

Commitment Budget 2010/11 to 2012/13

	2009/10 £'000	2010/11 £'000	2011/12 £'000	2012/13 £'000
Chief Executive / Corporate Services				
Approved Budget	16,322	16,389	16,245	16,263
Alternative Cash Office Counter Service		-16		
Transport function - Best Value Review & Berkshire Wide Procurement			-50	
Printing costs for the annual council tax and business rates bills		23	TBC	TBC
Discretionary NDR Relief		10		
Place Survey (every 2 years for CAA)		15	-15	15
Area Based Grant		21		
Borough Elections			70	-70
Capital Invest to Save 07/08 - server refresh			13	
LSVT Residual costs- cessation of SLA's/Enid wood house surrender		-125		
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - Voltage Optimizers		-4		
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - EDRMS		-18		
Pilot Job Evaluation		-50		
Net Inter Departmental Virements	67			
Chief Executive / Corporate Services Adjusted Budget	16,389	16,245	16,263	16,208
Children, Young People and Learning				
Approved Budget	15,945	15,789	15,433	15,443
Suitability surveys		-20		20
Schools Music Festival			10	-10
Area Based Grant		-386	TBC	TBC
South Bracknell Youth		50		
Net Inter Departmental Virements	-156			
Children, Young People and Learning Adjusted Budget	15,789	15,433	15,443	15,453
Adult Social Care and Health				
Approved Budget	23,494	23,667	23,597	23,608
Modernise In-house Home Care		-64		
Learning Disability Initiatives		-60		
Area Based Grant		18	TBC	TBC
Social Care & Learning Restructure		36	11	
Net Inter Departmental Virements	173			
Adult Social Care and Health Adjusted Budget	23,667	23,597	23,608	23,608
Environment, Culture and Communities				
Approved Budget	26,473	26,397	26,881	26,945
Landfill Tax / Waste Disposal PFI		338	-79	-201
Landfill tax increase		103	109	106
Local Development Framework		174	-50	55
Planners Farm Income		10	30	
Capital Invest to Save 06/07 - Easthampstead Park		-1	-1	-1
LPSA2- Improve health & well being of adult residents		-42		
LPSA2- Community Cohesion (Sport)		-31		
Area Based Grant		-20	TBC	TBC
Commuted Maintenance Forest Park/Bagshot Road		-4		
Sandhurst Freedom March				5
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - Voltage Optimizers		-12		
South Hill Park Grounds			80	
Forestcare		-30	-25	
Coroners Service - transfer from TVPA				9
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - Edgbarrow Leisure Centre Lighting		-1		
Net Inter Departmental Virements	-76			
Environment, Culture and Communities Adjusted Budget	26,397	26,881	26,945	26,918
Total Service Departments	82,242	82,156	82,259	82,187

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Non Departmental / Council Wide				
Approved Budget	-8,016	-8,024	-7,083	-6,833
2009/10 capital programme (full year effect) -Interest		75		
Minimum Revenue Provision		300		
2009/10 use of balances (full year effect)		22		
LPSA 2 funding from Earmarked reserves		73		
Area Based Grant		367	TBC	TBC
Commuted Maintenance Forest Park/Bagshot Road		4		
PWC Income Target		50		
Procurement Savings		85		
Travel Plan		-35		
0.5% increase in employers NI			250	
Net Inter Departmental Virements	-8			
Non Departmental / Council Wide	-8,024	-7,083	-6,833	-6,833
TOTAL BUDGET	74,218	75,073	75,426	75,354
Change in commitment budget		855	353	-72

For management purposes budgets are controlled on a cash basis. The following figures which are used for public reports represent the cost of services including recharges and capital charges:

	2009/10 £'000	2010/11 £'000	2011/12 £'000	2012/13 £'000
Corporate Services	8,029	7,885	7,903	7,848
Children, Young People and Learning	21,789	21,433	21,443	21,453
Adult Social Care and Health	26,543	26,473	26,484	26,484
Environment, Culture & Communities	35,232	35,716	35,780	35,753
Non Departmental/Council Wide	-17,375	-16,434	-16,184	-16,184
	74,218	75,073	75,426	75,354

Description of Commitment Budget Items for 2010/11 to 2012/13

Department and Item	Description
Chief Executive / Corporate Services	
Alternative Cash Office Counter Service	The public Cash Office Counter service closed on 27 February 2009 and a new service is now provided through post offices and retail outlets offering Payzone facilities. This saving is the full year impact of savings.
Transport function - Best Value Review & Berkshire Wide Procurement	Centralisation of the Social Services based vehicles will generate savings from the rationalisation of vehicles and greater utilisation of the remaining vehicles.
Printing costs for the annual council tax and business rates bills	The current budget is not sufficient to meet all the printing costs associated with this essential service.
Discretionary NDR Relief	There has been an increase in charitable organisations applying for relief.
Place Survey (every 2 years for CAA)	There is a new requirement on the Council to conduct a bi-annual Place Survey as part of the Comprehensive Area Assessment.
Area Based Grant	This reflects the additional funding for Home to School Transport - extended rights for free travel and Adults Social Care Workforce training.
Borough Elections	The next scheduled Borough elections will be in May 2011.
Capital Invest to Save 07/08 - server refresh	This capital project reduced the overall size of the server estate by using consolidation/virtualisation software. This produced revenue savings.
LSVT Residual costs-cessation of SLA's/Enid wood house surrender	This is the full year impact of the surrender of the Enid Wood House lease.
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - Voltage Optimizers	The installation of a voltage optimisation unit at Time Square will reduce power consumption.
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - EDRMS	The implementation of a new Electronic Documents Records Management System (EDRMS) will generate savings from the decommissioning of electronic filing cupboards.
Pilot Job Evaluation	Budget was approved in 2009/10 for the review of the Council's Job Evaluation Scheme. This is required for one year only and can therefore be removed from the commitment budget in 2010/11.

Department and Item	Description
Children, Young People and Learning	
Suitability surveys	Suitability and access surveys are undertaken every three years to update the Asset Management Plan so that up to date information is available to inform investment decisions on the capital programme.
Schools Music Festival	Biennial event which enables pupils from the Council's Primary schools to participate in a large scale production which links music, dance and art.
Area Based Grant	This reflects the revised funding allocation for relevant activities. The most significant reductions relate to Extended Services (£306,000) and Connexions (£119,000).
South Bracknell Youth	As a result of the housing transfer, capital resources have been made available to enhance provision for young people in South Bracknell. This is the full year effect of the revenue impact from last year to fund the on-going activities.
Adult Social Care and Health	
Modernise In-house Home Care	This is the full year effect of a number of initiatives within Learning Disabilities to provide more support to enable people to live within their own homes, decreasing the use of more expensive traditional style residential and other placements.
Learning Disability Initiatives	This is the full year effect of savings arising from changes to in house service provision. The former in house home care service has been changed to a specialised community support service focussing on dementia and long term conditions, with non specialist domiciliary support being provided by external providers.
Area Based Grant	This reflects the revised funding allocation for relevant activities.
Social Care & Learning Restructure	The new Council Departmental structure approved by the Council on 23 September 2009 has created changes to the senior management structure in Adult Social Care and Health.
Environment, Culture and Communities	
Landfill Tax / Waste Disposal PFI	Projection of 25 year contract costs for Recycling and Waste Disposal. The contract is shared with Wokingham and Reading Borough Councils.
Landfill tax increase	Projected costs of increased rates of Landfill Tax over and above those initially announced by the Government which have increased through successive budget announcements.
Local Development Framework	The estimated costs of a continuous rolling programme to deliver Development and Supplementary Planning.

