY NONREC	46,030	0	0	0	0	0	46,030
A11889	LLOYDS BANK, OLLERTON	7,710	0	0	40,000	230	1,280	53,240
A11901	MEMBERS EXPENSES	407,750	0	0	0	3,020	15,470	426,240
A11902	CIVIC EXPENSES	14,350	0	0	0	70	0	14,420
A11911	OTHER FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS	57,640	0	0	0	0	250,000	307,640
A11921	GRANTS AND CONCESSIONS	306,550	0	0	0	0	6,330	312,880
A11943	NEWARK BEACON CAFE	0	19,620	0	0	0	830	20,450
A12001	PARKING SERVICES ADMIN	228,910	0	(22,050)	0	0	32,960	239,820
A12011	SURFACE CAR PARKS NEWARK	(539,740)	0	0	0	(350)	34,800	(511,670)
A12014	NEWARK LORRY PARK	(392,450)	0	(960)	0	3,680	(9,630)	(398,850)
A12016	SURFACE CAR PARKS NEWARK HOSPI	(100,000)	0	0	0	200	(200)	(100,000)
A12019	SURFACE CAR PARK OLLERTON	9,330	0	0	0	30	2,090	11,450
A12301	ELECTION EXPENSES	43,590	0	0	0	210	0	43,800
A12401	OTHER PROPERTIES & WSHOP VOIDS	79,630	0	0	0	1,090	133,640	214,360
A12520	CORPORATE MANAGEMENT	138,550	0	0	0	160	24,650	163,360
A12530	NON DISTRIBUTED COSTS	214,460	0	0	0	0	0	214,460
A15002	CREW LANE DEPOT	(12,320)	0	0	0	0	(15,910)	(28,230)
A15028	COMBINED SERVICE COSTS	218,640	0	0	0	1,050	1,930	221,620
A15029	CORPORATE PRINTERS	22,580	0	0	0	140	7,600	30,320
Grand Total		11,130,680	10,000	(341,863)	152,443	20,830	1,121,709	12,098,240

PORTFOLIO HOLDER Sustainable Economic Development

	CODE	CODE DESCRIPTION	2026/27 EST SET IN MARCH	2026/27 REALIGNMENTS	2026/27 SALARY UPLIFT	2026/27 VARIATIONS APPROVED	INFLATIONARY CHANGES	TOTAL REQUESTED CHANGES	FINAL 2026/27 BASE BUDGET
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES	111	SALARIES AND WAGES	2,057,990	0	(110,630)	38,030	0	191,540	2,176,930
	112	OTHER SALARIES/WAGES PAYMENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	113	NATIONAL INSURANCE	288,160	0	(1,380)	5,580	0	(3,550)	288,810
	114	SUPERANNUATION	404,160	0	(2,190)	7,850	0	(52,760)	357,060
	115	OTHER EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMPLOYEE EXPENSES Total			2,750,310	0	(114,200)	51,460	0	135,230	2,822,800
RUNNING EXPENSES	211	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	0	5,680	0	0	0	(5,680)	0
	214	RATES	80	0	0	0	0	(40)	40
	219	CONTRIBUTION TO FUNDS	5,680	(5,680)	0	0	0	0	0
	315	CAR ALLOWANCES	14,970	0	0	0	190	500	15,660
	411	EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE	390	0	0	0	0	190	580
	412	MATERIALS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	431	CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	1,000	0	0	0	0	110	1,110
	441	GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSES	69,240	0	0	0	330	200	69,770
	451	CONTRACTUAL	210,110	0	0	0	170	51,120	261,400
	452	OTHER SERVICES	251,190	0	0	0	910	100,010	352,110
	461	COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTING	24,170	0	0	0	0	1,160	25,330
	471	STAFF	8,760	0	0	0	0	(670)	8,090
	481	GRANTS	2,000	0	0	0	10	82,000	84,010
	482	SUBSCRIPTIONS	9,440	0	0	0	40	1,480	10,960
	492	CONTRIBS TO FUNDS AND PROVISIONS	27,140	0	0	0	110	(20)	27,230
	493	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	111,250	0	0	690	300	150,000	262,240
	821	CAPITAL	6,480	0	0	0	0	(3,340)	3,140
RUNNING EXPENSES Total			741,900	0	0	690	2,060	377,020	1,121,670
INCOME	911	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	(50,000)	0	0	0	0	(382,000)	(432,000)
	922	CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER LAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	928	RECHARGE NON GF ACCOUNTS	(27,630)	0	0	0	0	24,210	(3,420)
	931	SALES	(200)	0	0	0	0	0	(200)
	932	FEES AND CHARGES	(1,324,720)	0	0	0	0	87,210	(1,237,510)
	933	RENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	939	OTHER RECEIPTS	(77,220)	0	0	0	0	6,720	(70,500)
INCOME Total			(1,479,770)	0	0	0	0	(263,860)	(1,743,630)
Grand Total			2,012,440	0	(114,200)	52,150	2,060	248,390	2,200,840

PORTFOLIO HOLDER Sustainable Economic Development

COST CENTRE	COST CENTRE NAME	2026/27 EST SET IN MARCH	2026/27		2026/27 VARIATIONS APPROVED	INFLATIONARY CHANGES	TOTAL REQUESTED CHANGES	FINAL 2026/27 BASE BUDGET
			REALIGNMENTS	SALARY UPLIFT				
A10813	LAND CHARGES	(17,810)	0	(390)	0	0	6,480	(11,720)
A11578	TOWN CENTRE MANAGEMENT	248,250	0	1,750	0	150	10,430	260,580
A11579	NEWARK TOWN CYCLE RACES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A11601	GROWTH TECHNICAL SUPPORT	235,690	0	(5,570)	0	0	8,600	238,720
A11604	DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT	394,400	0	(46,520)	690	1,540	149,210	499,320
A11605	PLANNING POLICY	368,230	0	(10,570)	51,460	0	(9,720)	399,400
A11606	BUILDING CONTROL	114,670	0	0	0	0	1,080	115,750
A11610	LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK	62,730	0	0	0	0	0	62,730
A11611	COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY	7,310	0	(10,690)	0	0	37,310	33,930
A11614	HIGH STREET HAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A11615	TREE SERVICES	60,090	0	(3,300)	0	0	3,740	60,530
A11617	BIODIVERSITY AND ECOLOGY	115,580	0	(3,430)	0	0	21,440	133,590
A11731	STREET NAMING	27,560	0	(860)	0	0	1,280	27,980
A11851	ECONOMIC GROWTH	395,740	0	(34,620)	0	370	18,540	380,030
A11852	TOWNS FUND REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A12506	GROWTH INVESTMENT FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54070	TOWNS FUND PROJECT MANAGEMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54072	PRIDE IN PLACE PROGRAMME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54073	TF CULTURAL HEART	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54074	TF CULTURAL HEART MARKET PLACE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54075	LEVELLING UP FUND CAPACITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54078	SHARED PROSPERITY FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54079	LEVELLING UP CLIPSTONE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54080	LEVELLING UP OLLERTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C54081	PLANNING SKILLS DELIVERY FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		2,012,440	0	(114,200)	52,150	2,060	248,390	2,200,840

PORTFOLIO: SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

PART A - PLANNING STATUTORY CHARGES

Planning

List of Statutory and Discretionary Fees and Charges

In addition to the statutory planning fees listed below, developments may also be liable to pay a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) charge – please see PART F - Planning Policy Discretionary Charges.

Please note that should a planning application be withdrawn after submission and prior to confirmation of it being a valid application, an administrative fee will be charged as set out in PART B Planning and Planning Policy Discretionary Charges - the "Invalid Planning Application and Pre Application Advice Charges" Section. Should an application be withdrawn after confirmation is provided of it being valid, there is no refund of the application fee.

Fees for Planning Applications

Planning Fees in England are set nationally by the Government and are detailed in the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site visits) (England) Regulations 2012, as amended.

The Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications, Deemed Applications, Requests and Site Visits) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 introduced an automatic, annual increase. This will increase planning fees annually, on 1 April each year, starting on 1 April 2025. All planning fees will be increased by the rate of inflation, as measured by the Consumer Prices Index from the preceding September. The increase will be capped at 10%, even if the inflation rate is higher. The fees will not be changed if there is negative inflation (deflation). The government will publish the schedule of new fees on the following website in advance of April each year (website: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/fees-for-planning-applications#fee-category-or-categories>).

In addition to the annual increase, fees may also be changed through amendments to the 2012 Fees Regulations.

Website - <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/fees-for-planning-applications#fee-category-or-categories>.

The fee should be paid at the time the application is submitted. If you chose to submit an application via the Planning Portal, please refer to their website for further details and fees. Should you pay direct to the Local Authority, details are available on our website at <https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/paymentstothecouncil/>

Please note, we no longer accept payments by cheque.

PART B - PLANNING AND PLANNING POLICY DISCRETIONARY CHARGES

Planning

Newark and Sherwood's Planning Development and Planning Policy business units produce a variety of documents, many of which can be obtained free of charge, however on occasion we may need to charge for our documents and discretionary services on a cost-recovery basis to enable them to continue to be provided.

Pre Application Advice

Details of each category of service and what is included can be found on our website (including a summary relating to those where a bespoke fee is charged - <https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/pre-applicationadvice/>)

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Net £	Proposed 2026/27 Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
1,730.00	1,780.00	Category A - Pre-Application Advice On A Development Proposal	1,520.83	304.17	1,825.00	A
2,160.00	2,225.00	Category B – Large Scale Major Development	1,900.00	380.00	2,280.00	A
1,635.00	1,685.00	Category C – Major Development	1,437.50	287.50	1,725.00	A
1,100.00	1,130.00	Category D – Small Scale Major Development	966.67	193.33	1,160.00	A
650.00	670.00	Category E – Small Scale Other Development	575.00	115.00	690.00	A
230.00	235.00	Category F – All Other Development And Consents Not Within Categories A To C But Excluding Householder Development	200.00	40.00	240.00	A
1,440.00	1,485.00	Category G – Wind Turbines	1,270.83	254.17	1,525.00	A
74.00	76.00	Category H – Householder Applications	65.00	13.00	78.00	A
		Category I – Advice Which Is Not Covered By Any Of The Above Categories Or Requires A Fee To Be Agreed With The Business Manager - Planning Development				A
	Bespoke fee	Category K - Follow-Up Advice - Half Of The Above Fees For Categories A To H. Category Will Be Calculated On A Bespoke Basis.		Bespoke fee		A
5,000.00	5,150.00	Category L - Annual Fee For Pre-Application Advice For Major Landowners	4,400.00	880.00	5,280.00	A
560.00	575.00	Category M - Pre-Application Proposals Presented By The Applicant/Developer Prior To Submission	491.67	98.33	590.00	A
0.00	0.00	Category N - Empty Properties (Dwellinghouses)		No charge		
115.00	118.50	Category O - Variations Or Modifications To A Section 106 Planning Obligation	101.25	20.25	121.50	A
	Bespoke fee	Category P – Listed Buildings And Conservation Areas		Bespoke fee		A
		Based on the equivalent hourly rate (or part thereof) of the relevant officer dealing with the enquiry.				A
		Category Q – Advice regarding Conditions on Applications Requiring Approval		Based on the equivalent hourly rate (or part thereof) of the relevant officer dealing with the enquiry.		A

Where a fee has been submitted for advice without all other necessary information and the additional information is not received within 4 weeks of the original submission, the fee will be returned, less 5% or £5 administration cost, whichever is the greater.

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			VAT Code
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	
		Additional services				
45.00	46.50	Confirmation that Permitted Development rights have not been removed.	39.58	7.92	47.50	A
131.00	135.00	Confirmation that a planning Enforcement Notice has been complied with (including Listed Building, Breach of Condition etc.)	115.00	23.00	138.00	A
21.00	21.50	Storage of Advertisements removed from Land following failure to comply with the Advertisement Regulations.	18.33	3.67	22.00	A

Invalid Planning Application Charges

Following the first validation check, should an applicant or agent withdraw or fail to provide missing information within the relevant timescales as set out in the invalid letter, the service will mark the submission as closed and return any fees, less the cost shown below: (process cost-recovery):

10% of the fee, subject to a minimum of £220 for Major Developments*;

10% of the fee, subject to a minimum of £54 for Minor Developments*;

10% of the fee, subject to a minimum of £27 (for Other Developments (includes Householders and those applications which do not fall within the major, minor or other categories)*.

**Applications submitted as a variation of condition will be subject to 10% of the fee*

The major, minor and other categories of developments are those as set out within the Government's classification of development types. What constitutes a major development is set out within the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2015/595>

** Note, where the bespoke fees are based on hourly rate below is those hourly rate by role that will form the basis of the bespoke fee charged*

Role and hourly rate by Role			
137.00	141.00	Business Manager	140.00
65.00	67.00	Senior Planner / Planning Technical Support Manager/Ecologist Lead	100.00
87.00	90.00	Tree/Landscape Officer	90.00
95.00	98.00	Conservation/Planning Officer/Ecologist	80.00
78.00	80.00	Infrastructure & Section 106 Officer	80.00
68.00	70.00	Trainee Planning Officer	75.00
45.00	46.00	Technical Support Officer	60.00

VAT Code Key:

A - Standard Rated

E - Exempt

N - Non Business / Outside the Scope

Z - Zero Rated

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Net £	Proposed 2026/27 Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
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Fees for Monitoring of Planning Obligations

We carefully monitor all Legal Agreements in a transparent manner to ensure that contributions are spent on their intended purpose and that the associated development contributes to the sustainability of the area.

Where schemes have been closely monitored the community contributions expected from the development have been secured. Additionally the transaction stages become easier when confirmation has been sought that compliance has been made with the obligations.

The fees for monitoring of planning obligations are:

Obligations and criteria

390.00	400.00	Financial Obligations - per obligation	410.00	0.00	410.00	N
575.00	595.00	Physical Obligation - per obligation	610.00	0.00	610.00	N

Monitoring Onsite Biodiversity Net Gain

		New Fee Tier 1 - Development Sites < 1 ha. and where the entire onsite element of BNG is formed by habitats that have either a pre-set habitat condition within the Statutory Biodiversity Metric, or where the target habitat condition is poor.	980.00	0.00	980.00	N
		New Fee Tier 2 - Development Sites < 1 ha that do not meet the Tier 1 criteria.	1,660.00	0.00	1,660.00	N
		New Fee Tier 3 - Development Sites ≥ 1 ha and < 5 ha.	4,680.00	0.00	4,680.00	N
		New Fee Tier 4 - Development Sites ≥ 5 ha and < 10 ha.	6,290.00	0.00	6,290.00	N
		New Fee Tier 5 - Development Sites ≥ 10 ha and < 40 ha.	7,900.00	0.00	7,900.00	N
		New Fee Tier 6 - Development Sites ≥ 40 ha.			Bespoke Fee to be agreed with the Business Manager - Planning Development	N

Legal Agreements / S106 Planning Obligations

80.00	82.50	Request for confirmation of compliance with a legal agreement associated with a planning permission in relation to the sale of a property.	84.00	0.00	84.00	N
80.00	82.50	Request for confirmation of compliance with a legal agreement associated with a planning permission in relation to the sale of a property where confirmation requires background request.			Bespoke Fee - (£84.00 + £84.00 per hour for every additional hour spent on the research).	N
105.00	108.00	Request for confirmation of compliance with a legal agreement associated with a planning permission through submission of details to demonstrate compliance where this is not specified in the legal agreement.	110.50	0.00	110.50	N
150.00	162.00	Request for confirmation of compliance with S106 Agreements through submission of details to comply or for subsequent requests to confirm requirements have been met.	166.00	0.00	166.00	N

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Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			
		Net £	Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code	

Biodiversity Net Gain

Where development requires biodiversity net gain to be provided, the Council is able to provide advice to developers as part of pre-application engagement. Additionally, landowners looking to advance their land for off-site biodiversity units may wish to seek advice from the Council. The following charges will apply to such requests.

Services Provided:

2,000.00	2,075.00	Sites greater than 20 hectares	1,775.00	355.00	2,130.00	A
1,700.00	1,750.00	Sites more than 10 and up to 20 ha	1,500.00	300.00	1,800.00	A
1,450.00	1,490.00	Sites more than 5 and up to 10 ha	1,275.00	255.00	1,530.00	A
1,150.00	1,200.00	Sites less than 5ha	1,025.00	205.00	1,230.00	A

Habitat banks (providers of off-site biodiversity units)

2000.00	2,075.00	Sites greater than 20 ha	1,775.00	355.00	2,130.00	A
1700.00	1,750.00	Sites more than 10 and up to 20 ha	1,500.00	300.00	1,800.00	A
1450.00	1,490.00	Sites more than 5 and up to 10 ha	1,275.00	255.00	1,530.00	A
1150.00	1,200.00	Site less than 5 ha	1,025.00	205.00	1,230.00	A

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PART C - LAND CHARGES DISCRETIONARY CHARGES

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Please note - The Local Authority joined the digital Local Land Charges service managed by HM Land Registry (HMLR) and that service now provides LLC1 search responses. You can access HMLR new digital service through your portal account, Business Gateway or on GOV.UK.

