

FIRST DRAFT - Revenue growth & new capital items items - Stronger Communities Committee

Capital/revenue		Total cost	Additional budget recommended for 2025-26, beyond that already provided for	Already shown in revenue budget papers?	Cost certainty	2024/25	Ctite date	Status/notes
Revenue/recurring; new budget line proposed	Witney Music Festival Partnership Contribution	£10,000	£10,000	NO -part of grants budget at present	Formal agreement in place	£10,000 drawn from general grants fund	Full Council 13/02/2023 - min.93	Subject to Memorandum of Understanding/Partnership Agreement February 2023. Previous year grants drawn from general grants fund. As recurrign expenditure Committee requested separate budget line to be established
Revenue/recurring. Current budget 4167/408	West Oxfordshire Community Transport Contribution	£23,500	£0	YES	Formal agreement in place	£23,500 - £21,000 4167/408; £2,500 from 4100/407	PGF -05/02/2024	Council agreed 3 year fixed term agreement (to 31/03/2027); £2,500 additional to budget line - already shown in revenue budget
Revenue/recurring	CCTV Contribution 25-26	£11,267	£1,267	YES	Agreement in principle	£10,000	17/06/24	Council agreed in principle to make contributions of £11,267 (2025/26) £11,591 (2026/27) and £11,922 (2027/28) towards the CCTV scheme - already shown in revenue budget
Capital/non recurring	CCTV Contribution (Capital Cost new cameras)	£10,000	£10,000	NO	Amount requested by WODC	£0	15/07/24	See minutes for further details. <a href="https://democracy.witney-tc.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=7688">https://democracy.witney-tc.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=7688</a>
Revenue	Replacement Bins	£0	£0	NO	N/A	Existing budgets 4200/402	29/07/24	A Member suggested that following a rise in litter bins being burnt, that fire retardant bins were sourced for future replacements. Officers advise that current bins are fire resistant and additional budget not required
Revenue - in existing budget	Youth Services	£40,000	£0	YES but on an annual basis these funds are currently effectively and substantially committed	Budget	£40,000	23/09/24	Minutes of 23/09/2024 - "That, Officers consider the establishment of separate budget lines in order to maintain the funding of The Station and Home Start Oxford, currently £28,000 and £11,000 per annum respectively along with the retention of the existing £40,000 Youth Provision budget from 2025/26 onwards which should be re-opened as a grant fund."
Revenue/recurring; new budget line proposed	The Station Detached Youth Project	£30,000	£30,000	No but currently funded via 4169/408	Service Level Agreement	Funded 4169/408 - £24,000	23/09/24	See minutes of meeting of 23/09/2024 and report of Deputy Town Clerk at agenda item 10 for the meeting of 18/11/2024. SLA provides for fundign to be agreed annually subject to "the success of the service, measured against the agreed metrics above and the Council's financial position."
Revenue/recurring; new budget line proposed	Home Start	£11,000	£11,000	NO -part of 4169/408 budget at present	Grant previously applied for	Funded 4169/408 - £11,000	23/09/24	See above and report of Deputy Town Clerk to meeting of 18 November 2024
Revenue	APCAM Youth Mental Health Drop-in Service	Options range from £2,500 to £9,000		NO	Depends on option chosen	Existing budget for 4169/408	23/09/24	See minutes of meeting of 23/09/2024 and report of Deputy Town Clerk at agenda item 10 for the meeting of 18/11/2024
Revenue	Youth Café	Options range from £750 to £3,100	£0	NO	Depends on option chosen	£0		See report of Deputy Town Clerk to meeting of 18 November 2024 - agenda item 10 for more detail and justification. Additional cost of subsidised letting would on the accounts be matched by credit to cost centre 104 but would mean potential lost income from other lettings. <b>Note Station underspend so suggested cafe is funded from that budget</b>

Capital	Witney Lake & Country Park - Signage from The Leys	<£1,500	£0	NO	Depends on option chosen	£0	23/09/24	Agreed "that, Officers explore options for signage/waymarking from The Leys to the Witney Country Park for consideration." See report of CCEO at agenda item 8. <b>From current year underspend</b>
Revenue	VJ Day 80th Anniversary	£1,500	£0	NO - the related 4148/408 budget set for 24/25 will not be replicated in 2025-26	Budget recommended	£1,500 for D-Day 80th Anniversary	23/09/24	SC minute 523 - "3. That, Officers investigate options to mark the VE & VJ dates in 2025 utilising a £1,500 budget and, 4. That, a VE & VJ Day Task & Finish group be established."
Revenue	Additional events	To be determined	£0	YES - part of 4141/408	Deliver in existing budgets	4141/408 - £10,000		A number of suggestions are made in the report of the CCEO agenda item 8. It is anticipated that any which are organised will be delivered within the existing budget 4141/408
Revenue	Picnic Parties to thank Volunteers (x3)	£500	£0	Suggest funded as part of 4141/408	Deliver in existing budgets	4141/408 - £10,000	23/09/24	SC minute 523 - "5. That, three picnic-type events be arranged annually to recognise Volunteers work utilising a budget of £500." Suggested this is delivered in existing budgets.
Revenue	Witney Information Leaflet	£3,000	£1,000	Propose lower budget	Budget recommended	£0	23/09/24	SC minute 523 - "6. That, Officers progress the idea of a Witney Information leaflet."
Revenue	Newsletter - second edition delivered to all households	£3,000	£0	magazines from	Budget recommended	£0	Report of CCEO item	Report at agenda item 8: "As communications always scores poorly in the survey, a second printed issue might be appreciated and keep the town council and its events on peoples' radar a little more. This would however mean the newsletter budget would need to be doubled." Note this is PGF budget 4034/702, current budget £3,798 so increase to £6,000 would add net £2,202 year on year.
Revenue	Community Engagement Equipment & Storage	£3,144	£3,144	NO	Budget recommended	£0	23/09/24	SC minute 523 - "7. That, Tables & Chair sets and a storage unit be procured at a cost of £1,343.92 and £1,800 respectively."
Revenue	Community Window - Additional Display Equipment	£500	£500	NO	Budget recommended	£0	23/09/24	SC minute 525 - "4. That, a budget of £500 be considered for 2025/26 for display material/equipment."
Revenue/recurring	Street Infrastructure	£1,000	£1,000	Increase in budget proposed	Budget recommended	£5,000	Officer recommendation	Increase budget line 4200/402 to provide for maintenance and repair of new street infrastructure esp. in relation to the High Street
Revenue/recurring	Youth Council - training	£500	£0	Part of 4103/408 Youth Council	Deliver in existing budgets	4103/403 - £1,350	Officer recommendation	Accommodate within existing budget
Revenue	Bob Wilsons Funfairs - ground rent Witney Feast - income line	-£9,500	-£1,500	YES - budget 1051/202	Budget recommended	-£8,000	23/09/24	New agreement pending - see minute SC520
<b>SUMMARY</b>		<b>SUMMARY OF DIRECT YOUTH SPENDING</b>			2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Proposed		
If all bids were approved the growth items would amount to:		Children and Youth Provision			£40,000	£40,000		
CAPITAL		The Station - detached youth work			inc.above	£30,000		
REVENUE - LOW ESTIMATE		Home Start			inc.above	£11,000		
REVENUE - HIGH ESTIMATE		APCAM Youth Mental Health			inc.above	Options from £2,500 to £9,000		
		Youth Café			N/A	Options from £750-£3,100		
		Youth Council			£1,350	£1,350		
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>HIGH</b>	£41,350	£94,450	
					<b>LOW</b>	N/A	£85,600	