Earmarked Reserves, Sinking Funds and General Fund Balances

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SUMMARY

This report provides details of the earmarked revenue reserves, sinking funds and general fund balances currently held by Council following the approval of the 2012/13 budget on 23 February 2012.

RPWG are asked to:

- (i) Recommend to the Executive and Council that all sinking funds are reclassified as earmarked reserves and that the payment of interest on their balances ceases, except for interest on the PFI reserve pending resolution of contractual negotiations with the current PFI provider.
- (ii) Review the earmarked reserves held by the Council and make recommendations to the Executive and Council as to the level of each reserve but particularly recommend that the Development Strategy Reserve is closed and that the balance on the Audit Reserve is reduced to £10,000, which will result in £47,536 being returned to General Fund balances.

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Revenue reserves play a key role in the management of the Council's budget. They are used as a contingency against risk, to fund new policy initiatives and to support the Council's revenue and capital budgets when needed.
- 1.2 Members of the Resource Planning Working Group have requested that a report be put forward to enable the Group to carry an in depth review of the individual earmarked reserves and sinking funds held by the Council.
- 1.3 Recommendations on changes to the level of reserves held or changes to the annual utilisation of reserves must be submitted to the Executive for approval.

1.4 Information on the level of reserves held by the Council and their respective purposes, is provided at Appendices A - Earmarked Reserves, B - Sinking Funds and C - General Fund to this report. The balances on the individual reserves in the appendices are those submitted to Council as part of the budget setting process.

2. THE USE OF RESERVES

- 2.1 Revenue reserves play a key role in the management of the Council's budget. The broad purposes for which reserves may be held are listed below;
 - As a contingency to cover risks, uncertainties and emergencies;
 - To fund planned investments and developments;
 - To smooth the budgetary impact of cyclical costs;
 - To carry forward funds for agreed purposes at year-end.

Revenue reserves are only for defined and formally agreed purposes.

- 2.2 Reserves fall into two categories:
 - General Reserves an accumulation of surpluses / deficits on overall revenue spending. The level of this reserve is linked to a risk assessment of the financial position of the authority.
 - Earmarked Reserves reserves set aside for specific purposes (including Sinking Funds).

Further details are given on these in paragraphs 3 and 4 below.

- 2.3 As a general principle, reserves will only be used to finance non-recurring spending or to cover transitional costs. If, in exceptional circumstances, the use of reserves is proposed to support recurring spending, this will be conditional on a strategy being in place to replace the use of reserves with mainstream funding.
- 2.4 Balances and reserves will be maintained at a level which is sufficient to allow for quantifiable liabilities and foreseeable risk and also to enable the Council to react to opportunities and risks should they arise;
- 2.5 The Council will maintain earmarked reserves for specific purposes which are consistent with achieving its key priorities. The use of earmarked reserves will be in line with the principles set out in the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

3. GENERAL RISK-BASED RESERVES

- 3.1 The use of a risk-based approach better determines the appropriate level of reserves in relation to risks and specific circumstances facing the Council. Therefore, the risk led element of the General Fund balance provides cover for risks and uncertainties in the approved budget and for emergencies. It does not provide cover for additional investment, rather it is there to ensure the approved budget can be delivered if associated risks materialise.
- 3.2 The Corporate Director Resources and Transformation recommends a level for the risk-based element of the General Fund as part of the budget setting process each year.

 Budgets will be produced on the basis that the General Fund balance will be maintained at least at the recommended level throughout the period covered by the Medium-term Financial Strategy and can be sustained at this level in the longer-term.
- 3.3 As part of the review of reserves carried out during 2011/12 by the Corporate Director Resources and Transformation, the level of risk based reserves was increased from £1,714,419 to £1,866,321 and that this is the minimum level that is deemed to be acceptable for Council purposes.
- 3.4 If the balance on the General Fund is projected to fall below the recommended risk-based level, then priority will be placed on restoring the balance in subsequent budget and outturn recommendations. Temporary dips below the target may be acceptable provided that the minimum amount is not likely to be breached and there is a robust plan to restore balances to the target level.
- 3.5 The General Fund risk-based and unallocated balances will be reviewed in a future report, which inform members if the current levels are appropriate given the financial position of the Council and the risks it faces in 2012/13 and future years.