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
127.00	131.00	CON29 Residential Searches - Local Land Charges Act 1975	111.25	22.25	133.50	A
164.00	169.00	CON29 Commercial Searches - Local Land charges Act 1975	143.75	28.75	172.50	A
60.00	63.00	Form CON290 Enquiry 22 Common Lands & Village Greens Q22 (Q22.1 to Q22.3) - includes NSDC fee plus NCC recharge	53.75	10.75	64.50	A
15.00	15.50	Form CON290 cost for each question (Enquiries Q4 to Q21). There is no charge for answering Q21 as we simply advise of the organisation/s you should contact for further details.	13.75	2.75	16.50	A
26.50	27.50	Solicitor's Individual Questions Local Land Charges Act 1975	23.50	4.70	28.20	A
14.00	14.50	Additional Parcels - CON29 - Local Land Charges Act 1975 (additional cost to CON29 Commercial and Residential Search)	15.00	3.00	18.00	A
100.00	103.00	Registration of a charge in Part 11 of the register (Light Obstruction Notice)	88.00	17.60	105.60	A
80.00	81.00	Charge for withdrawn Con29 search (residential or commercial) - applicable when answering requests have been dispatched to external answering organisations excluding Q22 (Q22.1 to Q22.3).	68.50	13.70	82.20	A
140.00	144.00	Charge for withdrawn Con29 search (residential or commercial) - applicable when answering requests have been dispatched to external answering organisations including Q22 (Q22.1 to Q22.3)	121.00	24.20	145.20	A
8.00	12.50	Charge for withdrawn request for Q22 (Q22.1 to Q22.3) only - if not issued to external answering organisations.	10.75	2.15	12.90	A

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Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
CON29 Individual Request Charges - Residential						
21.00	21.50	1.1 a-i	18.50	3.70	22.20	A
14.50	15.00	1.1 j-l	12.75	2.55	15.30	A
10.00	10.30	1.2	8.75	1.75	10.50	A
3.50	3.50	3.1	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
4.50	4.50	3.3	3.75	0.75	4.50	A
4.50	4.50	3.7	3.75	0.75	4.50	A
3.50	3.50	3.8	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
3.50	3.50	3.9	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
13.00	13.50	3.10	11.50	2.30	13.80	A
3.50	3.50	3.11	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
6.50	6.50	3.12	5.50	1.10	6.60	A
4.50	4.50	3.13	3.75	0.75	4.50	A
4.50	4.50	3.14	3.75	0.75	4.50	A
7.50	7.50	3.15	6.50	1.30	7.80	A
CON29 Individual Request Charges - Commercial						
35.00	36.00	1.1 a-i	30.75	6.15	36.90	A
23.00	23.50	1.1 j-l	20.00	4.00	24.00	A
10.00	10.30	1.2	8.75	1.75	10.50	A
3.50	3.50	3.1	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
6.50	6.50	3.3	5.50	1.10	6.60	A
6.50	6.50	3.7	5.50	1.10	6.60	A
3.50	3.50	3.8	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
3.50	3.50	3.9	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
13.00	13.50	3.10	11.50	2.30	13.80	A
3.50	3.50	3.11	3.00	0.60	3.60	A
9.50	9.50	3.12	8.15	1.63	9.78	A
6.50	6.50	3.13	5.50	1.10	6.60	A
6.50	6.50	3.14	5.50	1.10	6.60	A
9.00	9.50	3.15	8.15	1.63	9.78	A

Notes:

- 1 - The service is unable to provide a refund if a request for Q22 (Q22.1 to Q22.3)) only has been issued to external answering organisations to complete.
- 2 - Copy of documents - please refer to 'PART E - DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE CHARGES'.
- 3 - Should the search extent area exceed 2 square km, additional charges may be incurred. The service will inform customers at the time of receipt and no further works will be undertaken until confirmation of additional charge agreed.
- 4 - Additional charges may be incurred for every group of parcels of land (e.g.: additional costs from external answering organisations).
- 5 - The local authority will, when assessing if there are any additional parcels, will refer to their latest dataset from Ordnance Survey data when viewed at a scale of 1:2500. The service will provide a summary of the number of parcels and, if applicable, additional costs prior to progressing a search.
- 6 - Expedited search service - Service no longer provided as external answering organisations unable to provide turnaround times for such requests.
- 7 - Results of searches where a fee is payable will not be delivered in any form until full payment has been received (unless the requestor has an account with the service).

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PART D - STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING DISCRETIONARY CHARGES

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The following fee schedule is relevant to developers, and people requesting the following, to cover amendments to approve street naming schemes and the notification of changes for:

- Amendments to any approved naming schemes that must be altered due to the developer making amendments. The charge is issued to developers and is applied for alterations received after the approved scheme has been issued.
- House owners that wish to name, or alter the name, of their house; and
- Renaming and/or renumbering of an existing street

With regard to a Service below requiring a Bespoke Fee charge, please refer to our website for further details:

<https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/streetname/>

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £	Service	Proposed 2026/27			VAT Code
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	
Charges are not subject to VAT						
34.50	36.00	Adding or amending a name or re-numbering an existing individual property, including notification to external organisations.	37.00	0.00	37.00	N
137.00	£107 admin fee plus £37 per plot* requiring renumbering/naming	Amendment to approved/existing naming and numbering scheme due to change in plot numbers, or plot positions, including notification.	Bespoke fee - Based on £110 admin fee plus £38 per plot requiring renumbering/naming.			N
137.00	£107 admin fee plus £37 per property for up to 10 properties £18 for every additional property thereafter	Amendment to approved naming and numbering scheme due to change in approved street name (after consultation).	Bespoke fee - Based on £110 admin fee plus £38 per property for up to 10 properties, then £18.50 for every additional property thereafter.			N
137.00	£107 admin fee plus £37 per property for up to 10 properties affected by change £18 for every additional property thereafter affected by change	Rename or numbering of street including notification.	Bespoke fee - £110 admin fee plus £38 per property for up to 10 properties affected by change, then £18.50 for every additional property thereafter affected by change.			N
	No Charge	Resubmission of renaming or numbering of street including notification following objection.	No charge			N
28.50	30.00	Providing written confirmation of a single postal address.	31.00	0.00	31.00	N

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Terms and Conditions:

1. All requests must be completed on the appropriate form which is available on our website.
2. All fees must be paid prior to our notification and/or written confirmation being issued.
3. Should the requestor only wish to be issued with new street names and numbers (not amendments to an approved scheme), this service is provided free of charge.
4. The District Council is not responsible for issuing post codes, this remains the responsibility of Royal Mail.
5. Newark and Sherwood District Council can only issue street naming and numbering schemes contained within the district boundary.
6. All street naming and numbering schemes will be issued in accordance with Newark and Sherwood District Council's 'Street Naming and Numbering Guidance and Policy' (and subsequent updates).
7. Any queries or complaints should be directed through the corporate 'Customer complaints and feedback' procedure.

* Includes naming of a building and all affected properties (e.g., block of flats).

PART E - DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE CHARGES (DISCRETIONARY CHARGES)

Planning

The charges listed below are based on cost recovery only. Therefore, if a matter subsequently transpires to be particularly complex and time consuming, the Council reserves the right to request additional payment based on an hourly charge as set out in Part B - Discretionary Charges. The charge will be dependent on the qualification of the officer undertaking the task. We recommend, where possible, that we provide these documents electronically rather than hard copy. Electronic copies will be available free of charge via our website.

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
COPYING CHARGES						
11.00	13.50	Copy of a Planning Decision notice 2003 onwards*				
			Service no longer provided as documents available online.			
26.00	32.00	Copy of a Planning Decision notice prior to 2003	33.00	0.00	33.00	Z
11.00	13.50	Copies of TPOs (confirmed), Enforcement Notices and Legal Agreements*				
			Service no longer provided as documents available online.			
		*available on our website - https://publicaccess.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/online-applications/				
COPIES OF ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS (All are with a minimum charge of £5)						
0.15	0.25	Black and white copy (A4)	0.25	0.00	0.25	Z
0.25	0.35	Black and white copy (A3)	0.35	0.00	0.35	Z
1.10	1.50	Black and white copy (A2)	1.50	0.00	1.50	Z
2.25	3.00	Black and white copy (A1)	3.00	0.00	3.00	Z
4.25	5.50	Black and white copy (A0)	5.50	0.00	5.50	Z
0.25	0.35	Colour copying (A4)	0.35	0.00	0.35	Z
0.50	0.65	Colour copying (A3)	0.65	0.00	0.65	Z
		Colour copying (A2 and larger) - no facility to provide colour copies at A2 or larger				

We aim to provide a response within 10 working days unless a large number of documents are requested or require extracting. In these cases, where the information is likely to take over one hour to provide, the Council will only provide the information by post. The information will be sent within 20 working days of a request. Post and packaging will be charged at cost. The requestor will be informed of a charge before an officer undertakes any of the above and payment must be received before the information can be provided to them.

We will also work with you to look at other ways of providing the information so that the request falls below the appropriate limit (and can therefore be provided free of charge) and where possible, in the case of publications, many are published on our website for you to download or available in a format to email. This approach means that we can be transparent and as consistent as possible in the way we handle requests for information and subsequent copying and how and when we charge.

The service still holds planning application information on microfiche and should you require copies of information, we will aim to scan the contents and subsequently provide access via our planning application website. Unfortunately we are unable to scan (in house) from microfiche, therefore it is necessary for us to outsource this area of work. To allow preparation, scanning and redaction we aim to provide access within 10 working days.

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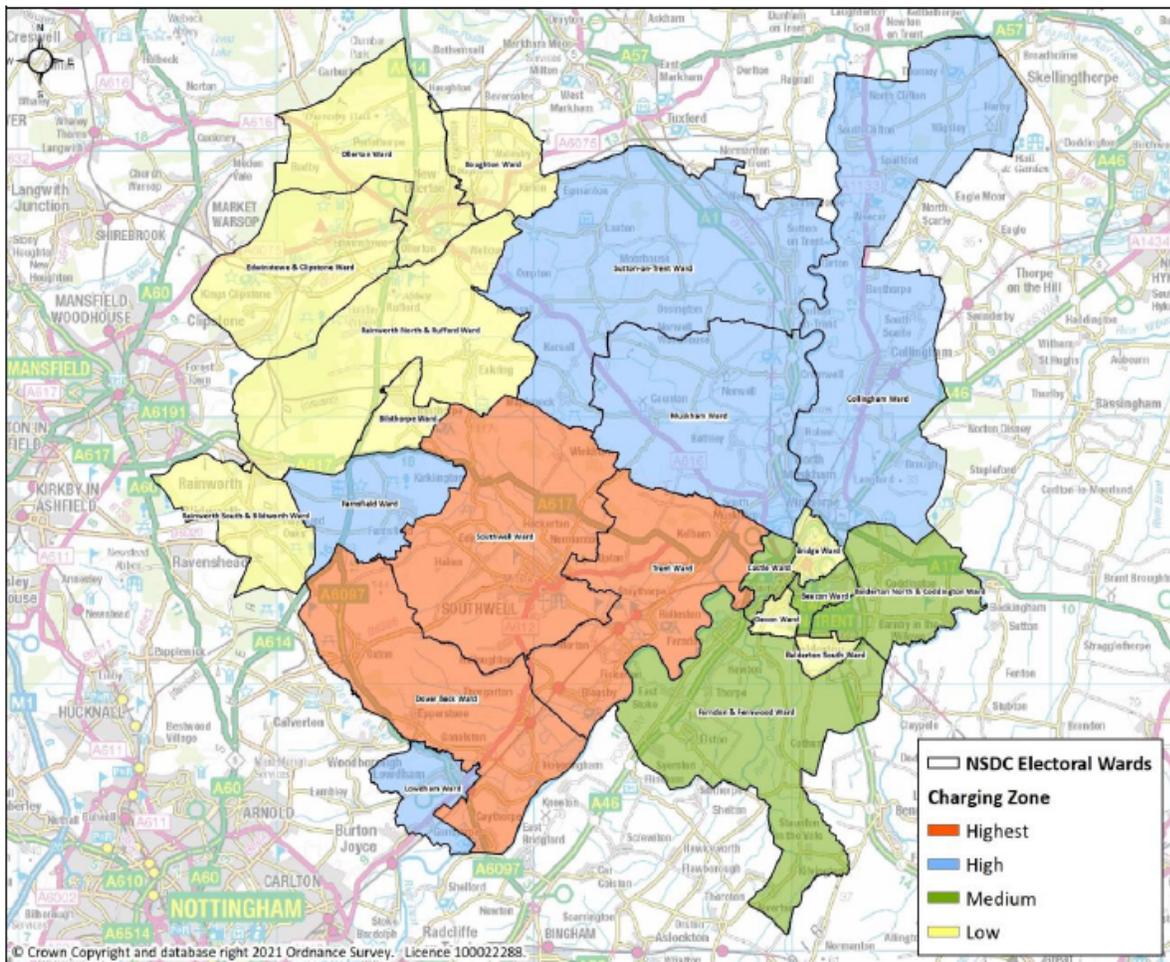
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PART F - PLANNING POLICY DISCRETIONARY CHARGES

Planning Policy, including CIL

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)						
Commercial						
0.00	0.00	Non- residential uses (except retail)	0.00	0.00	0.00	
100.00	100.00	Retail (A1-A5)	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
Residential						
0.00	0.00	Apartments (All Zones)	0.00	0.00	0.00	N
0.00	0.00	Housing Low Zone 1	0.00	0.00	0.00	N
45.00	45.00	Housing Medium Zone 2	45.00	0.00	45.00	N
70.00	70.00	Housing High Zone 3	70.00	0.00	70.00	N
100.00	100.00	Housing Very High Zone 4	100.00	0.00	100.00	N

Community Infrastructure Levy Zones - Residential



Policy Documents

Electronic pdf based documents can normally be obtained free from our website

Document name

15.00	15.00	Amended Core Strategy (Adopted March 2019)	15.00	0.00	15.00	Z
15.00	15.00	Allocations & Development Management DPD	15.00	0.00	15.00	Z

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22.00	22.00 Policies Map (also known as the Proposals Map)	22.00	0.00	22.00	Z
No Charge	No Charge Supplementary Planning Documents and Statement of Community Involvement		No Charge		

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PORTFOLIO: HERITAGE, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Heritage & Culture

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			VAT Code
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	
PALACE THEATRE HIRE						
Full Theatre: 602 seats (With Stage & Dressing Rooms as Equipped)						
COMMERCIAL USE						
1,908.00	2,034.00	Per day with one performance - week days	1,745.83	349.17	2,095.00	A
2,544.00	2,754.00	Per day with one performance - weekends	2,362.50	472.50	2,835.00	A
3,498.00	3,594.00	Per day with two performances - weekdays	3,083.33	616.67	3,700.00	A
4,140.00	4,380.00	Per day with two performances - weekends	3,750.00	750.00	4,500.00	A
11,772.00	12,300.00	Week Hire: Monday-Saturday	1,054.17	210.83	1,265.00	A
NON-PROFIT MAKING/CHARITY/LOCAL						
1,284.00	1,284.00	Per day with one performance - week days	1,104.17	220.83	1,325.00	A
1,896.00	1,896.00	Per day with one performance - weekends	1,629.17	325.83	1,955.00	A
1,956.00	1,956.00	Per day with two performances - weekdays	1,679.17	335.83	2,015.00	A
2,568.00	2,568.00	Per day with two performances - weekends	2,204.17	440.83	2,645.00	A
2,568.00	3,240.00	Conference: Full Theatre	2,779.17	555.83	3,335.00	A
THEATRE HIRE Supplementary Charges; Per Hour (Not including staffing)						
97.80	97.80	Technical/Dress; Commercial Hires	85.42	17.08	102.50	A
82.80	80.40	Technical/Dress; Non Profit /Charity	70.42	14.08	84.50	A
82.80	82.80	General Rehearsals (No lights); Commercial Hires	72.50	14.50	87.00	A
67.80	67.80	General Rehearsals (No lights); Non Profit/Charity	59.17	11.83	71.00	A
28.20	28.20	Get In/Fit Up/Get Out; Commercial Hires	24.58	4.92	29.50	A
24.00	24.00	Get In/Fit Up/Get Out; Non Profit/Charity	20.83	4.17	25.00	A
STAFFING RECHARGES; Per hour						
42.00	45.60	Technical Manager - Weekdays*	39.17	7.83	47.00	A
48.00	51.60	Technical Manager - Weekends**	45.00	9.00	54.00	A
32.40	36.00	Technical Officer - Weekdays*	31.67	6.33	38.00	A
27.20	40.80	Technical Officer - Weekends**	35.83	7.17	43.00	A
22.80	26.40	Technical Assistant - Weekdays*	22.92	4.58	27.50	A
27.60	31.20	Technical Assistant - Weekends**	27.50	5.50	33.00	A
* Plus 20% on all rates for hours worked between 23:30 and 06:00 hours						
** Plus 20% on all rates for hours worked between 23:30 and 06:00 hours and plus 100% for all Bank Holiday working and 120% on all rates for hours worked on Bank Holidays between 23:30 and 06:00 hours						
TICKET HANDLING FEE						
2.00	2.00	Per Ticket - applicable to all professional productions	1.67	0.33	2.00	A
0.50-1.50	2.00	Per Ticket - applicable to all amateur productions, dependent on overall ticket price	1.67	0.33	2.00	A
PALACE MEMBERSHIP SCHEME						
11.00	12.00	Single membership	10.00	2.00	12.00	A
18.50	19.00	Couple's membership	16.67	3.33	20.00	A
8.00	8.00	Junior membership	6.67	1.33	8.00	A

