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23 MARCH 2019	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Adrian Chapman: Service Director, Communities and Safety	
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ACTIVE LIFESTYLES AND SPORTS STRATEGY

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the proposed themes and priorities in the new draft strategy 2. Approve and adopt the Active Lifestyles and Sports Strategy 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is presented to Cabinet following a recommendation made at the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee in November 2017.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 Cabinet are asked to review and approve the draft Active Lifestyles and Sports Strategy.

2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.4, 'To promote the Council's corporate and key strategies and Peterborough's Community Strategy and approve strategies and cross-cutting programmes not included within the Council's major policy and budget framework'.

3. TIMESCALES

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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

4.1 The Council has identified the need to refresh the current Sports Strategy, in order to ensure the city's needs are met and to develop a strategy that will assist in guiding the future provision of active lifestyles to improve health and wellbeing. The need for a clear framework for future investment is particularly critical given the projected population growth within Peterborough and the surrounding area.

4.2 The delivery of this strategy will provide the opportunity to assess the condition of existing

provision, establish whether it is appropriate to meet local needs and demand, and ensure that potential provision helps address any current quantitative or qualitative deficiencies. In addition, there is a need to facilitate increased participation and improve the health and wellbeing of residents of Peterborough. The partnership (outlined in 6.2) has undertaken an evidence and methodology programme (required from Sport England) to inform the emerging strategy. The evidence and methodology outlines the current provision baseline, the current usage baseline, the health and viability of current facilities and gives recommendations for future development.

4.3 The social and physical benefits of participation in sport and physical activity are recognised by national, regional and local government as leading to:

- Improvement in health and well-being
- Promotion of economic development and the environment
- Contribution to the regeneration of communities and improved transportation
- Tackling issues such as anti-social behaviour, crime and problems relating to social inclusion as well as helping develop stronger and safer communities
- Provision of opportunities to gain skills and competencies to enhance peoples' lives
- Recognising the valuable contribution of those who take part, volunteer, officiate, coach or spectate
- Provision of patient choice and encouraging them to be responsible for their own health and well-being
- Assistance with budgetary control

4.4 This new strategy will ensure the promotion and development of physical activity and sport in our City and will result in all of Peterborough's communities experiencing the wide range of benefits that greater involvement and participation can bring about.

4.5 The document sits within a core group of three strategies detailed below which link with, and have impact on, local strategies and national priorities.



4.6 The final document will demonstrate the important role of sport in the social, economic, and cultural life of the city and the positive impact on personal and community wellbeing, identity, sense of belonging, recognising that Peterborough is a multicultural city with diverse needs. This will help to meet the challenges and deliver against the objectives for the sector as set out by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS). It is being produced jointly with Sport England.

4.7 The new strategy will be about finding new ways to get more people more active more often at all levels across Peterborough. We want to see as many people as possible participating in

quality activities and experiencing healthier lifestyles.

4.8 The strategy will be about targeted developments and interventions. It is both about making the very best use of the wealth of existing resources and partly about ensuring there is a long-term return on all of existing investments in sport.

4.9 **Strategy Development - One Strategy For The City - Partnership Working**

4.9.1 Peterborough City Council is well placed to lead the development of the strategy and to oversee its delivery. However, the diverse nature and scope of the sector is such that a range of other organisations will be central to ensuring that there is full engagement in the process. This is particularly the case in Peterborough where the City Council already has a commissioning role and operates via a network of funded delivery partners both in leisure and health.

4.9.2 The development of the strategy was overseen by the Active Lifestyles Strategy steering Group. This successful partnership approach and subsequent consultation on the strategy, suggests the need for a small executive group informed by and interconnected with a wider consultative forum. It is therefore proposed to establish a core delivery group – Active Peterborough – supported and informed by wider forums, such as the Health and Wellbeing Board and Peterborough’s sporting governing bodies. Together, this alliance of organisations and individuals will take ownership of the strategy and oversee its delivery.

4.9.3 Active Peterborough will be built around the leisure and recreation institutions in the City with Sport England. The group will be an open and relatively free-form group that has seamless links with the wider sector.

The proposed functions of Active Peterborough will include:

- Inform, own and oversee the delivery of this strategy
- Provide a voice for the sector
- Networking, lobbying and information-sharing
- Seek resources to deliver the strategy
- Make strategic connections with and contribute to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Business Board
- Advise on selected projects and programmes
- Encourage collaboration in the sector
- Monitor progress on the strategy and other key cultural projects

Key partners include:

- Sport England
- Living Sport
- National governing bodies of sport
- Vivacity: Culture and Leisure trust
- Nene Park Trust
- Community Groups
- Voluntary sector umbrella groups
- Education (including schools, further education and higher education)
- Friends of parks and green spaces
- NHS including the Clinical Commissioning Group
- Local Sports clubs including Peterborough United Football Club
- The business community

The City Council will play a central role in the Active Peterborough group and will support the development of the Forum. The specific priorities for the Council will include:

- Advocating the importance of Active lifestyles
- Supporting partnership working
- Delivering selected programmes
- Commissioning key programmes

- Linking Active Lifestyles to other key city priorities
- Liaising with national and regional governing bodies on behalf of the city

4.10 **Delivering the strategy**

4.10.1 **The budget challenge**

The leisure and recreation sector is not immune from the financial challenges the public sector is facing, nationally and locally, and work is already underway between the council and the sector to identify responses to the challenges ahead. In summary, the overarching approach will include:

- Greater collaboration and synergy between organisations, programmes and projects. For example, changes in school and NHS structures provide an opportunity for agencies to come together to deliver a single, coordinated package of activity
- Seeking to drive down costs through shared services, smarter procurement, review of delivery structures, and where possible engagement of volunteers
- New income streams – by differentiated products and pricing, capturing income that is currently benefiting out of city organisations, and continuing success in attracting grant income, making sure Peterborough gets its fair share

4.11 **Action Planning**

4.11.1 Progress on delivering the strategy will be made in three ways:

- An officer will be deployed to work across the council and with our partners to make sure that priority areas within this strategy are considered and actioned
- An agreed set of indicators will be monitored, which measure strategic progress (e.g. participation levels) and also measure progress of key programmes and projects. There will be an annual review of progress involving the sector and wider public
- There will be an annual action plan setting out what needs to be done, by whom and by when

4.12 **Facility development**

The direct financial implications of the strategy will need to be carefully considered. It is important to note that at this stage no provision for any investment in our facilities has been made in the capital programme. We need to find different ways to fund investment in our infrastructure wherever possible, including for example linking this investment to growth areas. However, Peterborough has an aspiration, and need, to consider its facilities planning particularly in the context of an ageing stock of leisure facilities, future growth needs, and the changing economic and demographic profile of the area. The areas of development are outlined below:

4.12.1 **Swimming pools**

Swimming is popular in Peterborough; all the accessible swimming pools are well used by both the public and a strong and successful aquatic club. Peterborough has a relatively poor supply of water space in comparison to the national average. The overall quality of pools in the area is a concern, especially with a view to provision in the longer term. The age of three of the community accessible pools is over 25 years and the Regional Pool is over 40 years old.

Less than one third of Peterborough's population resides within one mile of an accessible swimming pool. Of the people resident in the city's most deprived communities, 42.8% live within one mile of a community accessible pool. They are also uncomfortably full, which has the potential to negatively impact on the quality of the experience of its users, clubs usage and growth and the further development of swimming programmes.

4.12.2 **Health and fitness**

There is a good spread of health and fitness facilities across the city with the majority of venues rated as above average or good and six facilities rated as below average. Drive time assessments indicate that the whole Peterborough population lives within a 20 minute drive of a community use health and fitness facility with a minimum of 20 stations.

There is no modelled shortfall; current provision should meet future demand. Additional future provision should not be discounted however as fitness facilities often support the financial operation of a wider sports offer and there appears to be a trend for increasing demand for more health and fitness facilities.

4.12.3 **Sports halls**

There is a reasonable spread of sports halls with three identified as good, seven above average and three below average, with one rated as poor. City centre residents are served by below average and poor sports halls. The age of the various sports hall facilities varies significantly. The majority will require investment in the short to medium term to ensure that they remain fit for purpose.

More than three quarters of the city's population resides within a 20 minute walk of an indoor sports hall with 41.4% of the population which reside in areas of higher deprivation living within a one mile walking catchment of one. Half of the sports halls in Peterborough are significantly above recommended capacity levels and some are 100% full. They have little or no capability to meet additional demand generated by increases in participation (or population growth). Halls on school sites offer restricted availability, especially during the day and exam periods. It is predicted that changes to the exam structures in schools (year-round assessments) will, in future, have a greater impact on the provision available for community use.

Growth in both basketball and handball, in particular, appears to be hindered by the cost and availability of facilities. There is potential demand for a 'combined venue' serving futsal, handball, basketball and an indoor roller hockey.

4.12.4 The recommendations for facilities include:

- Identifying ongoing investment, maintenance and refurbishment requirements to protect and improve existing sports facilities. As the key funder of maintenance and refurbishment programmes, via its contract with Vivacity, it is important that the council continues to invest with a view to maintaining good quality facilities and bringing those which are not presently of high quality up to standard
- Increasing the overall number and improve the quality of sport and physical activity facilities, including swimming pools and sports halls, to meet both current need and future demand in line with the identified housing and population growth and reflecting the increased scale of the 'grey market' in the area
- Considering whether and how other complementary services (e.g. library, health facilities, etc.) can and should be hosted within any new build venues

5. **CONSULTATION**

5.1 A consultation event was held in November 2017 regarding the direction and requirements of residents in relation to physical activity, sports, clubs and infrastructure.

The event was chaired by Simon Fairhall, CEO of Living Sport (county sports partnership), who also chairs the Physical Activity and Sports Strategy steering groups which meet quarterly. The feedback was that a new strategy was required as the existing one expired in 2014. The key themes coming from groups, clubs and individuals was that many facilities were dated and in some cases up to capacity for the activities in demand (swimming, sports hall based activities, 3G public use facilities), communication and marketing of sports and activities within Peterborough was poor, and green open spaces needed more attention.

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

- 6.1
- Improvement in health and well-being
 - Promoting economic development and the environment
 - Contributing to the regeneration of communities and improved transportation
 - Tackling issues such as anti-social behaviour, crime and problems relating to social inclusion as well as helping develop stronger and safer communities
 - Providing opportunities to gain skills and competencies to enhance people's lives
 - Recognising the valuable contribution of those who take part, volunteer, officiate, coach or spectate
 - Providing patient choice and encouraging them to be responsible for their own health and well-being
 - Assistance with budgetary control

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 The Council has identified the need to refresh the current Sports Strategy. Now is the optimum time to have a fresh look at the city's needs and to develop a strategy that will assist in guiding the future provision of health, sport and facilities in the city, alongside the new Local Plan and new capital programme. The need for a clear framework for future investment is particularly critical given the projected population growth within Peterborough and the surrounding area.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 8.1 As the council requires a new strategy no alternative option has been considered.

9. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

- 9.1 The strategy document does not outline financial implications.

Legal Implications

- 9.2 There are no legal implications.

Equalities Implications

- 9.3 Equalities implications are addressed within the strategy document attached at appendix A.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

11. APPENDICES

- 11.1
- Appendix A - Active lifestyles and sports strategy

Peterborough

Active Lifestyles & Sport Strategy

April 2018-March 2023



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Peterborough: More people, More active, More often.

Together, as a City we wish to send out a message in Peterborough that puts activity at the heart of everything we do.

Being more active is good for us all, whatever our age. Whether it's charging around the playground at school, cycling around Peterborough instead of using the car, playing sport or even talking a walk through our parks, it all helps us feel better about ourselves as well as helping us to feel healthier and happier.

Being active takes on different forms. Some people will go to our leisure centres for a swim or a gym work out and may move into more regular or demanding activity. Others will find outlets for their energies in competitive sports such as football, cricket or rugby at one of our many clubs or facilities. These are important places as they give us that social network and that motivational boost we sometimes need to keep playing. They also help to foster and develop local talent, build aspirations

and provide great role models for us all. For other people being more active can be quite simple and less organised. Walking the dog, dancing, cycling to work, or taking the stairs rather than using a lift - all these things help us become more active and happier people and will help us live longer together in healthier neighborhoods.

Our message is really quite simple. Being more active is fun, it can be easy to do, and it's social and will improve your health and wellbeing greatly. Let's be honest, we all know that exercise can make us healthier but did you realise that you can reduce the risk of life threatening diseases such as cancer, diabetes and stress by building more activity into our everyday lives?

This new strategy is about finding new ways to get more people up and taking part at all levels across the City. We want to see as many people as possible participating in quality activities and experiencing healthier lifestyles in Peterborough. This strategy is about targeted developments and interventions. It is both about making the very best use of the wealth of existing resources and partly about ensuring there is a long-term return on all of existing investments in sport.