4 SINKING FUNDS

- 4.1 Sinking Funds have in the past been set aside for specific purposes and they have also benefitted from regular contributions from within the revenue budget to increase their balances.
- 4.2 The use of sinking funds to pay for specific spending was effectively repealed by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. Since that date all reserves set up to meet specific spending requirements should have been classed as earmarked reserves. It is therefore necessary to re-classify all of the reserves currently held as sinking funds to earmarked reserves.
- 4.3 The current sinking funds also receive interest on their balances. Whilst this is not prevented by law, it is unusual for internally held balances to receive interest.

- 4.4 The current levels of each sinking fund are shown in **Appendix B** to the report.
- 4.5 RPWG are requested to recommend to the Executive and Council that all sinking funds are re-classified as earmarked reserves and that the policy of paying interest on their balances ceases, with the exception of the sinking fund balance held in respect of the PFI project for the Copeland Centre, which will continue until a review of the contractual liabilities for this project are concluded when further recommendations will be made.

5 **EARMARKED RESERVES**

- 5.1 Earmarked reserves may be set up to save for policy initiatives that cannot be met in full from the base budget in the year or years the spending is planned. Use of reserves for these purposes must be planned in advance and incorporated, where possible, in the budget recommendation to Council in February each year. However, earmarked reserves may be established during the year as a result of policy developments that have been reported to the Executive as part of the Council's budget monitoring process.
- 5.2 Earmarked reserves may also be used to smooth the impact on the revenue budget of spending that is cyclical in nature or is highly variable between years. Use of reserves for these purposes must be planned in advance and incorporated in the budget recommendation to Council in February each year.
- 5.3 Reserves should be sufficient to cover forecast spending requirements but should avoid building up large uncommitted balances. Earmarked reserves may be used to carry forward amounts unspent at the year-end but committed for previously approved purposes. Such commitments will be recommended for carry forward in the out-turn report presented to the Executive as part of the closure of accounts process, subject to a robust review of their adequacy and reasonableness.
- 5.4 Reserves may not be over-committed. If potential calls on an earmarked reserve exceed its available balance, then this must be addressed through the budget monitoring process. Once the purpose of an earmarked reserve has been fulfilled, or the balance is higher than is needed, the remaining balance will be returned in the first instance to the unallocated portion of the General Fund.
- 5.5 **Appendices A(1) and A(2)** show the current forecast level of earmarked reserves as reported as part of the 2012/13 budget process, the purpose of each individual reserve and details of the current proposals for funding from earmarked reserves for the period 2012/13 to 2015/16.
- 5.6 As part of the year-end process for 2011/12, budget managers have been requested to confirm:

- that the individual reserves contained within appendices A and B are still required;
- the likely level of reserves that will be required to fund spending in 2011/12 and
- any potential carry forwards of funding from reserves into 2012/13.

This detail is provided in the individual reserves pro-formas attached to this report.

At this stage members are not being requested to recommend changes to the use of reserves submitted as part of the budget process for 2012/13. Changes of this nature will be presented for consideration as part of the out-turn report for 2011/12 later in the year.

5.7 However, this exercise has highlighted that, of the current earmarked reserves, one to fund the use of Development Strategy consultants is no longer needed releasing £30,536 back to the General Fund. One further reserve, for the Audit Shared Service, can be reduced from £27,000 down to £10,000, which is the amount required to meet the council's contribution to the cost of IT improvements within the service. The General Fund balance will therefore increase by £47,536 as a result of these changes. Members are requested to recommend to the Executive and Council that these adjustments to reserves are made.

6 THE CURRENT LEVEL OF RESERVES

6.1 In summary, the forecast available reserve balances over the period 2012/13 – 2015/16, provided as part of the 2012/13 budget process, is as follows:

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
General Fund					
- Risk based	1,313	1,866	1,866	1,866	1,866
- Unallocated balance	1,604	651	634	617	600
	2,917	2,517	2,500	2,483	2,466
Earmarked Reserves (inc. former sinking funds)	3,473	3,427	3,574	3,734	3,958
Total	6,390	5,944	6,074	6,217	6,424

6.2 These balances will change when the Council's out-turn position for 2011/12 is considered later in the year and the actual funding requirement from reserves for 2011/12 is finalised.

