

Appendix 5 (Reserves and Grant Funding)

Uses of/ (Contributions to) Reserves

Specific requests

Directorate	Type	Description	Reason	Amount £m
Executive Matters	General Fund	General Fund	To reduce the budgeted general fund contribution of £0.500m by £0.300m. This will still ensure the recommended minimum of £6.00m in the General Fund.	0.300
Total General Fund				0.300

Directorate	Type	Description	Reason	Amount £m
Communities	Earmarked	Local Plan	Returning of unspent reserves from the original allocation of £50K from local plan reserve for future resilience	(0.036)
Communities	Earmarked	Planning Control	Unspent budget carried over to help support future appeals and legal challenges.	(0.087)
Communities	Earmarked	Health & Safety (Public Food)	Unspent budget carried over for future resource requirement for primary authority work.	(0.036)
Chief Executives	Earmarked	Cherwell Lottery	lottery income is used to pay out awards to charities	(0.016)
Resources	Earmarked	Garage Project and Canalside	Returning unspent use of reserves, and additional contribution for Dover Garage demolition continuing into 23/24	(0.285)
Resources	Earmarked	Capital Reserve	Returning unspent £1.2m usage from budget, plus £2.154m contribution for Minimum Revenue Provision & £0.375m contribution to be used for Town Centre House in 23/24.	(3.739)
Resources	Earmarked	Projects Reserve	Returning unspent budgeted usage for Brighter Futures (£43k), SPARK (£9k) and Works in default (£24k).	(0.106)

			In addition, £60k contribution for Banbury regeneration consultancy work continuing in 23/24, and £30k usage for OVO women's cycling 22/23.	
Chief Executives	Earmarked	Home Improvement Agency	HIA surplus is ringfenced for future home improvements	(0.024)
Resources	Earmarked	Admin for CTAX rebate	Release of funds for administering council tax rebate scheme in 22/23	0.069
Communities	Earmarked	Public Food Safety	Use of new burdens funding for food allergen labelling.	0.005
Communities	Earmarked	Development Management Casework	Planning application fees paid in 22/23 but relate to work being carried out in 23/24.	(0.200)
Resources	Earmarked	Revenue & Benefits New Burdens	To fund the retention of data for grant payments held within an external system	(0.100)
Total Earmarked Reserves				(4.555)

Directorate	Type	Description	Reason	Amount £m
Executive Matters	Grant	S31 Reserve	Contribution to S31 reserve to meet 22/23 business rates variance impact in 24/25	(1.145)
Chief Executives	Grant	Covid Outbreak Management Fund General Allocation	COMF specific projects span over in to 23/24	(0.344)
Communities	Grant	Garden Community Capacity Funding	Bicester Garden Town is a grant from Homes England specifically for the development of Bicester as a garden town. The funding was awarded based a specific projects.	(0.042)
Chief Executives	Grant	Rough Sleepers Initiative	Homelessness grant from DLUHC specifically for the prevention of homelessness. This grant has future commitments to meet.	(0.016)

Chief Executives	Grant	Homelessness Prevention	Homelessness grant from DLUHC specifically for the prevention of homelessness. This grant has future commitments to meet.	(0.217)
Communities	Grant	Bicester Garden Town	Bicester Garden Town is a grant from Homes England specifically for the development of Bicester as a garden town. The funding was awarded based on specific projects.	(0.257)
Communities	S106	Hanwell Fields S106 Revenue	Use of S106 funding for Hanwell fields	0.006
Total Ringfenced Grants				(2.015)