

CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO**DRAFT REVENUE BUDGET 2023/24 - SUMMARY**

2021/22 Actual	Service Area	2022/23 Budget	Increased costs	Other Changes	2023/24 Draft Budget
£		£	£	£	£
	Childrens Social Care				
1,775,557	Bromley Youth Support Programme	1,778,320	110,810	Cr 125,000	1,764,130
8,149,915	CLA and Care Leavers	8,280,450	496,370	2,593,890	11,370,710
676,052	Early Intervention and Family Support	1,341,650	189,800	Cr 69,850	1,461,600
21,406,286	Fostering, Adoption and Resources	19,025,320	1,381,510	3,442,390	23,849,220
4,357,719	Referral and Assessment Service	4,202,500	253,500	22,590	4,478,590
3,907,957	Safeguarding and Care Planning East	3,012,010	180,740	917,840	4,110,590
2,778,625	Safeguarding and Care Planning West	5,991,440	383,640	101,120	6,476,200
Cr 980,148	Safeguarding and Quality Improvement	(2,146,650)	169,320	Cr 4,431,640	(6,408,970)
42,071,963		41,485,040	3,165,690	2,451,340	47,102,070
	Education Division				
49,157	Workforce Development & Governor Services	(4,600)	1,700	0	(2,900)
99,173	Strategic Place Planning	132,310	20,250	0	152,560
0	Special Schools & Alternative Provision	15,674,480	940,470	5,320	16,620,270
2,612,226	SEN and Inclusion	41,383,250	2,553,610	9,145,000	53,081,860
Cr 1,455,746	Schools Budgets	(79,001,430)	(4,497,390)	(8,326,140)	(91,824,960)
694,308	Schools & Early Years Commissioning and QA	21,633,340	1,302,930	(71,000)	22,865,270
25,327	Other Strategic Functions	3,063,130	178,630	10,320	3,252,080
Cr 460,574	Adult Education Centres	(437,900)	(0)	10,000	(427,900)
6,974,439	Access and Inclusion	3,575,130	227,310	13,500	3,815,940
6,017,710		6,017,710	727,510	787,000	7,532,220
48,089,673	TOTAL CONTROLLABLE	47,502,750	3,893,200	3,238,340	54,634,290
6,321,290	TOTAL NON CONTROLLABLE	1,593,870	18,900	(108,220)	1,504,550
9,679,039	TOTAL EXCLUDED RECHARGES	10,852,210	0	(10,810)	10,841,400
64,090,002	PORTFOLIO TOTAL	59,948,830	3,912,100	3,119,310	66,980,240

CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO

SUMMARY OF BUDGET VARIATIONS 2023/24

Ref	VARIATION IN 2023/24		ORIGINAL
	£'000	£'000	BUDGET 2022/23 £'000
1	2022/23 BUDGET		
		59,949	
2	Increased Costs		
		3,912	
	Full Year Effect of Allocation of Central Contingency		
3	Agency saving in 2022/23 Budget	Cr 121	
4	NI Adjustment 2022/23	Cr 163 Cr 284	
	Movements Between Portfolios/Departments		
5	Transfer of funding to the Chief Executives department	Cr 200	
6	Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) budget	Cr 64 Cr 264	
	Real Changes		
	<i>Other Real Changes</i>		
7	Drawdown of Reserves for Additional Social Worker Posts	870	
8	Removal of COVID Funding	200	Cr 3,000
9	Repurposed ASC Reform Monies	Cr 4,300 Cr 3,230	0
	<i>Growth</i>		
10	FYE effect of 2022/23 Children's Placements	6,600	20,937
11	Cost pressures SEN Transport	700	7,771
12	SEN Transport additional demand	575	7,771
13	Decrease in Central DSG allocation	50	
14	Ed Psychologists	10 7,935	1,016
	<i>Mitigation</i>		
15	Additional CCG Contribution	Cr 100	Cr 2,350
16	SEN Transport route optimisation, etc	Cr 383 Cr 483	7,771
	<i>Transformation Programme Savings</i>		
17	Adult Education	13	Cr 438
18	Fees and Charges	Cr 15	
19	Transport Services Policy	Cr 50	7,771
20	Maintained Nursery's to work under a commercial model	Cr 68	162
21	Emergency Foster Placement	Cr 79	5,361
22	0-25 Transitions Service (Inc. Short Breaks)	Cr 100	
23	Youth Services Review	Cr 125 Cr 424	732
24	Variations in Capital Charges	Cr 209	
25	Variations in Insurances	78	
26	2023/24 DRAFT BUDGET	66,980	

CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO

Notes on Budget Variations in 2023/24

Ref Comments

Full Year Effect of Allocation of Central Contingency

- 3 Agency saving in 2022/23 Budget (Cr £121k)
The full year effect of agency worker savings expected as a result of the most recent contract award.
- 4 NI Adjustment 2022/23 (Cr £163k)
The adjustment for the 1.25% National Insurance contributions increase included in the 2022/23 budget has been reversed, following the Government's announcement in September 2022.

