Town Clerk

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Policy and Finance Committee Meeting – 8th January 2024 – 18:00

To: Members of the Policy and Finance Committee:

Councillors Marriott (Chair), Joyce (Vice Chair), Alwahabi, Birch, Connolly, Hallam, Haque, Hibbert, Holland-Delamere, Kilbride, Purser, Russell, Stevens, Tarasiewicz

Cc'd to all councillors for information

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the **Policy and Finance Committee** of Northampton Town Council to be held at 18.00 hrs on Monday 8th January 2024 in the Town Council Committee Room at Northampton Guildhall.

Public participation is welcomed in accordance with Standing Orders and the Council's Public Participation Policy

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Stuart Carter Town Clerk 2nd January 2024 Guildhall Northampton NN1 1DE

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest
- 3. To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the last meeting and ask questions as to the progress of any item

Minutes of the meeting held 23rd October 2023

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- 4. To receive the minutes of the Accounts Sub-Committee meetings for information:
 - (a) Minutes of the meeting held 13 November 2023

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(b) Minutes of the meeting held 13 December 2023

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- 5. To receive for information only the minutes of the Staffing Sub Committee meeting held 6th December 2023 (to be tabled)
- 6. Draft 2024/25 Budget for recommendation to Council

Report attached and budget attached

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7.	Accommodation
	Verbal report to be given

8. Items for consideration on the next agenda

POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE - 23rd OCTOBER 2023

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23rd October 2023 AT 6PM IN THE TOWN COUNCIL''S COMMITTEE ROOM LOCATED IN THE GUILDHALL, NORTHAMPTON

PRESENT: Councillors Marriott (Chair), Birch, Connolly, Hallam, Haque, Holland-Delamare, Joyce, Kilbride, Soan, Stevens and Tarasiewicz

OFFICERS PRESENT: Mrs J Thorneycroft (Deputy Town Clerk) and Mrs C Maclellan (Finance Officer)

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC PRESENT: Mr Clive Millman

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were submitted by Councillors Alwahabi and Russell and Stuart Carter (The Town Clerk)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. TO AUTHORISE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND ASK QUESTIONS AS TO THE PROGRESS OF ANY ITEM

RESOLVED: The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th September 2023 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings with the following amendments;

As stipulated in 2.2 of the Financial Regulations, A member other than the Chairman or bank signatory shall, for all bank accounts sign both the bank reconciliation and bank statements as evidence of verification. The activity shall be reported including any exceptions to and noted by the council. – 2 x volunteers ClIr Holland-Delamere and Stevens carried out the verification and signed both bank statements and Reconciliations for the months August, September and October 2023. No exceptions were noted.

4. TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE ACCOUNTS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING FOR INFORMATION:

The minutes of the Accounts Sub-Committee meeting held on 12th September and 9th October were circulated at the meeting.

Amendment – it was noted that an attendee had been listed twice – this will be amended on the minutes

Action – FB

5. BUDGET PRINCIPLES

Prior to the meeting the Forward Budget presentation slide pack had been circulated to all councillors.

The Chair explained the budget principles report submitted by the Clerk Each committee will hold its own budget setting meeting throughout October and November. The Chair invited questions around the budget principles and the forward budget, it was noted the Forward Budget is a simulation over the next 5 years and each committee has to agree their own budget.

A number of questions were raised with reference to budget, reserves and net operating costs. The Finance Officer reported that NTC had passed the AGAR and no concerns were raised by the auditor. It was also asked where are we in terms of levelling up reserves and what are the items we are contractually committed to? It was noted that the future Accommodation issue is still to be sorted and that some budgets may not be used by the end of year.

It was stated that currently NTC doesn't own any assets like other local parish councils such as Duston, and Moulton, assets in these parishes provide income plus precept. Assets enable an organisation to generate income – this is a matter that is currently being considered by this committee.

The Community Needs Analysis project needs to move forward to establish exactly what the community /residents want NTC to do and achieve – this will be noted as an action and an item for discussion at the next Community Services Committee on 27th November.

ACTION: Community Needs Analysis project to be discussed in detail at the next Community Services Committee

All committees might wish to consider the benefits to all areas of the town, some councillors are looking to see an even spread of events across the town council wards.

6. CASH INVESTMENTS

Included with the agenda was the latest information regarding the Council's cash investments with the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund.

7. VOLUNTEER HANDBOOK

Cllr Hallam proposed that the handbook was agreed in principle subject to a few minor changes, the committee agreed. The following actions to be taken by JT.

- Mobile phones paragraph to be revisited
- Examples of the types of roles could be listed with a link to Voluntary Impact Northampton
- Ensure the handbook is compliant with GDPR
- Add rewarding and consider an accreditation for volunteers
- Volunteers have some sort of recognition to retain

8. PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM

Resolved: it was resolved to introduce the project template in 2024 – the form will be subject to the following considerations:

- An equalities impact assessment are there any missing groups?
- Change the word Ideas to project
- Change wording officer to Cllr
- Projects such as the Bleed Kit Project, speeding enforcement etc were good examples where the template would be useful
- The template should apply to existing projects as well

9. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION ON THE NEXT AGENDA

- Asset Register
- Paperless agendas
- Accommodation update

MEETING CONCLUDED: 7:23 PM

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ACCOUNTS SUB-COMMITTEE - 13TH NOVEMBER 2023

MINUTES OF THE ACCOUNTS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13TH NOVEMBER 2023 AT 11 AM IN THE TOWN COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ROOM LOCATED IN THE GUILDHALL, NORTHAMPTON

PRESENT: Councillors Marriott (Chair), Birch, Hibbert and Purser

OFFICERS PRESENT: Mr S Carter (Town Clerk) and Miss F Barford (Democratic Services Officer).

48. APOLOGIES

No apologies were submitted.

49. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

50. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the previous Accounts Sub-Committee meeting held on 9th October 2023 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

51. REVENUE BUDGET 2023/24

The Town Clerk stated the following budget codes had seen an increase of 10% or more:

- 4010 Payroll Costs had increased to 93.3%

The Town Clerk explained that there had been funds committed to this budget codes however, invoices were yet to be received.

- 4101 Office Supplies Photocopying had increased to 46.4%

The Town Clerk explained the increase was due to the purchase of supplies. A Councillor commented that this increase was expected.

- 4125 Telephone and Internet had increased to 77.5%

A Councillor raised that telephone and internet continued to increase. The Town Clerk explained Horizon provided our telephone and internet services however, once the contract ceases other quotes would be sourced.

- 4155 Accounting Support had increased to 88.5%

The Town Clerk stated that accounting support had increased due to assistance being sought with month end.

- 4156 Audit Fees had increased to 63.0%

The TOWN CLERK explained that the internal audit had been completed henceforth the expenditure.

- 4159 Legal & Professional Costs had increased to 24.7%

ACTION: Stuart to provide clarification on the expenditure under this budget code.

- 4210 Mayoral Allowance had increased to 74.5%

The Town Clerk stated the increase was due to the Mayoral Allowance instalment had been paid.

- 4211 Mayor's Transport had increased to 101.1%

The Town Clerk explained that there had been an open purchase order place however, the fund was not committed yet.

4212 Councillors Allowances had increased 89.6%

The Town Clerk further explained that Councillors' allowance had been paid.

- 1190 Interest Received had increased to 920.7%

The Town Clerk stated that the amount of interest received continued to exceed expectations due to the increase in interest rates.

- 4400 Repairs and Maintenance had increased to 27.8%

In response to a question, the Town Clerk explained monthly water metre readings were taken by Idverde and this was to check for any water leaks.

- 4170 Community Grants Scheme had increased to 41.0%

The Town Clerk explained that Community Grant had increased due to the applications approved at the Grants Sub-Committee had been paid.

1536 Contribution to Service

A Councillor requested clarification on what budget code 1536, Contribution to Service was. The Town Clerk explained we had received monies from West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) to contribute towards Northampton in Bloom project and Events programme and this perhaps was the surplus.

In response to a question, the Town Clerk stated that was the last instalment from WNC had been received and the Town Council had prepared for the end of the tapering grant through saving and earmarking funds in the General Reserves that equated to two-years.

- 4500 Diwali had increased to 80.3%

The Town Clerk stated that most of the invoices had been received however, was unsure if any further invoices be received for the event.

- 4502 Fireworks had increased to 100.4%

The Town Clerk explained that Fireworks had fallen slightly over budget however, funds may receive as revenue from the stallholders to offset this.

4519 Armed Forces Day

The Town Clerk stated that the Armed Forces Day budget had overspent however, this was Armed Forces Day had overspent however, this was due to being the first year the Town Council organised the event independently from WNC so therefore was a lack of clarity on the total costings. In response to a question, the Town Clerk stated there was a great response to Armed Forces Day however, next year there would not be the signing of the Armed Forces Covenant therefore, the event may change next year. A Councillor highlighted that the event received sponsorship from Travis Perkins.

RESOLVED: The revenue budgetary report for month ending October 2023 was circulated and reviewed.

52. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Town Clerk highlighted the first box of the payment of account included items that required retrospective approval. In response to a question posed, the Town Clerk explained he had requested a copy of the initial contractual agreement with Idverde that was agreed when the assets were transferred. He added, that the Town Council may be required to complete any remedial work or repairs at the allotments if required.

The Town Clerk explained that the Cost of Living pay award had been agreed with NIVCA and would be an increased. In response to a question, the Town Clerk explained that the Councillors Allowance would be increased again and we do tend to follow the lead of West Northants Council however, we were not tied to follow their lead. The Town Clerk added, that the amount paid to Councillors varies as it was dependent on the amount tax each individual paid.

The Town Clerk stated November was a busy time for the Events & Projects team as demonstrated within the payment of accounts. A Councillor stated that Tangerine Red should be benchmarked against other suppliers as their services seem costly.

A Councillor raised that there seems to be a duplicate payment itemised on the payment of accounts for Wave Utilities for the same amount.

In response to a question, the Town Clerk stated that he would clarify if the bollard covers for Diwali were stored and not disposed. In response to another question, a Councllor explained that the Events & Projects Officers were authorised to purchase items for events as long as it was within budget.

In response to a question, the Town Clerk stated that former Mayor Badges were a gift and therefore do not remain within the responsibility of the Town council for repairs. A Councillors commented that the Mayor's chain remains within the ownership of the Town Council and we as an organisation responsible for the payment of any repairs.

