

7.1.3 Assumptions Budget Setting : October 2019

Cost/Pressures	
Pay Award	3 % but only 2% applied to unindividual budget lines, rest assumed spent but may be targeted
Increments	Local Pay, no incremental growth
Pensions inflation	3% increase assumed pending actuarial review but noting new overhead (NI and Pension) is to be used for detailed staff costings, e.g revised establishment costs
Management and Staff Restructuring	As per Establishment costings version D. No supernumerary staff beyond 31st March 2020
Vacancies	No unfilled vacancy or vacancy factor target
Supplies & Services	3% but only 2% applied to individual lines, rest assumed spent but will be targeted, separate adjustments for Wasre and Leisure contracts
Supplies & Services Biffa	3% pending detail from actual contract
Supplies & Services Leisure Contract	3% pending detail from actual contract
Income/Service Reduction	
Fees and Charges	3 % in line with ONS inflation estimate

HB Admin Grant	10% decrease
Funding	
RSG	Assumed £0
New Homes Bonus	No new NHB
Retained Business Rates	Baseline + 2% pending detailed review
Business Rates Growth	Assume no growth pending NNDR review
Council Tax Increase	Option from 0% to 2.5% increase under discussion
Council Tax Base Growth	Based on 7 year average, EFDC share of natural growth
Provision for Bad Debt Council tax	No change
Provision for Challenge and Bad Debt NNDR	No change
Developments, Capital and New Loans	
Revenue Development Details	Initially as per master list
Capital Development Details	Initially as per master list
New Loan Details	Initially as per master list
Savings	
2019/20 Savings Impact Brought Forward	None
2020/21 Saving Target	1.0% of Gross Turnover, approximately 1.5m, basically to address inflation not covered by income increases £250,000, leaving £750,000 for developments plus whatever comes from council tax increase
Loans Holdco, Dervco and Servco	