7 WHAT ARE THE LEGAL, FINANCIAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS?

7.1 Implications are set out in the report.

8 STATUTORY OFFICER COMMENTS

8.1 The Monitoring Officer's comments are:

None

8.2 The Section 151 Officer's comments are;

All comments are contained within the report.

8.3 Other consultee comments, if any;

None

List of Appendices

Appendix A – Earmarked Reserves

Appendix B – Sinking Funds

Appendix C – General Fund Balances

Appendix D – Current forecast for Reserve Balances

List of Background Documents:

Various reports to RPWG.

Revenue Budget Proposals 2012/13.

Description	Purpose	Approval	Final Balance as		2011/12			2012/13	
	·		at 31 March	Contributions	Planned	Balance as at	Contributions	Planned	Balance as at
			2011	in year	utilisation	31 March 2012	in year	utilisation	31 March 2013
CHIEF EXECUTIVE	Reserve created from £100,000 transferred from balances 2009/10, £455,000 2010/11 service	Executive 22/12/10	4 602 724		1,538,000	65 704			6E 724
Choosing to Change	reviews and the transfer of unused earmarked reserve balances totalling £1.083m in December	Executive 22/12/10	-1,603,721		1,536,000	-65,721			-65,721
	2010. Funds the Council's Choosing to Change programme of service reviews.								
Assist in resourcing Nuclear activities	Assist in resourcing Nuclear. £200k provided to match a pressure included in the 2010/11 budget	Executive 16/2/10	-219,658		200,000	-19,658			-19,658
TOTAL			-1,823,379					C	-85,379
POLICY & TRANSFORMATION IT Review	To provide funds for a review of IT	Not known	25 000		25,000				
TOTAL	To provide funds for a review of th	NOT KHOWH	-25,000 -25,000		25,000	0	0		
TOTAL		1	20,000	<u> </u>	23,000		<u> </u>		<u>'1</u>
CORPORATE RESOURCES									
2010/11 Carry Forwards	Carry forwards approved by the Executive as part of the 2010/11 out-turn. Used in full 2011/12	Exec 31/5/11	-252,291		252,291	0			C
Audit Shared Services	Amalgamated from 3 reserves: 1.To fund preparation for a shared audit service with Allerdale,	Exec 26/5/09,	-27,000			-27,000			-27,000
	Carlisle, Eden and Cumbria CC (£10,000) 2. Set up at the end of 2005/06 to buy in services for computer audits and supplement training (£7,000) 3. Set up at the end of 2007/08 to buy in	Exec 23/05/06 Exec 12/08/08							
	specialist computer audits (£10,000). Its purpose it to support the Audit Shared Service being	LXeC 12/00/00							
	operated by Cumbria CC.								
Revenues & Benefits Shared Service	To provide funds to address any performance issues and implementation on the Revenues and	Exec 30/05/07	-40,722			-40,722			-40,722
	Benefits Shared Service, which are subject to ongoing negotiations with the Shared Service.					,			
DWP Grant Reserve.	DWP Grant Reserve. Remaining balance to avoid potential dip in performance during	Exec 29/06/04	-16,691			-16,691			-16,691
0.0 %	implementation of Shared Service project.	5 00/05/00							
Revenues & Benefits Shared Service	Created by merging 2 balances - 1. To undertake searches for which internal audit do not have	Exec 23/05/06	-7,979			-7,979			-7,979
(Fraud)	powers in the event of fraud investigation; 2. Set aside at the end of 2006/07 for training on benefit fraud. Provides further resources to support the Shared Service.	Exec 30/06/07							
Legal Services - Taxi Ranks	Set up in 2003-04 for re-siting of taxi ranks	Not Known	-2,319			-2,319			-2,319
Mayors Charity Bequest	This is a bequest for defined purposes.	Not Known	-12,967			-12,967			-12,967
Members IT Reserve	To fund members IT. Set up at end of 2005-06 from underspending, as take-up of laptops was less	Exec 23/05/06	-7,902			-7,902			-7,902
	than expected								
Members Induction	Set aside from 2007-08 outturn as a contribution to a round of member personal development plans	Exec 12/08/08	-12,500			-12,500			-12,500
Floations Fund	facilitated by NWEO, scheduled for June 2008	Not Known	42 722			40 700			42.722
Elections Fund Human Resources Employment Tribunals	£10k is set aside each year to smooth the costs of district council elections. Created to meet the legal costs of industrial tribunals when needed.	Not Known Exec 20/12/11	-42,723			-42,723 0	-30,000	30,000	-42,723
Asset Management Enabling Fund	To fund costs of property disposal e.g marketing, ground surveys These are classed as revenue	Not known	-40,227			-40,227	· ·	00,000	-40,227
	and so cannot be funded from capital receipts. When set up this was to be maintained at £75k, to be topped up from deminimis receipts (less than £10k) which are classified as revenue.		,			,			,
PFI Non Conformance Incidents	To meet costs of minor works and contract changes for the Copeland Centre. This for changes	Additional £39.4k	-17,586			-17,586			-17,586
	outside the scope of the PFI contract and so additional to the budget for the unitary payment. This	agreed Exec							
	reserve is built up from performance deductions against the unitary payment made to London &	29/06/10							
Duilding Maintagana and angur	Regional.	F	0.000						0.000
Building Maintenance and energy conservation	To meet costs of maintenance not fulfilling definition of capital. From 2009/10 capital ouuturn + 2010/11 Q1 monitoring.	Exec 29/06/10 and 24/08/10	-2,000			-2,000]		-2,000
Crematorium Chapel	From 2008-09 outturn, to enable completion of works at Crematorium, subject to outcome of	Exec 30/06/09	-31,000			-31,000			-31,000
	evaluation. This was deferred because of debate with the user group about the scope of the work.Outturn report to Exec 30/06/09 App E.		.,,,,,,,			.,,,,,,			
NCL Contract	To provide funds for repairs and maintenance 2012/13	Exec 20/12/11	0			0	-122,000	122,000	
Vertex	This reserve was provided to provide support to Vertex. There has been no requirement to use any	Not Known -	-37,500			-37,500		-	-37,500
	of the reserve since 2007/08. Discussions are ongoing in respect of the future use of this reserve.	Balance at 31 March							
		2008 transferred	1						
		from GF risk based reserve. Exec	1						
		20/12/11							
Environmental Insurance Reserve	Balance on the Environmental Insurance Reserve from GF risk-based reserve	Exec. 20/12/11	-90,000			-90,000			-90,000
Coastal Management	Created from the merger of 3 x GF risk based reserves - Sea Walls, North Shore, Environmental	Exec. 20/12/11	-267,649			-267,649			-267,649
	Warranty and part of the Environmental Insurance Reserve.								
TOTAL		<u> </u>	-909,056	0	252,291	-656,765	-152,000	152,000	-656,765

