Appendix 4 - Budget Proposals and Service Impact Statements

PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES

Adult Social Care & Health

Savings Title	How to be achieved	17/18 Saving £000	18/19 Saving £000	19/20 Saving £000	3 year Savings Total	Risk to delivery of saving (H/M/L)	Impacts on staff - (incl no of posts deleted)	Impacts on property / assets etc	Impacts to service delivery
Efficiency Savings									
Prime Provider Social Care & Health Contract	Incorporated into the Prime Provider contract and associated risk and gain share.	300	0	0	**300**	L	0	None	To be delivered through efficiencies, including as a result of implementation of the new social care IT system, Liquidlogic, which will support more streamlined business processes.
Community Support Services	Reduce cost of Community Support services through: Re-defining requirements - new specification with focus on maximising independence and reduce longer-term dependency on funded care. Utilise Prime Provider/DPS arrangement to achieve contracting efficiencies.	0	75	25	**100**	M	0	None	Improved outcomes for service users as they are able to access services that are focused on maximising their independence and not building unnecessary dependency.
Day Care	Reduce the cost of day care services through: redefining requirements - new specification with focus on maximising independence and reducing longer-term dependency on funded care and moving away from more traditional model of day care for people with a LD that have been day-centre based, standard activities. Also, revise approach to transport provision to reflect this new approach.	25	75	0	**100**	M	0	May impact the long term future use of two Council-owned day-centres	Improved outcomes for service users as they are able to access services that are focused on maximising their independence and not building unnecessary dependency. Potential reduced access to existing service for some people with an LD as the service model is redesigned with a shift away from the current, traditional day-centre model.
Provider Relationship	Strengthen the focus of providers on maximising independence by focusing on individual's strengths, interests, abilities and networks improving outcomes and reducing longer term dependency. Support with a risk and gain share model with community services providers to incentivise them to deliver outcomes and reduce package costs.	125	125	0	**250**	M	0	None	Improved outcomes for service users able to access services focused on maximising independence. Greater visibility of the available options for service users and carers, giving them greater choice and control. Services can be co-ordinated around the needs and wishes of the individual.
Residential and nursing re-commission	Reduce the cost of care home placements through: a) Refinement of eligibility criteria and active promotion of community based alternatives that focus on maximising independence; b) Ensuring consistency and equity in care home fees by implementing a new commissioning and contracting model informed by Fair Price of Care exercise undertaken in 2016/17; c) Design and implementation of a brokerage service.	0	75	25	**100**	M	0	None	The assessed level of need is aligned with the cost of meeting that need avoiding "over-prescription" and increased dependency. Improved consistency and equity between service user groups. Improved cost control supported by efficient payment processes achieves better value for money.