In response to a question, the Town Clerk stated he benchmarked the costs of the two Dell laptops purchased against two other suppliers and ultimately WNC were the cheapest option.

A Councillor commented that the purchase of teas and coffees should only be utilised if there was a large volume of people attending the Mayor's Parlour. The Town Clerk explained that if it was a small meeting then Officers were able to provide refreshments internally.

In relation to the Trinity & Semilong Neighbourhood Plan payment, a Councillor stated that the invoice received from Tangerine Red included services/items that were paid within funds from the Central Government Grant.

In response to a question, the Town Clerk explained the unapproved invoices were itemized on the second page as these items were received after document was completed.

RESOLVED: The Payment of Accounts were circulated and authorised for payment.

53. BANK RECONCILIATION

The Town Clerk circulated and presented account statements from Unity & CCLA Deposit Fund.

The Town Clerk added that it would be reoccurring item at Policy and Finance that the Bank Reconciliation documents would be signed by Cllrs who were not members of the Accounts Sub-Committee.

RESOLVED: The Bank statements and cashbooks for Unity Bank and the CCLA Deposit Fund were presented and signed.

54. RISK REGISTER

In response to a question, the Town Clerk stated that the risk register included risk mitigations within it. A Councillor suggested that Staffing should be considered a higher risk especially with Officers picking up additional workload.

55. FURTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR INFORMATION ONLY

No discussions were held under this item.

MEETING WAS CONCLUDED AT 12:02PM

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Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading 06/11/2023

Month No: 7

		Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
Policy	and Finance							
101	Central Administration							
1536	Contribution to Service	0	1,500	0	(1,500)			0.0%
	Central Administration :- Income	0	1,500	0	(1,500)			
4000	Salaries NI and Pension	38,196	260,785	515,000	254,215		254,215	50.6%
4006	Recruitment	0	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	0.0%
4010	Payroll Costs	209	610	1,100	490	416	74	93.3%
4015	Travel and Subsistance	0	352	700	348		348	50.2%
4027	Training and Staff Development	470	2,013	10,000	7,987	90	7,897	21.0%
4101	Office Supplies & Photocopying	592	2,213	5,000	2,787	106	2,681	46.4%
4110	Post	111	507	2,000	1,493		1,493	25.3%
4120	Subscriptions	100	8,274	9,000	726		726	91.9%
4125	Telephone and Internet	660	4,650	6,000	1,350		1,350	77.5%
4128	Information Technology	2,492	8,806	10,000	1,194	2,880	(1,685)	116.9%
4130	Insurance	0	16,312	7,770	(8,542)		(8,542)	209.9%
4140	Advertising and Marketing	151	5,782	10,000	4,218	5,095	(878)	108.8%
4155	Accounting Support	590	2,065	4,000	1,935	1,475	460	88.5%
4190	Equipment	0	35	10,000	9,965		9,965	0.3%
Ce	entral Administration :- Indirect Expenditure	43,572	312,403	592,570	280,167	10,062	270,105	54.4%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(43,572)	(310,903)	(592,570)	(281,667)			
105	Corporate Management							
4150	Bank Charges	31	113	1,000	887		887	11.3%
4156	Audit Fees	2,520	2,520	4,000	1,480		1,480	63.0%
4159	Legal & Professional Fees	3,717	5,417	30,000	24,583	1,984	22,599	24.7%
4162	Health and Safety	0	44	8,000	7,956		7,956	0.5%
Cor	porate Management :- Indirect Expenditure	6,268	8,094	43,000	34,906	1,984	32,922	23.4%
	Net Expenditure	(6,268)	(8,094)	(43,000)	(34,906)			
110	Civic and Democratic							
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		0	2,309	4,460	2,151		2,151	51.8%
	Advertising and Marketing	0	109	2,000	1,891		1,891	5.5%
	Elections	0	0	40,000	40,000	151	40,000	0.0%
	Mayoral Activity	559	2,082	12,000	9,918	151	9,768	18.6%
4209	Deputy Mayor	0	10	2,000	1,990		1,990	0.5%
4210	,	567	4,468	6,000	1,532	10.740	1,532	74.5%
4211	Mayor's Transport	139	12,306	24,770	12,464	12,742	(278)	101.1%

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4212	Councillor Allowances	14,880	26,880	30,000	3,120		3,120	89.6%
4213	Councillor Training/Conference	0	128	5,000	4,872		4,872	2.6%
4214	Civic Events	150	10,275	16,000	5,725	1,217	4,508	71.8%
4215	Civic Regalia	446	15,073	4,500	(10,573)		(10,573)	335.0%
4216	Council Meetings & Room Hire	90	640	5,000	4,360	914	3,446	31.1%
4217	Mayor Contingency	0	0	6,000	6,000		6,000	0.0%
4523	Windrush	0	4,872	0	(4,872)	0	(4,872)	0.0%
4540	Town Twinning	0	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	0.0%
С	ivic and Democratic :- Indirect Expenditure	16,832	79,151	159,730	80,579	15,023	65,555	59.0%
	Net Expenditure	(16,832)	(79,151)	(159,730)	(80,579)			
115	Other Cost and Income							
1001	CIL	0	9,599	0	(9,599)			0.0%
1176	Precept Received	0	1,807,837	1,807,837	0			100.0%
1190	Interest Received	9,614	46,034	5,000	(41,034)			920.7%
	Other Cost and Income :- Income	9,614	1,863,470	1,812,837	(50,633)			102.8%
4998	Service Reserve	0	0	214,500	214,500		214,500	0.0%
4999	Contingency	0	0	71,437	71,437		71,437	0.0%
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Oth	er Cost and Income :- Indirect Expenditure	0	0	285,937	285,937	0	285,937	0.0%
	Net Income over Expenditure	9,614	1,863,470	1,526,900	(336,570)			
201	The Guildhall							
4300		0	17,144	77,000	59,856	51,431	8,425	89.1%
	Accommodation Reserve	0	0	108,000	108,000	,	108,000	0.0%
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	The Guildhall :- Indirect Expenditure	0	17,144	185,000	167,856	51,431	116,425	37.1%
	Net Expenditure	0	(17,144)	(185,000)	(167,856)			
	Policy and Finance :- Income	9,614	1,864,970	1,812,837	(52,133)			102.9%
	Expenditure	66,672	416,792	1,266,237	849,445	78,500	770,945	39.1%
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(57,058)	1,448,177					
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Environmental Services							
210 Open Spaces & Environment							
1537 Northampton in Bloom Income	0	23,021	23,021	0			100.0%
Open Spaces & Environment :- Income		23,021	23,021				100.0%
4015 Travel and Subsistance	0	88	0	(88)		(88)	0.0%
4140 Advertising and Marketing	0	69	0	(69)		(69)	0.0%
4536 Northampton In Bloom	535	57,659	60,000	2,341	290	2,051	96.6%
4560 Environmental Projects	60	4,268	25,000	20,732	80	20,652	17.4%
4561 Environmental Grants	0	10,000	25,000	15,000		15,000	40.0%
Open Spaces & Environment :- Indirect Expenditure	595	72,084	110,000	37,916	370	37,546	65.9%
Net Income over Expenditure	(595)	(49,063)	(86,979)	(37,916)			
230 Allotments							
4400 Repairs and Maintenance	2,931	8,352	30,000	21,648		21,648	27.8%
Allotments :- Indirect Expenditure	2,931	8,352	30,000	21,648	0	21,648	27.8%
Net Expenditure	(2,931)	(8,352)	(30,000)	(21,648)			
Environmental Services :- Income	0	23,021	23,021	0			100.0%
Expenditure	3,526	80,436	140,000	59,564	370	59,194	57.7%
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(3,526)	(57,415)					

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Commu	unity Services							
301	Community Grants							
4170	Community Grant Scheme	19,052	40,968	100,000	59,032		59,032	41.0%
	Community Grants :- Indirect Expenditure	19,052	40,968	100,000	59,032	0	59,032	41.0%
	Net Expenditure	(19,052)	(40,968)	(100,000)	(59,032)			
310	Community Services							
4171	Councillor Community Funding	3,682	19,166	75,000	55,834		55,834	25.6%
4221	Community Needs Analysis	0	0	50,000	50,000	2,677	47,323	5.4%
4225	Community Projects	0	29	50,000	49,971	16	49,955	0.1%
C	Community Services :- Indirect Expenditure	3,682	19,195	175,000	155,805	2,693	153,112	12.5%
	Net Expenditure	(3,682)	(19,195)	(175,000)	(155,805)			
315	Public Events							
	WNC Transfer	16,822	84,281	83,979	(302)			100.4%
	Contribution to Service	0	2,000	5,000	3,000			40.0%
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	Public Events :- Income	16,822	86,281	88,979	2,699			97.0%
	Travel and Subsistance	0	179	300	121		121	59.6%
	Advertising and Marketing	3,603	8,284	10,000	1,716	1,455	261	97.4%
	Diwali	4,040	4,040	10,000	5,960	3,993	1,967	80.3%
	Christmas Event	14,303	14,670	200,000	185,330	145,365	39,966	80.0%
	Fireworks	13,250	35,254	55,000	19,747	19,955	(209)	100.4%
	Bands in the Park	500	10,428	10,000	(428)	350	(778)	107.8%
	Ukraine Art Exhibition	0	281	5,000	4,719		4,719	5.6%
	Virtual Heritage Tour	0	5,400	7,000	1,600		1,600	77.1%
	General Events	0	742	49,800	49,058		49,058	1.5%
4511		0	10,840	10,000	(840)		(840)	108.4%
	NMF22 / NMF23	0	15,275	10,000	(5,275)		(5,275)	152.8%
	Northampton Carnival	0	19,421	20,000	579		579	97.1%
	Party in the Park/Balloon Fest	0	5,000	5,000	0		0	100.0%
	Pride	0	3,698	4,000	302		302	92.5%
	QueensJubilee/Kings Coronation	0	14,758	15,000	242		242	98.4%
	Remembrance Day	0	0	10,000	10,000	1,300	8,700	13.0%
	Town Festival	0	5,000	5,000	0		0	100.0%
	Armed Forces Day	116	6,691	5,000	(1,691)		(1,691)	133.8%
	Beer Festival	0	5,000	5,000	0		0	100.0%
4521	Van Hire (Events)	0	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	0.0%