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		Net £	Vat £	Gross £	
NATIONAL CIVIL WAR CENTRE- NEWARK MUSEUM					
DAY TICKETS					
8.00	8.50 Adult	7.08	1.42	8.50	A
7.00	7.50 Concession	6.25	1.25	7.50	A
FREE	FREE Children under 5		FREE		
FREE	FREE NEW: Young Person (age 5-24)		FREE		
FREE	FREE Newark and Sherwood Resident		FREE		
15.95	15.95 Annual Pass - Adult	13.29	2.66	15.95	A
13.95	13.95 Annual Pass - Concession	11.63	2.33	13.95	A
	Ability to offer promotional discounts and flexible pricing to target specific audiences, promote specific events or encourage and increase local footfall and site awareness				
GROUPS					
ENQUIRE	Group Visit (10 or more paying)		ENQUIRE		A
FREE	FREE Mini Museum		FREE		
15.00	20.00 After-hours Evening Guided Visit:	16.67	3.33	20.00	A
5.00	6.00 Object Handling Session (on top of day group rate)	5.00	1.00	6.00	A
	This is for groups who are looking for a hands-on experience.				
	6.00 Volunteer-led Town/Civil War Tour. Price per head.	5.00	1.00	6.00	A
6.00	6.00 Commercial: Town Tour	5.00	1.00	6.00	A
6.00	6.00 Commercial: Castle Tour	5.00	1.00	6.00	A
MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES					
198.00	240.00 After Dinner Speaking	200.00	40.00	240.00	A
ROOM HIRE					
Byron Room/Community/Learning (Per Hour)*					
FREE	FREE Free Hire for Community/Partnership working (Limited Hours)		FREE		A
N/A	N/A Basic set up (No chairs and tables, only available Office Hours)	30.00	6.00	36.00	A
N/A	N/A Full set up (Chairs and tables) Office Hours	45.00	9.00	54.00	A
N/A	N/A Full set up (Chairs and tables)After Hours	60.00	12.00	72.00	A
ENQUIRE	Workshops - to be paid in advance when booking. Price by request Charge based on self-serviced hire. The price will increase by 20% to cover VAT applicable to hire where services are required.		ENQUIRE		A
N/A	18.00 Price from £18/hr inc VAT	15.00	3.00	18.00	A
Tudor Hall					
FREE	FREE Free Hire for Community/Partnership working (Limited Hours)		FREE		
N/A	N/A Hourly rate (max 3 hours) Basic set up (No chairs and tables, only available Office Hours)	60.00	12.00	72.00	A
N/A	N/A Day rate (3-7 hours) - basic set up (No chairs and tables, only available Office Hours)	350.00	70.00	420.00	A
N/A	N/A Hourly rate (max 3 hours) Full set up (Chairs and tables, only available Office Hours)	90.00	18.00	108.00	A
N/A	N/A Day Rate (3-7 hours) - Full set up (Chairs and tables) Office Hours	700.00	140.00	840.00	A
N/A	N/A Day Rate (3-7 hours) - Full set up (Chairs and tables) After Hours	1000.00	200.00	1,200.00	A
N/A	N/A Wedding Rate	2400.00	480.00	2,880.00	A
20.00	30.00 Microfiche Copies	25.00	5.00	30.00	A
10.00	10.00 Own Camera; Time processing charges It is possible for researchers to use their own camera to take photos of documents and objects. Copyright limitations apply.	8.33	1.67	10.00	A
16.00	16.00 Digital Reprographics Museum staff can take photos of documents or objects for visitors. Please note this service may not be available same day – orders will be processed ASAP. Copyright limitations apply.	13.33	2.67	16.00	A

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			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	
Publication (Per image)						
150.00	150.00	Commercial Organisations	125.00	25.00	150.00	A
25.00	25.00	Local Authority, Voluntary or Charitable Organisations	20.83	4.17	25.00	A
150.00	150.00	Corporate Products (Annual reports, TV)	125.00	25.00	150.00	A
150.00	150.00	Commercial Products (Cards, Calendars etc)	125.00	25.00	150.00	A
250.00	325.00	Long Term Archaeological Storage at Museum Resource Centre; per box	270.83	54.17	325.00	A
N/A	25.00	Issuing of Accession Number	20.83	4.17	25.00	A
16.50	16.50	Loans Box Fines (Late return)	13.75	2.75	16.50	A
Other Income						
ENQUIRE		Out of District Schools Travel Expenses*		ENQUIRE		
		*Price by request - We will consider outreach for schools on a case by case basis and price accordingly.				
25.00	25.00	Discovery Box; Cost per hire for 2 week period	20.83	4.17	25.00	A
Education programme at NCWC						
KS1-KS3 Students						
4.50	4.50	Two facilitated activities - Half day visit (2-2.5hrs); per person	4.50	0.00	4.50	E
7.00	7.00	Three facilitated activities - Full day visit; per person	7.00	0.00	7.00	E
8.00	8.00	Four facilitated activities - Full day visit; per person	8.00	0.00	8.00	E
KS5, FE & HE Students						
8.00	7.00	Full day visit; Price (from) per head	7.00	0.00	7.00	E

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		Net £	Vat £	Gross £	
NEWARK CASTLE					
Admission					
6.00	8.00 Adult	7.50	1.50	9.00	A
N/A	4.00 Residents of Newark & Sherwood District	3.75	0.75	4.50	A
3.00	FREE Children & Students up to 25 years		FREE		
N/A	4.00 Guided Tours (upto 25 years - FREE)	4.17	0.83	5.00	A
N/A	N/A Joint Ticket with NCWC for non-residents	10.00	2.00	12.00	A
Hire of Gardens					
250.00	240.00 Charity (Plus staffing, security & other ancillary charges)	291.67	58.33	350.00	A
850.00	850.00 Commercial (per day)	750.00	150.00	900.00	A
Hire of Castle					
N/A	80.00 For Events. Price (from) per hour plus staffing, security and other ancillary charges (dependant on number of spaces required)	83.33	16.67	100.00	A
Hire of Gardens for Weddings					
Bandstand October-March					
550.00	550.00 Monday-Thursday	500.00	100.00	600.00	A
600.00	600.00 Fridays & Sundays	541.67	108.33	650.00	A
650.00	650.00 Saturdays	583.33	116.67	700.00	A
Bandstand April-September					
600.00	600.00 Monday-Thursday	541.67	108.33	650.00	A
650.00	650.00 Fridays & Sundays	583.33	116.67	700.00	A
750.00	750.00 Saturdays	666.67	133.33	800.00	A
Undercroft/Garden Room October-March					
700.00	700.00 Monday-Thursday	625.00	125.00	750.00	A
758.00	758.00 Fridays & Sundays	666.67	133.33	800.00	A
815.00	815.00 Saturdays	708.33	141.67	850.00	A
Undercroft/Garden Room April-September					
758.00	758.00 Monday-Thursday	666.67	133.33	800.00	A
815.00	815.00 Fridays & Sundays	708.33	141.67	850.00	A
875.00	875.00 Saturdays	750.00	150.00	900.00	A
Education Programme					
N/A	3.25 Two facilitated activities - Half day visit (2-2.5hrs); per person	4.50	0.00	4.50	E
N/A	4.50 Three facilitated activities - Full day visit; per person	7.00	0.00	7.00	E
N/A	N/A Four facilitated activities - Full day visit; per person	8.00	0.00	8.00	E
N/A	200.00 Use of Castle for commercial photography/filming	166.67	33.33	200.00	A
N/A	100.00 Use of Castle Gardens for wedding photographs - professional photographers only	83.33	16.67	100.00	A

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Communities & Environment : Public Protection

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			Net	Vat	Gross	
£	£		£	£	£	
GAMBLING ACT 2005 (STATUTORY)						
Family Entertainment Centre						
100.00	100.00	Transitional	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
300.00	300.00	New	300.00	0.00	300.00	N
300.00	300.00	Renewal	300.00	0.00	300.00	N
25.00	25.00	Change of name	25.00	0.00	25.00	N
15.00	15.00	Copy permit	15.00	0.00	15.00	N
Prize Gaming Permits						
100.00	100.00	Transitional	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
300.00	300.00	New	300.00	0.00	300.00	N
300.00	300.00	Renewal	300.00	0.00	300.00	N
25.00	25.00	Change of name	25.00	0.00	25.00	N
15.00	15.00	Copy permit	15.00	0.00	15.00	N
Gaming Machines in Alcohol Licenced Premises						
50.00	50.00	Gaming Machine Notification - up to 2 machines	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
150.00	150.00	Gaming Machine Permit (New Operator) - 2+ machines	150.00	0.00	150.00	N
100.00	100.00	Gaming Machine Permits - Variation	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
50.00	50.00	Gaming Machine Permits - Annual Fee	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
Club Gaming and Club Machine Permits						
100.00	100.00	Club Gaming & Machine Permits - Fast Track	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
200.00	200.00	Club Gaming & Machine Permits - New Application	200.00	0.00	200.00	N
200.00	200.00	Club Gaming & Machine Permits - Renewal	200.00	0.00	200.00	N
100.00	100.00	Club Gaming & Machine Permits - Variation	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
50.00	50.00	Annual Fee	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
N/A	15.00	Copy of Permit	15.00	0.00	15.00	N
N/A	100.00	Temporary use Notice	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
Small society Lottery						
40.00	40.00	Exempt Lotteries – Registration Fee	40.00	0.00	40.00	N
20.00	20.00	Exempt Lotteries – Annual Fee	20.00	0.00	20.00	N

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GAMBLING ACT 2005 (DISCRETIONARY)						
BINGO						
1,260.00	1,260.00	New application	1,260.00	0.00	1,260.00	N
880.00	880.00	Application for reinstatement of licence	880.00	0.00	880.00	N
1,320.00	1,320.00	Application for provisional statement	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	N
710.00	710.00	Application to convert provisional statement	710.00	0.00	710.00	N
1,100.00	1,100.00	Application to Vary licence	1,100.00	0.00	1,100.00	N
170.00	170.00	Application to transfer licence	170.00	0.00	170.00	N
50.00	50.00	Notification of Change	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
30.00	30.00	Copy of Licence	25.00	0.00	25.00	N
570.00	570.00	Annual Fee	570.00	0.00	570.00	N
ADULT GAMING CENTRE						
1,000.00	1,000.00	New application	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	N
880.00	880.00	Application for reinstatement of licence	880.00	0.00	880.00	N
1,260.00	1,260.00	Application for provisional statement	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	N
710.00	710.00	Application to convert provisional statement	710.00	0.00	710.00	N
1,000.00	1,000.00	Application to Vary licence	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	N
170.00	170.00	Application to transfer licence	170.00	0.00	170.00	N
50.00	50.00	Notification of Change	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
30.00	30.00	Copy of Licence	25.00	0.00	25.00	N
570.00	570.00	Annual Fee	570.00	0.00	570.00	N
FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE						
1,000.00	1,000.00	New application	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	N
530.00	570.00	Application for reinstatement of licence	570.00	0.00	570.00	N
1,260.00	1,260.00	Application for provisional statement	950.00	0.00	950.00	N
680.00	680.00	Application to convert provisional statement	680.00	0.00	680.00	N
870.00	870.00	Application to Vary licence	870.00	0.00	870.00	N
110.00	110.00	Application to transfer licence	110.00	0.00	110.00	N
50.00	50.00	Notification of Change	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
30.00	30.00	Copy of Licence	25.00	0.00	25.00	N
570.00	570.00	Annual Fee	570.00	0.00	570.00	N
BETTING PREMISES (excl. tracks)						
1,000.00	1,050.00	New application	1,050.00	0.00	1,050.00	N
530.00	840.00	Application for reinstatement of licence	840.00	0.00	840.00	N
1,260.00	1,260.00	Application for provisional statement	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	N
680.00	680.00	Application to convert provisional statement	680.00	0.00	680.00	N
870.00	1,000.00	Application to Vary licence	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	N
110.00	160.00	Application to transfer licence	160.00	0.00	160.00	N
50.00	50.00	Notification of Change	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
30.00	30.00	Copy of Licence	25.00	0.00	25.00	N
570.00	570.00	Annual Fee	570.00	0.00	570.00	N
BETTING ON TRACK						
1,050.00	1,050.00	New application	1,050.00	0.00	1,050.00	N
840.00	840.00	Application for reinstatement of licence	840.00	0.00	840.00	N
1,260.00	1,260.00	Application for provisional statement	950.00	0.00	950.00	N
680.00	680.00	Application to convert provisional statement	680.00	0.00	680.00	N
1,160.00	1,160.00	Application to Vary licence	1,160.00	0.00	1,160.00	N
160.00	160.00	Application to transfer licence	160.00	0.00	160.00	N

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50.00	50.00 Notification of Change	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
30.00	30.00 Copy of Licence	25.00	0.00	25.00	N
570.00	570.00 Annual Fee	570.00	0.00	570.00	N

These fees are set at the discretion of the local Authority within a framework on minimum and maximums set in statutory regulations

PORTFOLIO: PUBLIC PROTECTION AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Communities & Environment : Public Protection

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LICENSING						
90.00	90.00	Hypnotism - Grant. Occasional for specific dates	90.00	0.00	90.00	N
3,780.00	3,780.00	Sex Establishment - Grant/Renewal (up to 1 year)	3,780.00	0.00	3,780.00	N
Vehicle Licences						
250.00	250.00	Vehicle Application Hackney Carriage Licence Annual Fee	250.00	0.00	250.00	N
190.00	190.00	Vehicle Application Private Hire Licence Annual Fee	190.00	0.00	190.00	N
130.00	130.00	Vehicle Application Ambulance Licence Annual Fee	130.00	0.00	130.00	N
160.00	160.00	Hackney Carriage/Taxi Driver (up to 3 years)	160.00	0.00	160.00	N
240.00	240.00	Hackney Carriage/Taxi Driver New applicants	240.00	0.00	240.00	N
60.00	60.00	Hackney Carriage/Taxi Driver Licence persons over 65/Annual	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
130.00	130.00	Ambulance Driver (3 Years)	130.00	0.00	130.00	N
40.00	40.00	Ambulance Driver persons over 65/Annual	40.00	0.00	40.00	N
130.00	110.00	Ambulance Driver New applicants	130.00	0.00	130.00	N
Private Hire Operators (5 years)						
380.00	380.00	Private Hire Operator (5 years) Licence Fee	380.00	0.00	380.00	N
40.00	40.00	Private Hire Operator Licence per vehicle	40.00	0.00	40.00	N
Ambulance Operators (5 years)						
380.00	380.00	Ambulance Operator (5 years) New/Renewal	380.00	0.00	380.00	N
40.00	40.00	Ambulance Operator Licence per Vehicle	40.00	0.00	40.00	N
45.00	45.00	Knowledge Test (one off)	45.00	0.00	45.00	N
50.00	30.00	Replacement Driver Badge	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
60.00	50.00	Replacement Plate Hackney Carriage	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
	50.00	Replacement Plate Private Hire	50.00	0.00	50.00	N
90.00	60.00	Transfer of Plate Hackney Carriage (No replacement plate to be issued)	90.00	0.00	90.00	N
N/A	60.00	Transfer of Plate Private Hire (No replacement plate to be issued)	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
80.00	90.00	Temporary Plate/Transfer of Plate Hackney Carriage (including Plates and magnetic roundals)	80.00	0.00	80.00	N
15.00	90.00	Temporary Plate/Transfer of Plate Private Hire (including Plates and magnetic roundals)	15.00	0.00	15.00	N
N/A	80.00	Temporary Plate/Transfer of Plate Hackney Carriage (including Plates and stick on roundals)	80.00	0.00	80.00	N
N/A	80.00	Temporary Plate/Transfer of Plate Private Hire (including Plates and stick on roundals)	80.00	0.00	80.00	N
N/A	20.00	Temporary & Permanent magnetic roundals	20.00	0.00	20.00	N
10.00	10.00	Additional stick on Roundels	10.00	0.00	10.00	N
VEHICLE TEST - TAXI INSPECTION (Bi-annual, once every 6 months)						
52.50	52.50	Without MOT	55.00	0.00	55.00	N
63.00	63.00	With MOT	65.00	0.00	65.00	N