			at 31 March 2011	Contributions in year	Planned utilisation	Balance as at 31 March 2012	Contributions in year	Planned utilisation	Balance as at 31 March 2013
REGENERATION & COMMUNITIES Local Development Framework	To fund Local Delivery Framework. Revenue Budget report to Exec 17/02/09 App G. Further £20k carry forward from 09/10 to support LDF, planning enformcement and conservation planning advice. £120k over 3 years to fund contract with NECT.	Council 24/02/09 Exec 24/01/10 Exec 29/06/10	-440,078		300,000	-140,078		55,118	-84,96
Planning Policy- Habitat Evaluation	To meet duties to asess impact of developments on natural habitats. This is from un-ringfenced Habitat Directives grant	Exec 29/06/10	-33,670			-33,670			-33,67
Cleator Moor Business Centre	From 2008-09 outturn, for building work at Cleator Moor Business Centre, funded from previously generated income.	Exec 30/06/09	-3,886			-3,886			-3,88
Empty Shops	To complete Empty Shops programme initially agreed by Exec in September 2009. This is carry forward of non-ringfenced specific grant	Exec 31/05/11	-6,223			-6,223			-6,223
Dilapidated Buildings	From 2008-09 outturn, to address derelict and dilapidated buildings. This will provide 'seed' funding to recover costs of work in default.	Exec 30/06/09	-40,000			-40,000			-40,000
Dangerous Structures	Transferred from GF risk based reserve	Exec 20/12/11	-6,437			-6,437			-6,43
Development Strategy Consultants	From 2008-09 outturn, to meet commitments for consultants for housing improvements.	Exec 30/06/09	-30,536			-30,536			-30,536
Housing Strategy	To fund the 5-yearly Housing Stock Condition Survey	Exec 20/12/11	0			0	-10,000		-10,000
Homelessness Repossession Fund	For activity to reduce repossessions and homelessness	Exec 29/06/10	-22,589			-22,589			-22,589
Local Business Growth Initative	To assist Local Business Growth Initatives	Exec 21/04/09 Exec 29/06/10	-208,137		168,220	-39,917		25,000	-14,917
Whitehaven Regeneration Scheme	Carried forward from 2007-08 for Whitehaven Regeneration Scheme.	Exec 12/08/08	-9,800			-9,800			-9,800
Copeland Seaside Coastal Park	For coastal regeneration programme as outlined in Copeland Regeneration report to Exec on 29/06/10.	Exec 29/06/10	-200,000		50,000	-150,000		50,000	-100,000
Small Business Fund	Small Business Fund - Support for small businesses	Not Known	-197			-197			-197
Working Neighbourhoods	To support Copeland Regeneration Plan.	Exec 12/08/08 and 22/09/09	-801,727		753,000	-48,727			-48,727
Cultural Services - Ongoing Schemes	Carry forward of outside funding towards arts and cultural projects.	Not Known	-2,481			-2,481			-2,481
Regeneration Reserve	To provide funds for consultants dealing with Regeneration projects. Balance derived from savings in staff time dealing with external projects	Council 01/12/11	0	-158,551		-158,551			-158,551
Beacon Museum Exhibits	To use (often as match funding) to purchase items for the Beacon museum collection	Not Known	-21,014			-21,014			-21,014
TOTAL			-1,826,775	-158,551	1,271,220	-714,106	-10,000	130,118	-593,988
NEIGHBOURHOODS Dog Control Orders	Carried forward from 09/10 to meet costs of signage required if dog control orders are implemented.	Exec 29/06/10	-10,000		10,000	0			(
Crematorium Donations	Donations from the public made specifically for the purpose of maintaining the crematorium and are ringfenced for that purpose.	N/A	-4,659			-4,659			-4,659
Proceeds from CAMEO tax		Not known	-10,255	-40,500		-50,755	-40,500		-91,255
Recycling	Balance from the Recycling Sinking Fund transferred to earmarked reserves. Used for equipment purchase	Exec 20/12/11	-43,784	-438		-44,222	-442		-44,664
Development Control - Enforcement	Provides funding for 2 years up to 2011-12 for an enforcement officer.	Not known	-40,000			-40,000		14,273	-25,727
Development Control - Application Suppo	ort To support costs of major planning applications, as required.	Not known	-25,758			-25,758			-25,758
Building Control - Service Improvement	This is the balance from £110k carried forward from 2007-08 from salaries underspend, for service improvements.	Exec 12/08/08	-58,885		11,000	-47,885		2,225	-45,660
TOTAL	I		-193,341	-40,938	21,000	-213,279	-40,942	16,498	-237,723
GRAND TOTAL		1	-4,777,551	-199,489	3,307,511	-1,669,529	-202,942	298,616	-1,573,855

