



# DECISION RECORD

# Gloucester City Council

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**Decision Of**

Cabinet

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**Item No.**

7

**Title**

Draft Money Plan 2023-28 and Budget Proposals 2023/24

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman), Leader of the Council (Councillor Richard Cook)

**Report Author**

Jon Topping, Director of Policy and Resources

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

## DECISION:

### RESOLVED that:

- (1) the assumptions contained in the Council's draft Money Plan from 2023/24 to 2027/28 and revisions to the draft revenue budget are approved
- (2) the uncertainties regarding future incomes, as shown in the report and Appendix 1, and the need to update the Draft Money Plan when there is more certainty regarding Central Government financing, are noted.

## REASON FOR DECISION:

To review the Money Plan that sets out the Council's strategic approach to the management of its finances, and presents indicative budgets and Council Tax levels for the medium term and comments on the significant financial risks facing the Council in the forthcoming years and explains what the Council is doing to reduce those risks.

## ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The Council must set a balanced budget in time to start collecting Council Tax by 1st April 2023. Alternative proposals put forward for budget savings will be considered as part of this process.

## OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

## CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

**SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):**

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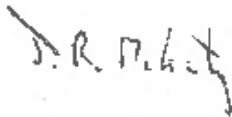
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**Title**

Treasury Management Update - Mid Year Report 2022/23

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)

**Report Author**

Jon Topping, Director of Policy and Resources

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED** that the contents of the report are noted.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

The CIPFA (Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy) Code of Practice for Treasury Management recommends that members be updated on treasury management activities regularly (TMSS, annual and midyear reports). The report covers the six months 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and therefore, ensures the Council is implementing best practice in accordance with the Code.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

None

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

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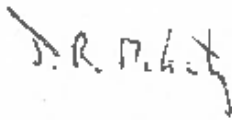
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**Title**

Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2023/24

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)

**Report Author**

Jon Topping, Director of Policy and Resources

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

## DECISION:

### RECOMMENDED to Council that:

- (1) the current Local Council Tax Support scheme, as the approved scheme for Gloucester City in 2022/23, be adopted for 2023/24
- (2) the scheme approved at 2.1 (1) in the report be updated to align with any legislation changes in January 2023 and to be implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023
- (3) any urgent amendments to the scheme approved at 2.1 (1) in the report, in the event of a national emergency and authorised by the government, be adopted and implemented immediately.

## REASON FOR DECISION:

Gloucester City Council have managed to maintain the current scheme broadly mirroring the original fully funded scheme for ten years, to date. Whilst the Council are facing a range of financial pressures, it is not considered pertinent to amend the scheme at this time. Across the UK households are struggling to make their incomes stretch to cover the rising cost of living; the current scheme offers a degree of financial support in uncertain financial times for our residents.

As government funding continues to decrease, we also need to strike a balance between a revised scheme that is fair and affordable for those who receive support, and also for all our residents who receive council services. However, we do remain committed to providing support to our residents with low incomes.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

Amendments to the scheme have not been considered for the 2023-24 year.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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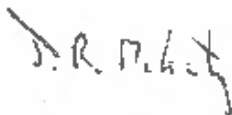
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**Title**

Performance Monitoring Quarter 2 - 2022/23

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)

**Report Author**

Jon Topping, Director of Policy and Resources

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED** that the Quarter 2 Performance Report 2022/23 at Appendix 1 of the report is noted.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

The council is committed to embedding a culture of Performance Management across the organisation and this report provides Members with an overview of corporate performance during the first quarter of 2022/23.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

There are no alternative options.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

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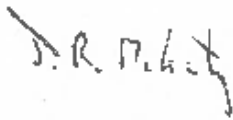
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**Title**

Tourism and Destination Marketing Progress Report 2022

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure (Councillor Andrew Lewis)

**Report Author**

Philip Walker, Head of Culture

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED** that the Tourism and Marketing Progress Report is noted, and that the progress made against the marketing plan in 2022 is endorsed.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

The report shows the team's progress in promoting the city and supporting our visitor economy businesses in 2022.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

