

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**CORPORATE SERVICES  
CABINET MEMBER**

**VIREMENTS 2009-10**

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

- 1.1 To approve changes to revenue budgets for 2009-10.
- 1.2 Revenue budgets are cash limited. Financial regulations do allow transfers (virement) of budget within the cash limit to meet emerging needs. The Service Director Finance 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 at 3.1 and 3.2.

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 On 25 February 2009 Council approved the revenue and capital budgets for the 2009/2010 financial year. This report gives details of virements approved by the Service Director Finance under delegated powers.
- 2.2 Since April 2009 the levels covered by these delegated powers to the Service Director Finance 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 Virements made by the Service Director Finance under delegated powers, are shown as Appendix A and B to this report.

#### Members Approval

3.2

The following virements require the Cabinet Member's approval:

#### Permanent Revenue Virements

##### Adults Services

- Movements to correct the allocation of Social Reform Grant intended to fund Chief Officers Pay, and the transfer of savings from Fit for the Future (£92,030).
- To adjust budgets for the loss of the Pipeline contract affecting Supporting People (£74,450).
- Transfer of Direct Payments for Older People in respect of Care First (£250,930).
- Transfer of Direct Payments for Learning Disabilities in respect of Care First (£97,500).
- Transfer of training budget to Children's Services from Other Services (£151,000) and Other Support Services (£10,000).

##### Asset Management and Culture

- Movement of the Central Hardware budget into the Hardware Replacement division of service (£175,000).
- Movements of staffing budgets within the existing budgets of the Plowright Theatre and the 20/21 Visual Arts within the Cultural Services– Arts division (£79,790).
- Restructure of the Sports Facilities division (£939,640).

##### Children and Young Peoples' Services

###### - Children, Strategy and Partnerships

- Correction to budget allocation within the Library Service (£65,430).
- To build in budget against SLA funded cost centre for National Grid For Learning (NGFL) Broadband Phase 4 (£642,490).
- Adjustment of budgets in line with an increased income target for SIMS (Schools Information Management System) licences (£139,700).
- Re-alignment of budgets to reflect current placements within Children and Family Services (£709,050).
- Streamlining of Home to School Transport budget and creation of a separate budget for the DSG funded element (£637,340).

### Children and Young Peoples' Services

#### - Learning, Schools and Communities

- Transfer of Autism budgets within the Learning Services and School Improvements division (£223,830).

### Community Planning and Resources

- Transfer of budget from E-Services to Business Transformation following a review of line management responsibility leading to the merger of two divisions (£359,860).
- Movements within Customer Services and Business Transformation to separate SRTG efficiencies from staffing budgets (£244,000).

### Highways and Planning

- Amalgamation of Parking Services budgets within Safer Roads division (£1,182,420).
- Separation of Central Establishment charges between those charged to Building Control and the Head of Service (£79,460).
- Separation of Winter Costs from the rest of the DLO (Direct Labour Organisation) costs on the DLO Control Account within the Better Routes division (£200,170).

### Neighbourhood and Environmental Services

- Transfer of budgets relating to Bulky Items Collection to General Refuse Collection (£116,880).
- Transfer of salary budgets within Building Cleaning and Catering (£104,830).

## **One year Revenue Virements**

### Adults Services

- Allocation of 2009-10 Campus Closure Grant (£50,070) within the Learning Disability division.
- Transfer of staff members salary budget from 'Access and Systems' to 'Single Assessment Project' within Older People division (£57,620).

### Children and Young Peoples' Services - Children, Strategy and Partnerships

- Carry forward of the Standards Fund ("Home Access for Targeted Groups") Grant (£88,000).

### Corporate Budgets

- Allocation of grant monies to establish the budget for Town Centre Masterplan Grant (£180,000).
- Allocation of grant monies to establish a budget for Housing and Planning Delivery Grant within Spatial Planning, Housing and Renaissance (£399,870).

### Neighbourhood and Environmental Services

- Allocation of grant monies in respect of Leading the Way to Active Lives (£76,400).

## **Permanent Capital Virements**

### Highways and Planning

- Reworked costings for the Connect 2 project reducing this budget by £73,540, with £60,120 of this reduction now being used for Surface Treatments.

