

GENERAL FUND 2021/22 BUDGET

EFFICIENCY SAVINGS

The following table provide details regarding the significant efficiency gains, proposed to be made as part of the 2021/22 General Fund budget. As with any proposed reductions in expenditure there are implications for service provision. There are also implications for the budget if those savings are not met.

ACTIVITY	AMOUNT OF PROPOSED EFFICIENCY SAVINGS	DETAILS
	£	
Network Circuits	71,000	Network Circuit rationalisation to create large pipeline through fewer contracts.
Insurance Premia	193,000	Savings in the cost of insurance premia following a tendering exercise
Lower Non-Pay Inflation	30,000	Application of inflation is lower than anticipated for contractual commitments.
Sub-Total	294,000	
GRAND TOTAL FOR EFFICIENCY SAVINGS	294,000	

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PRESSURES**

The following table provide details regarding the funding adjustments to be made as part of the 2021/22 General Fund budget.

ACTIVITY	AMOUNT OF PROPOSED SERVICE INVESTMENT	DETAILS
	£	
2020/21 additional pay award (0.75% above budgeted)	82,000	2020/21 pay award was higher than budgeted. This addresses the shortfall in the budget.
Possible reduction in Essex County Council support for Sam's Place	35,000	Part year impact (Oct -Mar) of non charging policy under ECC service contract
IT costs of Payroll	7,000	Ongoing maintenance costs of new HR/Payroll system
Additional telephony licensing	70,000	Licencing for the App based telephony system
Contingency	150,000	Allowance to help meet issues such as costs of Homelessness once new grants are known.
Sub-Total	344,000	
Covid Related		
Loss of Essex Pool Tariff saving	180,000	Likelihood that the pooling benefit will not be achieved in 21/22 due to Covid and economic conditions
Covid impact on income - Car Parks	100,000	Risk - especially linked to car parking permits not being renewed in 1st Qtr 2021
Staff Car Parking	20,000	No charges linked to Covid and no usage for the Apr - Sept period.
Sub-Total Covid Related	300,000	
GRAND TOTAL FOR PRESSURES	644,000	