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4522 St Georges Day	0	5,035	0	(5,035)		(5,035)	0.0%
4524 Heritage Open /Projects	2,667	8,070	0	(8,070)		(8,070)	0.0%
Public Events :- Indirect Expenditure	38,479	178,067	438,100	260,033	172,418	87,615	80.0%
Net Income over Expenditure	(21,657)	(91,787)	(349,121)	(257,334)			
Community Services :- Income	16,822	86,281	88,979	2,699			97.0%
Expenditure	61,213	238,230	713,100	474,870	175,111	299,759	58.0%
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(44,391)	(151,950)					

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400	Planning							
4140	Advertising and Marketing	0	125	0	(125)		(125)	0.0%
4600	Neighbourhood Planning	0	0	10,000	10,000		10,000	0.0%
4601	Planning Support	0	0	10,000	10,000		10,000	0.0%
	Planning :- Indirect Expenditure	0	125	20,000	19,875	0	19,875	0.6%
	Net Expenditure	0	(125)	(20,000)	(19,875)			
	Planning :- Income	0	0	0	0			0.0%
	Expenditure	0	125	20,000	19,875	0	19,875	0.6%
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	0	(125)					
	Grand Totals:- Income	26,436	1,974,271	1,924,837	(49,434)			102.6%
	Expenditure	131,411	735,584	2,139,337	1,403,753	253,981	1,149,772	46.3%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(104,975)	1,238,687	(214,500)	(1,453,187)			
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(104,975)	1,238,687					

Invoices / Grants Paid / Ba	nk Deductions - Requires Retrospective (Committee Approval						
Invoice Date	Invoice No	A/c Name		Net Value		VAT		Invoice Total
26/10/2023	Ending 3373	Lloyds Bank Card Statement	£	215.87	£	-	£	215.87
09/10/2023	48319/0646770	Horizon	£	792.57		_	£	792.57
28/09/2023	SB20232704	PKF Littlejohn	£	3,024.00		-	£	3,024.00
12/10/2023	12663151A990421 Graspin Lane 12072	·	£	1,180.51	_	_	£	1,180.51
27/09/2023	VOI0033890	ZenOffice	£	180.00		-	£	180.00
02/11/2023	bill to Mayor Stephen Hibbert	Mewar Haveli Northampton Ltd	£	896.00		-	£	896.00
10/10/2023	Bank	Unity Bank	£	28.00	£		£	28.00
	pending approval and Payment							
Invoice Date	Invoice No	A/c Name		Net Value		VAT		Invoice Total
01/11/2023	SI018300	Arena Events Services Group Ltd t/a Arena	£	7,776.00		1,555.20	£	9,331.20
10/09/2023	1	District of Dunchurch Band	£	500.00		-	£	500.00
11/10/2023	IM 12201D	Ice Magic International LTD	£	6,450.00		1,290.00	£	7,740.00
02/11/2023	3938	J & S Potter Ltd	£	480.00		96.00	£	576.00
07/11/2023	INV-10104	JTE Integration Ltd	£	650.00	_	130.00		780.00
16/10/2023	INV:1001554	LUNAR PUBLISHING LTD	£	895.00	£	179.00	£	1,074.00
09/10/2023	23006	Moonscape Media Ltd	£	472.50		94.50	£	567.00
02/11/2023	NTL238	Northampton Town Centre BID	£	262.50	£	-	£	262.50
27/10/2023	12	Northampton Film Festival Ltd	£	2,667.50		-	£	2,667.50
16/10/2023	AF-2	NS-UK Group (Northern) Ltd	£	116.00		23.20	£	139.20
06/11/2023	DP/1-2023	NS-UK Group (Northern) Ltd	£	2,135.00	£	427.00	£	2,562.00
06/11/2023	DP/2	NS-UK Group (Northern) Ltd	£	116.00	£	23.20	£	139.20
06/11/2023	NFW/1-2023	NS-UK Group (Northern) Ltd	£	6,077.00		1,215.40	£	7,292.40
20/10/2023	SI-279	South Northants Responders	£	900.00		-	£	900.00
16/09/2023	1398	Stage Right Productions	£	3,080.00	£	616.00	£	3,696.00
16/09/2023	1398 AMENDED	Stage Right Productions	£	2,968.00	£	593.60		3,561.60
16/09/2023	1398CR	Stage Right Productions	-£	3,080.00	-£	616.00	-£	3,696.00
25/10/2023	1414	Stage Right Productions	£	13,250.00	£	2,650.00		15,900.00
20/10/2023	MTR-07682	Tangerine Red Ltd	£	195.00	£	39.00	£	234.00
31/10/2023	MTR-07707	Tangerine Red Ltd	£	2,040.00	£	408.00		2,448.00
02/11/2023	MTR-07713	Tangerine Red Ltd	£	58.00	£	11.60	£	69.60
07/11/2023	MTR-07721	Tangerine Red Ltd	£	2,232.80	£	446.56	£	2,679.36
19/10/2023	424001767504	West Northamptonshire Council	£	60.00	£	12.00	£	72.00
08/11/2023	424001797309	West Northamptonshire Council	£	337.77	£	67.55	£	405.32
02/10/2023	3035	The Wild Tribe	£	850.00		-	£	850.00
05/10/2023	3036	The Wild Tribe	£	3,500.00		-	£	3,500.00
01/11/2023	EXPENSES OCT2023	Julie Thorneycroft (Expense Claims)	£	46.55		-	£	46.55
31/10/2023	EXPENSES OCT2023	Louise Hannam-Jones	£	7.37		0.88	£	8.25
09/10/2023	091023/1	Edmonstones Garden Design & Maintenance	£	497.50		-	£	497.50
03/11/2023	031123/1	Edmonstones Garden Design & Maintenance	£	50.00	£	-	£	50.00
26/01/2023	11550149.9	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	-£	1,767.75	£	-	-£	1,767.75
26/01/2023	11550149A9014408AMEN	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	1,767.75	£	<u> </u>	£	1,767.75

26/01/2023	11550149A9014408CR	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	-£	1,753.25	£ -	-£	1,753.25
26/04/2023	11939338A9014408	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	616.96	f -	£	616.96
20/07/2023	12325653A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	-£	618.40	£ -	-£	618.40
26/07/2023	12340185A9014408	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	671.61	£ -	£	671.61
26/07/2023	12341409A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	16.79	£ -	£	16.79
11/08/2023	ON ACC 0	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	-	£ -	-£	0.03
02/09/2023	12492718A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	118.11	£ -	£	118.11
02/10/2023	12617486A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	203.40	£ -	£	203.40
12/10/2023	12663151A990421	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	1,180.51	£ -	£	1,180.51
26/10/2023	12717615	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	1,464.62	£ -	£	1,464.62
26/10/2023	12718133A9014401	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	29.98	£ 6.00	£	35.98
02/11/2023	12742537A984757	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	50.67	£ -	£	50.67
02/11/2023	12743858A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£	191.12	£ -	£	191.12
10/10/2023	424001735934	West Northamptonshire Council	£	37.50	£ 7.50	£	45.00
04/11/2023	INV-0101	Classic Carriages of Northampton	£	2,952.50	£ -	£	2,952.50
04/11/2023	INV-0102	Classic Carriages of Northampton	£	2,156.25	£ -	£	2,156.25
09/10/2023	154	Council for Voluntary Service Northampton	£	208.80	£ -	£	208.80
08/11/2023	176	Council for Voluntary Service Northampton	£	72.00	£ -	£	72.00
27/10/2023	7132436	Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation	£	2.15	£ 0.43	£	2.58
14/08/2023	SINV050919	WORKNEST	£	375.00	£ 75.00	£	450.00
28/08/2023	SINV050920	WORKNEST	£	375.00	£ 75.00	£	450.00
07/11/2023	48319/0660432	Horizon Telecom Ltd t/a SCG South West	£	660.48	£ 132.09	£	792.57
31/10/2023	EXPENSES OCT2023	Josephine Haines (Expense Claims)	£	6.90	£ -	£	6.90
31/10/2023	536	Kirsty Edmonds	£	150.00	£ -	£	150.00
16/10/2023	INV:1001555	LUNAR PUBLISHING LTD	£	150.00	£ 30.00	£	180.00
28/07/2023	18080	Microshade Business Consultants Ltd	£	295.00	£ 59.00	£	354.00
28/10/2023	18462	Microshade Business Consultants Ltd	£	295.00	£ 59.00	£	354.00
06/11/2023	18522	Microshade Business Consultants Ltd	£	728.35	£ 145.67	£	874.02
29/08/2023	GOL49509	MICHAEL JONES JEWELLER	£	54.17	£ 10.83	£	65.00
11/10/2023	GOL50198	MICHAEL JONES JEWELLER	£	41.67	£ 8.33	£	50.00
15/09/2023	27525806	Nisbets Plc	£	89.97	£ -	£	89.97
14/10/2023	NTC0623	Northampton Sea Cadets	£	386.00	£ -	£	386.00
07/06/2023	MEM243941-1	SLCC Enterprises Ltd	£	470.00	£ -	£	470.00
13/10/2023	INV0030512	Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	£	139.44	£ 27.89	£	167.33
10/10/2023	424001735921	West Northamptonshire Council	£	37.50	£ 7.50	£	45.00
18/10/2023	424001767025	West Northamptonshire Council	£	1,761.42	£ 352.28	£	2,113.70
20/10/2023	424001776472	West Northamptonshire Council	£	18.00	£ 3.60	£	21.60
02/11/2023	424001782110	West Northamptonshire Council	£	112.20	£ -	£	112.20
02/11/2023	424001782123	West Northamptonshire Council	£	37.50	£ 7.50	£	45.00
		Total Unpaid		£69,375.41	£10,270.31		£79,645.69

Invoice Date	Invoice No	A/c Name		Net Value	VAT	Ir	voice Total
02/08/2023	LP287	Live Performers	£	1,003.50	£ -	£	1,003.50
10/11/2023	7970	Maintenance Services Electrical		£489.60	£97.92	£	587.52
						£	587.52
							ue presented
		Salaries (Net) for including Mayoral Allowance				£	20,977.86
						£	20,977.86
		Salaries (Net) for including Mayoral Allowance HMRC - Pensions -					20,977.86 9,146.81
		HMRC -		Total Sal	aries / HMRC / Pensi	£ £	20,977.86
Councillor Community Fur	nd Applications, Approved at Gran	HMRC - Pensions -		Total Sal	aries / HMRC / Pensi	£ £	20,977.86 9,146.81
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Councillor Community Fur		HMRC - Pensions -		Total Sal	aries / HMRC / Pensi	£ £ on	20,977.86 9,146.81 8,209.75

ACCOUNTS SUB-COMMITTEE - 13TH DECEMBER 2023

MINUTES OF THE ACCOUNTS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13TH DECEMBER 2023 AT 11AM IN THE TOWN COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ROOM LOCATED IN THE GUILDHALL, NORTHAMPTON

PRESENT: Councillors Marriott (Chair), Birch and Purser.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Mr S Carter (Town Clerk), Mrs C Maclellan (Finance Officer) and Miss F Barford (Democratic Services Officer)

56. APOLOGIES

Apologies were submitted by Councillor Hibbert.

57. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were submitted.

58. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A Councillor raised that revenue funds from events went into the general reserves and not to the corresponding events budget line.

The Finance Officer (FO) stated that any budget overspend and any expenditure over the allotted amount needed to be agreed at the relevant Committee.

A Councillor proposed that any revenue received from events could be earmarked within reserves for events and used the following financial year. These do need to be approved prior to budget setting by P&F and Full Council before earmarked reserves can be allocated.

The Town Clerk explained that any revenue to the budget would be need to be budgeted for. In response to a question, the Town Clerk explained that many Parish Councils use revenue received from Car Parks as an example and then the revenue generated would be used to fund other projects.

In response to a question on the minutes, the FO explained the two Wave Utilities Payments one was credit and the other was a debit and therefore mitigated the sum.

RESOLVED: The Chair was authorised to sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13th November 2023 as a true and accurate record.

59. REVENUE BUDGET 2023/24

A Councillor suggested that budget codes with no expenditure be highlighted within the Revenue Budget.

The FO highlighted budget codes that have had an increase of 10% or more:

- Budget Code 4015 Travel and Subsistence had increased to 67.2%
- Budget Code 4110 Post had increased to 42.8%

 The FO explained the franking machine balance had been topped-up.

- Budget Code 4214 – Civic Events had increased to 97.7%

The FO stated that Civic Events had increased due to Freedom of the Town had been provided to Courtney Lawes and Chantelle Cameron.

- Budget Code 4211 - Mayor's Transport was at 100.6%

The FO explained there was an open purchase order (PO) raised and therefore included committed expenditure (expenditure not year spent) in the 100.6% number however, the true amount would become clear at the end of the year. She added that the expectation the Mayor's Transport would fall within the allocated budget and would be monitored and actioned to fall within budget some Councillor were due to attend training courses however, no invoices had been received yet.

- Budget Code 1001 - CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) had increased

The FO stated that CIL funds had been received from West Northamptonshire Council however, no information was provided on what development the funds related to. A Councillor explained CIL monies were to be used for any infrastructure to improve an area for example, the installation of a play area. In response to a question, the Town Clerk explained they have recently appointed an Officer and he would request further clarification from them on how the funds can be spent.

- Budget Code 1190 – Interest Received had increased 1179.2%

The FO stated that interest had been received from the Town Council's CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund investment which continued to exceed expectations due to the increase in interest rates.

Cost Centre 315 – Public Events

The FO explained she had incorrectly posted a Wave Utilities invoices to Public Events however, this had been journaled to the correct cost centre 230 (Allotments) under budget code, 4400 Repairs and Maintenance and this correction would be reflected in the Budgetary Report at the following Accounts Sub-Committee meeting.

In response to a question, the Town Clerk explained the recent Freedom of the Town Meeting was funded via the Civic Events budget. The FO highlighted concerns with Remembrance Sunday and Armed Forces Day falling under the Community Services Budget whereas others fall under the Civic Budget codes. A Councillor suggested that Civic Events budget should be itemized into individual budget lines similar to the Public Events. A Councillor concurred that individual Civic Event budget lines would provide more clarity and transparency. This needs to be detailed and ideally captured at budget setting.

RECOMMENDED: That budget code, Civic Events 4214 be separated into itemized budget codes for each event.

RESOLVED: That the Revenue Budget for month ending November 2023 was circulated and reviewed.

60. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The FO requested that Councillors take their time to review the Payment of Accounts and ask questions in relation to any items. The FO tabled an invoice for Kamalini Aiyampillai for the sum of £2,624 to be included within the payment of accounts.

In response to a question, the FO explained a red carpet was ordered however, it did not arrive therefore it was disputed and a credit note issued from the supplier.

The FO stated she had queried why Wave Utilities were including VAT within their invoices at Glebeland Road Allotment and these invoices have subsequently been reissued without VAT and posting to the suppliers account would need to be done to correct the VAT input / output

The FO explained we have not been billed for any electricity usage for the Christmas lighting however, the information has been provided to the Faith I'm not sure who it was supplier to? . A Councillor raised that the miniature Christmas Trees placed around the Town on street lights were provided free-of-charge with only installation costs required to be paid.

The FO explained that Salaries and Payroll costs were higher than expected due the Local Government Pay Offer being agreed and the pay backdated to April 2023, she added that this included the Cllr backpay and Councillors' pay slips had been issued for their allowances.

The FO stated that a grant payment was rejected by Barclays due to the banks wider issue with Charity Bank accounts and may pose an administrative issue to be resolved. The FO added that she had discussed with the Democratic Services Officer to improve and make the grants process more efficient. A Councillor suggested that after Grants Sub-Committee meetings an Extraordinary Accounts Sub-Committee meeting be held with members to approve Councillor Community Fund payments.

RESOLVED: That the invoice for Kamalini Aiyampillai for the sum of £2,624 to be included within the payment of accounts.

RESOLVED: That Extraordinary Account Sub-Committee would be arranged after each Grants Sub-Committee meeting to approve payment of successful Councillor Community Fund applications.

RESOLVED: That the Payment of Accounts was circulated and approved for payment.

61. BANK RECONCILIATION

The FO presented the cashbooks and bank statements to demonstrate that the bank statement and cashbook reconciled.

RESOLVED: The Bank Reconciliation was presented and signed by Councillors

62. INTERNAL CONTROLS

The FO stated the next Internal Controls will take place on 8th January 2023 with Councillor Hibbert and Soan.

63. FORWARD BUDGET

The FO stated that each Committee had reviewed the Forward Budget and have their different iterations and considerations. She added, these considerations would be populated prior to Christmas ready to Policy and Finance Budget meeting in January 2024.

64. RISK REGISTER

The Town Clerk explained a press release was issued by West Northamptonshire Council in relation to their use of accommodations that would evidently impact the Town Council once the lease ceases in 2025.

A Councillor highlighted the potential risks with the boundary commission changes and suggested that affected Councillors be kept updated.

65. FURTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR INFORMATION ONLY

No discussion was held under this item.

MEETING CONCLUDED: 12:36PM

Next Meeting 15th January 2024 at 11am

Northampton Town Council

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Month No: 8

		Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
Policy	and Finance							
101	Central Administration							
1536	Contribution to Service	0	1,500	0	(1,500)			0.0%
	Central Administration :- Income	0	1,500	0	(1,500)			
4000	Salaries NI and Pension	37,834	298,619	515,000	216,381		216,381	58.0%
4006	Recruitment	0	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	0.0%
4010	Payroll Costs	72	682	1,100	418	344	74	93.3%
4015	Travel and Subsistance	119	471	700	230		230	67.2%
4027	Training and Staff Development	0	2,013	10,000	7,987	90	7,897	21.0%
4101	Office Supplies & Photocopying	132	2,346	5,000	2,654	106	2,549	49.0%
4110	Post	350	857	2,000	1,143		1,143	42.8%
4120	Subscriptions	0	8,274	9,000	726		726	91.9%
4125	Telephone and Internet	660	5,310	6,000	690		690	88.5%
4128	Information Technology	730	9,536	10,000	464	1,364	(900)	109.0%
4130	Insurance	0	16,312	7,770	(8,542)		(8,542)	209.9%
4140	Advertising and Marketing	150	5,932	10,000	4,068	5,070	(1,003)	110.0%
4155	Accounting Support	295	2,360	4,000	1,640	1,180	460	88.5%
4190	Equipment	0	35	10,000	9,965		9,965	0.3%
Ce	entral Administration :- Indirect Expenditure	40,343	352,746	592,570	239,824	8,154	231,669	60.9%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(40,343)	(351,246)	(592,570)	(241,324)			
105	Corporate Management							
4150	Bank Charges	3	116	1,000	884		884	11.6%
4156	Audit Fees	0	2,520	4,000	1,480		1,480	63.0%
4159	Legal & Professional Fees	927	6,345	30,000	23,655	1,984	21,672	27.8%
4162	Health and Safety	0	44	8,000	7,956		7,956	0.5%
Cor	porate Management :- Indirect Expenditure	930	9,025	43,000	33,975	1,984	31,992	25.6%
	Net Expenditure	(930)	(9,025)	(43,000)	(33,975)			
110	Civic and Democratic							
4130	Insurance	0	2,309	4,460	2,151		2,151	51.8%
	Advertising and Marketing	0	109	2,000	1,891		1,891	5.5%
	Elections	0	0	40,000	40,000		40,000	0.0%
	Mayoral Activity	465	2,547	12,000	9,453	151	9,303	22.5%
	Deputy Mayor	0	10	2,000	1,990		1,990	0.5%
	Mayoral Allowance	500	4,968	6,000	1,032		1,032	82.8%
	Mayor's Transport	5,188	17,494	24,770	7,276	7,420	(144)	100.6%
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4212 Councillor Allowances	0	26,880	30,000	3,120		3,120	89.6%
4213 Councillor Training/Conference	0	128	5,000	4,872	42	4,830	3.4%
4214 Civic Events	3,299	13,574	16,000	2,426	2,054	373	97.7%
4215 Civic Regalia	0	15,073	4,500	(10,573)		(10,573)	335.0%
4216 Council Meetings & Room Hire	151	792	5,000	4,208	914	3,295	34.1%
4217 Mayor Contingency	0	0	6,000	6,000		6,000	0.0%
4523 Windrush	0	4,872	0	(4,872)	0	(4,872)	0.0%
4540 Town Twinning	0	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	0.0%
Civic and Democratic :- Indirect Expenditure	9,604	88,755	159,730	70,975	10,580	60,395	62.2%
Net Expenditure	(9,604)	(88,755)	(159,730)	(70,975)			
115 Other Cost and Income							
1001 CIL	6,349	15,948	0	(15,948)			0.0%
1176 Precept Received	0	1,807,837	1,807,837	0			100.0%
1190 Interest Received	12,924	58,958	5,000	(53,958)			1179.2%
Other Cost and Income :- Income	19,273	1,882,743	1,812,837	(69,906)			103.9%
4998 Service Reserve	0	0	214,500	214,500		214,500	0.0%
4999 Contingency	0	0	71,437	71,437		71,437	0.0%
Other Cost and Income :- Indirect Expenditure	0	0	285,937	285,937	0	285,937	0.0%
Net Income over Expenditure	19,273	1,882,743	1,526,900	(355,843)			
201 The Guildhall							
4300 Service Charge	0	17,144	77,000	59,856	51,431	8,425	89.1%
4390 Accommodation Reserve	0	0	108,000	108,000		108,000	0.0%
The Guildhall :- Indirect Expenditure	0	17,144	185,000	167,856	51,431	116,425	37.1%
Net Expenditure	0	(17,144)	(185,000)	(167,856)			
Policy and Finance :- Income	19,273	1,884,243	1,812,837	(71,406)			103.9%
Expenditure	50,877	467,670	1,266,237	798,567	72,149	726,418	42.6%
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve		1,416,573	.,200,207	, , 5,551	, 2, 1, 1,	. 20, 110	12.070
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Environ	nmental Services							
210	Open Spaces & Environment							
1537	Northampton in Bloom Income	0	23,021	23,021	0			100.0%
	Open Spaces & Environment :- Income	0	23,021	23,021	0			100.0%
4015	Travel and Subsistance	0	88	0	(88)		(88)	0.0%
4140	Advertising and Marketing	0	69	0	(69)		(69)	0.0%
4536	Northampton In Bloom	108	57,767	60,000	2,233	240	1,993	96.7%
4560	Environmental Projects	0	4,268	25,000	20,732	80	20,652	17.4%
4561	Environmental Grants	0	10,000	25,000	15,000		15,000	40.0%
Open Spo	aces & Environment :- Indirect Expenditure	108	72,192	110,000	37,808	320	37,488	65.9%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(108)	(49,171)	(86,979)	(37,808)			
230	Allotments							
4400	Repairs and Maintenance	242	8,594	30,000	21,406	350	21,056	29.8%
	Allotments :- Indirect Expenditure	242	8,594	30,000	21,406	350	21,056	29.8%
	Net Expenditure	(242)	(8,594)	(30,000)	(21,406)			
	Environmental Services :- Income	0	23,021	23,021	0			100.0%
	Expenditure	350	80,786	140,000	59,214	670	58,544	58.2%
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(350)	(57,765)					