EARMARKED RESERVES
Appendix A (2)

Description	Final Balance		2011/12			2012/13			2013/14			2014/15			2015/16	
	as at 31 March	Contributions	Planned	Balance as at												
	2011	in year	utilisation	31 March 2012	in year	utilisation	31 March 2013	in year	utilisation	31 March 2014	in year	utilisation	31 March 2015	in year	utilisation	31 March 2016
CHIEF EXECUTIVE																
Choosing to Change	-1,603,721		1,538,000	-65,721			-65,721			-65,721			-65,721			-65,721
Assist in resourcing Nuclear activities	-219,658		200,000	-19,658			-19,658			-19,658			-19,658			-19,658
TOTAL	-1,823,379					0		0	C			0)	-85,379
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IT Review	-25,000		25,000	o			0			0			0	,		
TOTAL	-25,000	0	25,000	0	0	0	0	0	C	0	0	0	0	0		0 (
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2010/11 Carry Forwards	-252,291		252,291				٥ ا			1 0			1 0	,		
Audit Shared Services	-27,000			-27,000			-27,000			-27,000			-27,000			-27,000
Revenues & Benefits Shared Service	-40,722			-40,722			-40,722			-40,722			-40,722			-40,722
DWP Grant Reserve.	-16,691			-16,691			-16,691			-16,691			-16,691			-16,691
Revenues & Benefits Shared Service	-7,979			-7,979			-7,979			-7,979			-7,979			-7,979
(Fraud)	-7,575			-7,575			-1,513			-1,313			-1,313			-7,57
Legal Services - Taxi Ranks	-2,319			-2,319			-2,319			-2,319			-2,319			-2,319
Mayors Charity Bequest	-12,967			-12,967			-12,967			-12,967			-12,967	'		-12,967
Members IT Reserve	-7,902			-7,902			-7,902			-7,902			-7,902	:		-7,902
Members Induction	-12,500			-12,500			-12,500			-12,500			-12,500			-12,500
Elections Fund	-42,723			-42,723			-42,723			-42,723			-42,723			-42,723
Human Resources Employment Tribunals	0			0	-30,000	30,000	0			0			0			
Asset Management Enabling Fund	-40,227			-40,227			-40,227			-40,227			-40,227			-40,227
PFI Non Conformance Incidents	-17,586			-17,586			-17,586			-17,586			-17,586	<u> </u>		-17,586
Building Maintenance and energy	-2,000			-2,000			-2,000			-2,000			-2,000			-2,000
conservation Crematorium Chapel	24 000			24 000			24 000			24 000			24 000			24.000
Стетпатопит Спарег	-31,000			-31,000			-31,000			-31,000			-31,000			-31,000
NCL Contract	0			0	122,000	122,000				0			0	1		
Vertex	-37,500			-37,500			-37,500			-37,500			-37,500			-37,500
Environmental Insurance Reserve	-90,000			-90,000			-90,000			-90,000			-90,000			-90,000
Coastal Management	-267,649			-267,649			-267,649			-267,649			-267,649			-267,649
TOTAL	-909,056	0	252,291	-656,765	-152,000	152,000	-656,765	0		-656,765	0		-656,765	0		-656,765

EARMARKED RESERVES
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REGENERATION & COMMUNITIES Local Development Framework Planning Policy- Habitat Evaluation Cleator Moor Business Centre Empty Shops Dilapidated Buildings Dangerous Structures Development Strategy Consultants Housing Strategy	-440,078 -33,670 -3,886 -6,223 -40,000 -6,437 -30,536 0 -22,589	Contributions in year	Planned utilisation	-140,078 -33,670 -3,886 -6,223 -40,000		Planned utilisation	Balance as at 31 March 2013 -84,960 -33,670 -3,886	Contributions in year	Planned utilisation	Balance as at 31 March 2014 -84,960	Contributions in year	Planned utilisation	Balance as at 31 March 2015 -84,960	Contributions in year	Planned utilisation	Balance as at 31 March 2016