The Active Lifestyles Strategy recognises the significance of the sports and leisure sectors in making Peterborough an active City, and advocates continued support and investment. It also addresses concerns facing the sector and considers how to maximise opportunities

for the active lives in Peterborough to flourish.

The strategy identifies priorities for the City Council and our sports partners that will help provide the leadership and coordination our strategy requires.

Finally I would like to commend all our sports and health partners that strive to make a real difference in the City. I am proud of the work that we lead as a council and the work produced through our partners.

Councillor Allen



The need for a strategy

Peterborough City Council (PCC) and its partners has identified the need to refresh the current sports strategy. Now is the optimum time to have a fresh look at the city's needs and to develop a strategy that will assist in guiding the future provision of health and sport and facilities in the city. The need for a clear framework for future investment is particularly critical given the projected population growth within Peterborough and the surrounding area.

The development of this strategy has provided the opportunity to assess the condition of existing provision, establish whether it is appropriate to meet local needs and demand and ensure that potential provision helps address any current quantity or quality deficiencies. In addition there is a need to facilitate increased participation and improve the health and wellbeing of the residents of Peterborough.

Peterborough City Council (PCC) and its partners aim to promote

the highest standard of sporting conduct and explore its wider social applications. Working together with key partners such as national governing bodies for sport Peterborough City Council (PCC) takes a leading role in promoting equality and diversity in sport to ensure there are no barriers to participation and involvement in the running of sport for any social group.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusive work is about recognising and removing the barriers faced by people involved, or wanting to be involved in physical activity and sport. It is about changing the culture of sport to one that values diversity and enables the full involvement of disadvantaged groups in every aspect of sport.

The Vision for this strategy aims to get: More people, More active, More often

More People

By inspiring more people to participate in regular physical activity and sport - PCC to act as a supporting role with partners engaging and delivering the results within the communities.

More Active

By helping people to understand and enjoy the health benefits that can be achieved from increased and sustained activity - adapting to

meet the physical activity needs of the city and making sure they are accessible for all users.

More Often

By encouraging people to set their own personal participation goals, irrespective of ability, and helping them succeed in leading more active and healthy lifestyles. Promotion, marketing and constant communication is key to delivering the messages across the city to meet our action plans, vision, mission and legacy.



Peterborough City Council and Partners will take **positive action** to:

- Eliminate individual and institutional discrimination
- Comply with statutory/legislative obligations and wherever possible best practice
- Meet the needs of our employees and partner organisations
- Make equality and equal treatment a core issue in the development, delivery and refinement of our policies, initiatives and services and in the way we manage our employees

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Context and background

The Active Lifestyles Strategy is one of a set of subject specific strategies which support the themes and objectives of Peterborough's culture and leisure vision, with each setting out how this vision will be delivered. The other associated subject specific strategies are: Culture, Green Spaces, Sustainable Community and Health and Wellbeing, Active Travel after Sustainable Communities, all with the improving residents lifestyles.

The strategy will demonstrate the important role of sport in the social, economic, and cultural life of the city and the positive impact on personal and community wellbeing, identity and sense of belonging, recognising that Peterborough is a multicultural city with diverse needs.

The strategy meets the challenges and delivers against the objectives for the sector as set out by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) and has been produced in conjunction with Sport England. <http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/departement-for-digital-culture-media-sport>

Who will we work with and how?

The outcomes within Peterborough's vision for Active Lifestyles cannot be delivered in isolation. Peterborough City Council's role

will be one of leadership, working with a range of partners to develop a Strategy for the City rather than for the Council.

But with a single point of contact within the Council to coordinate matters, ensuring that all Departments within Peterborough City Council are aware of their respective roles and responsibilities in relation to sport and active lifestyles and that they are working together to achieve the outcomes, and working with partner organisations leading to improved coordination, clarity on what is expected, maximizing of impact on service delivery and reduced duplication of effort.

Effective coordination and communication will be required to succeed in delivering the activities that will lead to achieving positive outcomes with developments which reflect the needs of local communities.

Key partners will include:

- **Sport England** – setting the national strategic context for sport and guiding investment to support achievement of the Government Strategy outcomes
- **National Governing Bodies of Sport** – delivery of their programmes and support for their clubs in Peterborough which support the objectives of this Strategy

SECTION ONE: INTRODUCTION

• **Living Sport Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Sports Partnership** – providing leadership, and coordination and support to all those involved in delivering sport and physical activity

• **Health (including the Clinical Commissioning Group and Public Health)** – strategic leadership, providing evidence which supports allocation of resources and commissioning programmes that promote active lifestyles

• **Vivacity Culture and Leisure Trust** – successful operation of Peterborough's sports facilities and their sport and active lifestyles development services

• **Nene Park Trust** – providing facilities and opportunities for people getting active outdoors

• **Voluntary & Community Sector Groups** – key partners for engaging with communities across Peterborough

14 • **Education (including Schools, Further and Higher Education)** – promoting sport and active lifestyles and providing facilities for community participation

• **Friends of Parks and Green Spaces** – supporting the maintenance of these spaces and the development of activities which engage local residents

• **Local Sports clubs (including Peterborough United Football Club)** – providing local accessible opportunities for people to participate

• **Travelchoice** aims are to encourage sustainable travel wherever possible and reduce the need to travel by car

The wider business community
– promoting active lifestyles to employees



Effective coordination and communication will be required to succeed in delivering the activities that will lead to achieving positive outcomes. A number of priorities in relation to coordination supports this as follows:

• Offers and developments which reflect the needs of communities.

• Achieve greater clarity of the roles and expectations between departments and among partners, leading to improved coordination.

• Work across departments and organisations to commission in a more coordinated and joined-up way, which will maximise the impact of service delivery and reduce duplication of effort.

• Through the emerging Public Health structures and the Health and Wellbeing strategy, develop the links between health and wellbeing, and sport and active recreation, opening opportunities for

commissioning through partners and voluntary sector organisations.

In November 2017 an engagement workshop was delivered by PCC in partnership with Living Sport to engage with many community groups to understand their needs and their outlook on the current state of play with physical activity and sports and the greatest need moving forward.

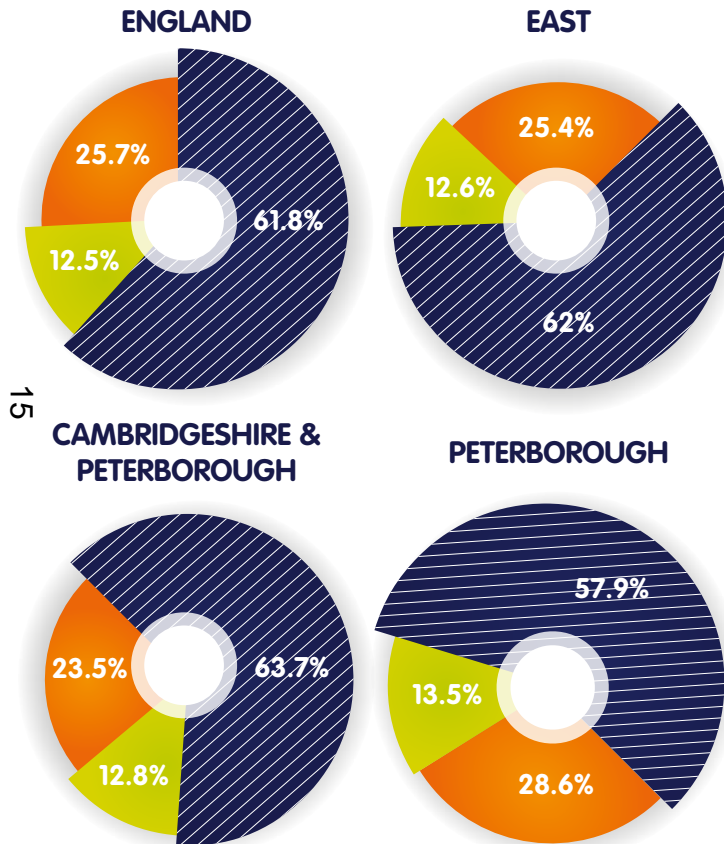
The feedback was invaluable and the 3 key points raised were lack of communication across the city in many activities especially in parks and open spaces, engaging and listening to children within education and marketing and promoting what is happening and when.

A survey has been designed using survey monkey and will be completed by students and other under 19's by working in partnership with Jack Hunt School and cluster, the Music Hub and other Culture groups along with youth workers when on outreach work. These results will be reported back before the summer of 2018 and added to the action plans as we move the strategy forward.



Activity levels

Participation levels have been measured by Sport England through the Active People Survey from 2006, which changed to the Active Lives Survey in 2016. The most recent published figures (March 2018) highlighted the following:



ACTIVE* % of people doing at least 150 mins of physical activity per week

INACTIVE* % of people doing less than 30 mins of physical activity per week

FAIRLY ACTIVE

*Duration of activity: bouts of **10 minutes** of moderate intensity (vigorous activity counts for double the minutes) based on the Chief Medical Officers recommendations

Peterborough data is as follows for age 16+, excluding gardening (source: Sport England, from the Active Lives Survey, November 2016/November 2017)

The **28.6%** inactive percentage for Peterborough equates to **43 700** people.

Furthermore the figures for particular groups:

More women are inactive than men but with an improving trend (the gap is getting less)

People from lower social grades are significantly more inactive than those from higher NS Sec **1-4 25%** inactive; NS Sec **5-8 43%** inactive, and the trend is worsening (the gap is getting larger)

And for those with a Life Limiting Illness or Disability where the inactive numbers for those who do not have any life limiting illness or disability is at **24%** but those with is at **40%** and the trend is worsening (the gap is getting larger).

Older peoples participation rates are significantly lower than younger with **38.4%** 55-74 year olds inactive compared with **24.9%** 25-54 year olds (England **29.4%** : **21.3%**, and Cambridgeshire & Peterborough **29.7%** : **19.7%**)

Unfortunately figures are not available to compare Peterborough levels of inactivity or participation between White and Black, Asian and minority ethnic groups but the general

population differences between Cambridgeshire which are **81.36%** : **18.64%** white : BME and Peterborough **70.92%** : **29.08%**

Access to facilities for sport and activity was a key issue highlighted through the Strategy consultation, with the study of built facilities and playing pitches highlighting that:

- More than three quarters of the City's population resides within 20 minutes' walk of an indoor sports hall with **41.4%** of the population which reside in areas of higher deprivation living within a one mile walking catchment of one.

- Less than one third of the population resides within one mile of an accessible swimming pool but of the people resident in the City's deprived communities, **42.8%** live within one mile of a community accessible pool.

- Drive time assessments indicate that the whole Peterborough population lives within a 20 minute drive of a community use health and fitness facility with a minimum of 20 stations.



Strategic context

The provision of high quality and accessible community sports facilities and opportunities at a local level is a key requirement for achieving the targets set out by the Government and Sport England. It is vital that this strategy works towards these targets in the national Strategies in addition to local priorities and plans.

It further identifies that provision should

- Meet the needs of the customer and enable them to engage in sport and physical activity
- Strengthen the sport sector and make it more effective and resilient
- Meet the needs of the elite and professional system and deliver successful major sporting events

Sport England: Towards an Active Nation (2016-2021)

Sport England released its new five year strategy 'Towards an Active Nation' in May 2016 which sets out the following vision:

'We want everyone in England regardless of age, background or level of ability to feel able to engage in sport and physical activity. Some will be young, fit and talented, but most will not. We need a sport sector that welcomes everyone – meets their needs, treats them as individuals and values them as customers'.

16 Government: Sporting Future: A New Strategy for an Active Nation

The Government published its strategy for sport in December 2015. This confirms the recognition and understanding that sport makes a positive difference and that it will help the sector to deliver five simple but fundamental outcomes: physical health, mental health, individual development, social and community development and economic development.

It identified the following outputs:

- More people from every background regularly and meaningfully taking part in sport and physical activity, volunteering and experiencing live sport
- A more productive, sustainable and responsible sport sector
- Maximising international and domestic sporting success and the impact of major events



The aim is to target the 28% of people who do less than 30 minutes of exercise each week and will focus on the least active groups; typically women, the disabled and people from lower socio-economic backgrounds.

Emphasis will be on working with a larger range of partners and the Strategy will help deliver against the five health, social and economic outcomes set out in the Government's Sporting Future strategy.

- Physical Wellbeing
- Mental Wellbeing
- Individual Development
- Social & Community Development
- Economic Development

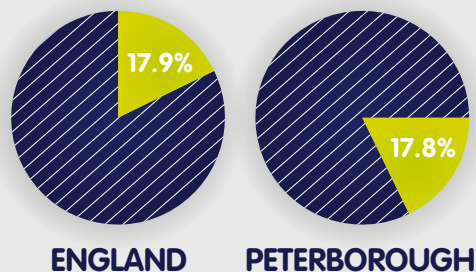
Peterborough is one of the fastest growing cities in England. It is a city with an ambitious growth strategy that is estimated to see the population increase by up to **35%** by 2031.

