

Savings agreed in Feb 15 and Feb 16

Ref No	Unit /Service	Description:	Item	2017/18 (£'000)	2018/19 (£'000)
Pre 15/16 Budget Agreed Savings					
ASC002	Residential & Nursing	Reduce residential care to necessary minimum and increase extra care/supported living housing	Transform the accommodation based care market in line with the Council's Market Position Statement. Reducing to a minimum the focus on residential and nursing care and developing Extra Care Sheltered/Supported Living Accommodation to give the vast majority of people who need accommodation based care greater independence and improved quality of life. Savings of £370k included in 2015/16	1,400	1,400
R&G001	Regeneration & Growth	Updated TA forecast based on 13/14 performance	Further planned reductions in temporary accommodation costs reflecting improved management and reductions in numbers.	500	0
R&G011	Regeneration & Growth	Investment Team	Full year effect of funding changes for development fund and information manager.	20	0
R&G012	Regeneration & Growth	Planning & Building Control	Increase income through generating more trading business. Prioritise resources on non-ringfenced income generation work – particularly targeting and securing work through cross-boundary working via partnership schemes. Savings of £50k included in 2015/16.	25	0
R&G017	Regeneration & Growth	Facilities Management & Civic Centre	To be read in conjunction with R&G26. This proposal assumes further letting of space in the Civic Centre to a third party with a resulting service charge for the cost of FM. The saving assumes a further floor of the Civic Centre can be made available and let by 2016.	124	0
R&G018	Regeneration & Growth	Housing Needs	Shared service arrangements for housing register and allocated scheme - £100k to £200k. Initial work being undertaken with neighbouring borough where the use of common approaches and systems has been identified. This may offer potential for shared service savings and the spreading of back office/overhead costs. Initial arrangements to be in place during 15/16 (part-year saving). Savings of £20k included in 2015/16.	40	0

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R&G025a	Regeneration & Growth	Income Generation through gaining "Approved Inspection" status	Enabling Brent to undertake Building Regulation work throughout England. Explore the potential for increasing the level of income generated by Building Control through gaining "Approved Inspector" status. This would enable Brent to undertake Building Regulation work throughout England without need to obtain the host local authority's agreement to work within their area. This ability will allow Brent to market the services in the same way as the private sector company and compete with Private Sector AI's. In taking forward this model we will review our charges to reflect market rates but ensure they remain competitive and need to develop mechanisms whereby inspection of works can be effectively resourced / undertaken.	35	0
R&G025f	Regeneration & Growth	Letting Agency	Establishing a lettings agency which will generate increased income from the provision of property and tenancy management services to private sector properties.	175	175
R&G025g	Regeneration & Growth	Increased Income and Efficiencies from Disabled Facilities Work	Efficiencies in relation to the administration and supervision of Disabled Facilities Grant in areas such as services to self funders / partnership working better integration with BHP.	40	0
R&G026	Regeneration & Growth	Income from the Civic Centre	Proposals will be developed for increased income from the Civic Centre. The additional income assumed from 16/17 onwards assumes that an additional floor being made available and a tenant found to occupy the space on a commercial basis from 2016. To be read in conjunction with R&G17 which represents the service charge that could be achieved and the FM costs that could then be offset.	150	0
R&G029	Regeneration & Growth	Regeneration Investment Service	Reduction in base budget for special adhoc projects within Regeneration	100	0
R&G035	Regeneration & Growth	Housing Needs Service Redesign and Efficiencies	Reduce the number of Housing Options Officer posts by 4, over a two year period from 2016/17. Current approaches can be streamlined and operational efficiencies gained.	100	0
ENS015	Community Services	Parking Service	Full year effect of previously agreed proposals.	134	0
ENS016	Community Services	Street Lighting	Replace existing street lighting with LED lighting and a central management system. Capital investment of £7m has been approved to finance this.	750	0

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ENS020	Community Services	Libraries, Art and Heritage – grants	Full year effect of previously agreed proposals which will leave an ongoing budget of £50k	155	0
ACE002	Strategic Commissioning	Review of grant funding to London Councils	Previously agreed proposal, which required a two thirds majority approval in London Councils. This was not secured and work is underway to identify an alternative approach.	340	0
R&G005	Community Services	Capita Savings	The Capita contract for Revenues & Benefits provides for 3% savings to be delivered year on year. The proposal here represents the full outcome of the renegotiation of the Capita contract price undertaken as part of the decision to extend the current contract for a further 3 years from 1st May 2016 to 30th April 2019. Savings of £321k included in 2015/16.	207	0
Driving Organisational Efficiency					
DOE001	Support Planning, Reablement & Mental Health	Increase Direct Payments	This will mean that people pay for their home care/community support through independent Personal Assistants or direct purchasing of support from providers. A market for Independent Personal Assistants will continue to be developed in the local area to maximise the benefit.	50	50
DOE002a	Early Help	Transformation of the design and delivery of early help	Effective and co-ordinated early intervention will build resilience and independence which will in turn move cases out of high risk and high cost services. As far as possible there will be a one worker to one family approach. Savings will be achieved through three main workstreams: 1. More effective co-ordination and signposting and to early intervention services delivered by partners including schools and the voluntary sector; 2. Improved use of research to ensure a greater strategic focus on high impact interventions and more effective assessment of individual need. Savings will be achieved by reducing delivery of low impact or repeat interventions; 3. Planned structural change across CYP. In the first instance this will enable the delivery of a more coherent offer which is expected to reduce demand for high cost services. Any reduction in demand will then enable a further reduction in headcount.	350	550