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LICENSING ACT 2003 (STATUTORY)						
ENQUIRE		Premises licence - Application		ENQUIRE		N
ENQUIRE		Premises Licence – Annual Fee		ENQUIRE		N
ENQUIRE		Premises Licence - additional fee for large event		ENQUIRE		N
ENQUIRE		Premises Licence - Full Variation		ENQUIRE		N
The above fee's payable depend on the rateable value of the premises which are prescribed / set nationally.						
90.00	89.00	Premises Licence - Minor Variation	89.00	0.00	89.00	N
40.00	37.00	Personal Licence	37.00	0.00	37.00	N
20.00	21.00	Temporary event Notice	21.00	0.00	21.00	N
PAVEMENT LICENCE						
New Fee		Pavement Licence - New 1 Yr	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
New Fee		Pavement Licence - New 2 Yr	150.00	0.00	150.00	N
New Fee		Pavement Licence - Renewal 1 Yr	75.00	0.00	75.00	N
New Fee		Pavement Licence - Renewal 2 Yr	125.00	0.00	125.00	N

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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH						
Animal Boarding Establishments						
260.00	419.00	New/Renewal (annual)	430.00	0.00	430.00	N
		New Fee If a Cattery/Kennel on own	348.00	0.00	348.00	N
Home Boarding						
200.00	281.00	New/Renewal (annual)	325.00	0.00	325.00	N
Dog Day Care						
180.00	327.00	New/Renewal (annual)	348.00	0.00	348.00	N
Dangerous Wild Animals						
260.00	120.00	Dangerous Wild Animals (plus Vet fees)	255.00	0.00	255.00	N
Performing Animals						
N/A	281.00	Performing Animals - 3 yearly licence	301.00	0.00	301.00	N
Dog Breeding; Annual Licence						
230.00	419.00	New/Renewal - Includes Compliance & Inspection Fee	419.00	0.00	419.00	N
Riding Establishments; Annual Licence						
230.00	419.00	New/Renewal - Includes Compliance & Inspection Fee	433.00	0.00	433.00	N
Ear-Piercing, Tattooing, Acupuncture, Electrolysis, Skin piercing and semi- permanent tattooing						
140.00	150.00	Annual Licence; Per person	160.00	0.00	160.00	N
130.00	150.00	Annual Licence; Premises*	160.00	0.00	160.00	N
		Where the premises already hold a licence the charge is £125 per additional treatment				
N/A	150.00	Tattoo Hygiene Rating scheme	155.00	0.00	155.00	N
N/A	106.00	Revisit Tattoo Hygiene Rating Scheme	108.00	0.00	108.00	N
Massage & Special Treatment; Annual Licence						
210.00	199.00	New/Renewal (annual)	199.00	0.00	199.00	N
Sun beds						
N/A	222.00	New/Renewal (annual)	215.00	0.00	215.00	N
Lasers; Annual Licence						
570.00	512.00	New	542.00	0.00	542.00	N
210.00	300.00	Renewal	308.00	0.00	308.00	N
260.00	282.00	Transfer	292.00	0.00	292.00	N
Zoo's; First Licence valid for 4 years; Renewal valid for 6 years						
590.00	566.00	Initial Inspection	622.00	0.00	622.00	N
440.00	497.37	Periodic 3 year inspection	529.00	0.00	529.00	N

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Pet Shop						
210.00	442.75	New/Renewal - Includes Compliance & Inspection Fee	449.00	0.00	449.00	N
200.00	285.50	Re-rating of Animal licence establishment	302.00	0.00	302.00	N
200.00	285.50	Transfer of Animal licence establishment	278.00	0.00	278.00	N
80.00	28.00	Variation of Animal licence establishment	30.00	0.00	30.00	N
High Hedges ; One off						
260.00	260.00	1st stage	260.00	0.00	260.00	N
440.00	440.00	2nd stage	440.00	0.00	440.00	N
HMO Licence Application for House in Multiple Occupation; One off						
790.00	790.00	Single application	790.00	0.00	790.00	N
600.00	600.00	Multiple applications at same time	600.00	0.00	600.00	N
60.00	60.00	Variation of licence	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
Scrap Metal Dealer; Licence valid for 3 years						
410.00	410.00	Site Licence	410.00	0.00	410.00	N
170.00	170.00	Collectors Licence	170.00	0.00	170.00	N
Mobile Homes Act 2014						
420.00	420.00	Application fee	420.00	0.00	420.00	N
10.00	10.00	Plus, per additional unit (Depends on total number of pits)	10.00	0.00	10.00	N
10.00	10.00	Annual Fee (Per Pitch)	10.00	0.00	10.00	N
190.00	190.00	Transfer/amendment of licence	190.00	0.00	190.00	N
160.00	160.00	Depositing Site rules	160.00	0.00	160.00	N
320.00	320.00	Fit and Proper person application fee	320.00	0.00	320.00	N
Certificates, Authorisation & Register Copies						
N/A	176.00	Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS) Re-inspection	180.00	0.00	180.00	N
40.00	40.00	Export Health Certificate	40.00	0.00	40.00	N
290.00	290.00	Condemnation Certificate	290.00	0.00	290.00	N
Environmental Site Reports						
150.00	150.00	Environmental Site Reports Home Buyer Version	150.00	0.00	150.00	N
420.00	420.00	Environmental Site Reports Detailed version	430.00	0.00	430.00	N
160.00	160.00	Housing immigration check	160.00	0.00	160.00	N
Private Water Supplies						
30.00	60.00	Risk Assessment (Hourly rate x time spent)	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
30.00	60.00	Domestic Supplies (Reg 10)	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
50.00	60.00	Check Monitoring (Commercial supplies); Plus Analysis Cost	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
50.00	60.00	Audit Monitoring (Commercial supplies); Plus Analysis Cost	60.00	0.00	60.00	N
Dog Control - Stray Dog Charges						
This includes Government fee, Local Authority charge, and Kennelling costs including Food						
Duration						
83.00	83.00	1 Day	98.00	0.00	98.00	N
91.00	91.00	2 Days	113.00	0.00	113.00	N
99.00	99.00	3 Days	128.00	0.00	128.00	N
107.00	107.00	4 days	143.00	0.00	143.00	N
115.00	115.00	5 Days	158.00	0.00	158.00	N

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123.00	123.00 6 Days	173.00	0.00	173.00	N
131.00	131.00 7 Days	188.00	0.00	188.00	N

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PORTFOLIO:CLIMATE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Communities & Environment; Enviromental Services

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
WASTE & RECYCLING						
Trade Waste, Recycling & Garden Bins						
Disposal costs are provided by Nottinghamshire County Council (disposal authority) and will be added to NSDCs Fee						
REFUSE & RECYCLING (Including Glass)						
Collection Charge based on Bin Size						
2.65	2.80	140L	2.90	0.00	2.90	N
3.30	3.50	240L	3.60	0.00	3.60	N
4.15	4.40	360L	4.50	0.00	4.50	N
6.20	6.50	660L	6.70	0.00	6.70	N
9.25	9.70	1100L	10.50	0.00	10.50	N
2.10	2.20	Pre-Paid Sacks	2.30	0.00	2.30	N
2.65	2.80	Clinical	2.90	0.00	2.90	N
FOOD RECYCLING						
Collection Charge based on Bin Size						
N/A	N/A	140L	4.30	0.00	4.30	N
N/A	N/A	240L	5.40	0.00	5.40	N
N/A	N/A	360L	6.80	0.00	6.80	N
N/A	N/A	660L	10.00	0.00	10.00	N
N/A	N/A	1100L	14.90	0.00	14.90	N
SIMPLER RECYCLING						
Collection Charge on Bin Size						
N/A	4.20	140L	4.30	0.00	4.30	N
N/A	5.25	240L	5.40	0.00	5.40	N
N/A	6.60	360L	6.80	0.00	6.80	N
N/A	9.75	660L	10.00	0.00	10.00	N
N/A	14.55	1100L	14.90	0.00	14.90	N
Disposal Charge			SET BY NCC			
Trade Waste contract charges						
46.00	46.00	Alteration Fee	50.00	10.00	60.00	A
		Access Fee (Maximum) 5 – 10% of total cost dependent on site		ENQUIRE		
Domestic Garden Bins						
37.00	38.00	Price per bin	40.00	0.00	40.00	N
Cost of bin for new properties based on Bin Size						
36.00	43.00	140L	44.10	0.00	44.10	N
36.00	43.00	240L	44.10	0.00	44.10	N
52.50	63.00	360L	64.60	0.00	64.60	N
325.50	375.40	660L	384.80	0.00	384.80	N
346.50	416.00	1100L	426.40	0.00	426.40	N
73.50	88.00	Developers delivery charge (per load)	90.20	0.00	90.20	N
Bulky Waste Charges						
Domestic Bulky Waste						
14.00	14.00	First Item	14.00	0.00	14.00	N
7.50	7.50	Subsequent item	7.50	0.00	7.50	N

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Electrical Items						
14.00	14.00	First Item	14.00	0.00	14.00	N
7.50	7.50	Subsequent item	7.50	0.00	7.50	N
74.00	74.00	Large Items which are not covered by the above charges, per hour	75.00	0.00	75.00	N
Commercial Fridges						
110.25	112.00	Per Unit	150.00	0.00	150.00	N
113.40	116.00	Collection and Transport	150.00	0.00	150.00	N
Cleansing Services Hours						
73.50	75.00	1 hour	75.00	15.00	90.00	A
110.00	112.00	1.5 hours	112.50	22.50	135.00	A
147.00	150.00	2 hours	150.00	30.00	180.00	A
220.50	225.00	3 hours	225.00	45.00	270.00	A
294.00	300.00	4 hours	300.00	60.00	360.00	A
367.50	375.00	5 hours	375.00	75.00	450.00	A
Emptying bins (cost per empty of bin)						
1.20	1.20	Litter bins	1.30	0.00	1.30	N
2.30	2.30	Dog Bins	2.40	0.00	2.40	N
Vehicle Workshop Services						
45.00	45.00	MOT's	45.00	0.00	45.00	N
65.00	65.00	Air Conditioning re-gas	65.00	13.00	78.00	A
45.00	45.00	External Servicing of vehicles, per hour	50.00	10.00	60.00	A

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PORTFOLIO: HEALTH, WELLBEING AND LEISURE

Communities & Environment; Environmental Services

Previous 2024/25 £	Current 2025/26 £		Proposed 2026/27			
			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	VAT Code
PARKS & AMENITIES						
Forest School Sessions						
10.50	10.00	Ranger-led, per session	10.00	0.00	10.00	E
3.00	3.00	Self-led, per person	3.00	0.00	3.00	E
School sessions						
105.00	105.00	Ranger-led: annual	105.00	0.00	105.00	E
26.25	26.25	Ranger-led: one-off	26.25	0.00	26.25	E
42.00	42.00	Schools-led: annual	42.00	0.00	42.00	E
10.50	10.00	Schools-led: one-off	10.00	0.00	10.00	E
200.00	200.00	Memorial Rose and Plaque	300.00	0.00	300.00	N
Parks Events						
100.00	100.00	Ticketed + 15% of Ticket Sales	200.00	0.00	200.00	N
0.00	0.00	Charity (Stall Only)		FREE		N
100.00	100.00	Charity Event	100.00	0.00	100.00	N
400.00	400.00	Non-ticketed	300.00	0.00	300.00	N

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PUBLIC CONVENIENCES						
0.20	0.20	Gilstap Centre	0.20	0.00	0.20	N

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			Net	Vat	Gross	VAT
£	£		£	£	£	Code
NEWARK CAR PARKS						
INNER TOWN						
London Road, Baldertongate, Town Wharf, Appletongate						
Duration						
0.50	0.50	30 minutes		FREE		
1.00	1.00	1 hour	0.83	0.17	1.00	A
1.50	1.50	2 hours	1.42	0.28	1.70	A
2.50	2.50	2-3 hours	2.25	0.45	2.70	A
4.50	4.50	3-4 hours	3.92	0.78	4.70	A
7.50	7.50	Over 4 hours	6.67	1.33	8.00	A
1.00	1.00	After 6pm (Evening Charge)	0.83	0.17	1.00	A
Riverside (former Tolney Lane), Riverside Arena						
Duration						
1.00	1.00	1 hour	0.83	0.17	1.00	A
1.50	1.50	2 hours	1.42	0.28	1.70	A
2.00	2.00	2-4 hours	1.83	0.37	2.20	A
3.00	3.00	4-5 hours	2.67	0.53	3.20	A
3.50	3.50	5 hours and above	3.08	0.62	3.70	A
Riverside (former Tolney Lane), Riverside Arena, Premium parking						
Duration						
NA	New Fee	0-2 hours	2.50	0.50	3.00	A
NA	New Fee	2-4 hours	3.33	0.67	4.00	A
NA	New Fee	4-5 hours	4.17	0.83	5.00	A
NA	New Fee	5 hours and above (on day of issue)	5.00	1.00	6.00	A
Castle House						
Duration						
0.50	0.50	30 minutes	0.42	0.08	0.50	A
1.00	1.00	1 hour	0.83	0.17	1.00	A
1.50	1.50	2 hours	1.42	0.28	1.70	A
2.00	2.00	2-4 hours	1.83	0.37	2.20	A
3.00	3.00	4-5 hours	2.67	0.53	3.20	A
3.50	3.50	5 hours and above	3.08	0.62	3.70	A
Dedicated Motorcycle Bays Newark						
Motorcycles parked in the dedicated motorcycle bay or area will be able to park free but use of these dedicated bays and areas is limited to 8 hours in any 24hr period.						
SEASON TICKETS INNER TOWN						
Duration						
90.00	90.00	Per month	79.17	15.83	95.00	A
200.00	200.00	Per quarter	185.42	37.08	222.50	A
740.00	740.00	Per year (7 days per week)	650.00	130.00	780.00	A
SEASON TICKETS OUTER TOWN						
Duration						
60.00	60.00	Per month	51.67	10.33	62.00	A
130.00	130.00	Per quarter	112.50	22.50	135.00	A
370.00	370.00	Per year (Monday - Friday only)	333.33	66.67	400.00	A
470.00	470.00	Per year (7 days per week)	412.50	82.50	495.00	A

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CONTRACT CAR PARK RATES						
Barnby Gate						
220.00	220.00	Per Quarter	195.83	39.17	235.00	A
840.00	840.00	Per Annum	758.33	151.67	910.00	A
The Palace						
680.00	680.00	Per annum	616.67	123.33	740.00	A
Pelham Street						
580.00	580.00	Per Annum	508.33	101.67	610.00	A
River Side View (Residents/Season Tickets)						
	200.00	Per Annum	166.67	33.33	200.00	A
Navigation Yard (Residents / Contract)						
220.00	220.00	Per Quarter	200.00	40.00	240.00	A
800.00	800.00	Per Annum	725.00	145.00	870.00	A
Cashless parking is available at all Newark Car Parks with transaction costs to be paid to the transaction provider by customer.						
LORRY PARKING						
20.50	22.00	Lorry Parking - Fixed Charge	19.17	3.83	23.00	A
23.50	25.00	Lorry Parking (with meal voucher)	23.33	4.67	28.00	A
5.00	5.00	Coaches - (with meal voucher)	6.67	1.33	8.00	A