It is a city with a varied and robust economy and a diverse and multicultural population. It is a city that enjoys excellent transport connections, significant housing stock growth, an outstanding house-price-to-earnings ratio and one of the highest ratios of green space per person in the UK that supports the city aim to become the UK Environment Capital with award winning parks and open spaces - important resources as we strive to get people more active.

It is also a city with challenges. Peterborough is one of the most deprived areas in the East of England, with the highest Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) score in the area for 2015. The level of observed deprivation in Peterborough, at **27.7%** is not only higher than that of England (**21.8%**) but substantially higher than that of neighboring areas such as Cambridgeshire (**13.4%**) and Suffolk (**18.3%**).

Public Health Outcomes Framework 2015-16

Percentage of people using outdoor space for exercise / health reasons



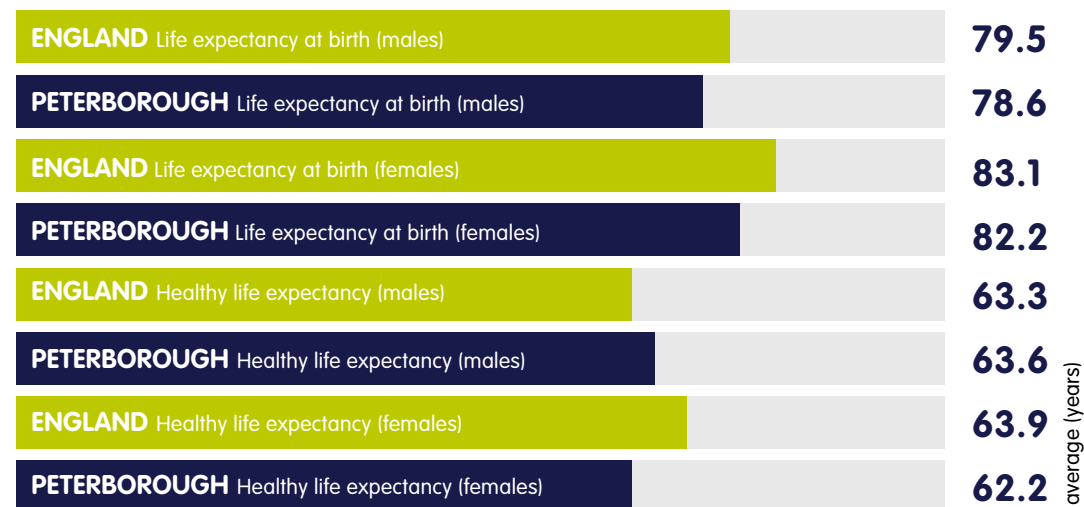
Peterborough has some of the poorest healthcare outcomes in the East of England.

Life expectancy at birth, while similar to the England average for both males and females, is lower than the East of England average, while health inequalities across the city are evident in the fact that life expectancy can vary by up to 10 years between the most deprived and least deprived areas of the city.

As the tables below demonstrate Peterborough is either statistically similar or worse than the England average across a range of health measures, and is not considered to be better than the England average in any of the health measures listed.

Public Health England report data through the Public Health Outcomes Framework for age 19+ including gardening

Public Health Outcomes Framework 2014-16



Excess weight data Public Health Outcomes Framework

ENGLAND	Child excess weight (4 to 5 year olds) 2016-17	22.6
PETERBOROUGH	Child excess weight (4 to 5 year olds) 2016-17	23.2
ENGLAND	Child excess weight (10 to 11 year olds) 2016-17	34.2
PETERBOROUGH	Child excess weight (10 to 11 year olds) 2016-17	36.8
ENGLAND	Percentage of adults as overweight or obese 2015-16	61.3
PETERBOROUGH	Percentage of adults as overweight or obese 2015-16	62.9

average (%)



Peterborough has a very diverse population and we need to make sure that everyone is included.

Physical activity data
Public Health Outcomes Framework 2016-17

66	ENGLAND Percentage of physically active adults
61.1	PETERBOROUGH Percentage of physically active adults
22.2	ENGLAND Percentage of physically inactive adults
26	PETERBOROUGH Percentage of physically inactive adults

average (%)

The identified levels of deprivation, the disparity in life expectancy and the associated health inequalities in Peterborough highlight the need for local action through a range of aligned approaches. The responsibility for aligning action rests with the Peterborough Health and Wellbeing Board, a statutory partnership across Peterborough City Council, local NHS commissioners and Peterborough HealthWatch. Therefore the focused plans outlined within this strategy document to improve physical activity levels among the local population will be embedded within the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Sport and physical activity are unique in the way they bring people together from all walks of life and from every aspect of society. Peterborough has a very diverse population and we need to make sure that everyone is included. Peterborough

needs to develop a culture that enables and values the full involvement of all, free from discrimination, creating an environment in which all have equal opportunities to take part. From responding to diverse needs, capabilities and preference, to overcoming potential barriers for those individuals and groups who are currently underrepresented. Veterans are 1 good example of a group who would benefit from specific session or concessionary rates across the city to be more engaged.

Sport and physical activity facilities need to be welcoming for all as many residents are taking steps towards becoming more physically active. The council need to ensure that people working in sport, including partners such as Vivacity, governing bodies and sports clubs are all aware of and can communicate the health benefits of sport and physical activity, they also need to understand the range of needs for different groups.



It is essential for us to work together in a coordinated way to make a positive impact on the quality of life for individuals as well as improving the health and well-being of the whole community.

Peterborough's Health and Wellbeing Board working in partnership with Clinical Commissioning Groups are reviewing how physical activity solutions to health problems can be used effectively in the City. This means that it will be increasingly important to work with health sector to break down barriers and improve understanding between sport, physical activity and health professionals.

The Council recognises the importance of developing this strategy to tackle the issue of low participation and health challenges together. So far the Council has:

- Undertaken consultation with the community to understand what is needed to help them become more active and more healthy
- Established the priority areas where we can use influence and allocate resources to encourage people to become more active and more healthy
- Brought together partner priorities and targets based upon the needs of Peterborough's residents
- The formation of a Health & Wellbeing Board with a Health & Wellbeing Strategy

What have we done so far

Peterborough has a strong sporting tradition and a range of sport and recreational facilities. Alongside programmes run through the Council and its partners, a

The Chief Medical Officer has set out clear guidelines¹ about how much physical activity is required. Adults should be doing 150 minutes of moderate physical activity per week, which can take the form of organised activity to sports to walking the dog.

¹ www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-physical-activity-guidelines

tremendous amount of Peterborough's physical activity and sport is delivered by a wide network of other organisations; from voluntary groups to schools and educational facilities, and from sports clubs to support groups, religious groups and the private sector.

In 2010 all of Peterborough City Council's sports and leisure facilities were put out to tender and are currently managed by Vivacity Culture and Leisure, a charitable trust limited by guarantee. www.vivacity-peterborough.com.



Vivacity is the council's partner/contract provider for culture and leisure; an independent charitable trust responsible for the city's arts, heritage, library and sports services. Vivacity has expert knowledge and plays the lead role in the city for leisure and sports development. Vivacity works with the council to jointly tackle the increasing levels of inactivity in the city and recognises the major contribution physical activity and sport can make to health improvement. Vivacity deliver a wide range of health referral classes to City residence.

Vivacity's ambition as outlined in their business plan is to continue to play a significant role in helping Peterborough residents enjoy a longer and better quality of life using sport and physical activity as a catalyst for optimising health and wellbeing.

Vivacity provides a choice for residents and visitors to Peterborough meeting their sporting and healthy living needs. Vivacity have worked and continue to work in partnership with a wide range of local, regional and national organisations to achieve this, developing relationships that create opportunities for people to participate at the level of their choice in either a recreational, playing, competing, coaching or voluntary capacity.

Vivacity has historically focused on and will continue to focus on helping people to gain: health benefits; sporting success; new skills and opportunities to play, enjoy and compete if they so wish.

Vivacity also provide services that are inclusive and deliver appropriate opportunities to those with long term health conditions where it is known their health can be improved and wellbeing enhanced.



The Council has invested over £5 Million pounds into new sporting facilities and improvements to the existing portfolio (together with Vivacity who have heavily invested in equipment and resources) providing much needed access to this new community and wider residents within Peterborough. The

council works closely with developers to secure funding for new provision such as:

- Refurbished Hampton community pitches
- Refurbished the Regional Pool and Jack Hunt Pool
- Gladstone 3G pitch
- Netherton 3G pitch

Why is physical activity and sport important?

Improving current levels of participation in sport and physical activity locally will bring a range of benefits:

Physical wellbeing

Being active can reduce the risk of developing type 2 diabetes by 30-40% and can reduce the risk of a range of medical conditions, including cancer, dementia, strokes, heart disease and depression.

Mental wellbeing

Physical activity contributes to enjoyment and happiness, and more broadly to life satisfaction, with the element of social interaction often cited as central to this.

Individual development

Evidence shows a positive association between sport and physical activity and self-efficacy (for example motivation, goal setting and commitment), for groups including elderly people and disaffected young people. Other evidence

includes an increased willingness to volunteer and the development of soft skills, such as integrity, responsibility and leadership.

Economic development

The direct impact of the sport sector on the economy (largely in terms of gross value added or job creation) has been evidenced as has the indirect impact of participation in sport and physical activity on the economy (reduced healthcare costs due to a healthier population, reduced crime, and improved employability).

Social and community development

There is compelling evidence around the role of sport and the integration of migrants, that is particular relevant for a city such as Peterborough with a diverse population. Sport is widely seen as a way for people of different backgrounds to interact and integrate by participating, volunteering and spectating.

Source: PHE Health matters: Getting every adult active every day

What are the **health benefits** of physical activity?



PARTICIPATION

Gross value added

£47.3m

Jobs

1275

Sports/class subscription fees
Gross value added
£17.8m
Jobs 898

Sportswear
Gross value added
£0.5m
Jobs 10

Sport education
Gross value added
£17m
Jobs 211

Sports equipment
Gross value added
£8m
Jobs 156

Participation sports
Gross value added
£3.9m
Jobs 898

VOLUNTEERING

Wider economic value

£6.6m

TOTAL DIRECT ECONOMIC VALUE OF SPORT

£66.7m

Total employment

1803

Economic value of sport for Peterborough, stats provided by **Sport England**

HEALTH

Wider economic value

£63.4m

NON-PARTICIPATION

Gross value added

£19.4m

Jobs

527

Sports gambling
Gross value added
£1.6m
Jobs 80

Sportswear
Gross value added
£2.7m
Jobs 52

TV/Satellite subscriptions
Gross value added
£0.7m
Jobs 80

Spectator Sports
Gross value added
£4.5m
Jobs 200*

Spectator equipment
Gross value added
£10m
Jobs 195

WIDER SPENDING

Wider economic value

£9.3m

The financial impact of physical inactivity - **Living Sport area**

Health costs of physical inactivity
 (Peterborough - £2,746,729) [Source
 Sport England British Heart
 Foundation 2010]

Health costs of physical inactivity



23 Disease category cost breakdown per year

Breast Cancer	Cancer Lower GI e.g. bowel cancer	Cerebrovascular Disease e.g. Stroke	Diabetes	Coronary Heart Disease
£731,038	£759,787	£759,787	£3,035,539	£6,408,791

The above illustrations provided by Sport England and Living Sport highlight the economic impact value of sport and activity for Peterborough and this region and the health benefits associated with undertaking regular exercise.

Our role and challenge is to encourage Peterborough residents to take responsibility for choosing a more active lifestyle. We have to ensure that people are more aware of the

type, frequency and intensity of physical activity required to achieve significant improvements in health and well-being.

We will adopt the following two simple messages:

- Adults should be active for half an hour on most days of the week
- Children should do at least an hour of moderate activity on most days of the week

There is a common misconception that to be

active for better health means taking part in strenuous activities or competitive sport.

Whilst some people enjoy intense levels of exercise, this is certainly not the case for everyone. Significant health benefits can still be gained by regular, moderate and recreational levels of activity. To achieve a health benefit the heart rate needs to be raised for a minimum period of 10 minutes per activity. We

need to focus more on demonstrating the benefits of all types of physical activity & communicate this message.

Much of the confusion seems to lie with how we define sport and physical activity, resulting in people not knowing 'what counts'. To help, the table below gives a simple illustration of four key areas of physical activity - 'Active Living, Active Education, Active Recreation and Active Sport'.

Physical activity encompasses all of these different areas and, as a result, is relevant to anyone and everyone - whether you do virtually no activity at all or you are training towards a long term goal.

Where does our strategy fit in?

