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Statement of Accounts

2012/2013

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Statement of Accounts 2012/13

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The Council's Statement of Accounts (the Statements) for the year ended 31st March 2013 are set out on pages 11 to 83. The Statements have been prepared in accordance with the 2012/13 edition of the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom (the Code) and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The Statements present the financial affairs of the Council in accordance with the Service Reporting Code of Practice (SeRCOP).

The Statements consist of:

The Statement of Accounting Policies

This document explains the basis of the figures included in the Statements. The Statement can be properly appreciated only if the policies, accounting estimates and judgements, which have been followed in dealing with material items, are explained.

The Statement of Responsibilities

This sets out the respective responsibilities of the Council and the Chief Financial Officer in respect of preparation of the Statement of Accounts.

The Movement in Reserves Statement

This Statement shows the movement in the year on the different reserves held by the Council, analysed into 'usable reserves' (these reserves can be applied to fund expenditure or reduce local taxation) and other reserves analysed as 'unusable reserves'.

The Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

This Statement shows the accounting cost in the year of providing services and income to fund the cost of providing this service from a combination of Council Tax, National-Non Domestic Rates and grants from Government.

The Balance Sheet

This shows the value of the assets and liabilities recognised by the Council as at the Balance Sheet date.

The Cash Flow Statement

This provides a summary of the inflows and outflows of cash arising from transactions with third parties during the financial year. Internal transfers are thus excluded from expenditure and income.

The Housing Revenue Statement

This Statement reflects a statutory obligation to account separately for housing provision. It shows the major elements of housing revenue expenditure and how these are met from rents, subsidy and other income. This account is reported using two statements – the Housing Revenue Account Income and Expenditure Statement and the Movement on the Housing Revenue Account Statement

 The Collection Fund Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement
 Shows the transactions relating to the collection of Council Tax, and National Non-Domestic Rates.

These Statements are supported by accompanying notes.

The 2012/13 Budget

The outturn for 2012/13 saw an improvement in the financial position of the Council compared with that anticipated when the Budget was prepared in the autumn of 2012. At the start of the financial year, due to early management direction on the need to fund further in year efficiencies, the Council was able to make a contribution of £1,066,000 from General Fund balances to earmarked reserves to ensure availability of sufficient funds for future pressures and projects (e.g. the Leisure Centre). Taking this into account, the total under spend for the Council at year end was £1,051,650. The main reasons for the variations were:-

- Salary savings across all service areas
- Savings from deferral of the food waste scheme
- Additional income from large planning applications in year

The reasons for the variations were considered by the Strategic Leadership Board and they were satisfied that the circumstances leading to the under spend had not impacted on the level of service provided by the Council.

Details of all budget variances were supplied to both the Council and the Executive meeting following the year end.

A summary position to 31st March 2013 is set out below

	Original Estimate 2012/13	Revised Estimate 2012/13	Outturn 2012/13
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Service Costs	11,727	10,413	7,863
Adjust for: items not chargeable to Council Tax in	ncluded above		
Capital Accounting	(1,462)	(1,420)	(1,248)
Pensions re IAS19	105	105	151
Special Expenses	(550)	(535)	(474)
Accumulated Absences	0	0	4
Gross Cost of Services	9,820	8,563	6,296
Net interest paid	93	99	224
Met from Taxation and Grants	9,913	8,662	6,520
Council Tax	3,615	3,615	3,615
RSG and NNDR	5,372	5,372	5,372
Council Tax Freeze Grant	106	106	106
New Homes Bonus	711	711	711
New Burdens General Funding	0	0	5
Collection Fund Surplus/(Deficit)	21	21	21
Total Tax and Grants	9,825	9,825	9,830
Suggested transfers to/(from) Balances and Res	erves		
Earmarked Reserves	365	1,860	1,755
Unapplied Grants and Contributions	0	0	2,069
Carry Forward of spend from previous year	0	0	(136)
Proposed carry forwards	0	0	139
Transfer to/(from) Balances	(453)	(698)	(517)

The Council's Operations

The Council's management structure is documented within the Council's Constitution and management structure chart. The Council's officers are led by the Strategic Leadership Board, made up of the Chief Executive (Head of Paid Services) and the Council's two Deputy Chief Executives. This Strategic Leadership Board and the Corporate Operations Board (made up of four Chief Officers) form the Council's "Joint Boards" who are responsible for implementation of the strategic goals of the Council as decided by members.

The number of Council employees and elected members for 2012/13 and prior year are as follows:

Service Area	31 st March 2013	31 st March 2012
Corporate Direction	133	146
Community Direction	155	180
Business Development and	133	117
Street Scene		
Chief Executives Office	10	11
Councillors	34	34
Total Staff	465	488

The Council sets a target for sickness absence on an annual basis for all staff. Outturn against this target for 2012/13 and the previous year was as follows:

Target	Target	Outturn	Outturn
		2012/13	2011/12
Working Days Lost due to	8.00	8.94	6.20
Sickness Absence	days	days	days

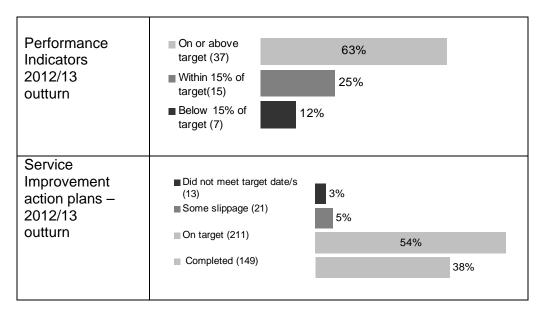
High sickness absence levels can have a detrimental effect on the delivery of council services. Effective sickness absence management ensures that the cost of sickness absence is kept at a minimum whilst improving capacity, service improvement and workforce morale. To provide context and to understand the reasons for the increase, an analysis of sickness absence for 2012/13 shows that both long term and short absence has increased. For 2012/13 in contrast to recent years, there has been a higher than normal level of absence due to routine operations/fractures etc.

In order to address the increase in the number of sickness days, Attendance Management refresher training has been arranged for all managers, HR and COB will ensure that Back to Work Interviews are carried out immediately that someone returns and COB will review the performance of the new Occupational Health Provider, Health Management throughout 2013/14.

The democratic governance structure of the Council is set out in the Constitution and summarised within the Council's Annual Governance Statement. The Constitution sets out the essential elements of the democratic process including the role of the Council and the Executive members. The Constitution outlines the scrutiny processes that are administered by the Scrutiny Commission and the Finance, Audit and Performance Committee. It describes the functions and membership of each member group and the scope of structure of their operations. The full Constitution can be viewed on the Council's website at http://www.hinckleybosworth.gov.uk/a_to_z/service/120/constitution

The Council's performance

The Council uses plans and strategies at all levels of the organisation to plan and monitor the achievement of its aims and objective. At a corporate level the system is governed by the Corporate Planning Framework. The Council's objectives are reflected in Service Improvement Plans which outline how each department will achieve the corporate aims within a three year period. Plans are refreshed annually and progress against targets is managed through the TEN performance management system monthly. Performance Reports are produced as part of service managers' team briefings and the Council's joint Management Boards on a quarterly basis. Performance reports are produced for the Finance Audit and Performance Committee quarterly, and annually in the Corporate Performance Plan. Corporate level performance for the 2012/13 year was reported as follows:



There have been no changes in the statutory functions of the Council in year.

Material Changes

Any material items impacting the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement or Balance Sheet are separately disclosed to ensure transparency.

In 2012/13, the Council was awarded two material amounts of funding which were:

- £2.809 million of Regional Growth Funding for works to the A5 and MIRA Enterprise Zone. Total funding of £19.474 million will be awarded over a three year period.
- £3.093 million of funding from the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) for works to properties to improve sustainability.

In both cases, the Council will act as the "accountable body" for these funds, transferring designated elements to third parties to perform capital/revenue work. As funding has not been spent in full in 2012/13, the following material balances are held on the Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2013:

	Regional Growth Funding	Department of Energy and Climate Change Funding
	£'000	£'000
Cash	2,120	2,115
Unapplied Grants and Contributions	0	(1,740)
Creditors	(912)	(375)
Revenue Grants Received in Advance	(1,208)	0

Accounting Policies

The Council's Accounting Policies are set out on pages 11 to 25.

The Council's Accounting Policies are reviewed on an annual basis and updated for any changes in the Code. There have been no changes to the Accounting Policies for 2012/13.

