

Herefordshire Council

Amendments to 2017/18 Revenue Budget recommended by Cabinet to Council

Proposed amendment	Impact
<p>Detailed Amendment (to be used for publication) To fund a feasibility study to assess in principle: The asset transfer of the car parks still in Herefordshire Council ownership to their respective local parish councils of the city and the market towns (the 'super-parishes'). Herefordshire Council would bill the parishes for services provided during the financial year to a level matching the income generated by the car parks. Thereby ensuring that the car parking income in 2017-18 is fully recovered by Herefordshire Council from the parish councils. The study would support the closer engagement of the council with parishes and market towns.</p> <p>NOTE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. All management and enforcement activity to continue to be delivered centrally by Herefordshire Council.ii. Any individual asset transfers to be agreed in practice with each local parish on a case by case basis.iii. Income apportionment to local service delivery to be agreed and reported annually to minimise administrative overheads.iv. Local service support information to be added to car park signage for public display when signs are next updated.v. Any future service devolution to consider 'economies of scale' in county level procurement vs savings/benefits from local service delivery.vi. Any changes to future service delivery to be by mutual consent.	<p>To acknowledge the important role car parking plays in the local economy.</p> <p>To enhance the role of super-parishes and their localities in future decision making.</p> <p>To identify and recognise the local services delivered by Herefordshire Council which are supported by the revenue from these car parks.</p> <p>To encourage improved partnership working between Herefordshire Council and the 'super-parishes' on future service delivery.</p> <p>To provide an income generating asset to assist financially in any future service devolution.</p>
<p>Expected cost</p> <p>To fund a formal review to assess the feasibility of the transfer of assets and income streams to Parishes to support local service delivery</p>	£50k
<p>Expected funding source</p> <p>General Reserves</p>	(£50k)
<p>Service Delivery Impact</p> <p>There would be a zero net impact in the Financial Year 2017-18 on service delivery.</p>	

<p>Asset transfers and recognition of the transactional relationship between the super-parishes and Herefordshire Council as regards income received and services delivered is expected to lead to significant improvements in partnership working and capacity building with the large parish councils.</p> <p>Car parking revenue provides a mechanism by which to recognise the financial contribution made by visitors from the wider locality to the cost of service delivery at centralised locations.</p> <p>No Impact on service delivery in 2017/18</p>	
<p>Staffing Impact</p> <p>No impact in 2017/18</p>	<p>Number 0</p> <p>£0</p>
<p>Submitted by (member/Group)</p> <p>Liz Harvey – It's Our County</p>	<p>Date 1/2/17</p> <p>Time 16.46</p>
<p>Approved by Chief Finance Officer</p>	<p>Date 2/2/17</p> <p>Time 17.05</p>
<p>Accepted by the Monitoring Officer</p>	<p>Date 2/2/17</p> <p>Time 17.15</p>

Note: for the avoidance of doubt, the proposed amendment must identify the cost of the proposal and the revenue savings required to ensure no negative impact on the budget.