The social and physical benefits of participation in sport and physical activity are recognised by national, regional and local government as leading to:

- Improve focus on rural areas for development of physical activity. There is a great footpath network especially in the west of the city, ideal for health and wellbeing and general activity.
- Promoting economic development and the environment
- Contributing to the regeneration of communities and improved transportation
- Tackling issues such as anti-social behaviour, crime and problems relating to social inclusion as well as helping develop stronger and safer communities
- Providing opportunities to gain skills & competencies to enhance people's lives
- Recognising the valuable contribution of those who take part, volunteer, officiate, coach or spectate
- Providing patient choice and encouraging them to be responsible for their own health and well-being
- Assistance with budgetary control

This strategy will ensure the promotion and development of physical activity and sport in our City will result in all of Peterborough's communities experiencing the wide range of benefits that greater involvement and participation can bring about.

Active Lifestyles 4 key Priorities

Active living

- Healthcare and exercise referral programmes
- Occupational activities
 - Moderate to vigorous housework, gardening & DIY

Active education

- Physical Education in schools
- Learning, Skills and Development

Active recreation

- Exercise
- Active play
 - Dance
- Walking or cycling for fun
- Outdoor activities

Active sport

- Organised participation, including clubs
- Structured competitive activity
- Fitness programmes

Working with Travelchoice promote cycling and walking whenever possible within all 4 priorities and work travel plans. Disability, Equality and Diversity will be outlined throughout the strategy.

The Active Lifestyles Strategy sits within a core group of three strategies detailed below which link and have impact on local strategies and national priorities.

National

Sporting Future
A new strategy for an active nation
Sport England towards an active nation
Active Peoples Survey

Local

Health and wellbeing strategy
Local transport plan
Sustainable community strategy
Supplementary planning documents
Green open spaces improvement plan

Core

Active lifestyles strategy
Culture strategy
Green spaces strategy
Sustainable community Strategy
Health and wellbeing strategy



The Mission

“For Peterborough to become more active, healthier and more successful by creating opportunities and overcoming barriers to take part in physical activity and sport.”

The mission will guide our direction to create a more active, more healthy and successful Peterborough. To help us achieve this, we plan to use our influence and resources within the following six key strategic priorities:

- 1 Participation** - championing to reduce inactivity and increasing participation for everyone making sure everyone can access activity
- 2 People and Places** - having the right places in which to take part and the right people to support increased engagement and participation, further growth plan for the city.
- 3 Communication** - improving our marketing and communications - targeted to inspire

behaviour change and help people make the active choice

- 4 Partnership Approach** - developing more partnerships, strengthening existing ones and making effective use of our resources.
- 5 Sports Pathways and accessibility** - activities and Sports available for the demand of the city, sporting pathways clear to follow and easy to access.
- 6 Facilities and Infrastructure development** - lever in investment and support delivery against the shared ambition. Look to develop an investment plan and guide partners to secure investment to support community delivery.

Active lifestyles

Participation

People & Places

Partnerships

Facilities

Sporting Pathways

Communication

Our legacy

The legacy will be exceeding our vision and mission by improving our measures and outcomes beyond our thinking.

Peterborough is a growing City with plenty of opportunity for more sports and recreational activity to take place and be set up. Inactivity within the City is poor and this will be addressed not only by this Strategy but also by the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Success will be lowering all health statistics and increasing engagement and participation with sports and leisure based activities long term. Communication and marketing will prove essential to driving this so information is easily available and activities and services are easily accessible.

- To raise the profile of participation in active lifestyles within the City
- To raise Health and Wellbeing indicators of the City against the national average
- Assistance with budgetary control, support through Invest To Save opportunities to improve facilities and services available

26 Increase of **38,000** more active lives by 2023. Based of 190,000 population and a 20% improvement on activity levels. The following 5 years to grow further in line with housing developments and future population growth of the City.

This strategy is intended to secure mutually reinforcing benefits over the next five to ten years:



As a result of the actions identified in this strategy, we expect:

- **More** people to take part in activities more often
- **More** activities to be taking place
- **More** facilities being used to provide activities

The people of Peterborough – individuals and community groups – and potential visitors will know:

- The benefits of an active lifestyle
- What's on where and when;
- Who to ask for advice, guidance and support if they want to take part in, support or host activities.

Organisations, and their leaders, will develop:

- The Know How to grow participation and develop users;
- Programmes of work that are relevant to and supportive of Peterborough's ambitions;
- A compelling range of marketing materials and activities, promoting lifestyle activities.

Peterborough's community will be:

- **Resilient** – there will be a determined effort to grow memberships and users in active lifestyle activities
- **Strategic** – engaged in the long-term planning within the city to secure benefits for and from our residents, our visitors, our businesses and investors,
- **Collaborative** – operating productive and mutually beneficial partnerships with other organisations, individuals, community groups and businesses,
- **Ambitious** – focused relentlessly on the quality of the offer, with the skills, knowledge and confidence to recognise, promote and support active lifestyle activities, and
- **Confident** – enthusiastically promoting an active lifestyle

Priority 1: Active Living

We know that an active lifestyle is the most influential factor for improving and maintaining people's health. A large proportion of Peterborough's adult population undertakes no activity at all whilst a minority are active on less than 2 occasions each week. We need to introduce people to physical activity widening the scope of opportunities linking with health partners, as well as encouraging and supporting them to do more. Small changes to lifestyles can bring about big improvements in health and the greatest improvements are seen in those who move from doing no activity at all to some activity.

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who have traditionally been underrepresented or possibly even excluded from participation in sport and physical activity such as women and disabled. We will give special attention to the needs of young people within the city and how we can increase sustained participation levels.

Using Sport England reports such as Active Lives annual report review the data and use within action plans to steer national trends to the local area along with the actual local feedback. Current trend suggests no change in uptake in physical activity with the percentages within 0.1% of the previous years.

Working with cohesion and diversity groups within the city support actions regarding physical activity and sport to bring groups together and promote engaging more to increase participation levels. Supporting the new integrated communities green paper to bring communities

We will adopt a range of different methods to stimulate people's interest and understanding of the health benefits of being more active and inclusive. We must encourage people to take responsibility for introducing activity into their daily lifestyles and ensure that local programmes are in place to enable them to be more active.

We will also develop programmes which are targeted at those people in Peterborough

together over the next 5 years is a great opportunity to support both strategies to increase participation as Peterborough is one of only 5 cities successful in being awarded this funding. This paper clearly highlights culture and leisure is a key area to focus on to enable projects to get communities groups engaged and participating in physical activity to increase social interaction, confidence and reduce inactivity.

Continued community support for health rehabilitation will continue with Solutions 4 Health, Vivacity and NHS nurses delivering classes and outreach work to engage and increase participation levels for all community groups. Work will continue to look at using more parks and green open spaces to participate in more activity when available such as walking groups with a walk leader, informal or relaxed classes such as Tai Chi or bootcamp style sessions.



Spaces such as allotments and vegetable patches at venues such as Nene Valley Community Centre to be promoted more so communities are aware of other activities that can be utilised to improve health and activity benefits. Attractive green routes from the embankment and Thorpe Meadows to be celebrated once completed to encourage use from cyclists, walkers and joggers.

Peterborough has been delivering a programme to encourage smarter travel choices for nearly 15 years. In 2004, Peterborough was designated as one of three Sustainable Travel Demonstration Towns. Known as Travelchoice, the Council and it's partners have been delivering a range of initiatives to promote walking, cycling,

public transport, car sharing and ultra low emission vehicles. Our partners including Sustrans, PECT, Outspoken and Vivacity have helped deliver targetted projects in schools, businesses and the wider community.

Choosing to walk, cycle or catch public transport to work can combine your commute with daily physical activity and is something to be encouraged moving forward.

Underpinning the 4 priorities; travel by way of public transports, cycling or walking will be encouraged and developed working with partners under the Travelchoice initiative.

Walking and cycling, known collectively as active travel, are a very simple way of incorporating physical activity into our daily lives. In addition, active travel is also important for increasing access to jobs and services whilst helping to reduce emissions and ease congestion when replacing journeys made by car.

Active travel can include any type of travel that involves physical activity such as walking, cycling, and incidental activity associated with the use of public transport.

Choosing to walk, cycle or catch public transport to work can combine your commute with daily physical activity.

Free, easy and not requiring any special equipment, walking is one of the most accessible forms of healthy activity. An average person can walk one kilometer in about 10 minutes. A brisk walk burns the same amount of calories as a run over the same distance.



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Priority 2: Active Education

Education will be a key driver especially as Primary Schools are currently receiving Primary PE and Sports Premium funding over the next 2 years, roughly £17k each year to be used for sports and physical activities. Inspire + will look to work with local Primary Schools across the city to mentor, upskill and deliver sports and activities which offer a framework and governance for the schools.

Since the introduction of the Primary PE and Sport Premium in 2013, teachers have told Sport England that the quality of sporting provision at Primary School has improved. The next challenge is securing the legacy of this investment for future generations of pupils. Sport England have introduced new grant conditions and guidance for this academic year which place greater emphasis on our expectation that funding should generate sustainable improvements which enhance, rather than maintain, existing provision. For example, where schools are using their funding to employ specialist coaches, these should be deployed alongside class teachers, rather than displacing them, in order for their impact to be sustainable and enable the upskilling of existing teachers. The 2014 NatCen evaluation²³ found that the impact of the Premium is strongest when

there is strong commitment from the school's senior leadership team.

Sport England and national partners have developed resources specifically aimed at headteachers to support effective use of the Premium. Schools should continue to be made aware of and signposted to these resources. Under the new inspection framework, Ofsted inspectors will assess how effectively leaders use the Primary PE and Sport Premium and measure its impact on outcomes for pupils, and how effectively governors hold them to account for this. Department of Education before (DfE) is already doing more to encourage governors to play an active role in deciding how the Premium is spent and has added guidance on this in the new Governors Handbook²⁴.

Schools are required to publish information about their Premium spending on their websites. Reporting requirements have been enhanced so that we can evaluate the impact the investment is having, how it will be sustainable in the long term and where further support may be needed. Government will continue investment in the Primary PE and Sport Premium and continue to advise schools on sustainable and effective ways to use it.

Transition to Secondary Education As well as ensuring that improvements made at the school level are sustainable in the long term, it is also important that the benefits to pupils themselves are sustained when they leave primary school. Action is needed to ensure that pupils' skills and enthusiasm are built on as they move from primary to secondary so that this transition does not cause a drop-off in engagement.

Priority 3: Active Recreation

Promoting physical activity and active recreation is a core part of the City's Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Active recreation is a significant part of the overall picture in influencing people's attitude to an active lifestyle. This notion is very relevant in encouraging inactive people to take part in physical activity in any form.

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A common theme and barrier repeated throughout our research was that people are not sure how much physical activity is needed to bring about significant health benefits. People also seem unaware about what opportunities are available to them in the city and are not used to using them, particularly in our diverse communities. For example, whilst most people are aware of our parks and open spaces, fewer are fully aware of the range and location of leisure facilities, school facilities or other local programmes.

Some residents in Peterborough currently find it difficult to choose an active lifestyle and consequently they may face challenging health issues in the future. The Council must play a leading role in advocating the benefits and the opportunities of leading a more active lifestyle.

Active recreation and physical activity can help prevent a range of physical and mental illness and in Peterborough can

have positive effects on cardiovascular disease, stroke, dementia, depression and type 2 diabetes along with weight management.

Active recreation can take many forms and has the most diverse range of activities from walking, dancing, bike rides, gardening, bowls, swimming, canoeing to a family kick about in the local park, any activity that achieves the minimum minutes of activity per day or week.

Active recreation is very important and for many people very enjoyable and integrated into their lives. It is also a positive way of introducing an active lifestyle to a wide audience, getting people active for the first time, or getting people active again after a period of inactivity. The range and variety available means that there is a menu of opportunities for residents to get active, we just need to point them in the right direction and provide supporting information breaking down barriers and promoting both sport and wider physical activity.



Priority 4: Active Sport

Significant levels of physical activity and sport are delivered through a network of organisations outside of the Council. There are many examples of how working together has been effective and successful. Increasing the levels of physical activity in the city will be a real challenge. We must encourage people to change their current lifestyles and practices and put activity at the heart of a healthy lifestyle. This work cannot be done by the Council and Health alone.

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Vivacity as the culture and leisure lead within the city will support local groups in seeking funding and general information on facilities and services.

Services must be directed to where they have the most impact. Innovative solutions will be sought in partnership with organisations who share the same commitment and passion for increasing participation and bringing about healthier lifestyles.

Sporting activity is nothing without the people working in it, this works its way all the way through from chairs, board members, chief executives to parents and volunteers in helping their local clubs and groups. It is important to have the right

expertise and the right support to enables activity to continue and flourish.

Skills developed and delivery through informal sporting activity are an important foundation and essential in giving people working or volunteering the chance to reach their potential and develop skills for the further. Many informal sporting activities give opportunities to not only develop valuable life and health skills, but develop a strong sense of self and connection to the local community.

The London 2012 Games inspired a generation of young people across the country to choose sport and this has been reflected within our own City, a legacy for which we want to build on.