Revenue Reserves

Revenue reserves and revenue balances as at 31st March were as follows: -

2013 £'000	2012 £'000
4.235	3,547
1,771	2,293
242	472
1,891	1,699
8,139	8,011
	£'000 4.235 1,771 242 1,891

Pension Costs

The accounting policy in respect of pension costs is in accordance with International Accounting Standard 19 (IAS 19) and reflects the Council's commitment in the long-term to increase contributions to make up any shortfall in attributable net assets in the pension fund.

IAS 19 requires Council's to see beyond their commitment to pay contributions to the pension fund and to determine the full longer-term effect that the award of retirement benefits in any year has had on the Council's financial position. A net pension asset indicates that a Council has effectively overpaid contributions relative to the future benefits earned to date by its employees. A net liability shows an effective underpayment.

The assets held by the pension scheme are valued on a regular basis by independent actuaries at fair value and in accordance with the requirements of IAS 19.

Hymans Robertson, has undertaken pension expense calculations in accordance with IAS 19 in respect of the Local Government Pension Scheme (the LGPS) administered by Leicestershire County Council. The figures are disclosed in Note 40 to the Core Financial Statements.

The note discloses a net pension liability of £25.187million for the Council as at 31st March 2013 compared to £20.520million at 1 April 2012. Under legislation the Council is required to charge to revenue each year the value of contributions payable to the LGPS administrator rather than the cost of service calculated by IAS 19. This is done by creating a Pensions Reserve that offsets the liability but is not usable other than to balance out the liability.

The significance of the movement during the year is the difference between the expected and actual return on pension scheme assets. The difference arises because events have not coincided with actuarial assumptions or that the actuarial assumptions have changed.

The accounting entries for IAS 19 have no effect on the General Fund and no impact on the Council Tax.

Capital Expenditure and Disposals

Capital Expenditure on Non Current Assets was £5.160million on operational assets with a further £1.633million on Revenue Expenditure Funded from Capital Under Statute (REFCUS) and £0.323million on non operational assets.

The Council disposed of assets worth £2.835million in year. This included one single material disposal of £2.3million for an asset previous held as surplus. The asset was transferred back to the Council when its lease expired in 2011/12 and earmarked for sale in the same year. The Council received £1.265million of capital receipt for this asset in year. A further £1.035million will be received in 2013/2014 and therefore has been reflected as a "Deferred Capital Receipt" within the Balance Sheet.

Provisions, Contingencies and Write Offs

The Balance Sheet contains provisions of £0.217million as at 31st March 2013. These relate to the capital cost of early retirement and the future costs of redundancies that are probable in the forthcoming year. In addition, a contingent liability of £0.269million has been acknowledged to reflect potential costs of a national legal review of land charges. In order to ensure completeness of these disclosures, a formal review of provisions and contingencies is conducted annually by both the Strategic Leadership Board and the Chief Operations Board.

Write offs are processed by the Council on key income streams in line with the Debt Recovery Policy and also Financial Procedure Rules. Total write offs for the 2012/13 year are summarised below. There were no single material write offs processed in year and all arose in the course of standard Council operations.

General Fund Write Offs	2012/13 £'000 4
Housing Revenue Account Write Offs (including rents)	24
Collection Fund Write Offs	448
Total Write Offs	476

Resources Available to Support Future Capital Expenditure

As at 31st March the Borough Council had the following reserves available to meet future capital expenditure:

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Unapplied Grants and Contributions	2,970	949
Usable Capital Receipts Reserve	1,606	1,050
Deferred Capital Receipts	1,037	4
Earmarked Revenue Reserve for Future Capital Projects	4,187	611
Total available resources	9,800	2,614

The Council's Capital Programme is reviewed annually and new estimates are approved at the same time as the revenue budget. The current Capital Programme and funding implications for 2013/2014 onwards are detailed below. It is evident from this detail that the agreed Capital Programme predominantly supported by capital receipts and internal reserves. The programme below excludes the proposed £4.5million purchase of a block within the Bus Station Development. The risks associated with achievement of these funds are acknowledged and corresponding actions are identified within the Medium Term Financial Strategy to mitigate against this risk.

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Expenditure			
Leisure and Environment	2,275	5,611	217
Planning	153	44	66
Central Services	595	40	10
Housing (General Fund)	782	462	462
Total Expenditure	3,805	6,157	755
Funding			
Capital Receipts	1,327	500	0
Borrowing	463	231	723
Reserves	2,015	5,426	32
Total Funding	3,805	6,157	755

Housing Revenue Account

The financial statements of the Housing Revenue Account appear from page 87. In 2012/13 the Housing Revenue Account has a surplus of £0.192million compared with a surplus of £0.009million in 2011/12. The Housing Repairs Account shows a deficit of £0.231million (following an additional contribution to fund capital) in 2012/13 compared with a surplus of £0.129million in 2011/12.

The total of both the Housing Revenue Account and Housing Repairs account balances at 31st March 2013 was £2.133million compared with £2.172million in 2011/12.

Collection Fund

From 1 April 1990 the Council has been required by the Local Government Finance Act 1988 to maintain a Collection Fund for transactions relating to the collection of Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rates. The details are set out on page 88. In 2012/13, the Collection Fund collected £82.807million from Council Tax, Council Tax Benefit and National Non Domestic Rates compared to £81.522million in 2011/12. £0.448million of this income was written off (£0.460million in 2011/12).

External Borrowing

As at 31st March 2013 the Council had total external borrowing of £70.952million which consisted of long-term borrowing from the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB). The Council is currently able to raise finance using the following approved borrowing instruments and funding is acquired after comparing the various rates available to ascertain the cheapest source and the most appropriate period:

- PWLB Loans;
- Market Long-Term Loans;
- Market Temporary Loans;
- Bank Overdraft;
- Internal Funding; and
- Operational Leasing.

The Council manages its treasury management activities through the adoption of a Treasury Management Strategy and Prudential Indicators, both of which are monitored on a quarterly basis by the Finance, Audit and Performance Committee. The main elements of these documents are reflected in note 41.

Annual performance against the Treasury Management Policy and Prudential Indicators was reported to Finance, Audit and Performance Committee on 10th June 2013. In 2012/13 the Council complied with all the relevant statutory and regulatory requirements which require the identification and, where possible, quantification of the levels of risk associated with treasury management activities. In particular the Council's adoption and implementation of both the Prudential Code and the Code of Practice for Treasury Management means both that capital expenditure is prudent, affordable and sustainable, and treasury practices demonstrate a low risk approach.

Direct Services Organisations

The Council operates four Trading Accounts:

- Markets the operation of the market in Hinckley town centre
- Industrial Estates the provision of factory units for rental principally aimed at small businesses
- Grounds Maintenance DSO an internal business unit that provides grounds maintenance services to all parts of the Council;
- Housing Repairs DSO an internal business unit that provides housing repair services to the Borough Council.

The expenditure and income relating to the DSOs is shown in Note 28 to the Core Financial Statements.

The Current Economic Climate and Medium Term Financial Forecasts

The current economic climate is acknowledged to indirectly impact on the Council's financial standing as follows:

- Potential reduction of income streams and likely increases in bad debt and write offs as a result
- Increase in the call on demand lead items such as benefits payments and homelessness services.
- Reduction in the level of income from Council investments.
- A fall in the economic value of assets and potential capital receipts for disposals.

The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy sets out the financial planning framework for the Council and shows how national, regional, sub-regional and local issues such as those detailed above are taken into account in planning the resources available for service delivery. Financial planning is essential and enables the Council to set objectives and priorities, turn policy decisions into programmes of action, decide how to best allocate the resources available and review results so that learning feeds back into the decision-making process.

Recent changes announced by Central Government in local government financing mean that significant risks of funding of local services have been passed over by central government to local government through the changes to business rates retention, localisation of council tax support and a greater financial dependency on New Homes Bonus. This, together with the desire of the Council to minimise increases in Council Tax and fees and charges (e.g. car parking charges) to assist local residents and businesses means that the Council's budgets are going to come under considerable strain from 2014/15 onwards.