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Assistive Technology	Increase the use of assistive technology to reduce overall package costs and reduce demand longer term for residential care a) Package cost reduction of existing service users b) Demand management - reduce future demand for more expensive care through early identification of service users who will benefit from assistive technology c) Income generation - charge service users without eligibility for Council provided care	50	50	0	100	M	0	None	Improved outcomes for service users able to access services focused on maximising independence. Greater visibility of the available options for service users and carers, giving them greater choice and control. Services can be co-ordinated around the needs and wishes of individuals. Some service users may be charged for their service, if not eligible for Council care.
Re-ablement	Maximise impact of re-ablement service promoting independence, avoiding unnecessary admission to residential and nursing care/hospital and supporting timely discharge from hospital. Streamline pathways into reablement to improve access, reduce waiting times and prevent a delay in individuals receiving a service. Improve service user outcomes and reduce dependency on long term packages of care.	125	125	0	250	M	0	None	Service users are supported to maximise their independence and packages do not build unnecessary dependency on funded services resulting in improved outcomes. The assessed level of need is aligned with the cost of meeting that need avoiding "over-prescription" and increased dependency. Improved access to reablement service and avoidance of delays. Some service users receiving reablement for longer than 6-weeks whilst waiting for an ongoing package of care may be charged for their care.
Front Door Review	Redesign social care access as part of an integrated 'front door' to place greater emphasis on: a) providing information, advice and guidance; b) enabling people to access alternative preventative and self-care focused services including those provided by voluntary sector organisations; and c) ensuring that individuals who do need statutory social care services are able to access them without delay.	62.5	187.5	0	250	M	0	None	Service users are supported to maximise their independence and packages do not build unnecessary dependency on funded services resulting in improved outcomes. The assessed level of need is aligned with the cost of meeting that need avoiding "over-prescription" and increased dependency. Improved access to statutory health and care services and avoidance of delays in individuals receiving a service. Greater visibility of the available options for service users and carers, giving them greater choice and control. Service users are enabled to help themselves.
Incremental Package Costs	Analysis of package data indicates that in 2015/16 there were a significant number of incremental package increases. A proportion of these increases will have been appropriate to respond to an increase in need. However, existing controls and governance can be strengthened to reduce the volume, value and duration of incremental increases.	50	50	0	100	M	0	None	• Reduced prevalence of incremental package increases, realising a cashable benefit • Improved outcomes for service users by ensuring they receive the right level of care at the right time and dependency is not built unnecessarily • Wider strategic objectives are supported by actively promoting and encouraging alternative ways to meet an identified need that does not necessarily rely on funded social care support, for example, assistive technology • Decision makers are held to account which can result in a greater level of ownership for operational decisions to contribute to wider practice changes • Greater visibility of incremental increases will inform practice change and market development work, by better understanding local drivers for package increases and being better equipped to respond to the reasons for those.

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Support Planning and Brokerage	Transform the approach and delivery structure of support planning and brokerage. This will involve implementing an asset based approach and separating the assessment from support planning and brokerage functions to improve operational efficiency, provide the framework for more innovative support plans and increase consistency to realise cashable and non-cashable benefits.	50	50	0	**100**	M	0	None	Service users are supported to maximise their independence and packages do not build unnecessary dependency on funded services resulting in improved outcomes. The assessed level of need is aligned with the cost of meeting that need avoiding "over-prescription" and increased dependency. Improved access to statutory health and care services and avoidance of delays in individuals receiving a service. Greater visibility of the available options for service users and carers, giving them greater choice and control. Service users are enabled to help themselves.
Review/restructure of Disabled Care Team (Adults & Children's)	The children's disability team is currently an in-house team whilst the Adult's team is externalised. An opportunity exists to merge the function through service restructuring.	50	50	0	**100**	m	Not known at this stage	None	The option of amalgamating the Adult and Children's services would provide an opportunity to develop a more seamless service and improve transition arrangements. This could also offer efficiencies in management and back-office costs.
Home Care Compliance	Develop the approach to home care commissioning to strengthen the focus on outcomes and maximising independence. Redesign the commissioning and contracting model to achieve efficiency, stimulate the market and incentivise providers to maximise independence. Streamline business processes to gain efficiencies from payment processes and cost controls.	50	50	0	**100**	M	0	None	Service users are supported to maximise their independence and packages do not build unnecessary dependency on funded services resulting in improved outcomes. The assessed level of need is aligned with the cost of meeting that need avoiding "over-prescription" and increased dependency. Improved cost control supported by efficient payment processes achieves better value for money.
Sexual health portfolio	Reduction in sexual health preventative and treatment services by ending contracts, reducing contract values and changing service specifications with service providers	31	0	0	**31**	L	0	None	Loss of service for some specific sexual health interventions as described in last year's plan
Health Improvement Programmes	Completion of last year's agreement to reduce some areas of contract spend on preventative services	157	0	0	**157**	L	0	None	Reductions across a range of service budgets as described in last year's plan
Public Health further savings	Savings in 17/18 will be made against health improvement programmes including from the DPH award (non-pay), NHS health checks and other lifestyle programmes not included in the Your Care, Your Way envelope. Savings in 18/19 will involve reduction in support to CCG health protection, internal intelligence posts, training budgets and possibly other changes to budgets for staff or commissioned services based on the Your Care, Your Way process.	50	50	0	**100**	L	0	None	This will have a small impact on a range of preventive services carried out in schools and in the community but no service will be lost entirely and direct client-facing services will be maintained and efficiency maximised through service remodelling in the Your Care, Your Way process
Sub Total - Efficiency Savings		**1,125.5**	**962.5**	**50.0**	**2,138.0**				