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		Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
Commu	ınity Services							
301	Community Grants							
4170	Community Grant Scheme	0	40,968	100,000	59,032		59,032	41.0%
	Community Grants :- Indirect Expenditure	0	40,968	100,000	59,032	0	59,032	41.0%
	Net Expenditure	0	(40,968)	(100,000)	(59,032)			
310	Community Services							
4171	Councillor Community Funding	0	19,166	75,000	55,834		55,834	25.6%
4221	Community Needs Analysis	0	0	50,000	50,000	2,677	47,323	5.4%
4225	Community Projects	0	29	50,000	49,971	16	49,955	0.1%
C	Community Services :- Indirect Expenditure	0	19,195	175,000	155,805	2,693	153,112	12.5%
	Net Expenditure	0	(19,195)	(175,000)	(155,805)			
315	Public Events							
1155	WNC Transfer	0	84,281	83,979	(302)			100.4%
1536	Contribution to Service	0	2,000	5,000	3,000			40.0%
	Public Events :- Income		86,281	88,979	2,699			97.0%
4015	Travel and Subsistance	43	222	300	78		78	74.1%
	Advertising and Marketing	1,091	9,375	10,000	625	472	153	98.5%
4400		282	282	0	(282)		(282)	0.0%
4500	Diwali	4,280	8,320	10,000	1,680	1,404	276	97.2%
4501	Christmas Event	68,893	83,563	200,000	116,437	96,603	19,834	90.1%
4502	Fireworks	23,213	58,466	55,000	(3,466)	1,300	(4,766)	108.7%
4503	Bands in the Park	0	10,428	10,000	(428)	350	(778)	107.8%
4508	Ukraine Art Exhibition	0	281	5,000	4,719		4,719	5.6%
4509	Virtual Heritage Tour	0	5,400	7,000	1,600		1,600	77.1%
4510	General Events	1,465	2,207	49,800	47,593		47,593	4.4%
4511	EID	0	10,840	10,000	(840)		(840)	108.4%
4512	NMF22 / NMF23	0	15,275	10,000	(5,275)		(5,275)	152.8%
4513	Northampton Carnival	0	19,421	20,000	579		579	97.1%
4514	Party in the Park/Balloon Fest	0	5,000	5,000	0		0	100.0%
4515	Pride	0	3,698	4,000	302		302	92.5%
4516	QueensJubilee/Kings Coronation	0	14,758	15,000	242		242	98.4%
4517	Remembrance Day	646	646	10,000	9,355	5,827	3,528	64.7%
4518	Town Festival	0	5,000	5,000	0		0	100.0%
4519	Armed Forces Day	0	6,691	5,000	(1,691)		(1,691)	133.8%
4520	Beer Festival	0	5,000	5,000	0		0	100.0%

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4521	Van Hire (Events)	0	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	0.0%
4522	St Georges Day	0	5,035	0	(5,035)		(5,035)	0.0%
4524	Heritage Open /Projects	0	8,070	0	(8,070)		(8,070)	0.0%
	Public Events :- Indirect Expenditure	99,913	277,981	438,100	160,119	105,956	54,163	87.6%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(99,913)	(191,700)	(349,121)	(157,421)			
	Community Services :- Income	0	86,281	88,979	2,699			97.0%
	Expenditure	99,913	338,144	713,100	374,956	108,650	266,307	62.7%
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(99,913)	(251,863)					

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		Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	
Plannin	<u>g</u>								
400	Planning								
4140	Advertising and Marketing	0	125	0	(125)		(125)	0.0%	
4600	Neighbourhood Planning	3,370	3,370	10,000	6,630		6,630	33.7%	
4601	Planning Support	0	0	10,000	10,000	700	9,300	7.0%	
	Planning :- Indirect Expenditure	3,370	3,495	20,000	16,505	700	15,805	21.0%	
	Net Expenditure	(3,370)	(3,495)	(20,000)	(16,505)				
	Planning :- Income	0	0	0	0			0.0%	
	Expenditure	3,370	3,495	20,000	16,505	700	15,805	21.0%	
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(3,370)	(3,495)						
	Grand Totals:- Income	19,273	1,993,544	1,924,837	(68,707)			103.6%	
	Expenditure	154,510	890,094	2,139,337	1,249,243	182,169	1,067,074	50.1%	
	Net Income over Expenditure	(135,237)	1,103,450	(214,500)	(1,317,950)				
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(135,237)	1,103,450						

				VAT		Invoice Total	
26/10/2023	Ending 3373	Lloyds Bank Card Statement		£	-	£	139.60
27/11/2023	Ending 3373	Lloyds Bank Card Statement				£	557.04
07/11/2023	48319/0660432	Horizon		+		£	792.57
08/11/2023	VOI0034836	ZenOffice	£ 147.54	£	-	£	147.54

Invoice Date	Invoice No	A/c Name	Net Value	VAT	Invoice Total
28/11/2023	23/1134	5 Star Loos	£950.00	£190.00	£1,140.00
05/12/2023	1027	Abington Wind Band	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00
28/11/2023	IN315046	Adams Cundell Engineers Ltd (T/A Ace Plant	£2,240.00	£448.00	£2,688.00
27/09/2023	INV-0186	Boombastic Events Ltd	£775.00	£0.00	£775.00
08/11/2023	INV-0198	Boombastic Events Ltd	£225.00	£0.00	£225.00
07/11/2023	46155	Chelsea Hire complete Event Hire Solution	£2,374.81	£474.96	£2,849.77
14/11/2023	46209	Chelsea Hire complete Event Hire Solution	£470.00	£94.00	£564.00
20/11/2023	CR46209	Chelsea Hire complete Event Hire Solution	-£75.00	-£15.00	-£90.00
30/11/2023	EF10017	Elveden Farms Ltd	£16,470.00	£3,294.00	£19,764.00
30/11/2023	EF10122	Elveden Farms Ltd	£900.00	£180.00	£1,080.00
24/11/2023	INV-6920	GM Lawrence Electrical Ltd	£25,000.00	£5,000.00	£30,000.00
06/11/2023	001/11/2023	Hinton Groundworks Ltd	£2,646.80	£529.36	£3,176.16
11/10/2023	IM 12201B	Ice Magic International LTD	£6,450.00	£1,290.00	£7,740.00
23/11/2023	20231123	Indian Hindu Welfare Organisation (IHWO)	£455.41	£0.00	£455.41
16/11/2023	25_1123_NORTHAMPTON	Joogleberry Limited	£3,640.00	£728.00	£4,368.00
06/12/2023	16_1223_NORTHAMPTON	Joogleberry Limited	£2,540.00	£508.00	£3,048.00
11/12/2023	3978	J & S Potter Ltd	£190.00	£38.00	£228.00
22/11/2023	LP313	Live Performers	£760.00	£0.00	£760.00
30/11/2023	EXPENSES NOV 23	Louise Hannam-Jones	£48.82	£0.00	£48.82
26/10/2023	782159	National World Publishing Ltd	£675.00	£135.00	£810.00
27/11/2023	2/23	Nene Valley Community Band	£450.00	£0.00	£450.00
13/11/2023	RDP/1 - 2023	NS-UK Group (Northern) Ltd	£250.50	£50.10	£300.60
26/11/2023	NCL/1 - 2023	NS-UK Group (Northern) Ltd	£2,365.50	£473.10	£2,838.60
26/11/2023	NCL/2 - 2023	NS-UK Group (Northern) Ltd	£84.00	£16.80	£100.80
17/11/2023	SM-013547 (V1)	Ostler East Midlands Limited	£830.00	£0.00	£830.00
08/11/2023	SI-281	South Northants Responders	£1,550.00	£0.00	£1,550.00
04/12/2023	SI-287	South Northants Responders	£650.00	£0.00	£650.00
01/11/2023	1441	Stage Right Productions	£1,085.60	£217.12	£1,302.72
21/11/2023	1442	Stage Right Productions	£733.00	£146.60	£879.60