In order to plan for these risks, the Medium Term Financial Strategy contains ten strategic financial objectives which seek to mitigate the impact of financial pressures on the Council. Details of these objectives are provided below:

- 1. The Council should allocate resources to services in line with the Corporate Aims and Ambitions.
- 2. Ensure regular monitoring of actual spend against budget to assess outcomes and inform the Performance Management Framework.
- 3. The Council must search for new sources of funding to support its activities and maximise opportunities from emerging economic initiatives such as City Deals and Local Growth Funds.
- 4. To review the scale of fees and charges at least annually.
- 5. To optimise the financial return on assets and ensure capital receipts are obtained where appropriate opportunities arise.
- 6. Capital expenditure is properly appraised.
- 7. When funding the Capital Programme, all funding options are considered.
- 8. To review levels and purpose of Reserves and Balances.
- 9. To maintain sustainable Council Tax increases.
- 10. To increase efficiency savings and generate funding through shared services and collaborative working.

EXPLANATORY foreword

Publication of Accounts

These accounts were approved for publication on 27 June 2013 by S. Kohli, Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction). Post Balance Sheet events have been considered up to this date and none have occurred that require reporting in the statements.

S. Kohli ACA. BSc(Hons)

Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction)

General Principles

The Statement of Accounts (the Statements) summarises the Council's transactions for the 2012/13 financial year and its position at the year-end of 31st March 2013. The Council is required to prepare an annual Statement of Accounts by (the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011) which require the Statements to be prepared in accordance with proper accounting practices. The practices primarily comprise of the Code of Practice on Local Council Accounting in the United Kingdom 2012/13 and the Service Reporting Code of Practice 2012/13 (SeRCOP), supported by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). It also complies with guidance notes issued by CIPFA on the application of accounting standards to Local Council accounts.

The relevant accounting policies adopted have been reviewed to ensure that the Statement of Accounts can be relied upon to give a true and fair view of the Council's financial performance and position. They also ensure that all legislative requirements have been correctly applied and that finally, the accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. That is, the Council will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

The principle accounting policies outlined have been applied consistently throughout the 2012/13 financial year.

The accounting convention adopted in the Statement of Accounts is principally historical cost, modified by the revaluation of certain categories of non-current assets. The Statement of Accounts have been prepared with reference to the following qualitative characteristics:

- Understandability.
- Relevance.
- Materiality.
- Reliability.
- Comparability.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue represents the amount receivable in respect of services provided to customers. Revenue from services is recognised as the services are provided and is only recognised when payment is probable. Revenue excludes value added tax, similar sales taxes and discounts.

Revenue arising from provision of other services is recognised evenly over the periods in which the service is provided.

Value Added Tax (VAT)

Income and expenditure excludes any amounts related to VAT, as all VAT collected is payable to HM Revenues and Customs and all VAT paid is recoverable from them.

Segmental Reporting - Amounts Reported for Resource Allocation Decisions

Segmental reporting is included in the accounts (Note 34) based on the management reporting information supplied to the officers of the Strategic Leadership and Corporate Operations

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Boards (Senior management) and to the Finance, Audit and Performance Committee and Executive (elected members). This reflects the resource allocation within the Council and the decision making bodies/process.

Accruals of Income and Expenditure

Activity is accounted for in the year that it takes place, not simply when cash payments are made or received. In particular:

- Fees, charges and rents due from customers are accounted for as income at the date the Council provides the relevant goods or services.
- Supplies are recorded as expenditure when they are consumed where there is a gap between the date supplies are received and their consumption, they are carried as inventories on the Balance Sheet.
- Interest payable on borrowings and receivable on investments is accounted for on the basis of the effective interest rate for the relevant financial instrument rather than the cash flows fixed or determined by the contract.
- Where income and expenditure have been recognised but cash has not been received or paid, a debtor or creditor for the relevant amount is recorded in the Balance Sheet. Expenditure is accrued where goods or services have being received before 31st March but the invoice relating to the goods and services is paid after 31st March. Income is accrued where income is due but an invoice has not been raised or payment has not been received.
- Provision is made for bad debts by identifying a proportion of the Council's receivables
 that should have their carrying value adjusted to the probable recoverable amount to zero.
 Past experience and practice is used within material limits to judge the percentages of
 each type of debt that will eventually not be recovered.

Exceptions are made in respect to electricity and similar utility quarterly payments, which are charged at the date of the meter reading rather than being apportioned between financial years and for homelessness prevention bonds which are treated on a cash basis. This policy is consistently applied each year and, therefore, does not have a material effect on the year's accounts.

Prior Period Adjustments, Changes in Accounting Policies and Estimates and Errors

Prior period adjustments may arise as a result of a change in accounting policy or to correct a material error. Changes in accounting estimates are accounted for prospectively i.e. in the current and future years affected by the change and do not give rise to a prior period adjustment.

Changes in accounting policy are only made when required by proper accounting practices or the change provides more reliable or relevant information about the effect of transactions, other events and conditions on the Council's financial position or financial performance.

Where a change is made, it is applied retrospectively by adjusting opening balances and comparative amounts for the prior period as if the new policy had always been applied.

Material errors discovered in prior period figures are corrected retrospectively by amending opening balances and comparative amounts for the prior period.

STATEMENT OF accounting POLICIES

Exceptional Items

When items of income and expense are material, their nature and amount are disclosed separately, either on the face of the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement or in the notes to the accounts to ensure they help the readers understand the Council's financial performance.

Interest Income and Expenses

Interest income and expenses are accrued on a time basis by reference to the principal outstanding and the effective interest rate applicable. Interest expenses on a qualifying asset are capitalised.

Allocation of Overheads and Support Services

The CIPFA Service Reporting Code of Practice 2012/13 requires that all support service costs and overheads, except for those in relation to Corporate and Democratic Core and Non Distributed Costs, are completely recharged or apportioned to the service users. The main support costs and the basis of allocation are shown below:

Cost

Corporate Planning, Communication and Performance Law and Administration Financial Support Services Human Resources IT Support Council Offices Internal Audit

Basis of Allocation

Estimated staff time
Estimated staff time and usage
Estimated time spent by staff
Number of Staff
Weighted Number of PCs
Area occupied
Audit plan

Government Grants and Contributions

Applications for grant support are made to Government departments and other organisations such as the European Union and the lottery boards whenever the opportunity becomes available.

Whether paid on account, by instalments or in arrears, Government grants and other contributions and donations are recognised as due when there is reasonable assurance that:

- The Council will comply with the conditions attached to the payments; and
- The funding will be received.

Amounts recognised as due to the Council are not credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement until conditions attached to the grant or contribution have been satisfied. Conditions are stipulations that specify that the future economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset in the form of the grant or contribution are required to be consumed by the recipient as specified, or future economic benefits or service potential must be returned to the transferor.

Government Grants and Contributions (continued)

Monies advanced as grants and contributions for which conditions have not been satisfied are carried in the Balance Sheet as creditors. When conditions are satisfied, the grant or contribution is credited to the relevant service line. General grants are credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Account and shown after Net Operating Expenditure.

Where capital grants are credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, they are reversed out of the General Fund balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement. Where the grant has yet to be used to finance capital expenditure, it is posted to the Capital Grants Unapplied reserve. Where it has been applied, it is posted to the Capital Adjustment Account. Amounts in the Capital Grant Unapplied reserve are transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account once they have been applied to fund capital expenditure.

Revenue Expenditure funded from Capital under Statute

Previously known as deferred charges, revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute results from expenditure of a capital nature where no asset is created for the Council. They include improvement grants or advances to other individuals or organisations for the purpose that would have been capital if incurred by the Council.

This also includes exceptional revenue expenditure for which a capitalisation direction can be granted to allow this expenditure to be funded from capital. Capitalisation direction gives the Council the flexibility to treat specified revenue expenditure as capital expenditure, the Council has to meet strict criteria and should only be sought for costs which are due largely to factors beyond the control of the Council and are unavoidable. Such expenditure is recognised in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

It is the Council's policy to write off such expenditure out of the accounts in the year it takes place.

Where the Council has determined to meet the cost of this expenditure from existing capital resources or by borrowing, a transfer to the Capital Adjustment Account is taken through the Movement in Reserves Statement so there is no impact on the level of Council Tax.

Investment Properties

An investment property is one that is used to earn rental income, for capital appreciation or both. Property that is used to facilitate the delivery of services or production of goods as well as to earn rentals or for capital appreciation does not meet the definition of an investment property.

Investment properties are measured at fair value, with gains and losses recognised in Surplus or Deficit within the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement rather than through the revaluation reserve. Investment properties held at fair value are not depreciated.