## **One year Capital Virements**

### Community Planning and Resources and Corporate

- Transfer of Mobile Working from Corporate responsibility to Community Planning and Resources responsibility (£120,000).

### Neighbourhood and Environmental Services

- Allocation of the Wave 2 Playbuilder Year 1 capital (£526,950).

### Neighbourhood and Environmental Services and Corporate

- Transfer of Manifold Road Showman and Travellers Site from Neighbourhood to Strategic Regeneration (Corporate) responsibility (£500,000).

## **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. In the case of capital virements where new funding is being allocated, non-approval would result in the scheme being unable to proceed.

## 5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

### 5.1 Financial

- The original approved revenue budget for 2009-10 approved at Council on 20 February, 2008 was £132.800m. After the transfers at 3.1 and 3.2 the budget will remain unchanged.
- The capital programme for 2009-2010 approved at Council on 25 February, 2009 was £65.171m. After subsequent virements and the slippage of spending approved at Cabinet on the 10 June 2009, the capital transfers at 3.2 will now result in a budget of £67.354m.

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 Appendix A and B, approved by the Service Director Finance 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

**Permanent  
revenue virements**

<b>Service</b>	<b>Amount vired</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Adults Services	25,860	Re-alignment of budget for 'Back Care' from Physical Disability to Other Services.
Highways & Planning and Community Planning & Resources	40,600	Transfer of highways budget towards cost of the call centre.
Community Planning & Resources	8,000	Re-alignment of budget from Community Planning to Resource Management to support staff costs.
Community Planning & Resources	7,070	Re-alignment of budget following movement of an administrative post from Community Planning to Strategic Partnerships.
Community Planning & Resources	30,000	Re-align budget from Management Team and Business Transformation to Strategic Partnerships to match spending following a review of LSP provision.
Childrens' & Young Peoples' Services and Asset Management & Culture	12,000	Transfer of the budget for Summer Playschemes from Children & Family Services to Sports Play & Community Development.
Asset Management & Culture	1,500	Re-alignment of essential car user budget from Business Transformation (£1,500) to I.T. Services Facilities (£625) and I.T. Business Engagement (£875).
Asset Management & Culture	45,500	Re-alignment of budgets to I.T. Services Facilities (£45,500) from Finance – Taxation and Benefits (£6,000), Payroll (£4,500), Asset Management (£3,000), Sports Facilities (£4,500), Legal & Democratic – Democratic Services (£3,500) and Children & Young Peoples Services Resources (£24,000) in respect of I.T. facilities support.
Asset Management & Culture	1,640	Contribution to staff pension costs from Community Planning Business Services (£820) and E-Services (£820) to I.T. Management (£1,640).
Asset Management & Culture	31,060	Transfer of budgets to I.T. Clients Services (£31,060) from Adults Services (£3,980), Childrens' & Young Peoples' Services (£6,630), Asset Management & Culture (£1,960), Community Planning & Resources (£1,440), Finance (£2,930), Human Resources (£940), Legal & Democratic Services (£4,410),

		Neighbourhood & Environmental Services (£4,710), Corporate Budgets (£950) and Highways & Planning (£3,110).
Asset Management & Culture and Neighbourhood & Environmental Services	8,590	Transfer of budgets from Neighbourhood & Environment Management to Construction to cover maintenance arrangements for Cottage Beck Road and Station Road depots.
Neighbourhood & Environmental Services	39,920	Transfer of staffing budgets from Housing (£17,260), Performance & Partnerships (£14,030), Communities & Environment – Food (£4,320) and Communities & Environment – Health & Safety Enforcement (£4,310) to Community Planning & Resources – Customer Contact Centre (£39,920).
Neighbourhood & Environmental Services	42,480	Transfer of staffing budgets from Streetscene & Landscapes Administration to Neighbourhood & Environment Policy & Performance (£42,480).
Neighbourhood & Environmental Services	22,460	Transfer to correct salary estimate adjustment from Health Improvement to Neighbourhood & Environment Policy & Performance (£22,460).

## Temporary revenue virements

Service	Amount vired	Reason
Asset Management & Culture	1,000	Reduction in Property Management staff costs matched by a corresponding reduction in Fees and Charges income at Normanby Golf Course.