

Detail of Other Centrally Held Budgets

These are budgets that are required to meet financial liabilities of a corporate nature or to create capacity to meet expenditure demands that occur periodically (for example a 53 week pay year).

	Net Budget £000	Projected Out-turn £000	Variance £000
<u>Pensions - Costs of Early Retirements</u> This is the cost of decisions made to allow staff to take early retirement in prior years, together with the implications of the '85-year' rule for both the Local Government Pension Scheme and the Teachers' Pension Scheme. The increased costs are due to new retirements under the latter.	664	1,193	+529
<u>Redundancy Payments</u> At the moment redundancy payments are expected to lower than the budget provided, but the saving is needed to compensate for the additional costs of retirements shown above.	968	428	-540
<u>Park & Ride - provision for staff passes costs</u> The budget included a saving to reduce the expenditure by £45k pa. It is not expected that this can be fully delivered in 2006/07, but is being looked at as part of the Job Evaluation exercise.	52	84	+32
<u>Reserve for 53 week pay year</u> The next 53 week pay year is 2007/08. This money is set aside each year to meet these occasional costs to ensure that there is no additional expenditure pressure every 5 - 6 years.	59	42	-17
<u>Employer Superannuation Contributions to North Yorkshire Pensions Fund</u> This represents the additional amount that is budgeted to meet the Council's liability on the fund.	121	-	-121
<u>Capital Programme running costs</u> This is to fund the revenue consequences of specified capital schemes. When the development 'goes live' the money will be transferred to the service budget.	351	-	-351
<u>Specific Contingency for Rental Income losses</u> This money is set aside to compensate the revenue accounts where there is a loss of rental income due to an asset being sold to generate a capital receipt to support the capital programme. Currently it is not expected that the full sum will be required this year, but it will depend on the timing of disposals.	46	-	-46
<u>Equal Pay</u> Budget Transferred from Job Evaluation	688	688	-
<u>Job Evaluation Project Team</u> Specific budget for the staff and ancillary costs involved in the job evaluation project	750	849	+99
<u>Specific contingencies set up as part of the budget process</u> This is the provision made for the costs of the job evaluation exercise. Any money not needed for the in-year costs of the project will be transferred to reserves to meet the future costs of decisions made.	1,724	1,283	-441
<u>Deferred Charges</u> Charge to revenue of costs of capitalisation powers granted for equal pay costs. This is an accounting treatment that has to be made at the year-end to meet Statutory reporting requirements, and is funded by the contribution from the Cap Finance Account	526	526	-
<u>Other central provisions</u> This includes specific contingency items set aside in the budget process which have not yet been allocated (e.g. fuel and nndr bill inflation, rent reviews) and provision for bad and doubtful debts.	631	38	-593
Total	6,580	5,131	-1,449