

Briefing - MTFS Tranche Two 2019/20-2021/22

Joint Scrutiny of the Budget

28 November 2018

Budget gap - 2019-20

We knew we needed to find £10.2m of savings, but due to pressures such as an increase in high cost children's placements required this has now raised this figure to £14.5m.

Why have we got a budget gap?

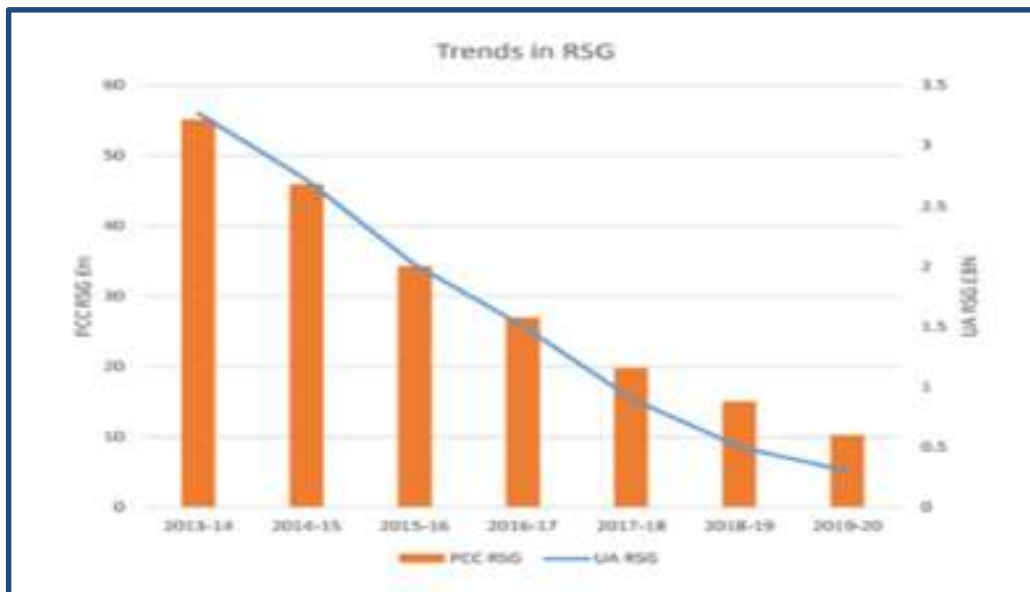
- Peterborough is a fast growing city and demand is unprecedented on certain services
- Current government funding takes no account of population growth or demand levels
- Funding has been reduced year on year - which means the council is no longer adequately funded to provide the services we want to deliver
- We believe residents are being short-changed by current government funding



Revenue Support Grant

- Alarming reduction of 80% over seven years
- Funding has reduced from £55m in 2013/14 to £10m in 2019/20





Council Funding- 2018/19



Key Factors

- **Population growth**
 - We are one of the fastest growing council areas in the country
- **Unprecedented rise in demand on services**
 - Complex care needs of both adults and children
- **Deprivation**
 - Peterborough has some of the most deprived areas in the UK
- **Low council tax rate**
 - One of the lowest average council tax rates per dwelling



Tranche Two Budget Pressures

- Costs Children's social care - due to demand and high costs per child
- ICT change in strategic direction



What's our approach to closing the gap?

- Reviewing the level of all services the council is delivering
- Additional commercialisation
- Continuing to improve commissioning and procurement processes and reviewing our external contracts to get best value
- Continuing working on shared services with other local authorities and health partners
- Driving efficiencies within teams and services
- Building and leasing additional temporary accommodation for homeless families
- Transferring assets to partners and communities



Timeline - Tranche Two

- Tranche Two proposals available - 5 October 2018
- Cabinet Meeting - 15 October 2018
- Feedback via the council website/post by 10 December 2018
- Budget Joint Scrutiny Meeting - 28 November 2018
- Cabinet Meeting - 3 December 2018 to consider the feedback received
- Full Council - 12 December 2018



Consultation

- Consultation launched 5 October at 5pm.
- Questionnaire on www.peterborough.gov.uk/budget
- Consultation closes at 5pm on Monday 10 December 2018

