COUNCIL - 12 JULY 2016

2015/16 - REQUESTS FOR VIREMENTS

Report by the Chief Finance Officer

Virement Requests Requiring Council Approval

- 1. As set out in the Provisional Revenue and Capital Outturn Report to Cabinet on 28 June 2016 given the pressures in both Special Educational Needs (SEN) Home to School Transport and Children's Social Care staffing, it is proposed that the underspends in Social and Community Services, Environment & Economy and Corporate Services will be used to offset the overspends in Children, Education & Families. Details are set out in Annex 1.
- 2. Some of the virements required to offset over and underspends within and between directorates are larger than £1.0m and require approval by Council under the council's Financial Procedure Rules. Details of the proposed virements within Directorates are set out in Annex 1. A summary of the virements proposed between Directorates is shown in the table below.

Service Area	Directorate Variation	Virement of Variation	Virement of Variation	Total Proposed
	underspend - overspend + £000	Other Directorate £000	General Balances £000	Carry Forward £000
Children, Education & Families	2,721	-2,030	691	0
Social & Community Services	-1,353	1,353	0	0
Environment & Economy	-278	278	0	0
Corporate Services	-399	399	0	0
Strategic Measures - Corporate Reserves	-693		-693	0
Total	-2	0	-2	0

3. In setting the budget for 2015/16, a Corporate Contingency of £3.6m was agreed. In addition, in July 2015, Cabinet agreed virements totalling £1.0m from S&CS to Corporate Contingency taking the total to £4.6m. The contingency was held predominantly to manage any high risk demand led budgets. It is recommended that Council approve the transfer of £1.5m from the Corporate Contingency to CE&F. The

transfer is included within the figures set out in Annex 1. As part of the 2016/17 Service & Resource Planning Process it was agreed to add the remaining £3.1m to the Budget Reserve.

RECOMMENDATIONS

4. Council is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) approve the virements greater than £1.0m for Children, Education & Families and Social & Community Services as set out in Annex 1;
- (b) approve the virement of £1.5m from contingency to offset the overspend within Children's Social Care as set out in Annex 1.

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Background papers: 2015/16 Provisional Outturn Report to Cabinet on

28 June 2016.

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