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Growth Avoidance									
Adult Social Care Demographic Growth - Older People over 65	Fair Price of Care and modelling of alternative fee structures for care home placements has informed development of new commissioning and contracting approaches. However, this is in the context of increasing pressures arising from demographic change. Also in the context of market conditions, which are a significant constraint when negotiating and agreeing new contractual arrangements and fee structures and ensuring that the Council's statutory obligations are met. Very close links with the mobilisation, transition and transformation of community services (your care, your way), the establishment of the Prime Provider/Dynamic Purchasing System arrangements and the agreement of risk and gain share.	333	333	333	**999**	M	0	None	A strengthened focus on maximising independence by focusing on individuals' strengths, interests, abilities and networks is designed to improve outcomes for service users and reduce longer term dependency. Potential reduced access to their preferred care setting for some service users and carers as the Council balances the views, preferences and wishes of the individual with ensuring that the assessed level of need is aligned with the cost of meeting that need, avoiding "over prescription" and building increased dependency.
Adult Social Care Demographic Growth - Mental Health over 65		190	190	190	**570**	M	0	None	
Adult Social Care Demographic Growth - Learning Disabilities		348	348	348	**1,044**	M	0	None	
Adult Social Care Demographic Growth - Mental Health Adults of Working Age		75	75	75	**225**	M	0	None	
Adult Social Care Demographic Growth - People with Physical Disabilities		46	46	46	**138**	M	0	None	
Adult Social Care Placements & Packages Inflation	Links to comments above. Focus on delivery is to achieve commissioning and contracting arrangements that are financially sustainable for both the Council and for care providers.	252	0	0	**252**	H	0	None	Increasing concerns about the capacity, capability and diversity in the market may mean that some people are not able to access their care and support from their preferred care home or provider.
Adult Social Care Placements & Packages Inflation - stretch		0	250	250	**500**	H	0	None	
Social Work & Safeguarding Activity (Prime Provider Contract)	Incorporated into the Prime Provider contract and associated risk and gain share. Links to Strengthening Social Care initiative.	21	21	21	**63**	M	0	None	New approaches require significant culture and practice shift, which can be difficult and time-consuming to achieve.
Sub Total - Growth Avoidance		**1,265**	**1,263**	**1,263**	**3,791**				
Sub Total - Adult Social Care & Health		**2,390.5**	**2,225.5**	**1,313.0**	**5,929.0**				

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Children's Services

Efficiency Savings									
Adoption Team regional approach	Combining adoption services with other Local Authorities	0	100	0	**100**	M	2	None	The creation of Regional Adoption Agencies is a national initiative. The proposed creation of Adoption West will transfer a number of current Adoption responsibilities and activities to a Regional Adoption agency from April 2018. The joining of six Local Authorities will provide children and adopters with a more consistent service as well as providing opportunities to develop more efficient and effective support systems to the process of recruiting and assessing adopters.
Increase the level of "In-house" Foster-Placements	Increase level of in-house foster placements through a combination of enabling in house carers to take more complex cases and/or increasing volumes of in house carers through increased recruitment	50	50	0	**100**	M	0	None	Initial review of new recruitment approaches (particularly through improving and increasing our social media presence) have resulted in an overall increase in expressions of interest in fostering and those which progress to assessment of carers. An increased number of in-house foster-placements may require additional capacity within the team to support the foster carers, but should still enable a net saving as shown
Children's safeguarding court proceedings	Reducing the numbers of those coming to court and then into care through preventative measures and changing the use of experts during the process e.g. a) reduction in cost of barristers a mediation approach to early prevention b) Early help preventative measures c) Review social worker use	0	100	0	**100**	H	0	None	The numbers of cases that have required the Local Authority to initiate Court proceedings in relation to young children has risen over the past two years, reflecting a national trend. Any changes to the decision making process will need to be made with consideration to evidence of an incremental and increased demand for legal intervention, but securing professional input in a more cost-effective way and increasing preventative measures can only have a positive impact.
Skills and Employment Funding Model	Reduction in level of funding from People & Communities to Place for Skills & Employment team, which will become self-funding through its work with employers. Consolidation of ad hoc internal savings used to fund this team, by deleting a post within People & Communities.	0	60	0	**60**	L	1	None	Minimal impact anticipated, providing focus on care leavers and other vulnerable young people is not lost as a result of new funding model
Home to School Transport funding arrangements	Reducing spend on home to school transportation through a) Recovering costs from other Local Authorities b) Not paying for Independent Fostering Agency placement travel as contracts include travel costs	25	0	0	**25**	M	0	None	None - this is about ensuring that we are recovering home to school transport costs where there is prior agreement that other organisations should be covering these costs.
Preventative Commissioning	Explore opportunities for further integration of commissioned services, creating more joined up approaches and creating some back-office efficiencies	12.5	12.5	0	**25**	M	0	None	Improved outcomes for families, by integrating services that are coordinated around their needs and preventing escalation into specialist social care services.
Sub Total - Efficiency Savings		**87.5**	**322.5**	**0.0**	**410.0**				

