

Appendix CONSERVATIVE 1

Amendment to the Revenue/~~Capital~~ Budget 2018/19

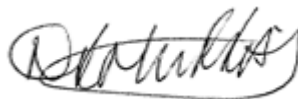
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Directorate/Service	Description of amendment	Implications of Service Delivery	Estimated Costs/Savings £000
Cross Directorate	<p>CHANGE TO LOCAL COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME</p> <p>Bristol is the only Council amongst the major metropolitan authorities and Core Cities which currently offers a discretionary discount of up to 100% under its Local Council Tax Reduction (LCTR) scheme.</p> <p>Future financial modelling of how this provision operates suggests that if no changes are made, it will become increasingly unaffordable. Therefore, it is <u>proposed that a 25% minimum payment in Council Tax be adopted for 2018/19.</u></p> <p>Any revenue saving made in this way to be put towards offsetting the planned reduction in funding for the Library Service; children's centres; community Parks and restore funding for devolved local traffic schemes.</p>	<p>Working age claimants who are on low income or unemployed will be most affected. This proposal will remove some of the current protection to children and adults in receipt of some disability benefits, lone parents with children under 5, people in receipt of carers benefits or war pensions and section 7 homeless people/families, so it would have a negative impact on vulnerable people from some equalities communities. Reallocating funding to children's centres could have a positive impact on vulnerable women and children, disabled parents and disabled children and allocating funding to libraries (other than those already prioritised) would have a positive impact on older people and families.</p>	(7,300)
Neighbourhoods (FP09)	<p>Rather than re-profile the planned saving in the cost of administering the 14 Neighbourhood Partnerships (as indicated by the Mayor at the 30th January extraordinary Cabinet), reinstate this reduction for <u>2018/19.</u></p>	See Equality Impact Assessment for FP09	(562)

	£	Total (7,862)
2018/19 and beyond		
Library Services (RS04)		1,100
Children's Centres (RS03)		750
Community Parks (FP02)		3,494
Restore funding for devolved local traffic schemes (RS10)		410
Other reinvestments		1,546
	£	Total 7,862

The net financial impact of the amendment on the budget MUST be zero and cannot use capital budgets in place of revenue or vice versa

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