21/11/2023	1443	Stage Right Productions	£1,464.56	£292.91	£1,757.47
01/12/2023	1446	Stage Right Productions	£2,167.00	£433.40	£2,600.40
11/12/2023	1448	Stage Right Productions	£10,944.00	£2,188.80	£13,132.80
27/11/2023	843	The Stretch Tent Company Ltd	£2,175.00	£435.00	£2,610.00
27/11/2023	231105 – FIREWORKS	Stu Vincent Photography	£250.00	£0.00	£250.00
28/11/2023	231112 – REMEMBRANCE	Stu Vincent Photography	£250.00	£0.00	£250.00
28/11/2023	231125 – XMAS LIGHTS	Stu Vincent Photography	£350.00	£0.00	£350.00
22/11/2023	MTR-07762	Tangerine Red Ltd	£98.00	£0.00	£98.00
23/11/2023	MTR-07770	Tangerine Red Ltd	£1,761.00	£332.40	£2,093.40
29/11/2023	INV0035808	Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	£808.64	£161.73	£970.37
29/11/2023	INV0035809	Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	£700.56	£140.11	£840.67
02/10/2023	3035	The Wild Tribe	£850.00	£0.00	£850.00
07/12/2023	EXPENSES NOV23	Josephine Haines (Expense Claims)	£95.32	£0.00	£95.32
08/12/2023	EXPENSES NOV23	Julie Thorneycroft (Expense Claims)	£55.69	£0.00	£55.69
20/07/2023	12325653A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	-£618.40	£0.00	-£618.40
26/07/2023	12341409A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£16.79	£0.00	£16.79
11/08/2023	ON ACC 0	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£0.00	£0.00	-£0.03
02/09/2023	12492718A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£118.11	£0.00	£118.11
02/10/2023	12617486A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£203.40	£0.00	£203.40
26/10/2023	12718133A9014401	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£29.98	£6.00	£35.98
02/11/2023	12743858A984758	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£191.12	£0.00	£191.12
25/11/2023	12835682A9014416	Anglian Water t/a Wave Utilities	£282.21	£0.00	£282.21
28/11/2023	169	All Saints Church	£1,000.00	£0.00	£1,000.00
09/11/2023	4700	Brandprint UK Ltd	£465.00	£93.00	£558.00
30/11/2023	EXPENSES NOV23	Catherine Maclellan (Expenses)	£87.98	£0.00	£87.98
04/12/2023	ICO:00015069668	Data Protection Fees	£35.00	£0.00	£35.00
13/10/2023	SINV054410	WORKNEST	£177.40	£35.48	£212.88
17/11/2023	INV-0077	J.Golby and Son	£288.00	£57.60	£345.60
07/12/2023	48319/0674945	Horizon Telecom Ltd t/a SCG South West	£671.43	£134.29	£805.72
16/11/2023	INV:1001656	LUNAR PUBLISHING LTD	£150.00	£30.00	£180.00

28/11/2023	18589	Microshade Business Consultants Ltd	£295.00	£59.00	£354.00
06/12/2023	18659	Microshade Business Consultants Ltd	£787.10	£157.42	£944.52
08/12/2023	INV-3417	Northants CALC Ltd	£42.00	£8.40	£50.40
08/11/2023	BK406209	Pitney Bowes Limited	£350.00	£0.00	£350.00
28/11/2023	292058	Shaw & Sons Limited	£484.95	£96.99	£581.94
05/12/2023	EXPENSES NOV23	Stuart Carter (Expense Claims)	£53.85	£0.00	£53.85
11/11/2023	MTR-07729	Tangerine Red Ltd	£638.00	£0.00	£638.00
11/11/2023	MTR-07730	Tangerine Red Ltd	£638.00	£0.00	£638.00
10/11/2023	INV0033506	Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	£79.68	£15.94	£95.62
05/12/2023	INV0036623	Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	£133.62	£26.72	£160.34
		Total Unpaid	£103,454.43	£18,503.23	£121,957.63

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Invoice Date	Invoice No	A/c Name	Net Value	VAT	Inv	oice Total		
07/12/2023	MTR-07811	Tangerine Red			£	150.00		
11/12/2023	MTR-07823	Tangerine Red			£	120.00		
07/12/2023	MTR-07806	Tangerine Red			£	120.00		
11/12/2023	Expenses Dec23	Cllr J Alwahabi			£	34.20		
12/12/2023	23/1208	5 Star Loos			£	1,560.00		
					£	1,984.20		
	Salaries / HMRC / Pension payments							
	Salaries (Net) for including Mayoral Allowance							
	HMRC -							
	Pensions -							

Total Salaries / HMRC / Pension

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Approval date	Grant No	Organisation Name	Cllr	Ward	Value	
11/11/2023	CCF204	NORTHAMPTON ASSOCIATION OF YOUTH CL	Cllr Connolly	Briar Hill Ward	£	750.00
11/11/2023	CCF205	65TH NORTHAMPTON BROWNIES, GIRL GUID	Cllr Kilbride	a. Park Ward	£	200.00
11/11/2023	CCF206	SHINE CIC	Cllr Holland-Delamere	Rectory Farm V	£	800.00
11/11/2023	CCF207	COMMUNITY SPACES ST CRISPINS	Cllr Fuchshuber & Mere	a. Talavera W	£	350.00
11/11/2023	CCF208	COMMUNITY SPACES	Cllr Marriott	a. Semilong V	£	500.00
11/11/2023	CCF209	CEDAR ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL	Cllr Stevens	Phippsville Wa	£	1,400.00
11/11/2023	CCF210	BRIAR HILL COMMUNITY CENTRE	Cllr Connolly	Briar Hill Ward	£	750.00
11/11/2023	CCF211	SPORTS 4 FITNESS CIC	Cllr Hallam & Lane	Parklands Ward	£	900.00

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11/11/2023	CCF212	THE METHODIST HOMESTEAD	Cllr Birch	a. Trinity Waı	£	200.00
11/11/2023	CCF213	FRIENDS OF BETHANY HOMESTEAD	Cllr Birch	Trinity Ward	£	300.00
11/11/2023	CCF215	PARKLANDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION	Cllr Hallam	a. Parklands V	£	800.00
11/11/2023	CCF216	ALLISTON GARDENS YOUTH & COMMUNITY (Cllr Marriott	Semilong Ward	£5	525 or £600?
11/11/2023	CCF214	BRIDGEWATER RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION	Cllr Hibbert	Riverside Ward	£	1,500.00
11/11/2023	CCF217	HOLY TRINITY CHURCH	Cllr Birch	a. Trinity War	£	300.00
11/11/2023	CCF218	NORTHAMPTON ABINGTON COMMUNITY AS	Cllrs Purser, Miah, Stev	a. Abington a	£	2,000.00
11/11/2023	CCF219	NORTHAMPTON OVERSTONE 46 TH SCOUTS	Cllr Holland-Delamere	Rectory Farm	£	500.00
11/11/2023	CCF219 corrected to CCF22	NORTHAMPTON INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY	Cllr Alwahabi, Ashraf, Haque and Tarasiewicz		£	2,000.00
11/11/2023	CCF221	KINGSLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL	Cllr Russell	Kingsley War	£	750.00
11/11/2023	CCF222	CYNTHIA SPENCER HOSPICE	Cllrs Hallam & Lane	Parklands & Bo	£	400.00
11/11/2023	CCF223	NORTHAMPTON HOPE CENTRE	Cllrs Alwahabi, Haque,	I. Castle, St Ja	£	1,190.00
11/11/2023	CGF78	NORTHAMPTON YOUNGERS			£	3,260.00
11/11/2023	CGF79	LIFE MUSIC NORTHANTS			£	2,500.00
11/11/2023	CGF80	WESTON FAVELL CENTRE FOODBANK			£	5,000.00
11/11/2023	CGF85	COMMUNITY LAW SERVICE			£	4,800.00
					£	29,750.00
				ENVIRO	NME	NTAL Grants, p
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	Approve fund transf	fer of £ (280,000) from CCLA to UNITY		
	Accounts Sub Committee	e presentation and approval 13th Dec 2023		
Date	Description		Balance	
	Unity Bank Balance as at			
30th Nov 2023	30/11/23		£	85,770.45
	Bank Transactions			
	between closing balance			
	and 13/12/23		£	8,910.25
	Balance in bank as at			
	13/12/23		£	94,680.70
	Bank Transactions -			
	pending Cllr approval	None	£	-
	Scheduled payments not			
	yet deducted	None	£	-
	Bank Total Calculation			
	13/12/23		£	94,680.70
	Paylist invoices			
	Salaries		£	35,177.80
	HMRC		£	18,146.16
	Pensions		£	14,519.04
	Unpaid Grants		£	29,750.00
	Paylist unapproved invoice	es	£	1,984.20
	Paylist invoices		£	121,957.63
	Sales refund		£	-
	Total payments on list			£221,534.83
	Total Payments due to go			
	out in Nov		£	221,534.83
	Difference between Bank			
	balance &			
	All Payments due to go			
	out		-£	126,854.13
	Funds to remain in Unity			
	bank	£ 150,000.00		

£221,534.83

Balance available /		
Required for transfer	-£	276,854.13

Funds movement proposed: £280,000 from CCLA to Unity

Northampton Town Council

Policy and Finance Committee

<u>Draft 2024/25 Budget for recommendation to Council – report of Town Clerk</u>

Purpose of report: To finalise the budget for consideration by full council

Recommended: That subject to any amendments, the committee recommend the budget to the full council meeting to be held on 22 January 2024

1. Introduction

Attached to this report is a draft Town Council budget for 24/25 financial year. This budget informs the precept figure and request that is sent to WNC.