Planning Policy- Habitat Evaluation Cleator Moor Business Centre Empty Shops Dilapidated Buildings Dangerous Structures Development Strategy Consultants Housing Strategy	-440,078 -33,670 -3,886 -6,223 -40,000 -6,437 -30,536 0	in year		-140,078 -33,670 -3,886 -6,223	·		-84,960 -33,670	in year	utilisation	-84,960	in year	utilisation	-84,960	in year	utilisation	-84,96
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Dangerous Structures Development Strategy Consultants Housing Strategy	-6,437 -30,536 0			-40,000			-6,223			-6,223			-6,223			-6,223
Dangerous Structures Development Strategy Consultants Housing Strategy Homelessness Repossession Fund	-30,536 0						-40,000			-40,000			-40,000			-40,000
Housing Strategy	-30,536 0	j		-6,437			-6,437			-6,437			-6,437			-6,437
	-22.589			-30,536			-30,536			-30,536			-30,536			-30,536
Homelessness Repossession Fund	-22.589			0	-10,000		-10,000	-10,000		-20,000	-10,000		-30,000	-10,000		-40,000
				-22,589			-22,589			-22,589			-22,589			-22,589
Local Business Growth Initative	-208,137		168,220	-39,917		25,000	-14,917			-14,917			-14,917			-14,917
Whitehaven Regeneration Scheme	-9,800			-9,800			-9,800			-9,800			-9,800			-9,800
Copeland Seaside Coastal Park	-200,000		50,000	-150,000		50,000	-100,000		50,000	-50,000		50,000	0			(
Small Business Fund	-197			-197			-197			-197			-197			-19
Working Neighbourhoods	-801,727		753,000	-48,727			-48,727			-48,727			-48,727			-48,72
Cultural Services - Ongoing Schemes	-2,481			-2,481			-2,481			-2,481			-2,481			-2,48
Regeneration Reserve	0	-158,551		-158,551			-158,551			-158,551			-158,551			-158,551
Beacon Museum Exhibits	-21,014			-21,014			-21,014			-21,014			-21,014			-21,014
TOTAL	-1,826,775	-158,551	1,271,220	-714,106	-10,000	130,118	-593,988	-10,000	50,000	-553,988	-10,000	50,000	-513,988	-10,000	0	-523,988
NEIGHBOURHOODS	<u> </u>			I	1		<u> </u>			ı	Г		<u> </u>			
Dog Control Orders	-10,000		10,000	0			0			0			0			(
Crematorium Donations	-4,659			-4,659			-4,659			-4,659			-4,659			-4,659
Proceeds from CAMEO tax	-10,255	-40,500		-50,755	-40,500		-91,255	-20,250		-111,505	-20,250		-131,755	-20,250		-152,005
Recycling	-43,784	-438		-44,222	-442		-44,664	-447		-45,111	-451		-45,562	-456		-46,017
Development Control - Enforcement	-40,000			-40,000		14,273	-25,727			-25,727			-25,727			-25,72
Development Control - Application	-25,758			-25,758			-25,758			-25,758			-25,758			-25,758
Building Control - Service Improvement	-58,885		11,000	-47,885		2,225	-45,660			-45,660			-45,660			-45,660
TOTAL	-193,341	-40,938	21,000	-213,279	-40,942	16,498	-237,723	-20,697	0	-258,420	-20,701	0	-279,121	-20,706	0	-299,820
GRAND TOTAL	-4,777,551	-199,489	3,307,511	-1,669,529	-202,942	298,616	-1,573,855	-30,697	50,000	-1,554,552	-30,701	50,000	-1,535,253	-30,706	n	-1,565,958