Our strategy recognises the need to encourage and motivate people to be the best they possibly can at any type of activity, alongside those striving for

sporting excellence on a local, regional, national or international stage. As well as increasing and improving people's everyday levels of activity through active sport, active living and active recreation, we have a strong commitment across the whole spectrum of participation, including gifted and talented schemes in schools and supporting excellence through community sport.

The city does not have a tradition of producing successful athletes and sports stars and there

are many individuals and teams who have a natural sporting talent that will need to be nurtured and supported to enable them to achieve their sporting potential. This can be supported through the following areas:

- Skills
- Coaching
- Apprenticeships
- Volunteering
- Strong governance



Skills

The skills within sport are as broad as the activities on offer, the sector needs to ensure that everyone working in sport is equipped with the necessary skills to do their job effectively. We also need to make sure that the sector is open to all and not a closed shop, taking on the consideration of participants they represent and the communities in which they are situated.

Coaching

Sport England state that good quality coaching can be the thing that makes the difference between building a sporting habit for life or equally putting them off. Coaches need to provide the right environment to support new and current participants to maintain and promote an active lifestyle. Coaches and the clubs and groups they represent have the skills and continuous professional development they need.

Apprenticeships

Peterborough already have a number of apprenticeship active within sports, the Peterborough District Football League have led the way in promoting and administering a number of places. The Government has committed to 3 million apprenticeships by 2020 and the sports sector need to take advantage of this positive way of engaging young people. Sport has the potential to increase the number of young people taking up apprenticeships with the learning shared across Peterborough.

Volunteering

Peterborough has a huge resource of volunteers, Vivacity have been particularly successful in recruiting and retaining volunteers to support their sports activities and for the city's greatest sporting event the Great Eastern Run. Volunteers perform a wide range of role from coaching teams to supporting clubs in their day to day activities through to fundraising, or just being that extra pair of hands. Learning should be shared across the city to not only engage with more volunteers but how to make sure they have a productive experience, and continue to support the sector.

Peterborough Council for Voluntary Services also operates a successful service as part of its programme for communities or individuals wanting advice or information on setting up clubs or groups.



Strong Governance

Both Sport England and UK Sport have jointly brought in a new framework where they work together with national governing bodies to ensure they maintain high standards of governance and that these principles are passed down to clubs and groups working with funders and national governing bodies. **Governance needs to be clear and transparent** at all levels and be representative of the sporting area and community in which it is situated.

What will be done?

Peterborough City Council and its partners will promote use of the UK Sport and Sport England code of practice for all clubs, facilities and users within the city.

The code has three tiers and will apply to any organisation seeking funding from us or UK Sport, regardless of size and sector, including national governing bodies of sport, clubs, charities and local authorities. The code is proportionate, expecting the highest standards of good governance from organisations requesting the largest public investments, including:

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- Increased skills and diversity in decision making, with a target of at least 30 per cent gender diversity on boards
- Greater transparency, for example publishing more information on the structure, strategy and financial position of the organisation
- Constitutional arrangements that give boards the prime role in decision making.

Through the Travelchoice initiative, a number of partners have helped to deliver active travel projects. Sustrans have their regional office located in the City and are currently running their Bike It schools engagement programme, working with 28 primary schools. In addition, Sustrans continues

to chair the Peterborough cycle forum. Outspoken deliver the Bikeability programme (cycle proficiency training) among primary schools. PECT have worked on a number of community engagement initiatives and Vivacity have delivered walking programmes in Peterborough.

PCC and its partners aim to promote the highest standard of sporting conduct and explore its wider social applications. Working together with key partners such as national governing bodies PCC takes a leading role in promoting equality and diversity in sport to ensure there are no barriers to participation and involvement in the running of sport for any social group.



Moving forward: keeping on track

The Peterborough Active Lifestyles & Sports Strategy recognises the significance of the sport and leisure sectors in making Peterborough an Active City, and advocates continued support in leisure and recreation activities. The strategy also addresses concerns facing the sector and considers how to maximise opportunities for the Active life of Peterborough to flourish.

Peterborough City Council is well placed to lead the development of the strategy and to oversee its delivery. However, the diverse nature and scope of the sector is such that a range of other organisations will be central to ensuring that there is full engagement in the process. This is particularly the case in Peterborough where the City Council already has predominantly a commissioning role and operates via a network of funded delivery partners both in leisure and health.

The development of the strategy was overseen by the Active Lifestyles Strategy Steering Group. This successful partnership approach and subsequent consultation on the strategy, suggests the need for a small executive group informed by and interconnected with a wider consultative forum. It is therefore proposed to establish a core delivery group – Peterborough Active Lifestyles and Sports Group– supported and informed by a wider forums, such as the Health and Wellbeing Board and the capital projects board and Peterborough’s sporting governing bodies. Together, this alliance of organisations and individuals will take ownership of the strategy and oversee its delivery.

The consortium will be built around the leisure and recreation institutions in the City with Sport England. The group will be an open and relatively free-form group that has seamless links with the wider sector.

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- Inform, own and oversee the delivery of this strategy;
- Provide a voice for the sector;
- Networking, lobbying and information-sharing;
- Seek resources to deliver the strategy;
- Make strategic connections with and contribute to the Local Enterprise Partnership
- Advise on selected projects and programmes;
- Encourage collaboration in the sector;

- Monitor progress on the strategy and other key cultural projects.

The City Council will play a central role in the Peterborough Active Lifestyle and Sports group and will support the development of the Forum. The specific priorities for the Council will include:

- Advocating the importance of Active Lifestyles;
- Supporting partnership working;
- Delivering selected programmes;
- Commissioning and funding key programmes;
- Linking Active Lifestyles to other key city priorities;
- Liaising with national and regional governing bodies on behalf of the city.



Delivering the strategy

The budget challenge

Leisure and recreation sector will not be immune from the unprecedented public spending deficit faced by the UK and the City. Work is already underway between the City Council and the sector to identify responses to the challenges ahead. In summary, the overarching approach will include:

- Greater collaboration and synergy between organisations, programmes and projects. For example, changes in school and NHS structures provide an opportunity for agencies to come together to deliver a single, coordinated package of activity;
- Seeking to drive down costs through shared services; smarter procurement, review of

delivery structures, and where possible engagement of volunteers;

- New income streams – by differentiated products and pricing, capturing income that is currently benefiting out of city organisations, and continuing success in attracting grant income, making sure Peterborough gets its fair share.

Action Planning

Progress on delivering the strategy will be done in three ways:

- An officer will be employed to make sure that priority areas within this strategy are considered and actioned.
- Open annual review involving the sector and wider public each year and an annual action plan agreed by March of each year. This will set out what needs to be done, by whom and by when;
- Agree a set of indicators which measure strategic progress (e.g. participation levels) and also measure

progress of key programmes and projects. The indicators will also take account of the objectives and outcomes set by key partners such as Sport England. As national performance indicators disappear, a key measure of success will be customer, citizen and satisfaction with the city's Active Lifestyles programmes.



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BUDGET CONTROL REPORT JANUARY 2019

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Acting Corporate Director of Resources	Deadline date:
It is recommended that Cabinet notes:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Revenue Budgetary Control position for 2018/19 at January 2019 includes a £3.444m overspend position on the revenue budget. 2. The key variance analysis and explanations are contained in Appendix A. 3. The estimated reserves position for 2018/19 is outlined in Appendix B. 4. In year budget risks are highlighted in Appendix C. 5. The Asset Investment and Treasury Budget Report is contained in Appendix D. 	

1. ORIGIN OF THE REPORT

- 1.1. This report is submitted to Cabinet following discussion by the Corporate Management Team (CMT).

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1. This report provides Cabinet an update as at January 2019 of the Budgetary Control position.
- 2.2. This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference:

No. 3.2.1 'To take collective responsibility for the delivery of all strategic Executive functions within the Council's Major Policy and Budget Framework and lead the Council's overall improvement programmes to deliver excellent services' and

No. 3.2.5 'To review and recommend to Council changes to the Council's Constitution, protocols and procedure rules'.

3. TIMESCALE

Is this a Major Policy Item/ Statutory Plan	Yes	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. JANUARY 2019 BUDGETARY CONTROL – REVENUE

- 4.1. The revenue budget for 2018/19, agreed at Full Council on 7 March 2018, was approved at £147.456m.

Revised Budget 2018/19	£000
Approved Budget 2018/19	147,456
Use of Reserves per MTFS	4,231
Revised Budget 2018/19	151,687
Drawdown of reserves during 2018/19	2,900
Revised Budget at January 2019	154,587

- 4.2. The 2018/19 year-end outturn position, is currently forecast to be £3.444m over spent. This is based on reported departmental information as at the end of January.
- 4.3. This has increased by £0.912m (36.0%) in comparison to a £2.532m overspend position forecast at the end of December 2018, which was reported to Cabinet on 25 February 2019. The main reasons for the improvement are outlined in the following table:

Key Movements between the Forecasts	£000
Previous month forecast	2,532
Additional Amey Contract Extension costs	458
Parking - security costs	103
Projects have been delayed to mitigate overspends in other People and Communities budgets.	(193)
Home to School	221
Temporary Accommodation Costs	215
ICT	(133)
Energy income	116
Cemeteries, Cremation & Registrars income	108
Other	17
Current Month forecast	3,444

- 4.4. CMT have put plans in place to manage and scrutinise expenditure throughout the council, to mitigate the financial impact of the forecast overspend identified. There has been recent improvement in the position highlighting positive progress towards balancing the current year position.

4.5. The current overspend is largely isolated in one area, children’s services, which was outlined in detail when reported at the Cabinet meeting on 23 July 2018, although there are a number of other key areas of overspend to be aware of. These are as follows:

- Demand within children’s services £4.5m
- Demand within adults services £0.8m
- Peterborough Serco Strategic Partnership -Transformation costs, Business support and variable costs £2.0m
- Amey contract extension £1.0m
- Parking Services £0.5m
- ICT £0.5m
- Volumes within the Coroners service £0.2m

4.6. Capital programme revenue costs however are reducing due in part by the one-off use of capital receipts, generated from the sale of Council assets, to offset MRP payments and the reduced financing needs of a smaller capital programme. The move to a truly sustainable budget will require a reduction in the use of “One-off” savings, as by nature these are not repeatable.

4.7. The summary budgetary control position is outlined in the following table:

	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserves	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserves	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Movement
Directorate	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Chief Executives	1,581	55	1,636	1,451	0	(185)	-11%	(91)	(94)
Governance	4,640	57	4,697	4,965	0	268	6%	259	9
Growth & Regeneration	23,845	1,910	25,755	27,446	0	1,691	7%	984	707
People & Communities	84,465	617	85,082	89,621	0	4,539	5%	4,313	226
Public Health	(126)	198	72	72	0	0	0%	0	0
Resources	37,281	64	37,345	35,459	0	(1,886)	-5%	(1,950)	64
Total Expenditure	151,687	2,900	154,587	159,014	0	4,427	3%	3,515	912
Financing	(151,687)	(2,900)	(154,587)	(155,570)	0	(983)	1%	(983)	0
Contribution to Capacity reserve	0		0	0		0	0%	0	0
Net	0	0	0	3,444	0	3,444	3%	2,532	912

4.8. Further information is provided in the following appendices:

- Appendix A – Detailed revenue budgetary control position and explanation of key variances and risks
- Appendix B – Reserves position
- Appendix C – Budget risk register
- Appendix D - Asset Investment and Treasury Budget Report

Appendix A – Detailed Revenue Budgetary Control position and explanation of key variances and risks

Chief Executives

	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserve	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserve	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Movement
Budget Group	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Chief Executive	241	0	241	212		(29)	-12%	(29)	0
HR	1,340	55	1,395	1,239		(156)	-11%	(62)	(94)
Total Chief Executives	1,581	55	1,636	1,451	0	(185)	-11%	(91)	(94)

The Chief Executive's department is forecasting £0.185m underspend.

HR

There are staffing savings of £0.073m and supplies and services savings of £0.083m.

Governance

	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserve	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserve	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Movement
Budget Group	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Director of Governance	289	0	289	161		(128)	-44%	(131)	3
Legal Services	1,616	0	1,616	1,862		246	15%	254	(8)
Constitutional Services	2,062	0	2,062	2,057		(5)	0%	(19)	14
Performance & Information	193	57	250	249		(1)	0%	(1)	0
Coroners Service	480	0	480	636		156	33%	156	0
Total Governance	4,640	57	4,697	4,965	0	268	6%	259	9

Currently the Governance department is forecasting £0.268m overspend.

Director of Governance

There is a saving of £0.070m on the Director of Governance post, and other small savings of £0.058m.

Legal Services

There is a forecast overspend of £0.360m within the legal team largely due to staffing costs as a result of increased workloads relating to Child Protection, General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), Homelessness and a compensation payment, this is partially offset by additional Land Charges income of £0.117m.