Members are encouraged to consult the budget as the detail and narrative they may be looking for is included in it. Setting a budget is an annual statutory requirement. It is a means of financial control although there are inevitably variances that arise during the year due to changing circumstances. Preparation of the budget is one of the most important annual tasks a Council must undertake. It is not lawful to set a precept unless a budget has been prepared and approved. This is because the precept is not a figure arbitrarily set by the council but is the balancing figure after taking into account estimated expenditure and income.

When looking at the budget the proposed amounts are in the FY25 column. The current FY24 Illustrates what is in the budget for the current financial year.

The priority has been to ensure that there would be no increase in the band D level that the residents of Northampton pay.

The budget setting process asked each committee to look at their own portion of the budget and make a recommendation accordingly. The requested budget for each committee is incorporated into the budget report.

The attached budget is as proposed at this point. Within the budget there is a column that details a narrative for the majority of headings to explain the proposal, officers are able to elaborate further if required. Those coloured purple are where there is a difference from last year. The narrative is included in the budget rather than in the report below.

2. Reserves

There are a number of items that need to be earmarked again this coming year that will require approval.

	To carmark in current year					
	Total res	serve if agreed				
Accommodation Reserve	£108,000	£344,369				
Elections Reserve	£40,000	£80,000				
<u>Covid Project</u>	£50,000	£150,000				

To earmark in current year

A full summary of earmarked reserves is included in the budget attached.

It is also requested that any unspent monies in the following headings are earmarked to assist with future plans:

101 – 4128 & 101 – 4190 Information Technology and Equipment – The council is looking at future IT requirements both software and hardware

230 – 4400 Allotment repairs and maintenance. To assist with future requirements on allotments (i.e. fencing, pipe work etc)

Each earmarked reserve is earmarked for a purpose.

The accommodation reserve was originally set up with the view to allowing the council to run the Guildhall if it were to be transferred over. With the long-term accommodation still unresolved these reserves will provide security going forward.

Members will note that the event reserve is now being used and will depreciate to make up for the loss in income from WNC as part of the events transfer agreement.

The elections reserve is set up to enable the council save for elections scheduled for 2025. The cost of elections in 2021 was approximately £120,000. This reserve will deplete to zero on election year and would be affected if there was a by election.

Members will note the planned reassignment of the Community Needs Reserve. It is planned to allocate £50,000 for the next three years for funding and projects out of the town centre.

3. Precept for this budget

Using this information, the budget attached has been drafted. This budget increases the precept by £3,163 to £1,811,000 (but does not increase the Band D average due to the increased tax base, see paragraph 4). The budget itself is £2,064,077

Budget £2,064,077
(-) Contribution to service (Sponsorship etc) £12,000
(-) Interest £50,000
(-) From General Service Reserve £191,077
Precept £1,811,000

4. Tax Base

The Council Tax Base is calculated annually by West Northants Council in their capacity as the precepting authority. They do this and collect council tax on behalf of town and parish councils and the police and fire services, it is their statutory responsibility.

They set the tax base by estimating the amount of average "Band D" equivalent of the properties included in the Valuation Officer's banding list. There are adjustments adjusted for voids, appeals, new properties etc., and the provision for non-collection.

The Band D equivalent is arrived at by taking the laid down proportion of each Band as compared to Band D and aggregating the total.

The Council Tax Base for the current financial year (2023/24) is 37,061.03. The Tax Base as advised by WNC for 2024/25 has very slightly increased to 37,124.7. On a basic level there are a few more people/homes paying more council tax in Northampton.

Over the first four years of the council the committee committed to ensuring there was no increase in the band D level. This budget delivers that despite challenges with regards to cost of living and inflationary increases over the past 12 months. The increased tax base gives the Council an additional £3,107. Therefore, the precept is increased by £3,107 but it does not increase the amount the average Band D would pay. The Band D equivalent would remain at £48.78 with this budget. This £3,107 offsets against what the council will be required to take from reserves.

Whilst Band D is often quoted as being the average Council Tax Band, this is certainly not the case in respect of this Council 's area where Band D properties represent only 9.2% of the total. In Northampton 39% of properties are in Band A paying a maximum of £32.52 p.a., 23% are in Band B paying a maximum of £37.94 and 21% are in Band C paying £43.16 p.a.

This Council's precept of £48.78 at Band D compares with the national average for all town and parish councils of £79.35 and an average for all towns and parishes in West Northants of £85.61. The Council Tax for parishes within the area of the former Borough Council (plus *Moulton) in the current 23/24 financial year is:

	£
Billing	64.97
Boughton	53.81
Collingtree	59.03
Duston	104.95
East Hunsbury	65.23
Far Cotton	48.21
Great Houghton	96.59
Hardingstone	69.59
Hunsbury Meadow	25.55
Kingsthorpe	41.83
*Moulton	203.62
West Hunsbury	15.32

The Council Tax for other Town Councils in West Northants is:

Brackley	169.70
Daventry	174.07
Towcester	118.42

5. Council Tax Capping

At the moment there is no restriction on the level of increase that the Town Council can levy and the government have intimated that this is not likely to change in the forthcoming financial year . Principle authorities are required to hold a referendum and obtain a 'yes ' majority if they intend to increase their precept by 5% or more . With regards to town and parish councils, m embers need to be aware that this is a situation that may not continue in the future. The Government has also said in the past that i t is "prepared to consider" extending referendum principles to all Councils in England.

6. Devolution of Services

History shows that where unitary authorities are established after a few years, many non-statutory services and assets beg in to be passed down to town and parish councils. It is understood that NCALC have recently engaged with WNC once more about their intentions with regards to devolution, though as of yet their intentions on devolution remain unclear.

7. Legal implications

Only the Council as a whole can legally set the budget and precept. The council has however given the task of drafting the budget to this committee. The recommendation from this committee will go to the Council meeting on 22nd January. WNC require the precept figure by the end of January 2024.

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<u> </u>		P	Committee	-	Comments FY24 Current Year Budget Policy & Final		rrent FY24	Comments FY25 Next Year Budget Policy & I		FY25 Next Year
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	Cost Centre	Code 4000	Central Administration Salaries NI and Pension	-	Includes Apprentice, new Community Engagement officer, and 5% cost of living increase.	£	515,000	Salary uplift 5% Staff additions (RFO and potentially junior Finance Officer). potentially consider 1 or 2	£	597,00
<u>.</u>	101	4006	Recruitment		leave as £2k for all 5 years	£	2,000	additional staff in relation to events. C £116k not included.	£	2,00
;	101	4010	Payroll Costs		Apply 3% uplift year on year PLUS 20	£	1,100		£	1,60
	101	4015	Travel and Subsistence		Apply 3% uplift year on year	£	700		£	72
	101	4027	Training and Staff		Increase to £15k in FY25 then Apply 3% uplift year on year - changed back to £10k Increase by 10% in Fy27 on the	£	10,000		£	10,00
	101	4101	Office Supplies & Photocopying		basis that the current copier machine lease will expire and will need renewed and Apply 3%yoy	£	5,000		£	5,00
1	101	4110	Post		Apply 3% uplift year on year	£	2,000		£	2,06
	101	4120	Subscriptions		Change description to include Licence and decrease legal and professional by £5,000 and add to Subscriptions. Then Apply a 3% increase year on year.	£	9,000	£5k came from 4159 legal	£	14,00
t	101	4125	Telephone and Internet		Increase by 10% yoy	£	6,000		£	6,60
	101	4128	Information Technology		Increase by £2,000 for additional staff FY25. Also consider IT support add c £6000 then 3% uplift YOY	£	10,000		£	18,00
	101	4130	Insurance		Insurance increased to £14k Post BS for FY24 so Apply 5% uplift YOY from FY25	£	7,770		£	14,70
	101	4140	Advertising and Marketing		Apply 3% uplift year on year and move £1000 to 4140 315	£	10,000		£	9,30
	101	4155	Accounting Support		Apply 3% uplift year on year	£	4,000		£	4,12
	101	4190	Equipment		Consider Laptops/ iPads for FY24 for Clirs £800 x25 2 x staff (1 spare) £1.6k FY24 Fy25 2 x staff plus 10% uplift on FY24 final estimate yoy. Mobile phone 10x £500pp Apply in FY26 Replace existing laptops in FY26 8x£800 then Apply 10%uplift YOY	£	10,000	10 (7 non dual Cllrs and 3 new laptops) use £10,000 in FY24 unspent and Ear Mark in FY25 for software	£	12,00
	I.			Central Administration Total Overhead Expenditure		£	592,570	Central Administration Total Overhead Expenditure	£	697,10
				Central Administration Net Income over Expenditure		(!	592,570)	Central Administration Net Income over Expenditure	-£	697,10
4	105	105	Corporate Management							
ļ	105	4150	Bank Charges		Apply 3% uplift year on year Apply 3% uplift year on year	£	1,000		£	1,03
ł	105	4156	Audit Fees		reduce by £5k and move to	£	4,000		£	4,12
ļ	105	4159	Legal & Professional Fees		Subscriptions. Check if Ellis Whittham comes out	£	30,000		£	25,00
	105	4162	Health and Safety		of this?? Leave as is? Posted to 4159. LM suggested reducing to £5000	£	8,000	No EW comes out of 4159 Legal 105	£	5,00
				Corporate Management Total Overhead Expenditure Corporate		£	43,000	Corporate Management Total Overhead Expenditure	£	35,15
				Management Net Income over Expenditure		((43,000)	Corporate Management Net Income over Expenditure	-£	35,15
ł	110	110	Civic and Democratic	-	Car & Fine arts uplift 10% YOY	_	4.455			
ł	110	4130	Insurance		Apply 3% uplift year on year and	£	4,460		£	4,90
	110	4140	Advertising and Marketing		move £1000 to 4140 315. removed % increase	£	2,000		£	1,03
	110	4200	Elections		Apply £40,000 every year	£	40,000		£	40,00
ĺ	110	4208	Mayoral Activity		For Civic Chair discussion	£	12,000	Reduced because only £2.5k spent to Dec23	£	8,00
İ	110	4209	Deputy Mayor		For Civic Chair discussion	£	2,000	Spent to Dec25	£	2,00
ľ	110	4210	Mayoral Allowance		For Civic Chair discussion	£	6,000	Increase Fy25 by 5%	£	6,60
Ĺ	110	4211	Mayor's Transport		Apply 5% uplift YOY	£	24,770		£	26,00
	110	4212	Councillor Allowances		Cllr allowance uplift agreed inline with officers award, FY24 +6% then 5% yoy thereafter	£	30,000	Cllr All increased to £1335.60 (1200*6%+5%) payable in FY24 then for FY25 add x5%	£	35,00
	110	4213	Councillor Training / Conference		Apply 3% uplift year on year Rem £10k& AMD £5kmoved back to Public Events. Civic now consists	£	5,000		£	5,1!
	110	4214	Civic Events		of Mayor Making £9k/Freedom £2k/Mayor Civic Svs £1200/Tree Planting £1300/ Laforey £600	£	16,000		£	14,10
	110	New	Civic Oak Apple Day		create new code and move form Civic Events				£	1,60
	110	New 4519	Civic Armed Forces Day		create code 4519 and move from Civic Events				£	25
	110	New 4517	Civic Remembrance		create code 4517 and move from Civic Events				£	2,00
+	110	4517	Civic Regalia		For Civic Chair discussion	£	4,500		£	4,50
1	110	4215	Council Meetings & Room Hire		Apply 3% uplift year on year but red		5,000		£	2,00
I	110	4217	Mayor Contingency		Vire to Payroll to cover Caroline -	£	6,000		£	6,00
					move any unspent to payroll? Reduced to £1000 due to FY24		· ·			
	110	4540	Town Twinning	Civic and	unspent	£	2,000	-	£	1,00
				Democratic Total Overhead		£	159,730	Civic and Democratic Total Overhead Expenditure	£	160,20

