

DETAILED REVENUE BUDGETS

INTRODUCTION

The following pages detail spending plans for the year 2002/03 and the budget approved by Councillors for 2003/04 for the Group.

Each Group has a summary page which lists all services funded from the budget with the net cost or surplus for the years 2002/03 and 2003/04. The summary page(s) are followed by detailed budgets for services. Under each table of figures is a short description of the service provided.

The budgets themselves are summarised under broad headings which illustrate the nature of the expenditure:

- Employee costs - includes salaries, wages and employment costs of the Council's workforce.
- Premises - includes the cost of maintaining the Council's buildings, non - domestic rates and utility costs.
- Transport - includes the cost of travel incurred in conducting the Council's business and vehicle running costs.
- Supplies and services - includes the cost of equipment, stationery, office supplies, and hire of outside services.
- Support services - includes the cost of support services i.e. Legal, IT, Accountancy, Audit, Personnel and Payroll etc.
- Capital financing - the asset rent which includes depreciation and a notional charge made for the use of the asset. The asset rent is not "real" money but is a government requirement to show a notional charge for the use of land and buildings (i.e. a rate of return one might expect if the Building was let commercially). This makes no difference at all to the Council's real financial position, as this shows as a credit to the Asset Management Revenue Account and is neutral in its impact on the Council's overall budget.
- Income - includes income generated from charging for services.
- Recharges - the value of costs recharged to other services e.g. the cost of the central IT department is charged to all services.

The table of figures for each service includes:

- Actual 01/02 - the actual income and expenditure for the year 2001/02.
- Original 02/03 - the original budget for 2002/03, approved in February 2002.
- Revised 02/03 - the updated assessment of the budget for the year 2002/03, including the carry forward of commitments from 2000/2001 and the impact of the restructure.
- Original 03/04 - the approved budget for 2003/04.