Coroner Service

There is a forecast pressure of £0.156m within this area. Final 2017/18 costs were greater than expected and not fully recognised in that financial year. The forecast overspend in 2018/19 is due to

backlog of referrals, budget pressures from additional staff hired, and a number of complex cases. The Council is awaiting further detail from Cambridgeshire County Council on the overspend as there is a lack of clarity on costs charged, and this will be reported in due course, however this pressure is likely to continue into future years and a bid for investment is included in Tranche 3 of the budget process.

Growth & Regeneration

Budget Group	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserve	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserve	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Movement
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Development and Construction	175	0	175	379		204	117%	195	9
Director, OP & JV	(2)	0	(2)	18		20	-1000%	20	0
Peterborough Highway Services	9,076	0	9,076	8,907		(169)	-2%	(190)	21
Sustainable Growth Strategy	1,468	194	1,662	1,520		(142)	-9%	(140)	(2)
Waste, Cleansing and Open Spaces	12,266	54	12,320	12,704		384	3%	(74)	458
Westcombe Engineering	91	0	91	167		76	84%	0	76
Corporate Property	1,226	1,605	2,831	3,240		409	14%	409	0
Resilience & Health & Safety	249	0	249	227		(22)	-9%	(41)	19
City Centre Management	318	37	355	610		255	72%	259	(4)
Marketing & Communications	252	0	252	475		223	88%	172	51
Parking Services	(2,096)	0	(2,096)	(1,475)		621	-30%	500	121
Regulatory Services	669	20	689	468		(221)	-32%	(186)	(35)
Service Director Environment & Economy	153	0	153	206		53	35%	60	(7)
Total Growth and Regeneration	23,845	1,910	25,755	27,446	0	1,691	7%	984	707

Currently the Growth and Regeneration department is forecasting £1.691m overspend.

Development and Construction

There is a forecast variance of £0.204m in this area, mainly due to £0.138m of temporary staffing costs in Development Control and Planning Enforcement and a £0.085m redundancy payment.

Peterborough Highway Services

Street lighting energy costs are budgeted to reduce as the Street Lighting LED Programme replaces the old lighting with more energy efficient units. However, the savings are taking longer to deliver than originally envisaged, and combined with energy price increases, this is leading to a forecast overspend of £0.148m.

Due to a high workload and agency staff covering vacant posts employee costs are forecast to overspend by £0.023m. However additional income of £0.165m from “selling” highways work to developers has been generated which offsets this pressure.

Various small savings have been identified including Concessionary fares £0.069m and Transport Planning matching Combined Authority funding £0.076m. These are offset by Queensgate Bus Station rates £0.010m, staff recharges £0.021m, Network Management utility debtor invoices not paid £0.032m, along with other small savings of £0.011m.

Bus Services - applying BSOG funding to enhance and develop further existing services and reduced Voluntary Partnership Arrangement (Stagecoach) £0.104m

Sustainable Growth Strategy

Savings on employee costs £0.090m, additional income £0.056m, miscellaneous small pressures £0.004m.

Waste, Cleansing and Open Spaces

Income from electricity sales at the Energy from Waste facility is currently higher than budgeted, leading to a favourable forecast of £0.542m. This is due to the performance of the plant and the escalating energy prices which offsets the pressure that the council is seeing on the electricity that it buys. Final earnings for 2017/18 income at the Energy from Waste plant have also now been confirmed and this was higher than expected by £0.177m.

The new Household Recycling Centre is due to open early 2019, therefore the budgeted investment is not fully required in 2018/19 saving £0.120m. However there are costs of £0.060m relating to the existing site contract extension costs.

Materials Recycling Facility fees for legal advice and support for resolving contract issues, together with claims for waste contamination and increased fees are expected to cost an additional £0.350m creating a pressure.

The financial negotiations with Amey have now concluded regarding the costs of extending the contract to 31 March 2019. The additional costs to the 31 March is £1.393m, resulting in a forecast overspend on the budget. The Council also expects to receive a pension rebate due to lower contribution rates from the Amey contract. This is due to lower contribution rates payable when comparing the contract and actuarial review which results in a £0.519m favourable position offsetting a proportion of the additional costs.

There has been an Insurance Rebate from the EFW Plant of £0.271m.

Further overspends relate to the closure of the WEE facility being delayed £0.025m, an income shortfall of £0.066m for charging for bins where there are new properties, specialist pavement cleansing in the City Centre £0.032m and £0.087m redundancy cost to deliver future savings.

Corporate Property

Sand Martin House income is forecast to be lower than originally anticipated. This is due to the nature of the listed buildings and the works required, commercial unit income and office sub-let income having been delayed or reduced, resulting in at £0.336m forecast overspend. There has been a saving of £0.128m on Sand Martin House rent as the occupancy date was later than anticipated. Revenue costs associated with the feasibility and abortive works for capital projects amounts to £0.100m. A budget will need to be established for this in future years. There is £0.100m relating to revenue costs associated with the procurement of temporary accommodation, to reduce the overspend on housing and accommodate families at risk of homelessness.

City Centre Management

Income is forecast to be lower than budgeted for the City Market based on current stall occupancy £0.076m, for rent in the Pedestrian Area £0.043m and advertising space £0.012m. There was £0.057m lower income than budgeted on the Great Eastern Run due to fewer runners and less sponsorship, however there is additional income from events held at the Embankment of £0.009m. Other small pressures £0.076m.

Marketing & Communications

Temporary staffing costs of £0.150m, £0.045m design and print and £0.028m other minor overspends.

Parking Services

At present the forecast income is £0.298m lower than the budget for off street car parking, including staff car parking off street fees, permits and season tickets. This arises from a shortfall in expected income based on current parking volumes £0.155m, and the additional multi-storey car park capacity at Fletton Quays £0.143m which is not yet fully utilised by the public, or widely promoted due to the ongoing works around the site.

There is also a forecast pressure relating to the costs from National Non-Domestic Rates (Business Rates), security, cleaning, and Ringo (debit/credit card charges), which totals £0.323m.

Regulatory Services

Employee cost savings £0.155m and other savings £0.066m.

People & Communities

	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserve	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserve	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Move ment
Budget Group	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Adults	44,403	24	44,427	43,776		(651)	-1%	(458)	(193)
Commissioning & Commercial Operations	14,098	250	14,348	18,974		4,626	32%	4,576	50
Children's & Safeguarding	10,705	0	10,705	10,708		3	0%	(15)	18
Director	837	0	837	846		9	1%	(10)	19
Education	5,494	87	5,581	5,837		256	5%	133	123
Communities	8,665	256	8,921	9,217		296	3%	87	209
Dedicated Schools Grant	263	0	263	263		0	0%	0	0
Total People and Communities	84,465	617	85,082	89,621	0	4,539	5%	4,313	226

Further Breakdown in to the key service areas:

	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserve	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserve	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Movement
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Adults:									
Independent Sector Placements	31,981		31,981	32,731		750	2%	750	0
Adult Social Care Teams	7,656		7,656	7,686		30	0%	70	(40)
Block Contracts	6,351	24	6,375	6,248		(127)	-2%	(96)	(31)
Financing	(3,073)		(3,073)	(4,299)		(1,226)	40%	(1,112)	(114)
Home Service Delivery Model	1,488		1,488	1,410		(78)	-5%	(70)	(8)
Total Adults	44,403	24	44,427	43,776	0	(651)	-1%	(458)	(193)
Commissioning & Commercial Operations:									
Permanency Service	12,523		12,523	17,060		4,537	36%	4,537	0
Clare Lodge	(1,171)	250	(921)	(866)		55	-6%	0	55
Commissioning & Commercial Operations - Other	2,746		2,746	2,780		34	1%	39	(5)
Total Commissioning & Commercial Operations	14,098	250	14,348	18,974	0	4,626	32%	4,576	50
Children's & Safeguarding:									
Children's Social Care	6,676		6,676	6,678		2	0%	3	(1)
Children's - Other	4,029		4,029	4,030		1	0%	(18)	19
Total Children's & Safeguarding	10,705	0	10,705	10,708	0	3	0%	(15)	18
Director:									
Director	2,114		2,114	2,123		9	0%	(10)	19
Department Savings target	(1,277)		(1,277)	(1,277)		0	0%	0	0
Total Director	837	0	837	846	0	9	1%	(10)	19
Education:									
Home To School & Childrens Social Care Transport	4,001		4,001	4,492		491	12%	248	243
School Improvement Traded Service	(937)		(937)	(937)		0	0%	0	0
Education - Other	2,430	87	2,517	2,282		(235)	-9%	(115)	(120)
Total Education	5,494	87	5,581	5,837	0	256	5%	133	123
Communities:									
Housing	2,392	50	2,442	2,928		486	20%	299	187
Cultural Services	2,447	22	2,469	2,621		152	6%	115	37
Targeted Youth Support Service (TYSS)	1,622		1,622	1,434		(188)	-12%	(204)	16
Prevention Enforcement Service (PES)	559	11	570	452		(118)	-21%	(95)	(23)
Communities - Other	1,645	173	1,818	1,782		(36)	-2%	(28)	(8)
Total Communities	8,665	256	8,921	9,217	0	296	3%	87	209
Dedicated Schools Grant	263		263	263		0	0%	0	0
Total People and Communities	84,465	617	85,082	89,621	0	4,539	5%	4,313	226

Adults- Independent Sector Placements

A pressure of £0.750m is reported in relation to Adults Placement costs. This relates to residential nursing packages (£0.651m adverse to date) and Transforming Care (£0.151k adverse to date). Additional Client and Health income is partially offsetting this pressure. Forecast figure includes expected Summer and Winter pressures

Adults- Adult Social Care Teams

Overall there is a £0.030m forecast overspend on all operational teams. Within this is an overspend on temporary staffing £0.270m, with an underspend on Occupational Therapy equipment £0.061m and miscellaneous other £0.179m.

Adults- Block Contracts

There is currently a favourable variance in respect of the recovery of an £0.080m overpayment to an Extra Care provider. An overall underspend of £0.012m is forecast due to one off Direct Payments to Carers. Carer support is predominantly covered in Independent Sector Placements with services such as carers sitting services and respite. There is also an underspend of £0.005m relating to Older People meals service and £0.029m other contract savings.

Adults- Financing

Projects have been delayed to mitigate overspends in other People and Communities budgets. This action was implemented earlier in the year and has been increased to cover further emerging pressures.

Adults- Home Services Delivery Model

There is a £0.028m underspend on vacant posts and £0.035m on commissioned surveyor work, other underspends are £0.015m.

Commissioning- Permanency Service (TACT)

The Council is forecasting to overspend by £4.537m within this area. This is the result of agreeing to pay TACT an additional £0.637m in relation to the financial year 2017/18 and £3.9m in relation to financial year 2018/19. An upwards trend in the number of children coming into care, and the mix of placement types used, is feeding into the forecast overspend position. Although TACT are using their specialist expertise to recruit foster parents and adoption placements, progress towards achieving a balanced placement mix is in transition meaning there are still a number of placements with high associated costs.

Clare Lodge

A reserve contribution of £0.250m has been agreed which offsets the forecast overspend arising from the delayed opening of the new High Dependency Unit. A £0.055m adverse variance is reported which is as a result of decreased occupancy and therefore Income. The forecast is based on bed occupancy of 11 until 31.3.19. Current bed occupancy is 10. There is a significant risk that occupancy will decrease as Local Authority commissioners attempt to minimise spend. Clare Lodge management are controlling all costs including Agency staffing in an effort to mitigate loss of income.

Commissioning and Commercial Operations- Other

A £0.044m forecast overspend is reported against Play Centres, which is the result of a delay in the Community Asset Transfers. This is partially offset by other small underspends are £0.010m.

Children's Social Care

An overspend of £0.002m is forecast against Children's Social Care .A risk exists around Financial Assistance and the use of Agency staff to cover substantive posts.

Director

It is assumed that all Department Savings targets will be achieved or will be offset by pipeline savings. There is a pressure of £0.027m due to staff regrading, and other small underspends £0.018m.

Education- Home to School and Children's Social Care Transport

Home to School Transport is forecast to overspend by £421k. The Passenger Transport Team Manager has been tasked to produce a paper for CMT to explain this overspend and the effect on future year budgets. An adverse variance of £0.020m is reported with regard to Passenger Transport Team staffing. Children Social Care transport is forecast to overspend by £0.050m. Further analysis has been requested to understand what is driving this increase e.g. more children transported, longer average journeys, etc.