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CASTLE HOUSE - CIVIC SUITE HIRE & PARTNERS' DESK USAGE						
ROOM HOURLY CHARGE- No Webcasting						
16.00	16.00	G2 Hourly rate	44.00	8.80	52.80	A
NA	NA	G2 Half Day rate	154.00	30.80	184.80	A
NA	NA	G2 Full Day rate	264.00	52.80	316.80	A
16.00	16.00	G3 Hourly rate	44.00	8.80	52.80	A
NA	NA	G3 Half Day rate	154.00	30.80	184.80	A
NA	NA	G3 Full Day rate	264.00	52.80	316.80	A
26.00	26.00	Civic 1 Hourly rate	66.00	13.20	79.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 1 Half Day rate	231.00	46.20	277.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 1 Full Day rate	396.00	79.20	475.20	A
26.00	26.00	Civic 2 Hourly rate	66.00	13.20	79.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 2 Half Day rate	231.00	46.20	277.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 2 Full Day rate	396.00	79.20	475.20	A
16.00	16.00	Civic 3 Hourly rate	44.00	8.80	52.80	A
NA	NA	Civic 3 Half Day rate	154.00	30.80	184.80	A
NA	NA	Civic 3 Full Day rate	264.00	52.80	316.80	A
16.00	16.00	Civic 4 Hourly rate	44.00	8.80	52.80	A
NA	NA	Civic 4 Half Day rate	154.00	30.80	184.80	A
NA	NA	Civic 4 Full Day rate	264.00	52.80	316.80	A
42.00	42.00	Civic 1 + 2 Hourly rate	66.00	13.20	79.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 1 + 2 Half Day rate	231.00	46.20	277.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 1 + 2 Full Day rate	396.00	79.20	475.20	A
26.00	26.00	Civic 3 + 4 Hourly rate	44.00	8.80	52.80	A
NA	NA	Civic 3 + 4 Half Day rate	154.00	30.80	184.80	A
NA	NA	Civic 3 + 4 Full Day rate	264.00	52.80	316.80	A
42.00	42.00	Civic 2+3+4 Hourly rate	66.00	13.20	79.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 2+3+4 Half Day rate	231.00	46.20	277.20	A
NA	NA	Civic 2+3+4 Full Day rate	396.00	79.20	475.20	A
68.00	68.00	Civic 1+2+3+4 Hourly rate	88.00	17.60	105.60	A
NA	NA	Civic 1+2+3+4 Half Day rate	308.00	61.60	369.60	A
NA	NA	Civic 1+2+3+4 Full Day rate	528.00	105.60	633.60	A

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NEWARK BEACON						
Cafferata Suite; Maximum Capacity 70 (theatre style)						
264.00	264.00	Full day	225.00	45.00	270.00	A
164.40	164.40	Half Day	140.00	28.00	168.00	A
44.40	44.40	Hourly Rate	38.00	7.60	45.60	A
Gresham; Maximum Capacity 20						
139.20	139.20	Full day	130.00	26.00	156.00	A
87.60	87.60	Half Day	79.00	15.80	94.80	A
25.20	25.20	Hourly Rate	25.00	5.00	30.00	A
Friary; Maximum Capacity 16						
139.20	139.20	Full day	116.00	23.20	139.20	A
87.60	87.60	Half Day	73.00	14.60	87.60	A
25.20	25.20	Hourly Rate	21.00	4.20	25.20	A
11C (or other office depending on occupancy) Maximum Capacity 4						
87.60	87.60	Full day	73.00	14.60	87.60	A
32.40	32.40	Half Day	30.00	6.00	36.00	A
13.20	13.20	Hourly Rate	11.00	2.20	13.20	A

Discounts may be applied to approved charitable organisations or where a package of bookings are made together at the discretion of the Senior Leadership Team, with final approval by the Section 151 Officer.

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			Net £	Vat £	Gross £	
NON PAYMENT OF COUNCIL TAX/NNDR						
Council Tax						
Summons						
80.00	80.00	Liability Order (with summons)	80.00	0.00	80.00	N
NNDR						
Summons						
100.00	100.00	Liability Order (with summons)	100.00	0.00	100.00	N

The level of costs have to be justified to the court and there is case law against raising to a level that is deemed excessive.

	Actual Balance at 31st March 2025	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2026	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2027	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2028	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2029	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2030
General Fund Revenue Reserves						
Council Funds						
MTPF Reserve	(9,011,918)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(6,218,549)
Total Budget Funding Reserves	(9,011,918)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(6,218,549)
Election Expenses Fund	(155,947)	(167,437)	(100,000)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Insurance Fund Excesses & Self Insured	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)
ICT & Digital Services	(268,901)	(110,325)	(110,325)	(110,325)	(110,325)	(110,325)
Repairs And Renewals Fund	(2,386,808)	(1,492,464)	(792,464)	(92,464)	0	0
Domestic Homicide Review	(60,820)	0	0	0	0	0
Training Provision	(393,325)	0	0	0	0	0
Planning Costs Fund	(191,265)	(139,940)	(139,940)	(139,940)	(139,940)	(139,940)
Emergency Planning/Flooding Reserve	(33,871)	0	0	0	0	0
CSG/Enforcement Reserve	(105,199)	0	0	0	0	0
Management Carry Forwards	(965,046)	0	0	0	0	0
Flood Defence Reserve	(220,000)	0	0	0	0	0
Community Initiative Fund	(100,888)	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Project Feasibility Fund	(277,719)	0	0	0	0	0
Theatre Centenary Legacy	(18,696)	(16,446)	(16,446)	(16,446)	(16,446)	(16,446)
Local Government Reorganisation	0	(500,000)	(250,000)	0	0	0
Residential Food Waste	(260,040)	(776,006)	(776,291)	(1,491,622)	(1,491,622)	(1,491,622)
Commercial Plan Invest to Save	(200,000)	0	0	0	0	0
Energy Efficiency East Midlands	(98,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)
Capital Financing Provison	(3,292,416)	(2,070,750)	(1,248,510)	(604,680)	(544,680)	(499,680)
Total Earmarked for Known Pressures	(9,153,586)	(5,491,013)	(3,651,620)	(2,673,121)	(2,520,657)	(2,475,657)
Building Control Surplus	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)
Museum Purchases Fund	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)
Community Safety Fund	(134,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)
Homelessness Fund	(671,482)	(833,332)	(1,060,332)	(1,358,332)	(1,688,332)	(2,018,332)
Asylum Seekers Reserve	0	(110,500)	(110,500)	(110,500)	(110,500)	(110,500)
Revenue Grants Unapplied	(685,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)
Community Lottery Fund	(21,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)
Homes for Ukraine Fund	(348,256)	0	0	0	0	0
Mansfield Crematorium	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)
Total Ring Fenced Reserves	(2,163,126)	(1,490,219)	(1,717,219)	(2,015,219)	(2,345,219)	(2,675,219)
Change Management/Capital Fund	(13,786,934)	(13,236,618)	(2,083,703)	(858,703)	(0)	(0)
General Fund Working Balance	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
Total Un-ringfenced Reserves	(15,286,934)	(14,736,618)	(3,583,703)	(2,358,703)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
Total General Fund Revenue Reserves	(35,615,564)	(30,642,399)	(17,877,092)	(15,971,593)	(15,290,426)	(12,869,426)
General Fund Capital Receipts	(1,201,192)	(750,090)	(2,492,941)	(2,411,807)	(1,500,001)	(1)
GF Grants & Contributions Unapplied	(13,386,806)	(13,386,806)	(12,193,756)	(11,893,756)	(9,449,171)	(9,449,171)
Total Capital Reserves	(14,587,997)	(14,136,895)	(14,686,697)	(14,305,563)	(10,949,172)	(9,449,172)
Total General Fund Revenue and Capital Reserve	(50,203,561)	(44,779,294)	(32,563,788)	(30,277,156)	(26,239,598)	(22,318,598)

Report to: Cabinet Meeting - 24 February 2026
 Portfolio Holder: Councillor Paul Peacock, Strategy, Performance & Finance
 Director Lead: Sanjiv Kohli, Deputy Chief Executive, Director - Resources & Section 151
 Lead Officer: Nick Wilson, Business Manager Financial Services, Ext. 5317

Report Summary	
Type of Report	Open Report / Key Decision
Report Title	2026/27 to 2029/30 Medium Term Financial Plan
Purpose of Report	To present the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) for the four financial years between 1 April 2026 and 31 March 2030 (2026/27 to 2029/30).
Recommendations	That the Committee recommends the 2026/27 to 2029/30 Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) for approval by the Full Council at their meeting to be held on 5 March 2026.
Alternative Options Considered	Not applicable, the Cabinet is required to make recommendations on the budget to the Full Council.
Reason for Recommendations	To provide a framework to support the Council's future spending plans.

1.0 2026/27 to 2029/30 Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP)

- 1.1 The Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) for the four financial years between 1 April 2025 and 31 March 2029 (2025/26 to 2028/29) was approved by Full Council on 6 March 2025.
- 1.2 This document seeks to update the MTFP's assumptions on expenditure, income and financing for the four years between 2026/27 and 2029/30.
- 1.3 The main aims of the MTFP are to:
- a) deliver the Council's Community Plan objectives over the life of the relevant Community Plan;
 - b) clearly present the Council's current predictions of its financial position between 2026/27 and 2029/30; and
 - c) enable Members to make decisions which ensure the Council's future financial sustainability.

1.4 The MTFP tries to do this by:

- a) bringing together in one place all known factors which will affect the Council’s financial position; and
- b) matching how the Council plans to spend to deliver its Community Plan objectives with the expected resources available to fund that spend.

Financial Projections

1.5 The table below shows high level budget projections for the next four years, using the assumptions made within the Budget Strategy approved at Cabinet during July 2025.

Table 1

	2026/27 (£m)	2027/28 (£m)	2028/29 (£m)	2029/30 (£m)
Net Service Expenditure (less capital charges)	20.628	20.503	20.551	21.530
Total Other Expenditure	0.072	(0.146)	(0.982)	0.160
Total Expenditure	20.700	20.357	19.570	21.690
Business Rates: receivable annually	(5.313)	(5.407)	(5.487)	(5.487)
Business Rates: other adjustments	0.295	0	0	0
Council Tax: receivable annually	(8.594)	(8.673)	(9.015)	(9.369)
Council Tax: other adjustments	0	0	0	0
Other Grants	(7.827)	(5.984)	(5.382)	(4.458)
Contribution (to) or from Reserves	0.739	(0.293)	0.315	0.330
Transfer to MTFP Reserve	0	0	0	0
Funding Shortfall prior to Mitigations	0	0	0	2.706

Local Government Provisional Finance Settlement 2026/27 to 2028/29

1.6 On 17 December 2025, the Government published the Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement for 2026/27, accompanied by indicative figures for 2027/28 and 2028/29. This marks the most significant redistribution of funding within the sector for at least 25 years, following the implementation of the Fair Funding Review 2.0 and a full reset of the Business Rates Retention System. The key headlines being:

- Fair Funding Review 2.0: Major changes to the funding formula now place greater weight on deprivation and population, with less emphasis on remoteness.
- Grant Simplification: Multiple grants have been consolidated into four main streams, aiming to simplify funding.
- Business Rates Reset: All accumulated business rates growth has been reset, redistributing resources based on the new formula.
- Council Tax: The settlement assumes councils will apply the maximum permitted increases, making council tax a larger share of local funding.

- Transitional Protection: New funding floors and phased arrangements will cushion the impact of changes.
- Recovery Grant: The Recovery Grant continues for three years.

- 1.7 The 2026/27 settlement provides a three-year funding framework, but only the first year is statutory, with subsequent years remaining indicative and subject to change. This means that while there is some increased certainty for medium-term planning, authorities must remain cautious, as future allocations could still be revised.
- 1.8 There is significant redistribution between authorities as a result of the new funding formula and business rates reset. More deprived and urban areas generally see larger increases in funding, while many shire districts and rural councils face below-average increases or even reductions in cash terms. This shift reflects the government's intention to target resources towards areas of greatest need, but it also creates challenges for councils that may experience a relative loss of funding.
- 1.9 The table below shows the Core Spending Power over the next three years. This does include the Government's assumption on Council Tax, which anticipates an increase in Council Tax equivalent to the maximum allowable together with an assumption of tax base growth.

	2025/26 Post Funding reform CSP	2026/27 Core Spending Power	2027/28 Core Spending Power	2028/29 Core Spending Power
Baseline funding level (Business Rates)	£9.308m	£3.873m	£3.961m	£4.042m
Revenue Support Grant	£1.663m	£6.533m	£5.505m	£4.432m
Council Tax	£8.484m	£8.883m	£9.301m	£9.739m
Recovery Grant	£0.321m	£0.321m	£0.321m	£0.321m
Consolidated grants	£0.228m	£0m	£0m	£0m
Adjustment support grant	£0m	£0.814m	£0m	£0m
95% income protection floor	£0m	£0m	£0m	£0.471m
Total	£20.004m	£20.424m	£19.088m	£19.005m

- 1.10 As can be seen from the table in year 2028/29 funding amounts to 95% of the post reform CSP when the 95% income protection floor is applied.
- 1.11 The tax base for 2025/26 is currently 42,720.66 with a band D charge of £198.60. The Government's assumption of £8.883m with a band D charge of £204.54 means that their expectation of tax base would be 43,431.21. This is 158.76 equivalent band D properties more than the Council's forecast.
- 1.12 Due to the above, the following years in 2027/28 and 2028/29 will also be overstated in terms of the forecast for Council Tax, as the actual tax base in 2026/27 is lower. Similarly, the band D charge for 2026/27 is anticipated to be £198.60, this will further increase the variance between the Government assumption and the anticipated actual for this Council for the amount of Council Tax generatable.

- 1.13 Baseline funding levels are guaranteed in year one as the Government have agreed a safety net of 100% should Business Rates funding reduce below the £3.873m. This safety net reduces to 97% in 2027/28 and 92.5% in 2028/29. Hence only £3.843m is guaranteed of the 2027/28 allocation £3.739m of the 2028/29 allocation.

Council Tax

- 1.14 Chapter IVA (Limitation of Council Tax and Precepts) of the *Local Government Finance Act 1992* requires billing authorities to hold referenda if their relevant basic amount of council tax for a financial year is in excess of a set of principles determined by the Secretary of State.
- 1.15 An authority's relevant basic amount of council tax is its average band D council tax excluding local precepts. The relevant basic amount of council tax for Newark & Sherwood District Council includes the levy that Internal Drainage Boards charge the Council. These are the Upper Witham Internal Drainage Board and the Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board.
- 1.16 Since 2016/17, shire district councils have been able to increase council tax by the greater of the core principle or £5.00 without holding referenda. For 2018/19 and 2019/20, the core principle was 3%; and for all other years, the core principle was 2%.
- 1.17 The proposed core principle for 2026/27 is 3%. The Government's proposed council tax referendum principle for shire district councils therefore permits increases in the Council's 2025/26 relevant basic amount of council tax of up to (and including) the greater of 2.99% or £5.00 without holding a referendum.
- 1.18 The Council calculates how much annual council tax income it can receive by multiplying the Council tax base (CTB) by the average band D council tax rate. The Council tax base is the total number of properties equivalent to band D which are liable for council tax after discounts, exemptions and premia.
- 1.19 The Council's MTFP assumes that the 2026/27 CTB will be 1.3% higher than the 2025/26 CTB, and that there will be an increase of 400 band D equivalents in CTB for 2027/28 and subsequent years.

Income from Fees and Charges

- 1.20 The Council's income from fees and charges for statutory and discretionary services is an essential part of the Council's General Fund revenue budget. Section 93 (Power to charge for discretionary services) of the *Local Government Act 2003* requires charges to be set such that taking one financial year with another, the income from charges for a service does not exceed its costs of provision.
- 1.21 Discretionary services are those for which the Council has the power, but not duty, to provide; though also include additions or enhancements to statutory services that the Council provides above standards legislated for.
- 1.22 The Action Plan to the Commercial Strategy approved at Policy and Finance Committee on 27 January 2022 set the expectation that new areas for charging and understanding price elasticity of demand on existing charges would be reviewed to ensure that discretionary

charges are set at the right levels and for the right activities. The Council should ensure that fees and charges for discretionary services are set which:

- ensure the maximum revenues possible;
- are allowed by the Council's Corporate Fees and Charges Policy; and
- are socially and politically acceptable.

Reserves and Balances

- 1.23 Section 25 (Budget calculations: report on robustness of estimates etc) of the *Local Government Act 2003* requires local authority chief finance officers (Section 151 officers) to report on the adequacy of financial reserves in the Council's proposed budget and robustness of estimates made.
- 1.24 The Council has reviewed the adequacy of its useable financial reserves to ensure that these are neither too low (imprudent) or too high (over prudent) based on their purpose and likely use.
- 1.25 Councils generally hold useable reserves for three purposes:
- as a working balance, to mitigate the impact of uneven cash flows;
 - as a contingency, to mitigate the impact of unexpected events or emergencies; and
 - as earmarked reserves, to pay for known or predicted future requirements.
- 1.26 The Council's £1.500m General Fund balance has been set aside to pay for exceptional items. Officers consistently review the appropriateness (prudence) of this amount considering internal and external risks identified. For the Council to maintain this balance, it is intended that it will only be used to fund expenditure once other appropriate reserves have been fully utilised.
- 1.27 **Appendix A** shows the balances which comprised the Council's total reserves at the end of 2024/25. It also shows the balances expected to comprise the Council's total reserves at the end of 2025/26 to 2029/30.
- 1.28 Over the years, the Council's reserves have been used for reasons such as to: cover the cost of one-off events not budgeted for; and support and improve service delivery. Whilst this principle still exists, the Council has a Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) Reserve, in order to mitigate future pressures based on the uncertainty over local government funding. Some of this reserve will be released during 2029/30 to smooth the impact of anticipated funding reductions post the current three year LGFS.
- 1.29 Members and officers are required to ensure the Council operates as a going concern: that the Council will continue to fulfil its functions for the foreseeable future. If this were not the case, for example, because of an imprudent use of council reserves, the Council's external auditors would be required to express a going concern opinion (GCO). A GCO would be the external auditor's way of expressing significant doubt on the Council's ability to operate longer-term.