Fair value is to be interpreted as the amount that would be paid for the asset in its highest and best use, i.e. market value. The fair value of investment property held under a lease is the lease interest.

Charges to Revenue for Non-current Assets

Service accounts, support services and trading accounts are debited with the following charges to record the real cost of holding Property Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets during the year:

- Depreciation;
- Impairment losses attributable to the consumption of economic benefit; and
- Amortisation of intangible assets.

These charges are reversed from the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement through the Movement in Reserves Statement to the Capital Adjustment Account so that they do not create a requirement to raise additional Council Tax. However, the Council is required to make an annual provision from revenue to contribute towards the reduction in its overall borrowing requirement (equal to either an amount calculated on a prudent basis determined by the Council in accordance with statutory guidance). Depreciation, revaluation, impairment losses and amortisation are therefore replaced by revenue provision in the general fund balance, by way of an adjusting transaction with the Capital Adjustment Account for the difference between the two.

Property, Plant and Equipment

All expenditure on the acquisition, creation or enhancement of property, plant and equipment is capitalised on an accruals basis in the accounts. Expenditure on property, plant and equipment is capitalised, provided that the asset yields benefits to the Council and the services it provides, for a period of more than one year. Cost includes the original purchase price of the asset and the costs attributable to bringing the asset to its working condition for its intended use. This excludes expenditure on routine repairs and maintenance, which is charged direct to service revenue accounts.

The Council has a general de-minimus limit of £5,000 for capital expenditure purposes. One single item which results in the capitalisation of expenditure above that limit is recognised as an asset in the Balance Sheet. Items below this limit are charged to revenue.

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major component) of property, plant and equipment.

Where a component is replaced or restored (i.e. enhancements), the carrying amount of the old component shall be derecognised to avoid double counting and the new component reflected in the carrying amount, subject to the recognition principles as set out above being met.

Measurement

Assets are valued on the basis recommended by CIPFA and in accordance with the statements of Asset Valuation Principles and Guidance notes issued by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). Non current assets are then carried in the Balance Sheet using the following measurement basis:

- Council dwellings are valued at existing use value social housing.
- Land, operational properties and other operational assets are included in the Balance Sheet at the lower of net current replacement cost or net realisable value in existing use.
- Non-operational assets, including investment properties and assets that are surplus to requirements, are included in the Balance Sheet at the lower of net current replacement

Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

cost or net realisable value. In the case of investment properties, this is normally open market value.

- Infrastructure assets and community assets are included in the Balance Sheet at historical cost, net of depreciation.
- Vehicles, plant and equipment are valued at cost less accumulated depreciation
- Intangible assets are be written off over a five-year period.

Full revaluations of assets are carried out at five yearly intervals, although desktop valuations are obtained in the intervening years and adjustments made on the basis of the reports received. Any adjustments in respect of revaluations are debited (losses) or credited (gains) to the Revaluation Reserve as appropriate. Where a revaluation loss has occurred and the amount held in respect of the asset in the Revaluation Reserve arising from previous revaluation gains is less than the amount of the loss being recognised an amount equal to the amount held in the reserve is written off to the reserve. Any balance outstanding is written off to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement but reversed out to the Capital Adjustment Account and reflected in the Movement in Reserves Statement. The Revaluation Reserve contains revaluation gains recognised since 1 April 2007 only, the date of its formal implementation. Gains arising before that date have been consolidated into the Capital Adjustment Account.

All assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised in the Council's accounts, together with the liability to pay future rentals. Any other assets previously acquired under advance and deferred purchase schemes are recognised and included in the Balance Sheet at their fair value.

Depreciation and Impairment

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided for all Property, Plant and Equipment except for freehold land and assets under construction. Depreciation is provided for on other assets with a determinable finite life by allocating the value of asset in the Balance Sheet over the periods expected to benefit from their use. Depreciation is calculated over the expected life of each asset.

Depreciation is provided in accordance with the following policies:-

- operational buildings, vehicles, plant and equipment, and infrastructure assets are depreciated;
- no depreciation provision is made for land or investment properties;
- newly acquired assets and enhancements are depreciated from the following year, although assets in the course of construction are not depreciated until they are brought into use; and
- depreciation is calculated using the straight line method.

Sturgis Snow and Astill, Chartered Surveyors, undertook a desktop valuation as at 31st March 2013 following their last full valuation at 31st March 2009. In addition, the Estates and Asset

Depreciation and Impairment (continued)

Manager was asked to identify any assets, either housing or non-housing, which were subject to impairment. Any impairments identified in the year are charged to cost of service.

As part of the revaluation exercise, the valuer provides estimated residual lives for all dwellings, using 80 years as the total life per dwelling but reflecting improvements over the years with a minimum residual life of 20 years. A spreadsheet was provided calculating depreciation on the non-land element of the dwelling value. The aggregate of these values is used for the dwellings' depreciation in the following financial year.

Impairment

Property, Plant and Equipment is subject to an impairment review if there are events or changes in circumstances which indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Those events and change in circumstances are listed under Critical Accounting Estimate and Judgements.

The values of each category of assets and of material individual assets that are not being depreciated are reviewed at the end of each financial year for evidence of reductions in value. Where impairment is identified as part of this review or as a result of a valuation exercise, this is accounted for by written off against any revaluation gains attributable to the relevant asset in the Revaluation Reserve, with any excess charged to the relevant service revenue account.

Where an impairment loss is charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement but there were accumulated revaluation gains in the Revaluation Reserve for that asset, an amount up to the value of the loss is transferred from the Revaluation Reserve to the Capital Adjustment Account. This policy is applied correspondingly when an impairment is required to be reversed.

Disposal

When an asset is disposed of or decommissioned the value of the asset in the Balance Sheet and the receipt from disposal are written off to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as part of the loss or gain on disposal. Any revaluation gains in the Revaluation Reserve are transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account.

Income from the disposal of Property, Plant and Equipment is accounted for on an accruals basis and the unapplied balance is included in the Balance Sheet as useable capital receipts.

For the purposes of the capital expenditure controls, the Council is now borrowing and will set aside capital receipts for debt repayment. Almost all capital receipts can therefore be used to finance borrowing. There are three exceptions:

- Social Housing Grant receipts for housing association development (where 100% of each receipt is required to be set aside).
- Receipts in relation to assets purchased using grants from Central Government and its agencies, where the receipt must first be used to repay grant in line with any funding agreement.
- Proportion of housing receipts required for Government pooling.

Depreciation and Impairment continued

The Local Government Act 2003, Regulation 12: Receipts from disposal of housing land introduced pooling arrangements from disposal of housing land (which includes any land, house or other building). The pooling arrangements are:

- Dwellings sold under Right to Buy (RTB) Based on the 2012 amendments to The Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (England) Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/3146)
- Other HRA assets (e.g. Bare land, shops) 50% of receipt pooled unless used for regeneration or social housing.

Assets under Construction

Asset under Construction are recognised only when it is probable that the future economic benefits will flow to the Council and the cost can be measured reliably. Assets under Construction are capitalised at cost which includes labour and overhead costs arising directly from the construction of the asset. Assets under Construction are not depreciated until they are brought into use under the relevant sections of property plant and equipment.

Heritage Assets

Heritage assets are defined as those tangible assets with historical, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities and are held for their contribution to knowledge and culture.

Heritage assets are recognised where they meet this criteria and are valued in excess of the deminimus threshold of £5,000. Heritage assets are measured in the Balance Sheet at valuation which is based on replacement value or insurance value, where the former cannot be established. An impairment review will be carried out each year to asses any physical depletion of the assets. All heritage assets held by the Council are deemed to have indefinite lives and therefore are not depreciated. Any disposal of assets will be treated in the same manner as other Property, Plant and Equipment.

Borrowing Cost

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset form part of the cost of that asset are capitalised. Any borrowing costs are shown in note 38.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash comprises cash in hand and on demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Assets Held for Sale

When the value of non-current assets is expected to be recovered principally through sale rather than through continuing usage, they are classified as non-current assets held for sale. In these cases, the assets are actively marketed at 31st March and their sale is probable in the following year. With the exception of assets arising from employee benefits and financial instruments, these assets are classified as current and are stated at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

Disposal groups are groups of assets and liabilities to be disposed of together as a group in a single transaction. They are recognised as held for sale at the reporting date and are separately disclosed as current assets and liabilities on the Balance Sheet.