Education- Other

PFI Utility costs are forecast to underspend by £0.100m, this is as a result of an accrual which is not required. Employee costs are forecast to underspend by £0.010m. An adverse variance of £0.079m is reported in relation to the underachievement of income on School Academy conversions. This income target was introduced as a result of charging schools to recover a proportion of the cost the local authority incurred to administer the conversion. However, as the pace of schools converting has reduced against previous estimates this target is unlikely to be achieved. A reduction in business rates was also built in to the budget as a result of the relief academies receive for holding charitable status. As outlined in the funding section, NNDR (business rates) is showing a favourable position. A favourable variance of £0.017m is reported with regard to pre-98 pension strain costs. The Education Psychology Service is forecast to over achieve its traded income target by £0.061m. A favourable variance of £0.090m is reported in regard to School Attendance Fines along with other small underspends of £0.036m.

Communities- Housing

Housing is forecast to overspend by a total of £0.486m. Temporary Accommodation costs are forecast to overspend by £0.629m. This is offset by a projected underspend on staffing of £0.180m. Other budget headings are forecast to overspend by £0.037m.

Communities- Cultural Services

A savings target of £0.250m against the contract with Vivacity will not be achieved, although has been offset by other savings of £0.058m. St. Georges Hydrotherapy pool is forecast to underspend by £0.040m.

Communities- Targeted Youth Support Service (TYSS)

The TYSS is forecast to underspend by £0.188m this relates to holding staff vacancies pending new service implementation. This comprises a forecast underspend of £0.306m on employee costs, offset by other pressures of £0.118m.

Communities- Prevention Enforcement Service (PES)

The PES is forecast to underspend by £0.118m. Employee costs are forecast to underspend by £0.100m and Kingdom costs are forecast to underspend £0.139k. As a result of the staff vacancies the income from Penalty Charge Notices, Fixed Penalty Notice & CCTV is £0.246m below the budget profile. Recruitment to vacant posts is continuing and other mitigations have been put in place to reverse this trend.

Communities – Other

There is a forecast underspend of £0.036m. This comprises a £0.152m favourable variance against non-staffing budgets offset by a £0.116m overspend on staffing.

Public Health

	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserve	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserve	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Movem ent
Budget Group	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Children 0-5 Health Visitors	3,718	198	3,916	3,913		(3)	0%	(3)	0
Children 5-19 Health Programmes	879	0	879	879		0	0%	0	0
Sexual Health	1,830	0	1,830	1,883		53	3%	53	0
Substance Misuse	2,299	0	2,299	2,299		0	0%	0	0
Smoking and Tobacco	317	0	317	305		(12)	-4%	(12)	0
Miscellaneous Public Health Services	1,661	0	1,661	1,623		(38)	-2%	(38)	0
Public Health Grant	(10,905)	0	(10,905)	(10,905)		0	0%	0	0
Children 5-19 Healthy Schools Programme	65	0	65	65		0	0%	0	0
Healthy Peterborough	10	0	10	10		0	0%	0	0
Total Public Health	(126)	198	72	72	0	0	0%	0	0

Public Health savings are on track to be delivered.

Resources

Budget Group	Budget 2018/19	Cont. from reserve	Revised Budget 2018/19	Forecast Spend 2018/19	Cont. to reserve	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Forecast Variance 2018/19	Previous Month Variance	Movement
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	£000	£000
Director's Office	112	0	112	200		88	79%	88	0
Financial Services	3,282	0	3,282	2,830		(452)	-14%	(412)	(40)
Programme Management Office	139	57	196	175		(21)	-11%	(15)	(6)
Capital Financing	18,321	0	18,321	15,319		(3,002)	-16%	(3,002)	0
Corporate Items	4,930	0	4,930	4,760		(170)	-3%	(189)	19
Peterborough Serco Strategic Partnership	5,806	7	5,813	7,956		2,143	37%	2,143	0
ICT	5,302	0	5,302	5,651		349	7%	482	(133)
Energy	780	0	780	35		(745)	-96%	(861)	116
Cemeteries, Cremation & Registrars	(1,391)	0	(1,391)	(1,467)		(76)	5%	(184)	108
Total Resources	37,281	64	37,345	35,459	0	(1,886)	-5%	(1,950)	64

Financial Services

There is a £0.375m contribution to insurance reserve that is no longer required in this financial year following the Actuary review, along with other underspends of £0.077m

Capital Financing and Capital Receipts

The forecast underspend for Capital Financing is £3.002m as a result of the decision to apply additional capital receipts to offset the minimum revenue provision (MRP) in the 2018/19 financial year. In addition, the reprofiling of schemes, delays in the timing of capital expenditure and interest rates remaining lower than forecast in the MTFs for the beginning of the year, all contribute to the cost of new borrowing being forecast lower than originally budgeted. The forecast cost of raising new loans has been based on a capital programme of approximately £100m, of which £39m is based on new borrowing as the timing of the Empower loan repayment is still to be determined.

This forecast outturn also factors in a greater dividend from ESPO being received compared to the budgeted amount as contained in the MTFs, £100k additional benefit.

Corporate Items

A lump sum underspend against the pension contribution budget of £0.390m, and other underspends £0.051m.

Peterborough Serco Strategic Partnership (PSSP)

The overspend forecast in this service is from a combination of three key areas. There is a £0.850m pressure due to the Annual Delivery Plan (ADP) and business transformation (strategic improvement core cost). All items on the ADP should be linked to funding streams as core funding was reduced to nil in last year's budget. Offsetting this is £0.100m of contract income brought forward, and £0.091m of favourable variances on the costs of changes in the contract. The following savings that were included in the 2018/19 MTFs, are currently not on track to be achieved.

- The £1m Serco variable spend saving. Overall variable spend with Serco has not yet reduced, due to ongoing programmes of work. Whilst budgets are in place for these works, these are mainly one off, and it has not been possible to make the planned ongoing budget reduction of £1m.
- The Serco Business support saving of £0.100m.

ICT

Savings that were expected to be generated through the implementation of a technology platform across Social Care (PeopleToo) is not now expected to be achieved as planned, creating a £0.137m pressure. The budgeted return on loans to partners to deliver this project has also not materialised as planned creating a £0.131m pressure through loss of interest receipt.

Savings targets in relation to Digital Roadmap project, including guaranteed resale income and also savings through decommissioning ICT Legacy systems and departmental efficiencies are not expected to be fully achieved, causing a £0.792m pressure.

There is a pressure against the core contract budget in 2018/19 due to one-off costs associated with new change controls being implemented £0.219m. However, a rebate received in year within the core contract budget, following a prior year change control notice reconciliation has offset the above pressures by £0.741m.

Savings are expected against the corporate computer software budget of £0.117m and other underspends £0.072m.

Energy

The Council has received additional interest income from extending a loan arrangement with Empower Community Management LLP in respect of solar installations.

Cemeteries, Cremation & Registrars

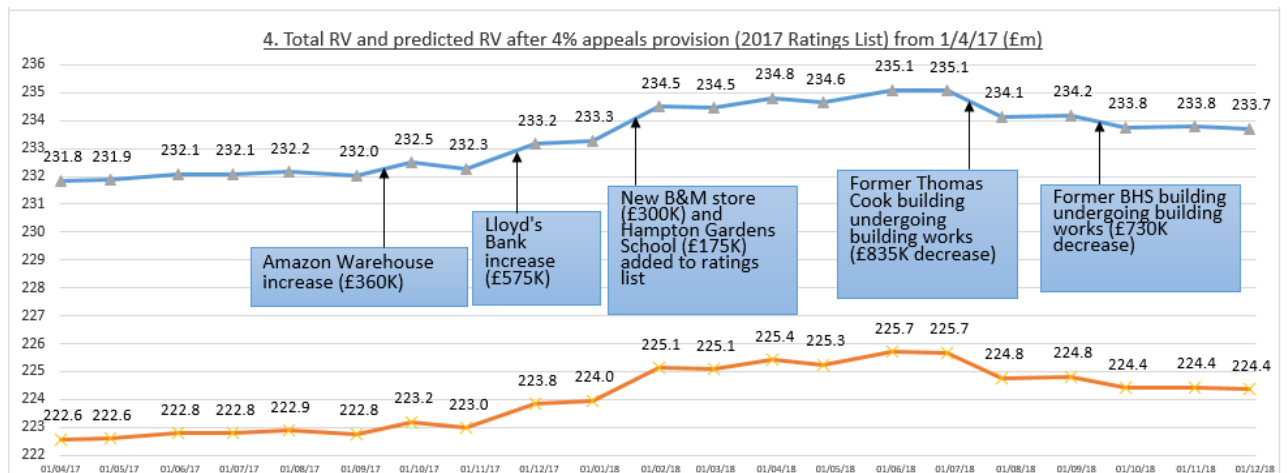
Bereavement income is forecast to be £0.044m greater than the budget, other underspends £0.032m

Financing

The following table show how the Council's expenditure is funded via council tax, business rates, non-specific grants and use of reserves.

Budget Group	Budget 2018/19 £000	Cont. from reserves £000	Revised Budget 2018/19 £000	Forecast Spend 2018/19 £000	Cont. to reserves £000	Forecast Variance 2018/19 £000	Forecast Variance 2018/19 %	Previous Month Variance £000	Movement £000
Council Tax	(68,110)		(68,110)	(68,110)		0	0.00%	0	0
Council Tax - Adult Social Care precept	(5,328)		(5,328)	(5,328)		0	0.00%	0	0
NNDR Income	(45,465)		(45,465)	(46,448)		(983)	2.16%	(983)	0
NNDR Levy	216		216	216		0	0.00%	0	0
NNDR S31 grants	(3,128)		(3,128)	(3,128)		0	0.00%	0	0
NNDR Tariff	2,370		2,370	2,370		0	0.00%	0	0
Revenue Support Grant	(15,056)		(15,056)	(15,056)		0	0.00%	0	0
Parish Precept	(586)		(586)	(586)		0	0.00%	0	0
New Homes Bonus	(5,152)		(5,152)	(5,152)		0	0.00%	0	0
Section 31 Grant	(5,742)		(5,742)	(5,742)		0	0.00%	0	0
Contribution from/to Grant Equalisation Reserve	(4,231)		(4,231)	(4,231)		0	0.00%	0	0
Contribution from/to Reserves	0	(2,900)	(2,900)	(2,900)		0	0.00%	0	0
Contribution to Capacity Reserve	0		0	0		0	0.00%	0	0
Collection Fund - Council Tax	(1,188)		(1,188)	(1,188)		0	0.00%	0	0
Collection Fund - NDR	(287)		(287)	(287)		0	0.00%	0	0
Total Financing	(151,687)	(2,900)	(154,587)	(155,570)	0	(983)	0.64%	(983)	0

The following graph outlines the change in the Rateable Value of the properties and the key changes to the properties



Appendix B - Reserves

The Council's departmental reserves and the capacity building reserve are monitored throughout the year and feed into the budget setting process accordingly. The following table summarises the expected balance for all reserves for 2018/19 to 2021/22

Out of the total reserves balance only £15.7m is deemed available or uncommitted, due to restrictions placed on the remaining reserves.

	2018/19	2018/19	2018/19	2018/19	2018/19	2019/20
Summary of Reserves	Balance C/Fwd 1.4.18	Contribution from Reserve in 2018.19	Contribution to Reserve in 2018.19	Movement between Reserves	Estimated Balance at 31.03.19 £000	Estimated Balance at 31.03.20 £000
General Fund Balance	6,000	0	0	0	6,000	6,000
Available Reserves						
Capacity Building Reserve	12,714	(8,863)	4,687	2,088	10,626	6,796
Grant Equalisation Reserve	8,445	(4,231)	0	0	4,214	1,130
Development Equalisation Reserve	1,233	(1,233)	0	0	0	0
Departmental Reserve	5,197	(3,695)	0	(600)	902	902
	27,589	(18,022)	4,687	1,488	15,742	8,829
Ring-Fenced Reserves						
Insurance Reserve	4,936	0	0	(1,488)	3,448	3,448
Schools Capital Expenditure Reserve	1,208	(33)	0	0	1,176	1,176
Parish Council Burial Ground Reserve	51	0	0	0	51	51
Hackney Carriage Reserve	203	0	0	0	203	203
School Leases Reserve	243	(122)	0	0	121	79
Future Cities Reserve	240	(240)	0	0	0	0
Public Health Reserve	428	(198)	0	0	230	230
	7,310	(593)	0	(1,488)	5,229	5,188
Total Available and Ring-Fenced Reserves and General Fund Balance	40,899	(18,615)	4,687	0	26,972	20,016

* £4.2m drawn down per approved 2018/19 MTFS

** Capacity Building Reserve

- May be used to finance transformational costs associated with delivery of savings plans outlined in the 2019/20 – 2021/22 MTFS
- £4.4m of Capital receipts will be transferred to Capacity reserve during 2018/19.
- The forecast overspend in 2018/19 of £3.4m will be required to be funded from the Capacity reserve.

*** it should be noted that there has been a transfer of reserves from the Insurance reserve totalling £1.488m, following the actuarial review of the balances. This also includes an estimate for additional risk the council may be exposed to as a result of the Local Authority Trading Company (LATCo).