RESERVES - SINKING FUNDS
Appendix B

		Balance at		2011/	12			2012/1	3			2013/	/14			2014/	15		2015/16				
Description		31 March 2011	Estimated Internal Interest in Year	Contributions in Year	Utilised (+)	2011/12 Balance carried forward	Estimated Internal Interest in Year	Contributions in Year	Utilised (+)	2012/13 Balance carried forward	Estimated Internal Interest in Year	Contributions in Year	Utilised (+)	2013/14 Balance carried forward	Estimated Internal Interest in Year	Contributions in Year	Utilised (+)	2014/15 Balance carried forward	Estimated Internal Interest in Year	Contributions in Year	Utilised (+)	2015/16 Balance carried forward	
Bin Replacement Sinking Fund	Set up in 2003 to fund the provision/replacement of wheelie bins. Funded from ad-hoc underspends within the revenue budget. Last revenue contribution £44,000 2007/08, now only internal interest credited to the fund.	£ -168,440	£ -1,684	£	£ 35,000	£ -135,124	£ -1,351	£	£ 27,000	£ -109,476	£ -1,095	£	£ 27,000	£ -83,570	£ -836	£	£ 27,000	£ -57,406	£ -574	£	£ 27,000	£ -30,9	
PFI Sinking Fund	Built up from annual contributions from the revenue budget to smooth payments for the PFI scheme over 25 years. Annual contribution from the revenue budget which should be increased by inflation each year.	-1,306,862	-13,069	-135,392		-1.455.323	-14,553	-146.392	7.000	-1,609,268	-16.093	-157,784	7,000	-1,776,144	-17.761	-169.517	7.000	-1,956,423	-19.564	-181,603	7.000	-2,150,5	
Pheonix Court Sinking Fund	Set up to smooth maintenance costs for this enterprise centre. Contributions formerly £3,000 p.a but no made since 2005/06	-4,289	-175			-4.464		.,,,,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	-4.644	-185		,	-4.829	-190		,	-5.019	-195	- ,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	-5,2	
Sea Walls Sinking Fund	Started in 2009/10 to build up a fund to pay for works to sea defences. Annual budget contribution £9.270.	-18,540	-185	-9.270		-27.995	-280	-9.270		-37.545	-375	-9.270		-47.191	-472	-9.270		-56,933	-569	-9.270		-66.7	
Catherine Street Car Park	Set up as part of an agreement with Cumbria CC who released the land for the Sports Centre car park. Contributions are made from the revenue budget annually (£5,150) to fund maintenance works at the car park.	-71.085	-711	-5.150		-76.946	-769	-5.150	20,000	-62.865	-629	-5.150		-68.644	-686	-5.150		-74.480	-745	-5.150		-80,3	
Crematorium Sinking Fund	Set up to fund improvements to the car park at the Crematorium. Contributions are made annually to the fund equivalent to £10 per cremation	-18,450	-185	-8,950		-27.585		-9.000	7.000	- ,	-299	-9,000		-39.159	-392	-9,000		-48,551	-486	-9,000		-58,03	
Beacon Sinking Fund	Set up as part of the agreements with funding partners to ensure that the Beacon is continually upgraded. The fiund has been built up from annual revenue budget surpluses generated at the Beacon	-140,948	-165	-40,000	105,000	-27,565 -75,948	-276	-9,000	75,948	-29,000	-299	-9,000		-58,158	-392	-9,000		-40,351 0	-400	-9,000		-56,0.	
Total		-1,728,614	-16,009	-198,762	140,000	-1,803,385	-17,410	-169,812	136,948	-1,853,659	-18,675	-181,204	34,000	-2,019,538	-20,337	-192.937	34,000	-2,198,812	-22,133	-205,023	34,000	-2,391,96	