Measurement differences arising between the carrying amount and fair value less cost of disposal are treated as impairment charges and separately disclosed.

Leases

Leases of property, plant and equipment in which the Council retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the inception of the lease at the lower of the fair value of the leased asset or the present value of minimum lease payments. Each lease payment is allocated between the underlying liabilities and finance charges so as to achieve a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The corresponding rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in short term borrowing and long term borrowings.

The discount rate that shall be used is the rate implicit in the lease or, if it is not practicable to determine, the Council's incremental borrowing rate.

The property, plant and equipment acquired under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of the useful life of the asset or the lease term. Assets recognised under a finance lease shall be depreciated in accordance with the depreciation policy for owned assets.

Leases comprising a lease of land and a lease of buildings within a single contract are split into the two component parts. The component part for buildings is then tested to determine whether the lease is finance or operating lease and treated accordingly.

Leases of land and all other leases including industrial and commercial units are classified as operating leases and are not recognised in the Balance Sheet.

Payments made under operating leases, net of lease incentives or premiums received, are charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Where the Council operates as a lessor in respect of lease arrangements, the arrangement is assessed in line with the accounting policies and the funds flow treated based on corresponding entries to the lessee.

Provisions

Provisions are liabilities of uncertain timing or amount. They are recognised when the Council has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is more likely than not

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that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are presented in the Statement of Accounts at the present value of the estimated future outflows expected to be required to settle the obligation. Provision charges and reversals are charged to the appropriate service revenue account. Discount unwinding is recognised as a finance expense.

Inventories

The value of inventories held by the Council shown in the Statement of Accounts is calculated on the basis of the lower of cost or net realisable worth in accordance with IAS 2.

Reserves

The Council has established a number of reserves to allow specific future objectives to be financed. It also retains general balances to allow for contingencies and for cash flow management purposes.

Reserves are created by appropriating amounts in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. When expenditure to be financed from a reserve is incurred, it is charged to the appropriate service revenue account in that year against the Net Cost of Services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. The reserve is then appropriated back into the General Fund so that there is no net charge against Council Tax for the expenditure.

By law, the Council may use its Useable Capital Receipts Reserve only to finance capital expenditure. The Revaluation Reserve cannot be used to finance either revenue or capital expenditure.

Item 8 Housing Credit

Statutory Item 8 interest is credited to the Housing Revenue Account representing interest earned on housing balances. The amounts are calculated in accordance with Government directions.

Contingent Assets and Liabilities

A contingent liability is disclosed where a liability exists but a reliable estimate cannot be made. Contingent liabilities are assessed continually to determine whether an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits or service potential has become probable. Contingent liabilities are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements but are not reflected on the Balance Sheet. A provision is recognised in the financial statements of the period in which the change in probability occurs

A contingent asset shall be disclosed in the note of the accounts where an inflow of economic benefits or service potential is probable. Contingent assets are assessed continually to ensure that developments are appropriately reflected in the financial statements. If it has become virtually certain that an inflow of economic benefits or service potential will arise and the asset's value can be measured reliably, the debtor (or cash where consideration has been received) and the related revenue are recognised in the financial statements of the period in which the change occurs.

Related Party Transactions

The Council discloses transactions with related parties – bodies or individuals that have the potential to "control" or "influence" the Council or to be "controlled" or "influenced" by the Council. These relationships, in year transactions and outstanding balances are disclosed within Note 32 to the Statement of Accounts.

Jointly Controlled Operations and Jointly Controlled Assets

Jointly controlled operations are activities undertaken by the Council in conjunction with other venturers that involve the use of the assets and resources of the venturers rather that the establishment of a separate entity. The Council recognises on its Balance Sheet the assets that it controls and the liabilities it incurs and debits and credits the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement with the expenditure it incurs and the share of income it earns from the activity of the operation.

Jointly controlled assets are items of property, plant or equipment that are jointly controlled by the Council and other venturers, with the asset being used to obtain benefits for the venturers. The joint venture does not involve the establishment of a separate entity. The Council accounts for only its share of the jointly controlled assets, the liabilities and expenses that it incurs on its own behalf and the income that it earns from the venture.

Employee Benefits - Benefits Payable During Employment

Short-term employee benefits (those that fall wholly within 12 months of the year end), such as wages and salaries, paid annual leave and paid sick leave, bonuses and non-monetary benefits such as car loans for current employees, are recognised as an expense in the year in which employees render service to the Council. An accrual is made against the service in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services for the cost of holiday entitlements and flexi-time earned by employees but not taken before the year end and which employees can carry forward into the next financial year. The accrual made is required under statute to be reversed out of the General Fund Balance by a credit to the Unusable Reserve – Accumulated Absence Adjustment Account in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

Employee Benefits - Termination Benefits

These are amounts payable as a result of a decision by the Council to terminate an officer's employment before the normal retirement date or an officer's decision to accept voluntary redundancy and are charged on an accruals basis to the relevant service(s) within the Surplus or Deficit on Provision of Services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement when the Council is demonstrably committed to either terminating the employment of an officer or group of officers or making an offer to encourage voluntary redundancy.

Where termination benefits involve the enhancement of pensions, statutory provisions require the General Fund balance to be charged with the amount payable by the Council to the pension fund or pensioner in the year, not the amount calculated according to the relevant accounting standards. In the Movement in Reserves Statement, appropriations are required to and from the Pensions Fund Reserve to remove the notional debits and credits for termination benefits related to pensions enhancements and replace them with debits for cash paid to the pension fund and pensioners and any such amounts payable but unpaid at year end.

Employee Benefits – Post-employment Benefits

Employees of the Council are members of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) administered by Leicestershire County Council.

The policy of the Council in respect of pension and retirement costs is as follows: -

International Accounting Standard 19 (IAS 19) requires Council's to see beyond its commitment to pay contributions to the pension fund and to determine the full longer-term effect that the award of retirement benefits in any year has had on the Council's financial position. A net pension asset indicates that a Council has effectively overpaid contributions relative to the future benefits earned to date by its employees. A net liability shows an effective underpayment.

The assets held by the pension scheme have been valued by independent actuaries at fair value and are in accordance with the requirements of IAS 19.

Scheme assets include current assets, such as cash as well as the investment portfolio. Accrued expenses and other current liabilities are deducted from the net asset/liability.

Liabilities largely comprise benefits promised under the formal terms of the pension scheme.

The projected unit method as prescribed by IAS 19 examines all the benefits for pensioners and deferred pensioners and their dependants and the accrued benefits for current members of the scheme, making allowance for projected scheme member earnings.

A scheme asset is only disclosed where a surplus is recoverable through reduced contributions in the future or through refunds from the scheme. As refunds to employers are not permitted under the local government schemes, in nearly all cases surpluses arising from schemes will then be realised by the Council through a reduction in the employer's contribution rate at the next actuarial valuation.

Liabilities are limited to those that reflect the legal or constructive obligation of the Council. The local government schemes generally fix the contribution rate due from employees by law, so that any deficit arising is recoverable wholly from increases in employer's contributions. Any deficit cannot then be shared with employees and will need to be recognised in full by the Council.

Employee Benefits – Post-employment Benefits (continued)

The current service cost is an estimate of the true economic cost of employing people in a financial year, earning years of service that will eventually entitle them to the receipt of a lump sum and pension when they retire. It measures the full liability estimated to have been generated in the year (at today's prices) and is thus unaffected by whether any fund established to meet liabilities is in surplus or deficit.

The current service cost is stated net of employees' contributions, reflecting the part of the total pensions liabilities that is not to be funded by the Council.

Interest cost is the amount needed to unwind the discount applied in calculating the current service cost. As members of the scheme are one year older and one year closer to receiving their pension, the provisions made at present value in previous years for their retirement costs need to be uplifted by a year's discount to keep pace with current values.

The amount is calculated using the Government Actuary's Department rate applying at 1 April of the year of account.

The expected return is a measure of the return (income from dividends, interest etc and gains on invested sums) on the investment assets held by the scheme for the year. It is not intended to reflect the actual realised return by the scheme, but a longer-term measure, based on the value of assets at the start of the year (taking into account movement in assets during the year) and an expected return factor.

The expected return is based on actuarial advice and details are provided in Note 40.