Robustness of Estimates and Adequacy of Reserves

- 1.30 The *Local Government Act 2003* requires the Council's Chief Financial Officer (Section 151 Officer) to comment on the robustness of the estimates and also on the adequacy of the proposed reserves.
- 1.31 The Council's total forecast General Fund revenue and capital reserves balance to 31 March 2026 is £44,779,294.
- 1.32 The budget has been prepared in accordance with the budget strategy approved by Cabinet on 8 July 2025. The same strategy has been adopted for the period of the MTFP.

Assumptions made within the MTFP

- 1.33 Finance officers and budget holders have developed detailed budgets for 2026/27 and future years. Officers have used the information available to them (past, present and future), and have made appropriate assumptions where the relevant information has been unavailable to them.
- 1.34 A 3.5% increase in basic pay has been assumed for 2026/27 and 3.5% for each subsequent year of the Council's MTFP.
- 1.35 If the 2026/27 pay award is agreed at a higher rate than the 3.5% increase in basic pay assumed, and if reductions in employee costs elsewhere cannot offset the increase in pay award costs, the additional costs unbudgeted for will need to be funded from council reserves. Section 1.11 examines this in more detail.
- 1.36 Most non-pay expenditure budgets have been uplifted by 2.5% in each year of the Council's MTFP. Some costs, such as insurance and utilities, are expected to increase by more than 5%; and others, such as fixed-price goods and services, have been increased in line with contractual obligations.
- 1.37 The Council's General Fund revenue budget is charged for the purchase or creation of fixed assets where capital resources are unavailable at the time. These charges will be in line with the Council's Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) policy for 2026/27, which is recommended by the Audit and Governance Committee on 4 March 2026 for approval by Full Council on 5 March 2026.

Proposed strategy for bridging the funding gap

- 1.38 The table below shows the funding gap and mitigations that were approved as part of the 2025/26 Medium Term Financial Plan:

Table 4

	2025/26 (£m)	2026/27 (£m)	2027/28 (£m)	2028/29 (£m)
Funding Shortfall prior to Mitigations	0.000	2.371	2.429	2.778
Previous Year Mitigation			(0.763)	(1.026)
Dividends from Arkwood Developments Ltd	-	-	(0.250)	-
Target saving for borrowing costs and MRP	-	(0.300)	-	-
Savings from Leisure Management review	-	(0.142)	(0.013)	(0.005)
Savings from service reviews	-	(0.098)	-	-
Savings/efficiencies from making business processes more efficient	-	(0.130)	-	-
Increased income from the Council becoming more commercial	-	(0.093)	-	-
Use of MTFP reserve to offset contributions from reserves in future years	-	(1.608)	(1.403)	(1.747)
Proposed General Fund Funding Gap	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

1.39 Since that point, officers have been working towards meeting the targets as described in the table, as part of building the 2026/27 budget.

1.40 The table below shows the Council's progress towards meeting those targets. All of items below have been built into the base budget for 2026/27 and beyond:

Commercial Strategy and MTFP Changes	
Savings from Leisure Management Review:	
Active 4 Today Management Fee removed following review of the management agreement.	(142,760)
Savings/efficiencies from making business processes more efficient:	
Savings relating to the new cleaning contract	(14,520)
Saving made due to no longer using the Concerto system for managing corporate estate	(45,000)
Increased income from the Council becoming more commercial:	
The Beacon has projected to reach 97% occupancy by Q3 of 2025–26.	(84,620)
Increase income to reflect recent trends at the palace theatre	(98,470)
Trade Refuse Income increase due to simpler recycling legislation requiring additional bins / collections	(64,290)
Expecting an increase in the price of Glass Recycling	(64,360)
Private Sector Speech Call expenditure is recharged from HRA to reflect the costs for the private customers. This has not increased as much as previously anticipated therefore reduce.	(64,320)
Total	(578,340)

1.41 Based on table 1 at paragraph 1.5 which includes the table above, in order to bridge the funding gap over the next 4 years, the Council proposes the below:

Table 5

	2026/27 (£m)	2027/28 (£m)	2028/29 (£m)	2029/30 (£m)
Funding Shortfall prior to Mitigations	0	0	0	2.706
Use of MTFP reserve to offset contributions from reserves in future years	0.000	0.000	0.000	(2.706)
Proposed General Fund Funding Gap	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

- 1.42 As can be seen from the table, the Council has sufficient funding over the next three years to fund service provision, whilst in the fourth year it is expecting to need to take £2.706m out of reserves to balance the budget. Should funding not change for 2029/30 prior to that year, the newly created unitary authority will have the autonomy to be able to make decisions to reduce the gap based on policy decisions or to utilise reserves to fund.
- 1.43 As per **Appendix A** the MTFP reserve is expected to have a closing balance at the end of March 2026 of £8.925m. As per table 5 above the proposed utilisation of balances from the MTFP reserve during 2026/27 to 2029/30 will leave a balance of £6.219m at the end of March 2030.
- 1.44 As the new unitary authority is expected to be operational by 1 April 2028, the above gives the new authority a fully funded first year of operation with sufficient funds to be able to operate based upon this Council's part of the new authority in the second year. Where it wants to take any decision on service provision that would increase/reduce the £2.706m gap. Similarly, once the LGFS for the 2029/30 year, this could also change the funding profile.
- 1.45 As can be seen from table 4 above, the previous years MTFP had a mitigation target of £0.300m within financial year 2026/27 for savings from MRP, for which we have actually generated £0.268m savings.
- 1.46 The Council's wholly owned development company – Arkwood Developments Ltd are expected to make a financial contribution of at least £1.100m from 2026/27 to 2029/30.
- 1.47 Each update to this MTFP will therefore report on progress against each of the headings in the table above, to ensure that each year's budget is balanced.
- 1.48 Since 2010, the Council has made significant savings in line with government grant reductions. Though further savings may become harder to identify and deliver, particularly from spend not on employees (as mentioned in section 6 below), it is essential that the Council continues to identify areas where spend can be reduced and/or income increased. This is so that the Council can continue to operate sustainably over the longer-term and into any newly created authority.
- 1.49 The Council's Commercial Strategy and Action Plan, approved by Policy and Finance Committee on 27 January 2022, aims to make Newark and Sherwood an *"innovative and*

entrepreneurial Council that continually achieves positive annual financial contributions; by generating new revenue and delivering cost reductions, through trading and business improvements". The Council has begun to benefit from the projects which have been completed to date since the Commercial Plan 2017-18 to 2020-21 was approved in October 2017 and expects to increasingly benefit in future years from the implementation of the current strategy, however the task of identifying and implementing new streams of income generation is challenging. The Council's work across the district (externally) and with services council-wide (internally) will be crucial to enabling the Council's future sustainability and growth. This is particularly as changes to the local government finance system increase the rewards for councils able to facilitate local economic growth.

1.50 The table below updates progress against those major projects identified within the Commercial Strategy:

Table 6

Project/Activity	Business Unit Lead	Detail	Expected income/savings (£)	January 2025 Update
Development of Clipstone Holdings Centre	Corporate Property	The tender process is currently underway for the procurement of a main contractor for the build. It is anticipated for a start on site in q4 of 2025/26.	£0.075m	Moved from 26/27 to 2027/28 and included in MTFP at £0.150m from 28/29 onwards
Investigate options for increasing revenue through Business advertising on car parks and the lorry park	Corporate Property	New platform reviewed by officers, now being trialled promoting internal services. Should the trial be successful, seek to roll out further	£0.030m	Not reflected within the MTFP
Review charges for business engagement through the licensing service	Public Protection	There are a number of areas of work that the Council could charge for in relation to pre-application advice/compliance checks/health and safety advisory checks all within the licensing team	£0.010m	Not reflected within the MTFP
Amalgamation of Building cleaning contracts	Corporate Property	The tenders have been completed and a new operator is now in place.	£0.015m	Included in all years in the MTFP
Implementation of Income Management System	Financial Services	The implementation of a new Income Management System was completed during 2024 which has improved efficiency and effectiveness of the function. This	£0.021m	Included in all years in the MTFP

		has also resulted in cost due to a member of staff looking to reduce their houses could be accommodated		
Careline marketing plan	Communications and Marketing	A marketing budget was allocated of £14,000 for 2025/26 which allowed the team to extend the marketing of the function which has generated additional take up of the service.	£0.064m	Included in all years in the MTFP

1.51 The table below shows which areas have the biggest increases in expenditure budgets in each of the last three years of the Council's MTFP, compared to the equivalent budget in the year before:

Pressures	Increase in 2027/28 budget, compared to 2026/27 budget (£m)	Increase in 2028/29 budget, compared to 2027/28 budget (£m)	Increase in 2029/30 budget, compared to 2028/29 budget (£m)
Employees	1.488	0.893	0.915
Electricity and gas costs	0.137	0.035	0.037

Risks Associated with the Budget Process

1.52 Budgets are only as accurate as the data available at the time they are developed. There are therefore risks that the proposed budgets in the Council's MTFP will differ significantly from reality (actual expenditure and income). Some of the factors which could cause adverse variances are:

- higher than expected inflation and/or interest rates;
- the Council receiving lower than expected amounts of grant funding and/or other income;
- the future differing significantly from the initial budgets proposed at the time of developing the MTFP;
- volatility of certain budget lines between years;
- underachievement of expected savings and/or efficiencies;
- unforeseen events and emergencies;
- unforeseen insurance costs or legal claims;
- lower than expected business rates growth.

1.53 Section 25 (Budget calculations: report on robustness of estimates etc) of the *Local Government Act 2003* requires local authority chief finance officers (Section 151 officers) to report on the adequacy of financial reserves in the Council's proposed budget and robustness of estimates made. This section fulfils that requirement.

1.54 In considering the Council's proposed budget for 2026/27 and the sensitivity of expenditure and income to changes, it should be noted that:

- a) a 1% increase in Council Tax is equivalent to £85,939 of net expenditure; and
- b) a £1 increase in Council Tax is equivalent to £43,272 of net expenditure.

- 1.55 Various assumptions were required to be made when preparing the proposed MTFP budgets. The two areas where it seems that variations between the proposed budget and reality could be greatest are employee pay and income receivable. Further details on each of these are below.

Employee Costs

- 1.56 Employee costs form a significant proportion of all district council budgets. Employee costs comprise 54% of the Council's proposed controllable service expenditure budget for 2026/27 (total spend, excluding spend on capital costs, internal recharges and Housing Benefit payments).
- 1.57 This makes it less likely to achieve savings solely by reducing non-employee spend. It also means that the Council would need to use a greater proportion of its reserves if the costs of future years' pay awards exceed the 3.5% pay award currently budgeted for 2026/27 and/or the 3.5% pay awards currently budgeted for subsequent years.
- 1.58 A vacancy provision of 7.5% of the total salary budget for 2026/27 will be made to allow for natural savings being made from posts remaining vacant before being filled. With the challenges in recruiting that have been seen over the last two financial years, this appears to be a reasonable approach. The actual outturn of savings from vacancies amounted to 8.32% for 2024/25. As it is not possible to predict precisely which business units will experience vacancies in the year, an overall saving will be set aside but this will be apportioned into services based upon the percentage of their salary costs over the whole Council.

Income

- 1.59 A significant part of the Council's annual net budget is dependent on income from rents; sales, fees and charges; and other receipts. Officers have reviewed the income that services have achieved against the current and previous years' budgets and have considered factors expected to affect future income levels, to ensure the 2026/27 income budgets for services have been set at levels considered achievable. Officers will monitor this closely over the coming year and revised forecasts over the medium term will be updated for the MTFP to be developed for the 2026/27 - 2029/30 years.
- 1.60 Significant underperformance against budgeted income would increase the Council's annual net expenditure, and thus place unbudgeted demand on council reserves. A 1% reduction in council income from fees and charges would cost around £58,000 in 2026/27.

Interest rates

- 1.61 The proposed MTFP budgets include amounts for interest payable and interest receivable. This is because the Council expects that it will both borrow money and invest money throughout the four years of the MTFP.
- 1.62 The Council anticipates that it will use fixed interest rate loans when borrowing. This is so that the Council knows exactly how much its loans will cost over their durations, and this mitigates against the risk of interest rates changes and thus costs rising significantly over the loan period. As borrowing would be for longer than four years, the risk of the Council being unable to borrow to repay existing debt (refinancing risk) does not apply.

- 1.63 The budgeted amounts have accounted for factors such as the amount of council funds expected to be available and the time during the year for which cash is needed. The actual amounts of interest payable and receivable for 2026/27 will likely differ from those budgeted due to actual income and expenditure occurring at different time periods to that forecast.
- 1.64 The impact of a 1% change in interest rate would be insignificant on the Council's overall budget.

Inflation

- 1.65 Most income budgets and non-pay expenditure budgets have been uplifted by 2.5%. Some costs, such as insurance and utilities, are expected to increase by more than 5%; and others, such as fixed-price goods and services, have been increased in line with contractual obligations.
- 1.66 The most recent month for which inflation data was available at the time of writing, December 2025, had a 2.7% increase in inflation (Consumer Prices Index (CPI)) from December 2024.
- 1.67 The small differences anticipated between actual inflation rates and the 2.5% budgeted for are expected to have insignificant impact on the Council's budget.

Capital Programme and Funding

- 1.68 The overall proposed General Fund Capital Programme for the period from 2026/27 and 2029/30 totals £48.093m. £14.925m is financed by external grant funding for Towns Fund Project, Pride in Place Programme and Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG's).
- 1.69 Council internal capital resources employed amount to £13.123m, which relates to the Council's contribution to the former Belvoir Iron Works, the redevelopment of Clipstone Holding Centre, Yorke Drive Pavilion, Castle Gatehouse, Bilsthorpe Hub, Southern Link Road and replacing parts of the Council's refuse fleet and other equipment.
- 1.70 Borrowing is the balancing figure for the capital expenditure at £12.784m. This type of financing attracts a charge to revenue called the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) calculated using the asset life method as approved by Council within the Treasury Management Strategy each year. The current method approved is the asset life method. This apportions notional borrowing incurred over the life of the asset, which is in line with the timeline for receiving economic benefits generated by the asset.