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1			Committee	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Comments FY24 Current Year Budget	Cur	rent FY24	3	Comments FY25 Next Year Budget		FY25 Next Year
47	115	115	Other Cost and Income	_	leave as FY24 for 2 years - further						
48	115	1176	Precept Received		discussion needed for years thereafter	£ 1	,807,837			£	1,811,000
49	115	1190	Interest Received		increase to £50k from FY25	£	5,000		Apply 5% whilst bank holds c1m	£	50,000
50		, ,		Total Income	Evas di	£ 1	,812,837			£	1,861,000
51	115	4998	Service Reserve		FY25 discuss with P&F Chair about reallocating this to events	£	214,500		FY25 removed add £214,500 to Events?	£	-
52	115	4999	Contingency		specifically. do not Apply for FY25	£	71,437		Not applied to FY25	£	-
				Other Cost &							
				Income Total Overhead		£	285,937		Other Cost & Income Total Overhead Expenditure	£	-
53				Expenditure							
54				Net Income over Expenditure		£ 1	,526,900		Other Cost & Income Net Income over Expenditure	£	1,861,000
54	201	201	The Guildhall	Experiulture					·		
	201	4300	Service Charge		Could potentially revalue lease therefore Apply 10% uplift FY25	£	77,000			£	84,700
56 57	201	4390	Accommodation Reserve		then 3% annual uplift. P&F discussion	£	108,000			£	108,000
37	201	4330	Accommodation reserve	The Guildhall			·		The Guildhall		·
58				Total Overhead Expenditure		£	185,000		Total Overhead Expenditure	£	192,700
				The Guildhall Net Income over		-£	185,000		The Guildhall	-£	192,700
59	Comr	mittoo: O	non Spaces & Environment	Expenditure	Onon Spaces & British		777		Net Income over Expenditure Open Spaces &		
60	210	210	pen Spaces & Environment Open Spaces & Environment	1	Open Spaces & En Trong	ما اون	, , ,	1	Olypen shaces &	LIIVII	Jiment
62	210	1537	Northampton in Bloom Income	1	Reduce to 0 for FY25 onwards	f!	23,021			£	-
63			-10/	Total Income	add £23,021 from il come to meet	E	23,021			£	-
64	210	4536	Northampton In Bloom	LAL	add £23,021 from income to meet budget needs then Apply 5% uplift yoy	£	60,000			£	87,172
65	210	4560	Environmental Projects	HEAM	leave as is	£	25,000			£	25,000
66		4561	Environmental Grant	Total Overhead	leave as is	£	25,000			£	25,000
67			•	Expenditure Net Income over		£	110,000			£	137,172
68	222	222	A11-4	Expenditure		-£	86,979			-£	137,172
69	230	230	Allotments	_	High Risk costs could escalate so						
70	230	4400	Repairs and Maintenance		propose to double it then Apply 3% uplift year on year	£	30,000			£	60,000
71				Total Overhead Expenditure		£	30,000			£	60,000
72				Net Income over Expenditure		(3	30,000)			-£	60,000
73	C	Committe	e: Community Services	, 22.0.0	Community Services	· ·			Community		
74	301	301	Community Grant Schomo	_	leave as is		100.000				100.000
75	301	4170	Community Grant Scheme	Total Overhead		£	100,000			£	100,000
76				Expenditure Net Income over			-				
77	310	310	Community Services	Expenditure		(1	.00,000)			-£	100,000
78 79	310	4171	Councillor Community Funding		leave as is	£	75,000			£	75,000
80	310	4221	Community Needs Analysis	_	leave as is	£	50,000			£	50,000
81	310	4225	Community Projects	Total Overhead		£	50,000			£	50,000 175,000
82				Expenditure Net Income over			175,000				175,000
83	245	245	Dublic Frents	Expenditure		(1	75,000)			-£	175,000
84	315	315	Public Events	_	Reduce to 0 for FY25 onwards		02.070			_	
85	315	1155	WNC Transfer	_	increase to £12k from FY25 and	£	83,979			£	-
86	315	1536	Contribution to Service	Total In	onwards	£	5,000			£	12,000
87				Total Income	Leave as is.	£	88,979			£	12,000
88	315	4015	Travel and Subsistence		Create 4015 for Environment?	£	300			£	300
	315	4140	Advertising and Marketing	†	Proposed increase to £12k from FY25 take £1000 from 4140 Civic	£	10,000			£	12,000
89					and 4140 P&F continue as is for future years		,				
90	315	4500	Diwali	_	Apply 5% uplift year on year NB	£	10,000			£	10,000
91	315	4501	Christmas Event		some Christmas lights are end of life as is the light switch on button	£	200,000			£	210,000
92	315	4502	Fireworks	_	Apply 5% uplift yoy Apply 5% uplift however, in FY25	£	55,000			£	57,750
	315	4503	Bands in the Park		add £1500 for purchase of new chairs and add further £1000 for	£	10,000			£	13,000
93	313	600	Danas in the Fair		solution to WNC park rangers not being able to assist		10,000			_	13,000
94	315	4508	Ukraine Art Exhibition		Reduce to 0 for FY25 onwards	£	5,000			£	-
					From FY25 change the description name to a Generic Heritage and						
					include HOD - move 4524 Heritage Open / Projects to Virtual and						
	24-	4500	Mintered Header		change code to Heritage so we have one code for all things Heritage?	_	7.000				22.000
	315	4509	Virtual Heritage Tour		Also £8500 added to FY25 following CS meeting 25/09/23 for Great Fire	£	7,000			£	22,000
					of Northampton 350th Anniversary						
95				†					Need to offset any event spend		
	315	4510	General Events			£	49,800		approved post budget also change name to Events	£	23,000
96 97	315	4511	EID	1	continue as is for future years	£	10,000		Contingency? See EMR comment!	£	10,000
9/				-	Increase to £15k in FY25		,				
98	315	4512	NMF22 / NMF23		NB! Need to determine if budget should be moved to Grant 4170?	£	10,000			£	15,000
99	315	4513	Northampton Carnival		continue as is for future years	£	20,000		JR J	£	20,000
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\Box			Committee		Comments FY24		Comments FY25 Next		FY25
1		Committee			Current Year Budget	Current FY24	Year Budget		Next Year
100	315	4514	Party in the Park/Balloon Fest		Budget to be increased from £5,000 to £10,000 using Town festival budget code 4518 which is £5,000, remove Town Festival from Events plan	£ 5,000	NONLY	£	10,000
101	315	4515	Pride		continue with 14000 and apply 5% uplift	£ 4,000		£	4,200
102	315	4516	Queens Jubilee/Kings	. 11	Reduce to 0 for FY25 on vards	£ 15,000		£	-
103	315	4517	Remembrance Day	$N_{O_{\Gamma}}$	Move to Recombrance in Civic - No! Jean and Public and create same code is win civic	£ 10,000		£	10,000
104	315	4518	Town Festival	CIN	ode 15 in civic budget removed and added to 4514 Balloon Festival	£ 5,000		£	-
105	315	4519	Queens Jubilee/Kings Remembrance Day Town Festival Armed Forces Day Beer Festival Van Hire (Events)	15.	Move to Remembrance in Civic - No leave in Public and create same code 4517 in Civic	£ 5,000		£	5,000
106	315	4520	Beer Festival		continue as is for future years	£ 5,000		£	5,000
107	315	4521	Van Hire (Events)		continue as is for future years	£ 2,000	Ear marked any unspent for future possible van purchase	£	2,000
108	315	4522	St Georges day		Propose to increase to £7500 in FY25 but then increase to £10k from FY26			£	7,500
109	315	Need code?	Out of Town Events (take £50k from EMR 4221 and reduce to £99,900		Propose £10k for WFA - CSC also propose to utilise EMR 4221 and increase this £10k to £50k reducing EMR 4221 £99,900			£	50,000
110	315	4524	Heritage Open / Projects		Do not use for FY25 anything heritage related should go to 4509			£	-1
111				Total Overhead Expenditure	The second should go to 4505	£ 438,100		£	486,750
112				Net Income over Expenditure		-£ 349,121		-£	474,750
113		Com	mittee: Planning		Planning	·	Planr	ning	
114	400	400	Planning						
115	400	4600	Neighbourhood Planning		continue as is for future years	£ 10,000		£	10,000
116	400	4601	Planning Support		continue as is for future years	£ 10,000		£	10,000
117				Total Overhead Expenditure		£ 20,000		£	20,000
118				Net Income over Expenditure		(20,000)		-£	20,000
119									
120				Tota	l Budget Income	£ 1,924,837	Total Budget Income	£	1,873,000
121					Expenditure	£ 2,139,337	Expenditure	£	2,064,077
122				Movement	to/(from) Gen Reserve	-£ 214,500		-£	191,077