Appendix C – Budget Risk Register

The following table highlights the risks which have been identified within the 2018/19 Budget

Dept	Risk	Description	Rag rating	£000	Preventative Management Action taken, or planned
G&R	Parking Income	Further reduction in income – reduced footfall	Amber	0	tbc
Gov	Cost of Coroner Service	2018/19 contract costs - lack of clarity on costs charged by Cambridgeshire County Council	Amber	0	tbc
P&C	Independent Sector Providers (ISP)	Additional pressures on Nursing Residential, Delayed Transfer of Care (DTC), Sleep In payments following Mencap court case and Transforming Care service users could increase the ISP overspend	Red	0	tbc
P&C	Homelessness	Demand led area. Should demand increase or mix between accommodation types changes, forecasts could alter	Amber	0	tbc
P&C	TACT placements	Demand led area. If placement mix changes or demand increases, only needs one or two cases to impact significantly	Amber	0	tbc
P&C	Traveller sites	Clearing of traveller sites	Amber		Physical measures were installed along Norwood Lane at the start of September 2018 to prevent fly tipping at this location. At the current time the measures have prevented tipping along the Lane, although it is still happening at the entrance. Clearance costs have significantly reduced and will continued to be monitored. A site visit is taking place to see if measures can be extended to the entrance and a gateway opposite to further reduce costs
P&C	Clare Lodge	Risk around loss of Income, & the cost of Agency Staff if recruitment and retention strategies are not successful	Amber		

Appendix D - Asset Investment and Treasury Budget Report as at January 2019

Introduction

The following report provides an update on the Council's Asset Investment Plan and the Treasury activity as at January 2019. It also provides an estimate of the borrowing requirement for 2018/19 to fund this plan.

Asset Investment Plan 2018/19

The revised Asset Investment Plan budget as at January 2019 is £98.3m, which includes £1.7m for Invest to Save (I2S) Schemes. The agreed investment as per the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFS) was £158.7m. The movement between the MTFS position and the £181.3m as at April 2018 was a result of slippages mainly due to delays completing projects from 2017/18.

This revised budget includes the following items, as set out in the December BCR report, which came to Cabinet on 25 February:

- the Stamp Duty payable (£600k) on Sand Martin House as this has been assessed as a finance lease
- purchasing Refuse Collection Vehicles (RCV) (£700k) and
- a loan facility for Local Authority Trading Company (LATCo) to provide working capital and to cover start up costs (£1,450k).

The actual investment expenditure as at January 2019 is £60.7m (84.7% of the revised budget to date). The latest forecast for expenditure is £98.3m, therefore the Council is expecting to spend a further £37.6m before March 2019.

The Council has a Capital Review Group (CRG) which meets monthly to ensure that the capital programme is not aspirational in terms of the timing of the delivery of schemes, to challenge and ensure the future five years programme is line with the capital strategy, and monitor the expenditure and progress of schemes.

The following table shows the breakdown of the Council's Asset Investment over the directorates and how this investment is to be financed.

Sub-Directorate	MTFS Budget	1st April Budget	Current Budget FY	Revised Budget YTD	Actual YTD
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Governance	49	49	-	-	-
Growth & Regeneration	55,239	63,363	49,493	41,245	32,438
People & Communities	58,883	64,692	34,097	28,414	22,009
Resources	16,195	1,119	10,197	8,497	5,481
Invest to Save	28,350	52,064	1,729	1,441	775
<i>SMH Stamp Duty*</i>	-	-	600	-	-
<i>LATCo Loan & RCVs*</i>	-	-	2,150	-	-
TOTAL	158,716	181,287	98,266	79,597	60,703
Grants & Contributions	40,486	46,335	38,621	32,184	30,052
Capital Receipts	1,000	1,000	1,000	833	1,500
Borrowing	117,230	133,952	58,645	46,580	29,151

TOTAL	158,716	181,287	98,266	79,597	60,703
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*Awaiting Approval

Borrowing and Funding the Asset Investment Plan

It is a statutory duty for the Council to determine and keep under review the level of borrowing it considers to be affordable. The Council's approved Prudential Indicators (affordable, prudent and sustainable limits) are outlined in the Treasury Management Strategy approved as part of the MTFS. The Council borrows only to fund the Asset Investment Plan. The current plan assumes that 59.7% of the budgeted expenditure will be funded by borrowing.

The Council's total borrowing as at the end of January 2019 was £427.6m (see following table). The level of debt is measured against the Council's Authorised Limit for borrowing of £706.5m which must not be exceeded and the Operational Boundary (maximum working capital borrowing indicator) of £659.7m. These limits are set to enable borrowing in advance of need to take advantage of favourable loan rates in consideration of future years capital investment programme.

Borrowings	Less than 1yr £000	1-2yrs £000	2-5yrs £000	5-10yrs £000	10+yrs £000	Total £000	Ave. Interest Rate %
PWLB	-	4,500	7,128	15,715	332,244	359,587	3.6
Local Authority	28,000	22,500	-	-	-	50,500	1.6
Market Loans	-	-	-	-	17,500	17,500	4.5
LEP Loan	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0
Total Borrowing	28,000	27,000	7,128	15,715	349,744	427,587	3.4
% of total Borrowing	7%	6%	2%	4%	82%		
Borrowing Limit (PI)	40%	40%	80%	80%	100%		

The majority of the debt is taken on a 10+yr basis. The Acting Corporate Director of Resources believes it to be prudent to take advantage of a relatively low long term fixed rate of interest as it mitigates some of the risk of PWLB rate rises. Long term interest rates remain relatively low e.g. the standard PWLB rate for 50yr loans including the certainty rate was 2.42% at end of January 2019. The historically low PWLB rates are a result of the investor fears and confidence creating an ebb and flow situation between favouring more risky assets i.e. equities, or the safe haven of bonds and have been fluctuating recently due to uncertainty over Brexit negotiations.

The following table shows the activity in Loans held by the Council for the year to date, with £16m of loans being repaid and £10m of new borrowing taken to fund the capital programme:

Loans Portfolio £000		
April 2018 b/f		419,587
repayment of loans to date	(22,000)	
new loans in year	30,000	
net increase/(decrease) to date		8,000
Loans portfolio as at January 2019		427,587

Total interest payable on existing loans for the year (£427.6m) is expected to be £14.0m.

The CRG is now reviewing the Council's £17.1m of S106 and Planning Obligation Implementation Scheme (POIS) funding at the monthly meetings. To date £8.7m has been earmarked for specific projects but more work needs to be done by the services to allocate the remaining funding to reduce the borrowing costs to the Council. CRG will invite the S106 Officer to the meeting to discuss current investment projects which may be able to use this funding to reduce this funding balance further.

Investments

The Council aims to achieve the optimum interest on investments commensurate with the proper levels of security and liquidity. In the current economic climate the Council considers it appropriate to keep investments short term to cover cashflow fluctuations. This financial year investment returns have been from Barclays (the Council's banking provider), CCLA Money Market funds, the Debt Management Office and Local Authorities.

As at January 2019 the Council's external investments totalled £5.4m and have yielded interest to date of £0.089m, which reflects both relatively the low cash balances held to minimise the cost of borrowing and low interest rates being available in the economic climate

Capital Receipts Used To Fund Minimum Revenue Provisions

Capital Receipts are used as part of a contribution to fund the Minimum Revenue Provision as approved in the MTF. Close monitoring of the receipts from asset sales is maintained as any significant change will now have a direct impact on the revenue position.

Capital Receipts are monitored on a monthly basis and each sale given a status of Red, Amber or Green to identify the likely receipt before March 2019. The MTF includes a contribution of £2.9m Capital Receipts to fund the MRP, with the revised receipts figure including a further £6.7m rolled forward from uncompleted disposals in 2017/18.

Capital Receipts To Off Set Revenue MRP Charge RAG Status	MTFS Budget £000	Revised Budget £000	Received to Date £000	Not yet received £000
Green	-	5,919	624	5,295
Amber	2,922	1,732	-	1,732
Red	-	-	-	-
Total (not inc Investment Assets)	2,922	7,651	624	7,027
Investment Assets	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Receipts	2,922	7,651	624	7,027

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CABINET	AGENDA ITEM No. 6
25 MARCH 2019	PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:	Fiona McMillan, Director of Law and Governance	
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:	Councillor Seaton, Cabinet Member for Resources	
Contact Officer(s):	Pippa Turvey, Democratic and Constitutional Services Manager	Tel. 452460

OUTCOME OF PETITIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: <i>Directors</i>	Deadline date: <i>N/A</i>
It is recommended that Cabinet notes the actions taken in respect of petitions.	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report is submitted following the submission of E-Petitions, the presentation of petitions to Council officers, and the presentation of petitions at Council meetings.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to update Cabinet on the progress being made in response to petitions submitted to the Council.
- 2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.3, '*To take a leading role in promoting the economic, environmental and social well-being of the area*'.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

Petitions Presented at Council Offices

Stop the Bus Cuts

The petition was submitted by Beki Sellick on 11 February 2019. The petition contained 97 valid signatures and called on the Council "to withdraw plans to cut their bus subsidy by £150,000."

The Group Transport and Environment responded:

"Thank you for your petition. A proposal to reduce the council's spend on subsidised transport by £150,000 was approved by Full Council on 12 December 2018 and officers were specifically asked to identify options for achieving this reduction, in consultation with Group Representatives, without impacting 'demand responsive' services (i.e. Call Connect and

Community Link). Instead they considered the £520,000 budget for the 60s services and the evening and weekend services that the Council supports on Stagecoach's Citi network.

Stagecoach 60s services: These services replaced some of the old 'Local Link' services in 2013 and were specifically designed to provide a bus service to those people who, due to location, are not served by a commercial bus service. In spring 2015 a working group was established to consider options to enhance bus provision in the city. The group subsequently agreed to invest an extra £100,000 annually to enhance the services already in place. Passenger numbers provided by Stagecoach show that the 48% additional investment has resulted in just a 9.8% increase in the number of trips when comparing the original services (2015/16) to the revised services (2017/18). In order to review these services officers met with Stagecoach to discuss different options. Initial proposals received from Stagecoach included removing some early morning, late evening and all Saturday services on these routes. After discussion with members from the Cross Party Consultation Group a second proposal was received from Stagecoach which would replicate a revised Monday to Friday timetable on a Saturday and would result in the following changes:

- 60 – no change to the current timetable;
- 61 – withdraw 0534 and all services after the 1839;
- 62 – withdraw 0509, 1955 and 2315;
- 63 – no change to the current timetable.

In order to ascertain the impact of these proposed changes officers requested passenger data from Stagecoach. This made it clear that the number of trips made on these services is extremely low, with some services not being used at all. In order to validate this information officers travelled on each of these services for one week day and one Saturday in January. This showed that these numbers are broadly accurate with no more than three passengers using any timetabled trip. In addition officers were able to identify that of the 24 people surveyed 16 could've made their trip via an alternative, albeit potentially less convenient, route.

Alongside this officers have also undertaken contract renegotiations for the Citi services with Stagecoach which will result in no changes to the service provision but collectively will enable the Council to achieve the £150k reduction required. A report detailing the proposed changes was presented to the Joint Meeting of Scrutiny Committees on 12 February 2019 and the recommendations contained in it were agreed. Subsequently a Cabinet Member Decision has been taken to allow the timetable changes to be implemented and we will be sharing more information on the changes with the public over the coming weeks.

In summary, whilst the Council recognise that there may not be an alternative public transport option available in all cases, the Council feel that the proposal to change these services is necessary in order to deliver a balanced budget and is proportionate and objectively justified given the low level of usage."

Petitions Presented at Council Meetings

Clarence Road Resident's Parking

The petition was submitted by Beki Sellick on 11 February 2019. The petition contained 97 valid signatures and called on the Council revoke "the Residents Only Parking designation for our stretch of the road ... All the other streets immediately surrounding our stretch of the road have no residents only restrictions."

Head of Peterborough Highway Services responded:

"Thank you for submitted the above petition. The resident parking restrictions in Clarence Road were introduced in November 2008. In order to revoke the residents parking restrictions the Council need to follow a standard stator process which involves publishing the details of the proposal in a legal order that is then issues for public consultation. Once the order is published there is a minimum period of 3 weeks where members of public are able to submit their views.

This is then reviewed and a decision taken. From the date of issuing the consultation it would typically take 4-6 months to conclude the process. It should be noted that we cannot confirm at this stage whether this will result in your desired outcome.

We shall arrange for this request to be added to our next suitable legal order which is anticipated to be issued for consultation in late May or June 2019.

5. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 As the petitions presented in this report have been dealt with by Cabinet Members or officers, it is appropriate that the action taken is reported to Cabinet.

6. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 6.1 There have been no alternative options considered.

7. IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no legal, financial, or equalities implications arising from the issues considered.

8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 8.1 Petitions presented to the Council and responses from officers.

9. APPENDICES

- 9.1 None.

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