

LIBERAL DEMOCRAT GROUP BUDGET AMENDMENTS 2013/14

The City Council is asked to consider the following amendments to the Executive's budget proposal contained in Minute EX005/13, Executive Response to the Budget Consultation and Recommendations for the 2013/14 Budget (Key Decision).

Liberal Democrat Group Proposed Amendment No. 1

Cenotaph Enhancement work:

To provide capital funding of £50,000 in the 2013/14 capital programme to fund necessary improvements and refurbishment works to the Cenotaph in Rickerby Park in advance of the proposed centenary commemorations in 2014. The Government has announced a plan of transformation works, events and an educational programme and has allocated £50million of funding to support these centenary commemorations. This proposal can initially be funded from unallocated capital resources, subject to securing external funding from the Government fund.

Proposed by: Cllr T Allison
Seconded by: Cllr O Luckley

Director of Resources Comments and Impact on the Executive's budget proposals:

There are no consequences of accepting this amendment on the Council's revenue budget or on Council Revenue Reserves.

The proposal has no impact on the level of Council Tax increase proposed by the Executive.

The proposal will increase the 2013/14 Capital Programme proposed by the Executive by £50,000; with a corresponding reduction in the level of unallocated capital resources available to support other capital schemes if the bid to secure Government funding is unsuccessful.

The amendment will result in the following main changes to the Executive's Revenue Budget proposals for 2013/14 as set out in Minute EX005/13:

Schedule 8 – Proposed Capital Programme

- There would be an increase of £50,000 in the 2013/14 Capital Programme; increasing from £9,280,000 to £9,330,000.

Schedule 9 – Summary Capital Resource Statement

- If the bid for external funding is unsuccessful, there will be a reduction in the amount of unallocated capital resources available; reducing to £472,000 by 2017/18.

Procedure Note:

The financial effect of each **individual** amendment is as set out in the amendment presented. However if Council proposed any **combination** of amendments to the Executive budget proposals, then there would be a cumulative effect on the budget and reserves.

Before any amendment is voted on, the Council will give the Director of Resources an opportunity to address the meeting to explain, if necessary, the effect of the proposed amendment under consideration and the cumulative impact of any previous amendments before the vote is taken. They may also agree to an adjournment to enable Members to consider the Director of Resources advice prior to the vote on any amendment.

The procedure, should any amendment be carried, is set out in full at Agenda Item 9 (5) paragraph 3.9 to 3.11.