Movements Between Portfolios/Departments

- 5 Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) (Cr £64k)
It was agreed that the VAWG service would move from Children Service to the PPE portfolio where the MOPAC funding is allocated.
- 6 Transfer of Funding to the Chief Executives Department (Cr£200k)
Movement of temporary funding allocated to CEF in 2022/23 back to Chief Executives Department for 2023/24

Real Changes

Other Real Changes

- 7 Drawdown of Reserves for additional Social Worker posts (Dr £870k)
This adjustment relates to the 'Additional Staffing Capacity for Children's Social Care' paper that has been approved by the Executive.
- 8 Removal of COVID Funding (Dr £200k)
Part reversal of the COVID funding provided as part of the 2022/23 Budget to support the on-going impact of COVID-19 on the CEF portfolio.
- 9 Repurposed ASC Reform Monies (Cr £4,300k)
The government had previously announced funding for the Adult Social Care Reforms which were due to take effect from October 2023. The reforms have subsequently been delayed for two years, however the funding has been repurposed and will be distributed through the Social Care Grant for adult and children's social care. This helps offset growth pressures detailed below.

Growth

- 10 FYE effect of 2022/23 Children's Placements (Dr £6,600k)
The full year effect of 2022/23 pressures on Children Social Care placements is £6,600k. This covers all of the different placements within the Children Social Care area. Within this figure are some assumed management actions.
- 11 Cost pressures SEN Transport (Dr £700k)
On top of the on-going increase in client numbers and costs, there is the additional pressure in relation to increased costs above inflation in 2022/23 that feed through into 2023/24.
- 12 SEN Transport additional demand (Dr £575k)
Additional funding is required to support the increase in the numbers of clients using the service. Increases in pupils are the start of the academic year of 18% over the last 2 years . Costs have also increased as due to the impact of COVID, there is a shortage of workers to drive the clients.
- 13 Decrease in Central DSG allocation (Dr £50k)
There is an expected reduction in the Central Services Block of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) funding. The growth covers the loss of grant and maintains the current service levels.
- 14 Ed Psychologists (Dr £10k)
This is a continuation of the recruitment and retention policy in order to retain staff and avoid costly temporary / agency staff. The pay structure will be more in line with the market and will therefore attract slightly higher costs.

Mitigation

- 15 Additional CCG Contribution (Dr £100k)
Additional funding has been secured above and beyond current budgeted levels.
- 16 SEN Transport route optimisation, etc (Cr £383k)
To help off-set the pressures in SEN Transport Growth, the service has undertaken various reviews to optimise the routes they are being delivered in order to help alleviate pressures.

Transformation Programme Savings

- 17 Adult Education (Dr £13k)
A continuation of the slight reduction in the transformation savings due to one off savings in previous years.
- 18 Fees and Charges (Cr £15k)
Savings from an increase to fees and charges across the Council of 3% above budgeted inflation for 2023/24.
- 19 Transport Services Policy (Cr £50k)

Changes to service provision including Personal Budgets and Independent Travel training initiatives as reported previously to committee.

- 20 Maintained Nursery's to work under a commercial model (Cr £68k)
The in-house nurseries are currently being reviewed and options are being considered to move them to a more commercial model, as previously reported to committee.
- 21 Emergency Foster Placement (Cr £79k)
Assuming a steady stream of placements across the financial year being able to be diverted from IFA's and offsetting the costs of retaining three emergency carers.
- 22 0-25 Transitions Service (Inc. Short Breaks) (Cr £100k)
The combined 0-25 service will use a more efficient model of working which will enable savings to be made across the whole service.
- 23 Youth Services Review (Cr £125k)
There is an ongoing review of the Youth Service with the expectation that there will be efficiencies moving forward.
- 24 Variations in Capital Charges (Cr £209k)
The variation in capital charges is due to a combination of the following:
(i) Revenue Expenditure Funded by Capital Under Statute (REFCUS) – these are schemes in the capital programme that do not add value to the Council's fixed asset base. It is the nature of the capital programme that the projects covered will change from year to year. The amounts shown are for our current best understanding of the relevant schemes for 2023/24.
(ii) Government grants – mainly due to variations in credits for capital grants receivable in respect of 2023/24 capital programme schemes.
These charges are required to be made to service revenue accounts, but an adjustment is made below the line to avoid a charge on Council Tax.
- 25 Variations in Insurances (Dr £78k)
Insurance recharges to individual portfolios also have changed between years, in some cases significantly, partly due to the changing profile of actual claims in the recent past. Inflation has also had an impact, both on the projected policy costs, and the costs of delivering the service.

CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND FAMILIES PORTFOLIO
DRAFT REVENUE BUDGET 2023/24 - SUBJECTIVE SUMMARY

Service area	Employees £	Premises £	Transport £	Supplies and Services £	Third Party Payments £	Transfer Payments £	Government Grants	Other Grants Reimbursements and Contributions	Customer and Client Receipts	Controllable Recharges £	Below Cost of Services on CIES	Movement between Reserves	Total Controllable £
Childrens Social Care													
Bromley Youth Support Programme	2,059,260	196,970	34,020	203,830	99,770	0	Cr 352,230	Cr 173,630	Cr 235,510	Cr 68,350		0	1,764,130
CLA and Care Leavers	3,627,412	0	35,380	1,649,770	1,553,570	7,417,690	Cr 2,229,202	0	Cr 692,340	8,430		0	11,370,710
Early Intervention and Family Support	2,834,420	312,620	27,300	162,720	190,950	0	0	Cr 26,230	Cr 178,980	Cr 1,861,200		0	1,461,600
Fostering, Adoption and Resources	2,519,900	0	229,600	1,843,900	22,700,840	772,500	Cr 317,520	Cr 2,550,000	0	Cr 50,000		0	25,149,220
Referral and Assessment Service	4,271,500	0	6,760	14,180	8,820	177,330	0	0	0	0		Cr 1,300,000	3,178,590
Safeguarding and Care Planning East	2,837,410	0	8,580	720,550	505,730	38,320	0	0	0	0		0	4,110,590
Safeguarding and Care Planning West	4,199,220	0	147,820	8,600	1,999,630	1,227,050	0	Cr 649,720	0	Cr 456,400		0	6,476,200
Safeguarding and Quality Improvement	3,023,960	0	11,040	1,185,300	0	0	Cr 9,957,960	Cr 193,600	0	Cr 477,710		0	6,408,970
	25,373,082	509,590	500,500	5,788,850	27,059,310	9,632,890	Cr 12,856,912	Cr 3,593,180	Cr 1,106,830	Cr 2,905,230		Cr 1,300,000	47,102,070
Education Division													
Workforce Development & Governor Services	35,400		170	17,690	20,360				Cr 43,360	Cr 33,160		0	Cr 2,900
Strategic Place Planning	314,240			43,420						Cr 205,100		0	152,560
Special Schools & Alternative Provision		24,410				16,706,315	Cr 59,455		Cr 51,000	0		0	16,620,270
SEN and Inclusion	7,680,690	310,800	9,359,490	752,640	30,710,540	6,263,910	Cr 85,190	Cr 125,090	Cr 518,660	232,730		Cr 1,500,000	53,081,860
Schools Budgets		700		273,530		17,911,344	Cr 106,073,014		Cr 105,770	Cr 33,750		Cr 3,798,000	91,824,960
Schools & Early Years Commissioning and QA	1,846,330	86,440	6,570	987,320	15,910	21,005,630	Cr 41,130		Cr 959,750	Cr 82,050		0	22,865,270
Other Strategic Functions	193,000	110	890	528,920	3,436,520		Cr 947,980			40,620		0	3,252,080
Adult Education Centres	1,488,450	165,470	1,510	355,930		1,230	Cr 1,909,440		Cr 542,070	11,020		0	427,900
Access and Inclusion	2,607,830	0	85,950	448,460	1,179,510				Cr 306,250	Cr 199,560		0	3,815,940
	14,165,940	587,930	9,454,580	3,407,910	35,362,840	61,888,429	Cr 109,116,209	Cr 125,090	Cr 2,526,860	Cr 269,250		Cr 5,298,000	7,532,220
	39,539,022	1,097,520	9,955,080	9,196,760	62,422,150	71,521,319	Cr 121,973,121	Cr 3,718,270	Cr 3,633,690	Cr 3,174,480		Cr 6,598,000	54,634,290

Service area	Capital Charges/ Financing	Repairs, Maintenance & Insurance	Rents and Other Property Based Charges	Not Directly Controllable	Net Recharges	Total Net Budget
	£				£	£
Childrens Social Care						
Bromley Youth Support Programme	102,000	55,840	Cr 72,980	84,860	325,260	2,174,250
CLA and Care Leavers		1,510		1,510	540,920	11,913,140
Early Intervention and Family Support	123,000	10,690		133,690	538,880	2,134,170
Fostering, Adoption and Resources		670		670	1,535,250	26,685,140
Referral and Assessment Service		1,610		1,610	397,690	3,577,890
Safeguarding and Care Planning East		740		740	314,370	4,425,700
Safeguarding and Care Planning West		71,800	Cr 7,940	63,860	617,030	7,157,090
Safeguarding and Quality Improvement		190,270		190,270	1,104,010	Cr 5,114,690
	225,000	333,130	Cr 80,920	477,210	5,373,410	52,952,690
Education Division						
Workforce Development & Governor Services		20		20	Cr 8,010	Cr 10,890
Strategic Place Planning		60		60	Cr 43,830	108,790
Special Schools & Alternative Provision	389,000	7,160		396,160	Cr 16,653,970	362,460
SEN and Inclusion	11,000	3,540		14,540	Cr 41,824,990	11,271,410
Schools Budgets	295,000	64,220		359,220	91,727,690	261,950
Schools & Early Years Commissioning and QA		28,720		28,720	Cr 21,711,030	1,182,960
Other Strategic Functions		20		20	Cr 2,934,640	317,460
Adult Education Centres	150,000	77,910		227,910	365,520	165,530
Access and Inclusion		690		690	Cr 3,448,750	367,880
	845,000	182,340	0	1,027,340	5,467,990	14,027,550
	1,070,000	515,470	Cr 80,920	1,504,550	10,841,400	66,980,240