Department and Item	Description
Planners Farm Income	Re-imbusement of capital investment by Bracknell Forest Borough Council in the expansion of the composting facility several years ago at Planners Farm in return for a lower gate fee over the term will drop out in 2011/12.
Capital Invest to Save 06/07 - Easthampstead Park	An invest to save scheme to provide en-suite bedrooms. This is the incremental net increase in revenue to be received on top of the original sum declared to repay the original capital investment.
LPSA2- Improve health & well being of adult residents	Funding was approved in 2007/08 and added to the base budget. The money was to be spent over the period 2007/08 to 2009/10. This commitment removes the funding from the base budget.
LPSA2- Community Cohesion (Sport)	Funding was approved in 2007/08 and added to the base budget. The money was to be spent over the period 2007/08 to 2009/10. This commitment removes the funding from the base budget.
Area Based Grant	A number of funding streams are supported through Area Based Grant. The commitment recognises a reduction in funding of £20,000. Expenditure on these services will need to be reduced accordingly.
Commutated Maintenance Forest Park/Bagshot Road	A commuted sum of £20,860.38 was deposited with the Council by the Forest Park developers to fund future maintenance of the strip of land between the Bagshot Road and Forest Park. A sum of £4,000 was added to the base budget to apply the commuted sum over a five year period.
Sandhurst Freedom March	Contribution to Sandhurst Town Council's freedom march scheduled to take place in 2012.
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - Voltage Optimizers	An invest to save scheme to install voltage optimisation units at Time Square, Bracknell Leisure Centre and Coral Reef. This commitment is the estimated saving on energy at Bracknell Leisure Centre and Coral Reef.
South Hill Park Grounds	A condition of the grant funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund for the South Hill Park Grounds Restoration Project is that there is an ongoing commitment by the authority to maintain the improvements.
Forestcare	The business plan for Forestcare seeks to break even over a period of time. This commitment is to move to that break even point.
Coroners Service - transfer from TVPA	The Thames Valley Police Authority (TVPA) is transferring responsibility for the Coroners Service to the local authorities in Berkshire. In 2010/11 and 2011/12 the TVPA will provide 100% funding. This will be phased out over the next four years 2012/13 to 2015/16.

Department and Item	Description
Capital Invest to Save 09/10 - Edgbarrow Leisure Centre Lighting	An invest to save scheme to install modern high frequency lighting in the corridor, squash courts and changing rooms at Edgbarrow Leisure Centre. This commitment is the estimated saving on energy at the centre.
Non Departmental / Council Wide	
2009/10 capital programme (full year effect) -Interest	The full year effect of the loss of interest based on the 2009/10 capital programme.
Minimum Revenue Provision	The increase in the principal repayment on internal loans used to finance capital expenditure.
2009/10 use of balances (full year effect)	The full year effect of the interest loss on the use of balances in 2009/10.
LPSA 2 funding from Earmarked reserves	Funding was approved in 2007/08 and added to the base budget. The money was to be spent over the period 2007/08 to 2009/10.
Area Based Grant	The income budget for Area Based Grant is held under non departmental activities. This item reflects changes in funding streams and any corresponding reductions in expenditure are incorporated into the commitment budgets. Confirmation of funding for 2011/12 and 2012/13 is awaited.
Commuted Maintenance Forest Park/Bagshot Road	A commuted sum of £20,860.38 was deposited with the Council by the Forest Park developers. A sum of £4,000 was added to the base budget to apply the commuted sum over a five year period.
PWC Income Target	PWC were appointed as consultants to help develop options on the generation of additional income across the Council.
Procurement Savings	Savings targets based on the delivery of additional corporate contracts and further collaborative procurement opportunities developed by the Berkshire Procurement and Shared Services Unit.
Travel Plan	Travel plan improvements resulting from the review of essential user allowances.
0.5% increase in employers NI	Employer rates of National Insurance Contributions will increase by 0.5 per cent from April 2011.