2.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection, Digital and Cyber Security, Equality and Diversity, Financial, Human Resources, Human Rights, Legal, Safeguarding, Sustainability, and Crime and Disorder and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Implications Considered			
Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable			
Financial	NA	Equality & Diversity	NA
Human Resources	NA	Human Rights	NA
Legal	NA	Data Protection	NA
Digital & Cyber Security	NA	Safeguarding	NA
Sustainability	NA	Crime & Disorder	NA
LGR	NA	Tenant Consultation	NA

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None

	Actual Balance at 31st March 2025	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2026	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2027	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2028	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2029	Estimated Balance at 31st March 2030
General Fund Revenue Reserves						
Council Funds						
MTPF Reserve	(9,011,918)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(6,218,549)
Total Budget Funding Reserves	(9,011,918)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(8,924,549)	(6,218,549)
Election Expenses Fund	(155,947)	(167,437)	(100,000)	(0)	(0)	(0)
Insurance Fund Excesses & Self Insured	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)	(124,089)
ICT & Digital Services	(268,901)	(110,325)	(110,325)	(110,325)	(110,325)	(110,325)
Repairs And Renewals Fund	(2,386,808)	(1,492,464)	(792,464)	(92,464)	0	0
Domestic Homicide Review	(60,820)	0	0	0	0	0
Training Provision	(393,325)	0	0	0	0	0
Planning Costs Fund	(191,265)	(139,940)	(139,940)	(139,940)	(139,940)	(139,940)
Emergency Planning/Flooding Reserve	(33,871)	0	0	0	0	0
CSG/Enforcement Reserve	(105,199)	0	0	0	0	0
Management Carry Forwards	(965,046)	0	0	0	0	0
Flood Defence Reserve	(220,000)	0	0	0	0	0
Community Initiative Fund	(100,888)	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Project Feasibility Fund	(277,719)	0	0	0	0	0
Theatre Centenary Legacy	(18,696)	(16,446)	(16,446)	(16,446)	(16,446)	(16,446)
Local Government Reorganisation	0	(500,000)	(250,000)	0	0	0
Residential Food Waste	(260,040)	(776,006)	(776,291)	(1,491,622)	(1,491,622)	(1,491,622)
Commercial Plan Invest to Save	(200,000)	0	0	0	0	0
Energy Efficiency East Midlands	(98,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)	(93,555)
Capital Financing Provison	(3,292,416)	(2,070,750)	(1,248,510)	(604,680)	(544,680)	(499,680)
Total Earmarked for Known Pressures	(9,153,586)	(5,491,013)	(3,651,620)	(2,673,121)	(2,520,657)	(2,475,657)
Building Control Surplus	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)	(82,542)
Museum Purchases Fund	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)	(60,734)
Community Safety Fund	(134,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)	(129,008)
Homelessness Fund	(671,482)	(833,332)	(1,060,332)	(1,358,332)	(1,688,332)	(2,018,332)
Asylum Seekers Reserve	0	(110,500)	(110,500)	(110,500)	(110,500)	(110,500)
Revenue Grants Unapplied	(685,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)	(99,552)
Community Lottery Fund	(21,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)	(15,223)
Homes for Ukraine Fund	(348,256)	0	0	0	0	0
Mansfield Crematorium	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)	(159,328)
Total Ring Fenced Reserves	(2,163,126)	(1,490,219)	(1,717,219)	(2,015,219)	(2,345,219)	(2,675,219)
Change Management/Capital Fund	(13,786,934)	(13,236,618)	(2,083,703)	(858,703)	(0)	(0)
General Fund Working Balance	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
Total Un-ringfenced Reserves	(15,286,934)	(14,736,618)	(3,583,703)	(2,358,703)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
Total General Fund Revenue Reserves	(35,615,564)	(30,642,399)	(17,877,092)	(15,971,593)	(15,290,426)	(12,869,426)
General Fund Capital Receipts	(1,201,192)	(750,090)	(2,492,941)	(2,411,807)	(1,500,001)	(1)
GF Grants & Contributions Unapplied	(13,386,806)	(13,386,806)	(12,193,756)	(11,893,756)	(9,449,171)	(9,449,171)
Total Capital Reserves	(14,587,997)	(14,136,895)	(14,686,697)	(14,305,563)	(10,949,172)	(9,449,172)
Total General Fund Revenue and Capital Reserve	(50,203,561)	(44,779,294)	(32,563,788)	(30,277,156)	(26,239,598)	(22,318,598)

Report to: Cabinet Meeting: 24 February 2026
 Portfolio Holder: Councillor Paul Peacock, Strategy, Performance & Finance
 Director Lead: Sanjiv Kohli, Director – Resources and Deputy Chief Executive
 Lead Officer: Jenna Norton, Senior Accountant – Financial Services, Extension 5327

Report Summary	
Type of Report	<p>Open Report / Key Decision</p> <p><i>There is an exempt version of this report which contains exempt information as defined under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, Paragraph 3 under which the Cabinet has the power to exclude the press and public if it so wishes.</i></p> <p><i>It is considered that the need to treat the information in this report as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosure because it contains commercially sensitive information. This information has been redacted in this open report.</i></p>
Report Title	Capital Programme Budget 2026/27 to 2029/30
Purpose of Report	In accordance with the Financial Regulations 6.2.3, Cabinet is required to consider the Capital Programme and recommend to the Council the final Programme for approval. This report details the proposed capital schemes over the medium term, together with the available resources to finance this.
Recommendations	It is recommended that Cabinet recommend to full Council on 5 March 2026 the General Fund schemes set out at Appendix A to the report as committed expenditure in the Capital Programme for 2026/27 to 2029/30.
Alternative Options Considered	If the Council did not have a Capital Programme, this would result in not being able to deliver the schemes and not achieve the objectives in the community plan.
Reason for Recommendations	To enable the Capital Programme to be considered by Cabinet in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.2.3 prior to its submission to Council.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The Capital Strategy was approved by Council on 6 March 2025. It contains the Capital Appraisal form template and the prioritisation criteria, which is in two stages. The schemes need to meet the criteria in stage 1, to progress to stage 2.
- 1.2 Capital Appraisal forms were issued to all Business Managers during summer 2025 to support the submission of bids for new capital schemes. Once completed, the forms were evaluated using the agreed prioritisation criteria. Senior Leadership Team reviewed the outcomes, and the proposed Capital Programme included in this report reflects the schemes they determined to be the most appropriate to progress.

2.0 Capital Expenditure – General Fund

- 2.1 The Council intends to spend ██████████ in general fund capital expenditure from 2026/27 to 2029/30.
- 2.2 The major schemes in this programme are:

Scheme Name	Summary of Proposed Financing
Vehicle & Plant Replacement	Reserves and Capital Receipts
Yorke Drive Community Facilities	Reserves
Provision of 3G Pitches	Borrowing and Capital Receipts
Castle Gatehouse	Grant Funding and Borrowing
Private Sector Disabled Facility Grants	Grant Funding
Bilsthorpe Hub	Reserves and S106
Clipstone Holding Centre	Borrowing and Reserves
Information Technology Investment	Capital Receipts and Reserves
Ollerton Town Centre Regeneration	LUF 3, Capital Receipts, Reserves, and Borrowing
32 Stodman Street	Grant Funding, Reserves and Borrowing
Pride in Place Programme (Regeneration, Upper Floor Town Centre Resident and Neighbourhood Community Grant)	Grant Funding
Newark Market Place	Grant Funding

- 2.3 The new schemes that have been added to the Capital Programme as part of the budget process are listed below. The total over the period of 2026/27 to 2029/30 of £7.981m in General Fund. Details of which can be found labelled 'New' at Appendix A and are summarised below:

Scheme Name	Summary of Proposed Financing
Civil War Museum Doors / Security	Capital Receipts
Palace Theatre LED Lighting Upgrade	Capital Receipts
Buttermarket Roof and improved drainage	Capital Receipts
Newark Sports and Fitness Centre LED Lighting to Gym	Capital Receipts

Fire Door Upgrades to latest standards across the corporate estate - replacement	Capital Receipts
Solar Panels and Battery storage to Castle House	Capital Receipts
Palace Theatre New Stage Safety Curtain	Capital Receipts
Upgrade Box Tops and Catwalk	Capital Receipts
Bryon Room Refit	Capital Receipts
PIPP Upper Floor Town Centre Residential Grant	Grant Funding
PIPP Neighbourhood Comm Grant Scheme	Grant Funding
PIPP Regeneration Plan	Grant Funding
Bilsthorpe Hub	Reserves and S106

2.4 In addition to the schemes currently in the Capital Programme, the Council is currently working on feasibility for a number of schemes that will be brought to a future Cabinet Meeting for consideration:

- Clipstone Phase 2 and 3
- South Forest Leisure Centre

2.5 The impacts of all borrowing have been included in the Treasury Management Strategy and the Medium-Term Financial Plan. Details of individual schemes are shown in **Appendix A**.

3.0 **Resources Available**

3.1 External Grants and Contributions can provide additional resources to the Capital Programme. Grant funding is subject to a detailed bidding process. Officers continue to liaise with external parties to secure the maximum available inward investment in order to contribute towards the delivery of the capital programme.

3.2 The most significant grants currently forecast over the medium term are from the final parts of the Towns Fund, the new Pride in Place Grant and the Better Care Fund (BCF) for Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG's). In addition to this, grants held from previous years for specific purposes are due to be utilised for example previously received Towns Fund Grant.

3.3 Capital Receipts

Source – GF Capital Receipts	2026/27 £'m	2027/28 £'m	2028/29 £'m	2029/30 £'m
Opening Balance	0.750	2.493	2.412	1.500
Anticipated Receipts in Year	3.456	2.490	0.050	0.000
Utilised for Financing	1.803	2.571	0.962	1.500
Closing Balance	2.493	2.412	1.500	0.000

3.4 The total general fund capital estimated receipts over the four year period is £6.086m and are made up of the sale of the residential properties on Stodman Street and land at Lowfield Lane, for which the sale has completed but is deferred along with a nominal amount each year for sale of vehicles that are due for replacement.

3.5 Where appropriate, the use of existing capital resources is prioritised. Borrowing is utilised for assets with longer asset lives, where the impact of interest and Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) can be spread over the useful economic life of the asset, whilst minimising the impact on the General Fund.

4.0 Financing

4.1 Subject to the approval of the proposals outlined in section 3.0 above, the current plan for financing the capital programme are shown in the exempt report

4.2 At the end of the financial year, once all capital expenditure has been finalised (including accrued expenditure) the financing of the Capital Programme as a whole is arranged by the Section 151 Officer, in line with the Council’s Constitution.

5.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection; Digital & Cyber Security; Equality & Diversity; Financial; Human Resources; Human Rights; Legal; Safeguarding & Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Implications Considered			
Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable			
Financial		Equality & Diversity	
Human Resources		Human Rights	
Legal		Data Protection	
Digital & Cyber Security		Safeguarding	
Sustainability		Crime & Disorder	
LGR		Tenant Consultation	

Background Papers and Published Documents

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Capital Strategy 2026/27 report to Audit and Governance on 4 March 2026

GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2026/27 - 2029/30

APPENDIX A

CODE	SCHEME	EXTERNAL FUNDING	NSDC COSTS	TOTAL SCHEME COST	BEFORE 2026/27 INC FORECAST FOR 2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
TF3227	Lowdham Flood Alleviation	140,000	160,000	300,000	200,000	100,000			
TB2258	Vicar Water Improvements (SANGS)	35,556	-	35,556	-	35,556			
TB2253	Vehicles & Plant	-	15,970,998	15,970,998	6,859,528	3,385,480	1,567,817	1,006,842	3,151,331
new 6	Solar Panels and Battery storage to Castle House	-	158,695	158,695	-	158,695			
new 4	NSFC LED Lighting Gym	-	140,000	140,000	-	140,000			
Climate and the Environment Total		175,556	16,429,693	16,605,249	7,059,528	3,819,731	1,567,817	1,006,842	3,151,331
TA3097	Yorke Drive Regeneration and Community Facilities	100,000	3,358,000	3,458,000	119,297	2,480,000	-	858,703	
TA1224	Provision of 3G Pitches	-	2,000,000	2,000,000	-	1,200,000	800,000		
Health, Wellbeing and Leisure Total		100,000	5,358,000	5,458,000	119,297	3,680,000	800,000	858,703	0
TB3154	Castle Gatehouse Project	4,488,766	2,076,094	6,564,860	3,087,375	3,477,485			
TA3066	Essential works at the Palace Theatre	-	220,831	220,831	159,831	61,000			
new 9	Byron Room Re-fit	-	28,500	28,500				28,500	
new 8	Upgrade Box Tops and Catwalk	-	31,490	31,490	-	31,490			
new 7	Palace Theatre Stage Safety Curtain	-	110,000	110,000	-	110,000			
new 2	Palace Theatre LED Lighting Upgrade	-	350,000	350,000	-	350,000			
new 1	Civil War Museum Doors / Security	-	130,000	130,000	-	130,000			
Heritage, Culture & Arts Total		4,488,766	2,946,915	7,435,681	3,247,206	4,159,975	0	28,500	0
TF6807	Warm Homes on Prescription	572,203	-	572,202	292,202	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
TF6012	Discretionary DFG	1,160,837	-	1,160,837	800,837	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
TF6011	Private Sector Disabled Facilities Grants	5,216,737	-	5,216,737	2,416,737	700,000	700,000	700,000	700,000
Housing Total		6,949,776	0	6,949,776	3,509,776	860,000	860,000	860,000	860,000
TF2000	CCTV Replacement Programme	-	367,581	367,581	187,581	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
new 13	Bilsthorpe Hub	299,097	1,000,000	1,299,097	-	1,299,097			
Public Protection and Community Relations Total		299,097	1,367,581	1,666,678	187,581	1,344,097	45,000	45,000	45,000
TG1003	Housing Regeneration Loan Facility	-	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000				
TC2007	Clipstone Holding Centre Purchase & Works	-	9,613,250	9,613,250	1,436,713	8,176,537			
TA3286	Information Technology Investment	-	2,012,127	2,012,127	595,843	348,247	507,130	560,907	-
new 5	Upgrade Fire Doors to Corporate Estate	-	207,150	207,150	-	123,000	84,150		
new 3	Buttermarket Roof and improved drainage	-	220,000	220,000	-		220,000		
Strategy, Performance and Finance Total		0	37,052,527	37,052,527	27,032,556	8,647,784	811,280	560,907	0

GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2026/27 - 2029/30

APPENDIX A

CODE	SCHEME	EXTERNAL FUNDING	NSDC COSTS	TOTAL SCHEME COST	BEFORE 2026/27 INC FORECAST FOR 2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
TT1006	Towns Fund - Cultural Heart of Newark	3,610,000	-	3,610,000	-	1,000,000	2,610,000		
TT1000	Towns Fund - 32 Stodman Street Regeneration	4,480,000	8,800,000	13,280,000	11,090,000	2,190,000			
TE3268	Southern Link Road Contribution	29,865,956	5,153,259	35,019,215	33,789,668	1,229,547			
TC2009	Former Belvoir Iron Works	-	1,750,000	1,750,000	4,624	1,745,376			
TC2011	Ollerton Regeneration								
TC2012	Ollerton Regeneration Donated Asset								
new 12	PiPP Regeneration Plan	3,646,000	-	3,646,000	-		836,000	1,405,000	1,405,000
new 11	PiPP Neighbourhood Comm Grant Scheme	860,000	-	860,000	-	210,000	250,000	200,000	200,000
new 10	PiPP Upper Floor Town Centre Residential Grant	800,000	-	800,000	-	150,000	650,000		
Sustainable Economic Development Total								1,605,000	1,605,000
TOTAL GENERAL FUND								4,964,952	5,661,331



Report to Policy and Performance Improvement Committee Meeting, 23rd February 2026

Director Lead: Deborah Johnson, Director – Customer Services & Organisational Development

Lead Officer: Mark Randle, Transformation and Service Improvement Officer

Report Summary	
Report Title	Presentation by the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing & Leisure
Purpose of Report	Update on role of the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing & Leisure
Recommendations	That the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee: a) note the contents of the report.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee (PPIC) meeting held on 29 January 2024, Members agreed a process for Portfolio Holders to be invited to meetings of the Committee. This enabled the Portfolio Holder to brief the Committee on their remit and current and future plans and projects. It would also offer the Committee opportunity to ask focussed questions of the Portfolio Holder. This process ran from March 2024 to March 2025.
- 1.2 At the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee meeting held on 14th April 2025, Members agreed to a change in the process for Portfolio Holders attending Committee.
- 1.3 The new change in process requested that Portfolio Holders report back on ‘specific areas’ of their Portfolio, which will be requested by the Committee. Portfolio Holders are asked to produce a short report in answer to these specific areas. They will present back to the Committee and then take questions.

2.0 Proposal/Options Considered

- 2.1 This report relates to the Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing & Leisure Cllr Susan Crosby.

The Committee has requested information on:

1. Are Active4Today happy to take forward the recommendations (1, 2 & 3) from the 'Life Chances for Girls Working Group' and any timelines or next actions that have been identified yet?
2. Given that your Portfolio includes the maintenance of closed cemeteries, is there a budget for the maintenance of said cemeteries and is it enough?
3. How is the council using data to identify areas of need related to health inequalities and to inform effective project delivery?

3.0 **Implications**

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendation's, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection, Digital and Cyber Security, Equality and Diversity, Financial, Human Resources, Human Rights, Legal, Safeguarding and Sustainability, and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Implications Considered			
Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable			
Financial	NA	Equality & Diversity	NA
Human Resources	NA	Human Rights	NA
Legal	NA	Data Protection	NA
Digital & Cyber Security	NA	Safeguarding	NA
Sustainability	NA	Crime & Disorder	NA
LGR	NA	Tenant Consultation	NA

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- **Full Council Report 8th March 2022** – Proposals for the new governance arrangements.
- **PPIC Report 29 January 2024** - Attendance by Portfolio Holders to Future Meetings of the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee
- **PPIC Report 14 April 2025**- Attendance by Portfolio Holders to Future Meetings of the Policy & Performance Improvement Committee

Forward Plan

For the Period January 2026 - April 2026



What is the Plan?

This Forward Plan sets out all of the Key Decisions that are expected to be taken during the period referred to above.

The Council has a statutory duty to prepare this document, in accordance, with the Local Government Act 2000 (as amended). The Plan is published monthly and will be available on the [Council's Website](#).

What is a Key Decision?

