

Transformation Programme Highlight Report

Recovery & Reset Programme & Project Highlight Report

Project:	Finance	
Key Workstreams	Workstream Lead	Highlights
Reduce the £9.3 million deficit on the general fund through savings and efficiency. R&R savings which potentially reduce the deficit over 5 years to £4.4m	Lynne Pugh	Budget workshop on 01/12, to discuss the full base budget report and policy changes as part of the 2022/23 budget process. Budget Scrutiny Meeting to incorporate the provisional financial settlement figures.
Deliver a commerciality strategy and action plan	Lynne Pugh Jo Goodfellow	Strategy now under internal review after comments received.
Improve training and understanding of Council budgets and how they link / impact on services.	Lynne Pugh Jo Goodfellow	Continuing work with HR to update training for managers on understanding financial processes, starting with procurement. This is to be planned as above. Procurement training planned in early 2022.
Develop a value for money strategy	Lynne Pugh Jo Goodfellow	Sent out as part of commerciality strategy.
Review fees and charges	Lynne Pugh Jo Goodfellow	Reviewing baseline document with a view to share a draft in January 22.
Achievements since last period		Planned Activities for next period
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update budget for provisional financial settlement figures. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 31/01: Further updates on HRA Business Plan 31/01: Continue with review comments and feedback draft commerciality strategy <p>Ongoing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued collaboration with other projects for costings e.g., Service Re-design, Smart Working, and Front Reception Budget process underway Quarterly procurement report to CMT
Amber/Red Areas		Risks including Stakeholder Issues
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unplanned call on staff resource Any changes to Local Government Finance settlement figures.
Recovery & Reset Board Issues		Resourcing Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project support to continue

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