The actuarial gains and losses arise where actual events have not coincided with the actuarial assumptions made for the last valuation (known as experience gains and losses) or the actuarial assumptions have been changed. Scheme assets and liabilities are revalued using the outturn information or revised/new assumptions. Any movement is shown as "Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure" in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Past service costs are disclosed on a straight-line basis over the period in which the increases in benefits vest.

Losses arising on a settlement or curtailment not allowed for in the actuarial assumptions are measured at the date on which the Council becomes demonstrably committed to the transaction and is disclosed in notes to the accounts covering that date. Gains arising from settlements/curtailments not allowed for in the actuarial assumptions are measured at the date on which all parties whose consent is required are irrevocably committed to the transaction.

Settlements and curtailments are also non-periodic costs. They are events that change the pension's liabilities but are not normally covered by actuarial assumptions.

Settlements are irrevocable actions that relieve the employer of the primary responsibility for pension's obligations, eliminating significant risks relating to the obligations and the assets used in making the settlement (e.g. the transfer of scheme assets and liabilities relating to a group of employers moving to another scheme).

Curtailments are events that reduce the expected years of future service of present employees or reduce for a number of employees the accrual of defined benefits for some or all of their future service (e.g. closing a service unit of the Council).

Employee Benefits – Post-employment Benefits (continued)

Where either of these events arises, a calculation will be required of the net pensions asset/liability before and after the event, in order to determine the net movement attributable to the changes in the individual elements arising from the settlement or curtailment.

Accounting for Precept and NNDR

The Code requires that precepts and NNDR are accounted for on an agency basis. This means that only the proportion of outstanding or prepaid Council Tax and NNDR relating to this Council is accounted for in the main financial statements. Other amounts outstanding are reported in the financial statements of the "owning" body.

Financial Instruments

Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are recognised on the Balance Sheet with the Council becomes a party to the contractual provision of the instrument. Financial liabilities are shown in the Statement of Accounts at Amortised Cost in accordance with IAS32, 39 and IFRS7. Where applicable (ie for loans) annual charges to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for interest payable based on the interest rate of the liability. This means that the amount presented in the Balance Sheet is the outstanding principal repayable (plus accrued interest); and the interest charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Account is the amount payable for the year according to the loan agreement.

Financial Assets

Financial assets are recognised in the Balance Sheet with the Council becomes a party to the contractual provision of the instrument. Financial assets are shown in the Statement of Accounts at Amortised Cost in accordance with IAS32, 39 and IFRS7. Where applicable (ie for investments) annual credits to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for interest receivable based on the interest rate of the investment. This means that the amount presented in the Balance Sheet is the outstanding principal receivable (plus accrued interest); and the interest credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Account is the amount receivable for the year according to the loan agreement.

The Council has made a number of loans to organisations and individuals at less than the market rate (soft loans). When soft loans are made, a loss is recorded in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (debited to the appropriate service) for the present value of the interest that will be foregone over the life of the instrument, resulting in a lower amortised cost than the outstanding principal. Interest is credited to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement at a marginally higher effective interest rate of interest. Statutory provisions require that the impact of soft loans on the General Fund Balance is the interest receivable for the financial year – the reconciliation of amounts debited and credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement to the net gain required against the General Fund Balance is managed by a transfer to or from the Financial Instruments Adjustment Account in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

Events after the Reporting Period

Events after the Balance Sheet date are those events, both favourable and unfavourable, which provide evidence of conditions that existed at the end of the reporting but occur between the end of the reporting period and the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

An adjustment is made to the Statement of Accounts where events provide evidence of conditions that existed at the end of the reporting. Where events are only indicative of conditions, no adjustment is made but a disclosure is made where the impact is deemed to be material.

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The Council's Responsibilities

The Council is required to:

- a) make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this Council, that Officer is the Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction); and
- b) manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets; and
- c) approve the Statement of Accounts.

The Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction)'s Responsibilities

The Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction) is responsible for the preparation of the Council's Statement of Accounts in accordance with proper practices as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2012/13 (The Local Authority Code of Practice).

In preparing this Statement of Accounts, the Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction) has:

- a) selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently;
- b) made judgements and estimates that were reasonable and prudent; and
- c) complied with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting.

The Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction) has also:

- a) kept proper accounting records, which were up to date;
- b) taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

I certify that The Statement of Accounts present a true and fair view of the financial position of the Council at the accounting date and its income and expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2013.

S. Kohli ACA. BSc(Hons)

Cllr S Bray

Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction)

Leader of the Council

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THE Movement in Reserves Statement
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The Movement in Reserves Statement

This statement shows the movement in the year on the different reserves held by the Council, analysed into 'usable reserves' (i.e. those can be applied to fund expenditure or reduce local taxation) and other reserves. The Surplus or (Deficit) on the provision of services line shows the true economic cost of providing the Council's services and more details are shown in Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. These are different from the statutory amounts required to be charged to the General Fund Balance and the Housing Revenue Account for Council Tax setting and Dwellings Rent setting purposes. The Net increase/decrease before transfers to earmarked reserves line shows the statutory General Fund Balance and Housing Account Balance before any discretionary transfers to or from earmarked reserves undertaken by the council.

The Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

This statement is fundamental to the understanding of the Council's activities, in that it reports the cost of services of the functions for which the Council is responsible and demonstrates how that cost has been financed from general government grants and income from local taxpayers. It brings together expenditure and income relating to all of the Council's functions, in three distinct sections, each divided by a sub-total.

The *first* section provides accounting information on the costs of the local Council's different services, net of specific grants and income from fees and charges, to give the cost of services. It also includes the cost of any acquired and discontinued operations.

The *second* section comprises items of income and expenditure relating to the Council as a whole. When added to the cost of services these give the Council's Surplus or Deficit on provision of services and it also included the cost of any acquired or discontinued operations.

The *third* section shows the total comprehensive income and expenditure. Not all gains and losses are reflected in the Surplus or Deficit on provision of services for example gains on revaluations of Non Current Assets are excluded as they arise out of asset changes rather than from the entity's operating performance the complete position and performance of the Council. Therefore it is necessary to consider all gains and losses recognised in a period when assessing the financial result for the period in this section. This is the total gains and losses of the Council to give a complete performance of the Council.

The Balance Sheet

The Balance Sheet shows the value as at the Balance Sheet date of assets and liabilities recognised by the Council. The net assets of the Council (assets less liabilities) are matched by reserves held by the Council. Reserves are reported in two categories. The first is usable reserves and these are reserves which the Council can use to provide services. The second is unusable reserves the Council cannot use to provide services.

The Cash Flow Statement

The Cash Flow statement shows how the Council generates and uses cash and cash equivalents.

Movement in Reserves Statement

	General Fund Balance	General Fund Earmarked reserve	Housing Revenue Account	Earmarked HRA Reserves	Capital receipts Reserve	Major Repairs Reserve	Unapplied grants and contributions	Total Usable Reserves	Unusable Reserve	Total Authority reserve
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Balance as at 1 April 2011	1,933	3,260	1,690	465	1,261	0	868	9,477	106,963	116,440
Movement in Reserves during 2011/12										
Surplus or (deficit) on the provision of services	142	0	(68,300)	0	0	0	0	(68,158)	0	(68,158)
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(3,262)	(3,262)
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	142	0	(68,300)	0	0	0	0	(68,158)	(3,262)	(71,420)
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations (Note 6)	1,062	0	68,446	0	(211)	0	81	69,378	(69,378)	0
Net Increase/Decrease before Transfers to Earmarked Reserves	1,204	0	146	0	(211)	0	81	1,220	(72,640)	(71,420)
Transfers to/(from) Earmarked Reserves (Note 7)	(844)	768	(137)	139	0	0	0	(74)	74	0
Increase/(Decrease) in Year	360	768	9	139	(211)	0	81	1,146	(72,566)	(71,420)
Balance at 31 March 2012 carried forward	2,293	4,028	1,699	604	1,050	0	949	10,623	34,397	45,020
Surplus or (deficit) on the provision of services	1,273	0	3,553	0	0	0	0	4,826	0	4,826
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(3,263)	(3,263)
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	1,273	0	3,553	0	0	0	0	4,826	(3,263)	1,563
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations (Note 6)	(413)	0	(716)	0	554	46	2,029	1,500	(1,477)	23
Net Increase/Decrease before Transfers to Earmarked Reserves	860	0	2,837	0	554	46	2,029	6,326	(4,740)	1,586
Transfers to/(from) Earmarked Reserves (Note 7)	(1,386)	1,382	(2,646)	2,654	0	0	(28)	(24)	0	(24)
Increase/(Decrease) in Year	(526)	1,382	191	2,654	554	46	2,001	6,302	(4,740)	1,562
Balance at 31 March 2013 carried forward	1,767	5,410	1,890	3,258	1,604	46	2,950	16,925	29,657	46,582