The priorities outlined in the Marketing Plan have been agreed in conjunction with our partners (visitor economy businesses in the city), and as such, we would not be able to change with them without consulting them again.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

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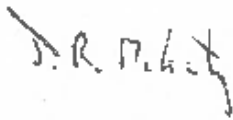
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**Title**

Annual report on the Grant Funding provided to Voluntary and Community Sector

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Raymond Padilla)

**Report Author**

Ruth Saunders, Director of Communities

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED** that the report is noted and the same approach is endorsed for the 2022/23 year.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

Cabinet are asked to note the contents of this report and endorse the same approach for the coming year.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

No longer providing grant funding in any form is an option, however this does not help to realise the ambitions we have for our City and build on the excellent progress which has been made in previous years through small investments in our communities.

Other Districts in Gloucestershire deliver support to the VCS in a variety of different ways which are similar to Gloucester but reflect the local context and approach. The amount of grant funding available to community groups is similar across the County, however, we are confident that our approach fits with our ethos around ABCD which adds benefit to our residents.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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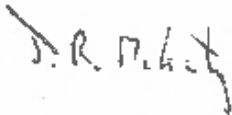
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**Title**

Gloucester Community Building Collective

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Raymond Padilla)

**Report Author**

Jon McGinty, Managing Director

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

## DECISION:

### RESOLVED that:

- (1) the significant success of the GCBC in delivering community building activities in Gloucester and developing as a mature and financially sustainable organization is noted
- (2) the next steps in the development of the Collective to become a community led organisation from December 2022 is endorsed
- (3) the Council withdraw from sole Membership and the Membership Agreement
- (4) authority is delegated to the Director of Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods and Council Solicitor to Implement these changes.

## REASON FOR DECISION:

Community Building is fundamentally community led. By setting up an independent CIC, with shared ownership across a variety of stakeholders, we broaden the buy-in and give Community Builders greater ability to work across the whole City with everyone, rather than being placed within organisations with specific objectives (inclusion, disability, health, etc).

## ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The Council could remain as single shareholder member but this would not deliver its vision of moving towards community ownership.

The Council could agree to a shared ownership model but with different shareholders from the Board of Directors. This would delay progress and potentially create uncertainty for the Company.

The City Council could withdraw entirely but this would cause uncertainty for the Company, and would also create the risk for the Council that the direction of travel changes and does not deliver the work that the Council set it up to deliver for the community.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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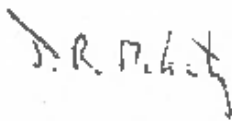
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<b>Decision Of</b>	Cabinet		
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<b>Title</b>	Adoption of the Gloucester City Plan		
<b>Report Of</b>	Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Strategy (Councillor Stephanie Chambers)		
<b>Report Author</b>	Adam Gooch, Planning Policy Team Leader		
<b>Wards Affected</b>	All Wards	<b>Key Decision</b>	No
<b>DECISION:</b> <b>RECOMMENDED</b> to Council that:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) the Gloucester City Plan 2011 – 2031 (Appendix 5 of the report) be adopted, incorporating all of the Main Modifications recommended by the Inspector (Appendix 2 of the report), together with the Additional Modifications (Appendix 6 and Appendix 6A of the report), as a part of Gloucester City Council’s statutory Development Plan</li><li>(2) the correction of any minor errors such as spelling, grammar, cross-referencing, typographical and formatting changes (including the addition of a foreword), that do not affect the substantive content of the plan be delegated to the Head of Place, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Strategy; and to finalise and publish an updated and consolidated version of the Policies Map as it relates to the Gloucester City Plan.</li></ul>			
<b>REASON FOR DECISION:</b>  The Inspector’s report sets out her findings and the Main Modifications set out the changes that are considered necessary to make the Gloucester City Plan ‘sound’ and legally compliant, in order that it can be adopted by the City Council.			
<b>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:</b> At this stage in the process, changes to a Local Plan are Inspector-led, being amendments necessary to make the plan ‘sound’.			
<b>OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:</b> None			

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

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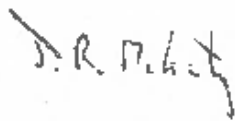
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