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Service Redesign									
Children's Centres buildings management	Reduce cost of Children's Centres through 'asset transfer' of centres or finding a way to ensure services are delivered by others through existing buildings	25	75	0	**100**	M	0	Potential asset transfer	The current service will continue to run. The transfer of some Children's Centre buildings to community ownership could benefit local organisations through more effective use of the buildings as well as reduce unnecessary overheads for the Council. Already exploring this option for the 'spoke' centres (not hubs).
Review savings available from Youth Connect Service	Explore options to enable alternative delivery arrangements for services creating potential partnerships with local communities thus enabling local community groups to develop the additional capacity in key areas that will offer supplementary services for young people	0	200	300	**500**	H	7-10	Potential asset transfer	This proposal seeks to maintain the Council's commitment to delivering its statutory requirements, whilst also encouraging and enabling local community groups to develop the additional capacity in key areas that will offer supplementary services for young people. Any reduction in the size and remit of the Council-run service may impact on service delivery and our early help offer. The aim of the review will be to minimise any negative impact on outcomes for young people.
Music Service remodelling	Remove Council revenue funding from the Music Service	28	0	0	**28**	L	0	None	New model of delivery established, linking music development to government grants and selling services to schools and parents
Children's Services Collaboration with other LA	Combine smaller services with other local authorities to achieve efficiencies e.g. YOT, educational functions, admissions, school psychologists, school improvement service etc. a) Combining small services b) Removal of non-essential services	0	25	0	**25**	M	1	None	Minimal impact expected as this is about combining delivery with another LA. This could assist in making these smaller services more robust as well as providing efficiencies.
Early Years nursery provision	To review all of the existing Council owned and run nurseries and explore the option of assisting other organisations to take on the running and management of nurseries to ensure there are sufficient places available.	50	50	0	**100**	M	Some fixed term posts already terminated	None	There is now provision of sufficient alternative nursery places in some areas. The private sector has been able to absorb the movement of children to independent nursery providers from Council-run nurseries in some locations. The Council will explore the option of assisting other organisations to take on the running and management of nurseries to ensure that sufficient places remain available across communities
Remodel Education Support & School Services	Scale down offer to meet remaining statutory requirements only, transferring responsibility to schools where appropriate.	0	250	0	**250**	M	Up to 5	None	This re-modelling follows national policy initiatives which have resulted in academisation of schools and the transfer of functions to schools, academies the Regional Schools Commissioner; Teaching Schools, Trust Boards of Multi Academy Trusts (MAT). Further government announcements are expected on the future role of Local Authorities in education, which may result in further changes in what we deliver. This could be achieved through greater trading with schools and academies and wider opportunities for income generation or working with neighbouring authorities, or simply scaling back the local authority's education support services to schools.
Sub Total - Service Redesign		**103**	**600**	**300**	**1,003**				
Sub Total - Children's Services		**190.5**	**922.5**	**300.0**	**1,413.0**				

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TOTAL PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES		**2,581**	**3,148**	**1,613**	**7,342**				