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Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

	2011/12					2012/13	
Gross	Gross	Net			Gross	Gross	Net
Expenditure	Income	Expenditure		Note	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure
£000	£000	£000			£000	£000	£000
2,522	(1,046)	1,476	Cultural and Related Services		2,580	(966)	1,614
5,541	(1,437)	4,104	Environmental and Regulatory Services		5,195	(1,506)	3,689
3,374	(1,906)	1,468	Planning Services		3,387	(2,356)	1,031
18,765	(18,094)		Other Housing Services		20,165	(21,223)	(1,058)
7,979	(6,845)	1,134	Central Services to the public		8,176	(6,587)	1,589
1,145	(88)	1,057	Corporate and democratic Core		1,085	(134)	951
867	(1,220)	(353)	Non Distributed costs		1,482	(1,065)	417
67,652	0	67,652	Local authority housing - settlement payment to Government for HRA self financing		0	0	0
12,384	(11,545)	839	Housing Revenue Account		7,009	(12,371)	(5,362)
120,229	(42,180)	78,048	Net Cost of services		49,079	(46,208)	2,871
2,089	(228)	1,861	Other operating expenditure	8	1,797	(247)	1,550
5,215	(4,859)	356	Financing and investment income and expenditure	9	7,919	(5,220)	2,699
0	(12,107)	(12,107)	Taxation and non-specific grant income	10	0	(11,946)	(11,946)
127,533	(59,374)	68,158	(Surplus) or deficit on Provision of services		58,795	(63,621)	(4,826)
		(2,254)	(Surplus) on revaluation of Property Plant and Equipment	24			(684)
		5,516	Acturial losses on pension assets/liabilities	24			3,947
		3,262	Other Comprehensive Income And Expenditure				3,263
		71,420	Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure				(1,563)

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The Balance Sheet

Restated *	Restated *			
1st April	31 March		Notes	31 March
2011	2012			2013
£000	£000			£000
129,246	131,209	Property,Plant and Equipment	11	130,785
121	121	Heritage Assets	13	121
9,456	9,064	Investment Property	12	8,951
604	702	Intangible Assets	14	550
293	232	Long Term Debtors	18	273
139,720	141,328	Long Term Assets		140,680
4,150	2.500	Short Term Investments	17	0
19	•	Inventories	15	6
5,336		Short Term Debtors	19	5,797
356		Cash and cash Equivalents	16	7,109
9,861		Current Assets		12,912
0	(233)	Cash and Cash Equivalents	16	(314)
(5,500)		Short term Borrowing	41	0
(5,019)	, ,	Short Term Creditors	20	(6,424)
(213)	, ,	Short Term Provisions	21	(188)
0		Revenue Grants Received in Advance	31	(1,208)
(10,732)		Current Liabilities		(8,134)
(1,139)	(807)	Long Term Creditors	20	(937)
(292)		Long Term Provisions	21	(29)
(4,300)	` ,	Long Term Borrowing	41	(70,952)
(16,667)	, ,	Other Long Term Liabilities	22	(26,950)
(11)		Capital Grants Received in Advance	31	(9)
(22,409)	, , ,	Long Term Liabilities		(98,877)
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116,440	45,019	Net Assets		46,581
9,477	•	Usable Reserves	23	16,925
106,963	34,396	Unusable Reserves	24	29,657
116,440	45,019	Total Reserves		46,582

The Cash Flow Statement

The Cash Flow Statement has been generated using CIPFA's indirect method.

2011/12 £'000 (68,158)	Net surplus or (deficit) on the provision of services	Note	2012/13 £'000 4,826
5,661	Adjustments to net surplus or deficit on the provision of services for non cash movements		4,542
66,727	Adjustments for items included in the net surplus or deficit on the provision of services that are investing and financing activities		(2,829)
4,230	Net Cash flows from Operating Activities		6,539
(1,662)	Investing Activities	26	4,350
(3,155)	Financing Activities	27	(3,862)
(587)	Net increase or decrease in cash and cash equivalents		7,027
355	Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		(232)
(232)	Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	16	6,795

1. Accounting Standards Issued But Not Yet Adopted

The Council has not yet adopted the following accounting standards changes expected in future years (1 April 2013):

- IAS 19 Employee Benefits (June 2011 Amendments)
- IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements-Other Comprehensive Income (June 2011 Amendments
- IFRS 7 Financial Instruments Disclosures—Offsetting Financial Assets and Liabilities (December 2011 Amendments)
- IAS 12 Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets (December 2010 Amendments)
- IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurements

Changes in IAS19 are expected to have a financial impact on the Council's Statement of Accounts, in respect of the amounts charged to operating profit. This will reflect the changes in the discount rate used for these entries. The estimated impact for 2013/2014, along with the comparative figures for 2012/13 have been produced by the Local Government Pension Scheme Actuary as follows:

	31st March 2014 (Revised method)		31st March 2013 (Current method)	
	£'000	% of pay	£'000	% of pay
Projected current service cost	1,667	24.0	1,299	18.8
Interest on obligation	2,912	41.8	2,648	38.3
Expected return on Employer Assets	(1,774)	(25.5)	(1,879)	(27.2)
Past Service Costs	0	0	0	0
Losses/(Gains) on Curtailments and Settlements	0	0	123	1.8
Total	2,805	40.3	2,191	31.7

2. Critical Judgements in Applying Accounting Policies

In applying the Accounting Policies set out on pages 11 to 25, the Council has had to make certain judgements about complex transactions or those involving uncertainty about future events. The critical judgements made in the Statement of Accounts are:

- There is a high degree of uncertainty about future levels of funding for local government.
 However, the Council has determined that this uncertainly is not sufficient to provide an
 indication that the assets of the Council might be impaired as a result of a need to close
 facilities and reduce levels of service provision.
- The Code gives strict criteria for assets held as Investment Properties. For the Council, those assets which are held for rental purposes are classified as investment properties. The Council's Atkin's building has been deemed as an operational asset on the basis that it is used to a material extent to carry out Council operations.
- The Council has reviewed the arrangements in place for operation of the Leicestershire Partnership Revenues and Benefits. The Joint Committee has been classified as a 'Jointly Controlled Operation' on the basis that it is not a separate legal entity and has been accounted for in line with the Council's Accounting Policies for these arrangements.
- The Council has been awarded Regional Growth Funds (RGF) for the development of the MIRA Enterprise Zone and surrounding road networks. Elements of this funding are spent directly by the Council with other amounts, transferred to key partners to fund the project. The treatment of this funding has been reviewed in line with IAS18 and it has been judged that the Council is acting as a 'principal' in respect of directly incurred expenditure and an 'agent' for expenditure incurred by partners. Where the Council is acting as the 'principal',

expenditure has been shown in the relevant line within the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure account. Payments made as the 'agent' have been passed through the Balance Sheet. The nature of all balances relating to this scheme are outlined in page 4 of the Explanatory Forward.

3. Assumptions Made About the Future and Other Major Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The Statement of Accounting Policies describes the significant areas in which estimates and assumptions have been made relating to the reporting of results of operations and the financial position of the Council.