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DOE002b	Children's Social Care	Signs of Safety and Social worker recruitment	Increased efficiencies of £200k driven by the Signs of Safety programme and a linked, but separate, reduction in the reliance on agency staff across the division. There are approximately 70 agency social workers, deputy and team managers in children's social care currently. Over the two year period the plan is to reduced this by 40, this would realise a saving of approximately £300k.	300	200
DOE002c	Children's Social Care	Regionalising Adoption	Government has indicated its intention to regionalise some or all of local authority adoption services by 2017. In London the preparatory work is being led by the London Adoption Consortium which is currently conducting a scoping exercise on the model that this regionalisation could take and the scale and type of services that could be regionalised. This piece of work is due to conclude in March 2016 with a view to delivering from April 2017. Local Authorities will not be able to stop providing adoption services but they will be delivered differently; whether through a collection of Local Authorities or commissioned with a single provider. This will lead to some efficiencies – particularly in the area of the recruitment and assessment of adopters as well as the provision of post-permanency support. Current estimates are that it will be 15% of the budget £100k.	100	0
DOE003	Community Services	To review staffing structures and spans of control across the eight services divisions	Savings of £2.25m would come from a 20% reduction in FTE across all eight services. The review would particularly include contract management and strategy development arrangements so that these can be standardised and rationalised across all large operational contracts in a way that creates consistency of approach and improved service outputs. The services referred to are those that were located in what was at that time called the Community Services division of the Cheif Operating Officer's department.	1,125	1,125
DOE004	Corporate Business Support	Review support service costs	The proposal is to review the level of support services provided within the council in the future to create a leaner more efficient service to users. The options for achieving the saving are: restructuring, merging, outsourcing, shared services, and driving greater efficiency through technology and self-service.	500	500

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Civic Enterprise					
CE001	Support Planning & Reablement	Additional Continuing Health Care (CHC) Funding	The saving comes from the CCG funding care packages rather than the council. It should mean a better service for users with complex needs. The CCG should fund this care as they have the necessary skills to meet these needs. Previously a move to CHC funding has meant a loss of choice and control for the user that they had with a social care package, but this is no longer the case as they can now have a Personal Health Budget.	400	400
CE002	Cross Department	Income Generation	The generation of advertising and sponsorship income of £300k from increasing the number of on street (large and small format) billboards, lamppost banner, advertising on the council's website/intranet and roundabout sponsorship. Put in place concession contracts for the installation of wireless equipment on lampposts and review current position on rooftops and small spaces/buildings generating £210k. Carry out a review of fees and charges comparing Brent to neighbouring authorities in order to bring our charges in line including for services that were previously free with a view to raising £1.99m of additional revenue.	1,250	1,250
CE003	Digital Services	IT Sales	Following the successful provision of ICT services to the LGA and the establishment of the shared service with Lewisham. The Lewisham service will start in April 2016 covering infrastructure support and in 2017/18 will be extended to other applications. Digital services would be looking to offer ICT services on a commercial basis to other organisations. The service is already in discussion with a number of London boroughs that have expressed interest in what we can do for them and are looking to develop this so that we can have something in place for April 2018.	375	375

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CE004	Parking & Lighting/Parking	Eliminate the additional overhead costs of the Serco parking contract	It was originally intended that the cost of the overheads for the Serco parking contract would be apportioned on a 60:38:2 ratio between the three participating boroughs: LB Brent; LB Hounslow; and LB Ealing; respectively. The ratio was calculated in proportion to the value of the overhead costs being transferred to Serco at the commencement of the contract. Immediately prior to the letting of the contract, LB Hounslow identified a shortfall on the savings target required by their administration. It was agreed between the boroughs that, on a temporary basis, the ratio would be amended to 80:18:2 (Brent: Hounslow: Ealing), with a review in January of each year to assess whether the additional contribution from Brent to Hounslow could still be justified. Brent's additional contribution is £347k p.a. and this will be reviewed.	300	47
CE005	Finance	Better collection of debts and arrears	To generate at least £1m per annum from better collection of debts and arrears across the range of council paid for services and taxes. A review of the balance sheet and underlying processes has indicated that this is a realistic but stretching target at this stage. Following a detailed review by the One Council programme office and consultation with managers across the council officers have identified opportunities to improve debt collection, including through more efficient processing, better management of arrears, improved cross-council working through a newly established debt board and better management of clients with multiple debts. This work follows the successful pilot in adult social care debt that demonstrated the potential is one service area, and this model is now proposed to be extended across the council.	1,000	0
CE006	Regeneration and Growth	Civic Centre - Rental Income	Additional income could come from additional lets eg Library café space, increased income from the basement car park or from further release of office space	125	125

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Making Our Money Go Further					
MGF001	Procurement	Contract Renewal Savings	There are 161 contracts due for renewal over the next three years (2016/17 - 2018/19). This includes 63 contracts above £500k and 98 contracts below £500k. The aim will be to approach the market with a target of 10% savings against current contract prices. In addition savings to be achieved on the end of the Streetlight PFI contract by replacing the current contract requirements by a repairs only contract.	3,500	4,500
MGF003	Regeneration and Growth	FM Contract	Savings in FM contract. This could flow from a further reduction in buildings within the contract or from a revision to the contract. The alternative option which is unlikely to be acceptable to CMT, is to negotiate a reduction in the contract in return for triggering the additional period which is available at the end of the current contract period.	100	100
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