RESERVES - GENERAL FUND

	Balance	Changes	Balance at		2011/12			2012/13			2013/14			2014/15			2015/16	
	reported to	arising	31 March	Additions	Released in	Balance	Additions	Released	Balance									
	Council 22	from	2011	in Year	Year	Carried	in Year	in Year	Carried	in Year	in Year	Carried	in Year	in Year	Carried	in Year	in Year	Carried
	Feb 2011	2010/11 out-				forward			forward			forward			forward			forward
		turn																
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Base Budget Risks																		
Sustainability of Base Budget	-111,870		-111,870			-111,870	-91,890		-203,760			-203,760			-203,760			-203,760
Medium Term Financial Plan	-123,230		-123,230			-123,230	-221,645		-344,875			-344,875			-344,875			-344,875
Grant Settlement	-590,500		-590,500			-590,500	-223,550		-814,050			-814,050			-814,050			-814,050
Vacancy Factor	-33,750		-33,750			-33,750	33,750		0			0			0			0
Reduced Fees and Charges	-60,586		-60,586			-60,586	-1,740		-62,326			-62,326			-62,326			-62,326
Actuarial Review	0		0			0	-33,050		-33,050			-33,050			-33,050			-33,050
Reduced Investment Income	-28,310		-28,310			-28,310	-29,190		-57,500			-57,500			-57,500			-57,500
Housing Benefits	-90,525		-90,525			-90,525	8,025		-82,500			-82,500			-82,500			-82,500
HGV Licence - Operators Fund	-74,200		-74,200			-74,200			-74,200			-74,200			-74,200			-74,200
Fuel Price	-28,850		-28,850			-28,850			-28,850			-28,850			-28,850			-28,850
Civil Emergencies	-58,449		-58,449			-58,449	-3,032		-61,481			-61,481			-61,481			-61,481
Insurance Excesses	-11,859		-11,859			-11,859	1,214		-10,645			-10,645			-10,645			-10,645
Assets and Property	-100,705		-100,705			-100,705	7,621		-93,084			-93,084			-93,084			-93,084
	-1,312,834	0	-1,312,834	0	0	-1,312,834	-553,487	0	-1,866,321	0	0	-1,866,321	0	0	-1,866,321	0	0	-1,866,321
General Fund Unallocated	-1,641,843	0	-1,641,843	-50,000	87,763	-1,604,080	553,487	390,456	-660,137	0	17,000	-643,137	0	17,000	-626,137	0	17,000	-609,137
Total General Fund	-2,954,677	0	-2,954,677	-50,000	87,763	-2,916,914	0	390,456	-2,526,458	0	17,000	-2,509,458	0	17,000	-2,492,458	0	17,000	-2,475,458