The decisions listed in this plan are 'Key Decisions'. A Key Decision is one that is likely to:

- (a) Result in the Council spending or making savings of over £150,000 revenue or £300,000 in capital, or;
- (b) Where the impact of the decision would be significant in terms of its impact on communities living or working in two or more Wards.

Under the Council's Constitution, Key Decisions are made by the Cabinet, Portfolio Holders, or officers acting under delegated powers.

Exempt Information

The plan also lists those 'Exempt' Key Decisions which are going to be taken over the next four months. Exempt Key Decisions are those decisions which have to be taken in private. This is because they involve confidential or exempt information which cannot be shared with the public.

Agenda papers for Cabinet meetings are published on the Council's website 5 working days before the meeting [here](#). Any items marked confidential or exempt will not be available for public inspection.

Any background paper listed can be obtained by contacting the Responsible Officer. Responsible officers can be contacted on 01636 650000 or customerservices@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk

Decision to be taken / Report title and Summary	Decision maker	Date Decision to be taken	Responsible Portfolio Holder	Responsible Officer	Exempt y/n and Grounds for exemption	Date decision can be implemented
Arkwood Developments Facility Agreement	Cabinet	20 Jan 2026	Leader - Portfolio Holder Strategy, Performance & Finance	Nick Wilson, Business Manager- Financial Services Nick.Wilson@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Part exempt	26 Jan 2026
Active4Today Agency Model	Cabinet	20 Jan 2026	Leader - Portfolio Holder Strategy, Performance & Finance, Portfolio Holder - Health, Wellbeing & Leisure	Jenna Norton, Accountant Jenna.Norton@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	26 Jan 2026
2026/27 Housing Revenue Account Budget and Rent Setting	Cabinet	20 Jan 2026	Portfolio Holder - Housing	Suzanne Shead suzanne.shead@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	26 Jan 2026
Parks and Open Spaces Development Plans	Cabinet	20 Jan 2026	Portfolio Holder - Climate and the Environment	Matt Finch, Director- Communities & Environment Matthew.Finch@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	26 Jan 2026
Wilsthorpe Hub Proposal	Cabinet	20 Jan 2026	Portfolio Holder - Public Protection and	Cara Clarkson, Business Manager - Healthy	Open	26 Jan 2026

Decision to be taken / Report title and Summary	Decision Maker	Date Decision to be taken	Responsible Portfolio Holder	Responsible Officer	Exempt y/n and Grounds for exemption	Date decision can be implemented
			Community Relations	Places cara.clarkson@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk		
2026/27 Proposed General Fund Revenue Budget	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Leader - Portfolio Holder Strategy, Performance & Finance	Nick Wilson, Business Manager- Financial Services Nick.Wilson@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026
General Fund Capital Programme 2026/27 to 2029/30	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Leader - Portfolio Holder Strategy, Performance & Finance	Nick Wilson, Business Manager- Financial Services Nick.Wilson@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026
2026/27 to 2029/30 Medium Term Financial Plan	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Leader - Portfolio Holder Strategy, Performance & Finance	Nick Wilson, Business Manager- Financial Services Nick.Wilson@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026
Day Policy Statement 2026/27	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Leader - Portfolio Holder Strategy, Performance & Finance	Sarah Lawrie, Business Manager - HR and Training sarah.lawrie@newark-	Open	2 Mar 2026

Decision to be taken / Report title and Summary	Decision Maker	Date Decision to be taken	Responsible Portfolio Holder	Responsible Officer	Exempt y/n and Grounds for exemption	Date decision can be implemented
				sherwooddc.gov.uk		
Newark Town Centre Master Plan and Design Code	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Economic Development	Matthew Tubb, Senior Planning Policy Officer matthew.tubb@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk, Neil Cuttell, Business Manager- Economic Growth & Visitor Economy Neil.Cuttell@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026
Planning Reforms	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Economic Development	Matthew Norton, Business Manager - Planning Policy and Infrastructure matthew.norton@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026
Newark & Sherwood Local Plan - Commencement of Plan Making	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Economic Development	Matthew Norton, Business Manager - Planning Policy and Infrastructure matthew.norton@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026

Decision to be taken / Report title and Summary	Decision Maker	Date Decision to be taken	Responsible Portfolio Holder	Responsible Officer	Exempt y/n and Grounds for exemption	Date decision can be implemented
Adoption of Public Open Space Fernwood	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Portfolio Holder - Climate and the Environment	Matt Lamb, Director - Planning and Growth Matt.Lamb@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026
Chatham Court Partnership Hub	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Portfolio Holder - Housing	Julie Davidson, Business Manager- Housing and Estates Julie.Davidson@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026
Local Regeneration Fund and Newark Capital Projects Update	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Portfolio Holder - Housing, Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Economic Development	Matt Lamb, Director - Planning and Growth Matt.Lamb@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk, Suzanne Shead suzanne.shead@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Part exempt	2 Mar 2026
Newark Town of Culture	Cabinet	24 Feb 2026	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder - Heritage, Culture & the Arts	Carys Coulton-Jones, Business Manager- Heritage, Culture and Visitors Carys.Coulton-Jones@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	2 Mar 2026

Decision to be taken / Report title and Summary	Decision Maker	Date Decision to be taken	Responsible Portfolio Holder	Responsible Officer	Exempt y/n and Grounds for exemption	Date decision can be implemented
Biodiversity Strategy and Report	Cabinet	24 Mar 2026	Portfolio Holder - Climate and the Environment	Matthew Norton, Business Manager - Planning Policy and Infrastructure matthew.norton@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	30 Mar 2026
Ollerton and Clipstone Regeneration Scheme Updates	Cabinet	24 Mar 2026	Portfolio Holder - Sustainable Economic Development	Matt Lamb, Director - Planning and Growth Matt.Lamb@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk	Open	30 Mar 2026

NEWARK AND SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of **Cabinet** held in the Civic Suite, Castle House, Great North Road, Newark, NG24 1BY on Tuesday, 9 December 2025 at 18.23 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor P Peacock (Chair)

Councillor R Cozens, Councillor S Crosby, Councillor L Brazier,
Councillor S Forde, Councillor C Penny, Councillor P Taylor and
Councillor J Kellas

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor S Haynes

325 NOTIFICATION TO THOSE PRESENT THAT THE MEETING WILL BE RECORDED AND STREAMED ONLINE

The Leader advised that the proceedings were being audio recorded and live streamed by the Council.

326 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Councillor J Kellas declared an interest in item 13- Community Grant Scheme Update as the report detailed grants awarded to Nottinghamshire Scouts, of which was a Trustee but had taken no part in any grant applications.

327 MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING 11 NOVEMBER 2025 AND 26 NOVEMBER 2025

The minutes from the meeting held on 11 November and 26 November 2025 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

328 CHAIR'S UPDATE

The Leader of the Council drew the attention of the Cabinet to the projects included in the East Midlands Mayoral Authority Growth Strategy which were located in the Newark and Sherwood Area. These included large investment projects in Ollerton and Yorke Drive, Newark.

329 HOUSING COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE REPORT - QUARTER 2

The Business Manager Building Safety & Asset Investment was welcomed to his first Cabinet meeting, to present the Housing Compliance report for quarter 2. The report and associated appendices set out the Council's performance against the Council's legal and regulatory landlord responsibilities for a range of building safety measures including fire protection, gas, asbestos, electrical and water. The Cabinet heard how monitoring had been undertaken and subsequent mitigation works to achieve the required performance targets.

AGREED (unanimously) that Cabinet note:

- a) the exceptions to performance of the housing service compliance functions;
- b) interim arrangements for monitoring damp and mould ahead of introduction of Awaab's Law; and
- c) the ongoing actions to improve and maintain performance.

This links to two ambitions in our Community Plan:

Ambition 2: Increase the supply of housing, in particular decent homes that residents can afford to buy and rent, as well as improving housing standards and,

Ambition 7: Be a top performing, modern and accessible Council that get its everyday services right for the residents and businesses that it serves

Reasons for Decision:

To provide assurance on the work undertaken to ensure the safety of tenants and compliance with the regulatory standards.

Options Considered:

None

Councillor L. Brazier left the meeting following consideration of this item.

330 BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT- QUARTER 2

The Assistant Business Manager - Financial Services, presented a report which detailed the forecast outturn position for the 2025/26 financial year for the Council's General Fund and Housing Revenue Account revenue and capital budgets, which detailed performance against the approved estimates of revenue expenditure and income; report on major variances from planned budget performance; and report on variations to the Capital Programme for approval; all in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

The Cabinet considered details of the favourable and unfavourable variances reported, detailed in tables one and two of the report, and the HRA revenue outturn in table three of the report. The Council had been fully compliant with all prudential indicators during the reporting period.

In discussion, Members considered resource provision for the Monitoring Officer function following implementation of the new working arrangements, which would be kept under review.

AGREED (unanimously) that Cabinet:

- (a) note the General Fund projected favourable outturn variance of £0.062m;
- (b) note the Housing Revenue Account projected unfavourable outturn variance of £0.201m to the Major Repairs Reserve;

- (c) approve the variations to the Capital Programme at Appendix E;
- (d) approve the Capital Programme revised budget and financing of £46.823m; and
- (e) note the Prudential indicators at Appendix H.

Reasons for Decision:

To consider the forecast outturn position for the 2025/26 financial year for the Council's General Fund and Housing Revenue Account revenue and capital budgets.

To show performance against the approved estimates of revenue expenditure and income; report on major variances from planned budget performance; and report on variations to the Capital Programme for approval; all in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

Options Considered:

Not applicable.

331 COMMUNITY PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT - QUARTER 2

The Transformation and Service Improvement Officer presented a report which detailed the Quarter 2 Community Plan Performance Report (July to September 2025). The report and accompanying presentation highlighted performance across a number of performance indicators and work in progress and planned in mitigation to achieve performance targets. Members considered re-let times for voids in depth, and the performance of the leisure services.

AGREED (unanimously) that Cabinet:

- a) review the Community Plan Performance Report attached as **Appendix 1**;
- b) review the compliance report attached as **Appendix 2**; and
- c) consider the Council's performance against its objectives highlighting any areas of high performance and identifying areas for improvement.

Reasons for Decision:

Performance management is used to drive improvement by analysing data and progress against key activities as well as building a picture of the context of performance using district statistics, customer feedback and workforce information.

Options Considered:

Not applicable

332 COST OF LIVING UPDATE

The Business Manager- Healthy Place was in attendance to provide an update on the delivery of proposals to assist tenants and residents with the rise in the cost of living. The report detailed actions undertaken and the proposed activities for activity in 2026/27. Members noted the report and welcomed the work to support residents.

AGREED (unanimously) that Cabinet:

- a) Approves the budget proposed for 2026/27 over the activities as described in Section 3 of the report, to be financed by £100,000 added into GF budgets and £30,000 from the HRA unallocated efficiency savings; and
- b) Agrees that any underspend within a project can be distributed amongst the pre-agreed projects to enhance delivery.

Reasons for Decision:

To support tenants and residents with the ongoing cost of living challenges.

Options Considered:

The alternative option includes not providing an additional budget and programme specially to address issues resulting from the cost-of-living crisis. This has been discounted due to the council's desire to support those residents most in need, with a focus for the coming year of support on meeting basic needs for the most vulnerable.

333 14 MARKET PLACE, NEWARK

The Asset Manager- Corporate Property was in attendance to provide an update on the tenancy of 14 Market Place, Newark. Members heard that since the December 2024 report considered and agreed by Cabinet, discussions had been ongoing with the potential end users of the ground floor part of the building for the proposed Community Hub. This included discussions with Lincoln College Group (LCG) and the Nottingham CVS who after viewing the property and plans decided against taking a tenancy at 14 Market Place due to the building not being large enough to incorporate their plans. Despite best efforts which included representations to, and by, the Newark Towns Board, it had not been possible to secure a tenant to manage and operate the ground floor throughout the week as a Community Hub. Having exhausted that option, it was proposed to market and let the ground floor space on commercial terms.

AGREED (with 6 for and 1 abstention) that Cabinet approve:

- a) the conversion of the designated community space within 14 Market Place, Newark to a commercial use; and
- b) delegated authority be given to the Deputy Chief Executive/Director - Resources to enter into a future lease once a tenant has been identified.

Reasons for Decision:

To ensure the continued utilisation of 14 Market Place as a commercial and residential asset, supporting the Council's town centre strategy and maximising the value of a key property within the Council's portfolio.

Options Considered:

Potential tenants such as Lincoln College Group and CVS were considered but

ultimately declined due to the space not meeting their operational requirements.

334 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING FUNDING (KEY DECISION)

The Business Manager Planning Policy & Infrastructure was in attendance to present a report which set out the current situation regarding neighbourhood plan funding for Parish and Town Councils and set out options for future funding. It was proposed that the District Council and Locality work with interested Neighbourhood Planning Bodies to scope out what they aim to achieve and seek to establish potential costs. Once this work was done, consideration can be given to how funding could be secured.

Members welcomed the report and proposals to work with parish councils and parish meetings.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- (a) Cabinet agree that the District Council and Locality work with interested NPBs to scope out what they aim to achieve and seek to establish potential costs; and
- (b) following the appraisal of potential resource implications, the District Council work with Neighbourhood Planning Bodies and Locality to identify potential funding sources.

Reasons for Decision:

To allow officers to consider alternative funding approaches for Neighbourhood Plans.

Options Considered:

None - supporting Town & Parish Council's in Neighbourhood Planning is a statutory responsibility.

335 INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING STATEMENT (KEY DECISION)

The Business Manager - Planning Policy & Infrastructure was in attendance to present a report to update Cabinet on matters set out in the 2024/25 (the reported year) Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS); and to seek approval to amend current CIL procedures. Members noted it was a national requirement for the District Council to publish an annual Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS) setting out the current position on developer contributions. The 2025 IFS had been finalised and appended to the report for Members.

The report also set out a procedure for spending the meaningful proportion of CIL monies for Parish Meetings.

AGREED (unanimously) that Cabinet:

- a) approve the publication of the Infrastructure Funding Statement, which has been produced in accordance with the legislative requirements, before the end of the calendar year;

- b) approve payment of the CIL meaningful proportion to Town and Parish Councils once per annum. This process to commence for monies collected in the financial year 2025/2026;
- c) approve the proposed guidance note at Appendix C for Town and Parish Councils, regarding CIL Meaningful proportion including informing them of their legal duty to produce an annual report on CIL receipts, CIL Spend, and CIL monies held in their account; and
- d) approve the proposed procedures set out at paragraph 2.13 and 2.14 for the spend of CIL for Parish Meetings and Parishes with no meetings.

Reasons for Decision:

To ensure that the District Council is operating in accordance with the requirements of the Community Infrastructure Regulations.

To deliver resource efficiencies by reducing the administrative burden for Newark & Sherwood District Council To provide guidance on various aspects of CIL Meaningful Proportion Spend.

Options Considered:

None, there is a statutory requirement to publish the IFS by the end of the calendar year.

To not make an amendment to the payment of the CIL meaningful proportion to Town and Parish Councils.

336 COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME UPDATE

The Business Manager- Healthy Places was in attendance to present the annual report on the Community Grant scheme delivery for 2025-26 and budget setting proposals for 2026-27. The first round of the community grant scheme for 2025-26 received 44 applications of which 20 were successfully allocated a grant. The grant scheme was heavily oversubscribed with request for support totalling over £370k, over three times the amount available for allocation. Due to the demand on the scheme, it was proposed that Cabinet increase the budget for 2026-27 to £150,000 to continue the community grant scheme (inclusive of the £6086.71 underspend for 2025-26).

Members considered the eligibility criteria for grants and agreed to amend 3.3 in the report to the following :-

- Applicants can only secure grant once in a three-year period
- Where there are applications from multiple branches of an umbrella organisation, that are not separately constituted, only one allocation will be made in any three-year period.
- That where elected councillors are members of/ affiliated with groups receiving grant, all grants will be conditioned to ensure that there is no political gain

through grant or associated publicity.

AGREED (unanimously) that Cabinet:

- c) notes the delivery of the Community Grant Scheme in 2025-26 to date;
- d) approves an increase to the current budget of £43,610 up to £150,000 for the 2026-2027 Community Grant Scheme; and
- e) approves the changes to the Community Grant Scheme eligibility criteria as detailed in section 3.3 of the report, subject to the second bullet point reading as follows:

Where there are applications from multiple branches of an umbrella organisation, that are not separately constituted, only one allocation will be made in any three-year period.

Reasons for Decision:

To ensure that funding can be allocated to community groups – supporting communities to be sustainable and thrive.

Options Considered:

To withdraw the community grant scheme. This alternative has been discounted due to the demonstrable positive impact the scheme has on the local community – empowering local groups and developing community capacity and resilience.

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Chair

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