

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**POLICY AND RESOURCES  
CABINET MEMBER**

**VIREMENTS 2012-13**

**1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 To approve changes to revenue and capital budgets for 2012-13.
- 1.2 Revenue budgets are cash limited. Financial regulations do allow transfers (virement) of budget within the cash limit to meet emerging needs. The Director of Policy and Resources has the delegated power to approve these transfers up to a defined level. Above this level requires cabinet member approval. Both categories are included in this report.

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 On 21 February 2012 Council approved the revenue and capital budgets for the 2012/13 financial year. This report gives details of virements approved by the Director of Policy and Resources under delegated powers, and those requiring Cabinet Member approval.
- 2.2 Since April 2009 the levels covered by these delegated powers to the Director of Policy and Resources have been amended, and can now be summarised as follows :

Revenue movements under £50,000.  
Capital movements under £50,000.

- 2.3 Further to the revised approval levels, it follows that Cabinet Member approval is now required in the following instances :

Revenue movements over £50,000.  
Capital movements over £50,000.

**3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**Delegated Approvals**

- 3.1 The following virements have been approved by the Director of Policy and Resources under delegated powers.

## Permanent Revenue Virements

### People and Policy & Resources

- Transfer of budget from [People] School Improvement (£700), Commissioning & Localities (£5,920) and Specialist Services (£3,180) to [Policy & Resources] Business Support due to I.T. growth for additional equipment (£9,800).

### Policy & Resources and Places

- Transfer of budget from [Policy & Resources] Legal Services (£160), [Places] Customer Services (£2,330) and Technical & Environmental Services (£2,100) to [Policy & Resources] Business Support due to I.T. Growth for additional equipment from 2005-12, where previously grant funded and charged annually by Inter Departmental Account (IDA) (£4,590).

## Temporary Revenue Virements

### People

- Transfer of staffing budget from Management Savings to Administration - Special Educational Needs (SEN) Section to fund an honorarium within that team (£8,050).

## Members Approval

3.2 The following virements require Cabinet Member approval:

## Temporary Revenue Virements

### People

- To establish a budget for 'School/Subject of Concern' Dedicated Schools Grant earmarked reserve to fund Easter & Whitsun revision classes as discussed at the Schools Forum (£70,000).
- Realignment of the 'Standards Team' budgets to match the levels of projected spend anticipated for the remainder of this year (£233,170).

### Policy & Resources and Places

- Transfer of staffing budget from Neighbourhood Management to Information Management in respect of the Strategic Marketing Manager (£50,630).

### Places

- Realignment of Security Centre budgets to match anticipated spend in order to improve monitoring (£62,240).
- Realignment of Emergency Planning budgets from Community Safety as now managed by the Assistant Director for Technical and Environment (£75,770).

- Realignment of budgets within Street & Area Sweeping to match anticipated spend for the remainder of the year (£127,000).

## **Capital Virements**

### Places

- Transfer of the budget for the Crowle Market Place Redevelopment Scheme into the Property Trading Account as approved by the Asset and Estate Management, Culture and Housing Cabinet Member on 10 October 2012 (£850,000).
- Creation of a budget for the new Burdock Road Residential Development Scheme funded by the Property Trading Account, as approved by the Asset and Estate Management, Culture and Housing Cabinet Member on 10 October 2012 (£175,000).

## **4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS**

4.1 Approval of the virements detailed at 3.2 will allow budget responsibilities to be aligned with activity and management responsibilities for those services. Should the virements fail to gain approval this may create difficulties in the future control and management of these budgets.

## **5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

### 5.1 Financial

- The original approved revenue budget for 2012-13 approved at Council on 21 February, 2012 was £129.914m. On 10 July, 2012 Cabinet approved the carry forward of £1.986m from 2011/12 for a number of specific purposes. This increased the revenue budget to £131.9m. After the transfers at 3.1 and 3.2 the budget will remain unchanged.
- The original capital programme for 2012-13 approved at Council on 21 February 2012 was £47.166m. Since then, changes approved by Cabinet have increased the programme to £50.405m. After the transfers at 3.2 the budget will now be £50.580m.

5.2 Staffing: There are no direct staffing implications

## **6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 There are no other implications.

## **7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION**

7.1 None required

## 8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 That the virements at 3.1, approved by the Director of Policy and Resources under delegated powers be noted.
- 8.2 That the virements outlined at 3.2 be approved

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### **Background Papers used in the preparation of this report**

None