The items in the Council's Balance Sheet at 31st March 2013 for which there is significant risk of material adjustment in the forthcoming financial year are as follows:

Item	Uncertainties	Effect if Actual Results Differ
		from Assumptions
Property, Plant and Equipment	Assets are depreciated over useful lives that are dependent on assumptions about the level of repairs and maintenance that will be incurred in relation to individual assets. The current economic climate makes it uncertain that the Council will be able to sustain its current spending on repairs and maintenance, bringing into doubt the useful lives assigned to assets. Property Plant and Equipment are reviewed for both economic and price impairment on an annual basis. Any movement in market value of property	If the useful life of assets is reduced, depreciation increases and the carrying amount of the assets falls. It is estimated that the annual depreciation charge for the property would increase by £0.141million for every year that the useful life is reduced. If an asset is impaired the carrying amount of the asset is reduced.
	will have any impact on the Council's valuation.	
Pensions Liability	Estimation of the net liability to pay pensions depends on a number of complex judgements relating to the discount rate used, the rate at which salaries are projected to increase, changes in retirement ages, mortality rates and expected returns on pension fund assets. These judgements are made by actuaries appointed by Leicestershire County Council who administer the pension fund.	 The effect on the net pension liability of changes in individual assumptions can be measured. For instance: A decrease in the discount rate assumption would result in an increase in pension liability. A one year increase in member life expectancy would result in an increase in pension liability. An increase in the pension rate would result in an increase in pension liability. A 1% increase in the pension liability would decrease the Council's net assets by £0.252million
Arrears	At 31 st March 2013, the Council had a	If collection rates were to

	balance of £3.150 million for sundry debtors. A review of balances suggested that an impairment of doubtful debts of £0.475million was appropriate. However in the current economic climate it is not certain that such an allowance would be sufficient.	deteriorate, a doubling of the amount of the impairment of doubtful debts would require an additional £0.96million to be set aside as an allowance.
Provisions	The Council has made a provision of £0.217 million for the capital cost of early retirements and future redundancies. It is not certain that all payments will materialise or be paid at the estimated level.	An increase over the forthcoming year of 10% would have the effect of adding £0.022 million to the provision needed.
Accruals	Estimates of known future expenses or income where amounts are not yet certain are accrued in the year that they relate to.	The expense or the income could be either higher or lower than expected. An increase in creditor accruals of 25% would mean that an additional £0.609 million would be taken to service accounts.

4. Material Items of Income and Expenses

There are no material items, not otherwise disclosed in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and other schedules that require disclosure here.

5. Events After the Balance Sheet Date

A post Balance Sheet event could be favourable or unfavourable. It is one that occurs between the Balance Sheet date (31st March 2013) and the date on which the financial statements are approved by the Council.

The Council's 2012/13 Statement of Accounts were authorised for publication on 27 June 2013 by S.Kohli, Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate Direction). Post Balance Sheet events were considered up to this date and none have occurred that require reporting.

6. Adjustments between Accounting Basis and Funding Basis under Regulation

2012/13

	General Fund Balance	Housing Revenue Balance	Capital Receipts Reserve	Major Repairs Reserve	Capital Grants Unapplied	Movement in Unusable Reserves
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Adjustment primarily involving t	he Capital <i>I</i>	Adjustment	Account			
Reversal of items debited or cre comply with Accounting Practice					penditure Si	tatement to
Charges for depreciation/amortisation of non current Assets	(1,382)	(2,942)	0	0	0	4,324
Revaluation (losses)/gains on Property Plant and Equipment	(324)	888	0	0	0	(564)
Movement in the market value of Investment Properties	(147)	0	0	0	0	147
Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute	(291)	0	0	0	0	291
Capital Expenditure Financed from Unapplied Grants and Contributions	89	0	0	0	0	(89)
Amounts of non current assets written off on disposal or sale as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(1,400)	(535)	0	0	0	1,915
Capital expenditure Charged to Fund Balances	42	220	0	0	0	(262)
Insertion of items not debited or Statement to comply with Accou						re
Statutory provision for the financing of capital investment	743	0	0	0	0	(743)
Adjustments Primarily Involving	the Capital	Grants Una	pplied Acco	unt		
Capital Grants and contributions unapplied credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	2,043	25	0	0	(2,083)	0
Application of earmarked reserves to capital financing transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account	557	130	0	0	0	(687)
Application of grants to capital financing transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account	0	0	0	0	40	(40)
Adjustments primarily involving	the Capital	Receipts R	eserve			
Transfer of cash sale proceeds credited as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	1,400	784	(2,189)	0	0	2

	General Fund Balance	Housing Revenue Balance	Capital Receipts Reserve	Major Repairs Reserve	Capital Grants Unapplied	Movement in Unusable Reserves
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Contribution from the Capital Receipts Reserve to finance the payments to the Government capital receipts pool	(310)	0	310	0	0	0
Application of Capital Receipts to finance new Capital Expenditure	0	0	1,341	0	0	(1,341)
Adjustment involving the Major F	Repairs Res	serve				
Reversal of Major Repairs Allowance credited to the HRA	0	2,117	0	(2,117)	0	0
Use of the major Repairs Reserve to finance new capital expenditure	0	0	0	2,071	0	(2,071)
Adjustments involving the Pensi	ons Reserv	/e:				
Reversal of items relating to retirement benefits debited or credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(1,990)	(201)	0	0	0	2,191
Employer's Pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners payable in the year	1,256	215	0	0	0	(1,471)
Capital Cost of Early Retirement	115	16				(131)
Adjustments involving the Collect	tion Fund	Adjustment	Account:			
Amount by which Council Tax income credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is different from Council Tax income calculated for the year in accordance with statutory requirements	(13)	0	0	0	0	13
Adjustment involving the Accum	ulated Abs	ences Adjus	stment Acco	ount:		
Amount by which officer remuneration charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement on an accrual basis is different from remuneration chargeable in the year in accordance with statutory requirements	4	(1)	0	0	0	(3)
Adjustment involving the Financi	al Instrume	ents Adjustn	nent Accoui	nt		
Amount by which finance costs charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement are different from the finance costs chargeable in the year in accordance with statutory requirements	3	0	0	0	0	(3)
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	413	716	(555)	(46)	(2,029)	1,502

2011/12

	General Fund Balance	Housing Revenue Balance	Capital Receipts Reserve	Major Repairs Reserve	Capital Grants Unapplied	Movement in Unusable Reserves
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Adjustment primarily involving t	he Capital	Adiustment	Account			
Reversal of items debited or credite with Accounting Practice but not ch	ed to the Co	mprehensive		Expenditu	re Statement	to comply
Charges for depreciation/amortisation of non current Assets	(1,285)	(2,935)	0	0	0	4,220
Revaluation (losses)/gains on Property Plant and Equipment	168	(263)	0	0	0	95
Movement in the market value of Investment Properties	(285)	(15)	0	0	0	300
Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute	(352)	0	0	0	0	352
Capital Expenditure Financed from Unapplied Grants and Contributions	465	114	0	0	0	(579)
Amounts of non current assets written off on disposal or sale as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(455)	(149)	0	0	0	604
Local Authority Housing Settlement payment to Government for HRA Self – Financing	0	(67,652)	0	0	0	67,652
Insertion of items not debited or cre comply with Accounting Practice by				and Expend	diture Statem	ent to
Statutory provision for the financing of capital investment	638	0	0	0	0	(638)
Adjustments Primarily Involving	the Capital	Grants Una	pplied Acco	unt		
Capital Grants and contributions unapplied credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	207	0	0	0	(207)	0
Application of grants to capital financing transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account	0	0	0	0	126	(126)
Adjustments primarily involving	the Capital	Receipts R	eserve			
Transfer of cash sale proceeds credited as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	124	351	(477)	0	0	2
	General Fund Balance	Housing Revenue Balance	Capital Receipts Reserve	Major Repairs Reserve	Capital Grants Unapplied	Movement in Unusable Reserves
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000

Contribution from the Capital	 					
Receipts Reserve to finance the	(202)	0	000	0	0	
payments to the Government	(263)	0	263	0	0	0
capital receipts pool						
Application of Capital Receipts to	0	0	425	0	0	(425)
finance new Capital Expenditure	0		720	0	0	(423)
Adjustment involving the Major F	Repairs Res	serve				
Reversal of Major Repairs	0	2,071	0	(2,071)	0	0
Allowance credited to the HRA				, , ,		
Use of the major Repairs Reserve to finance new capital	0	0	0	2,071	0	(2.071)
expenditure	0	U	U	2,071	U	(2,071)
	D					
Adjustments involving the Pensi	ons Reserv	/e:		1		T
Reversal of items relating to						
retirement benefits debited or						
credited to the Comprehensive	(1,328)	(183)	0	0	0	1,511
Income and Expenditure Statement						
Statement						
Employer's Pension contributions						
and direct payments to	1,181	198	0	0	0	(1,379)
pensioners payable in the year			_	_	_	()
Capital Cost of Early Retirement	115	16	0	0	0	(131)
Adjustments involving the Collection	ction Fund	Adjustment	Account:			
Amount by which Council Tax						
income credited to the						
Comprehensive Income and						
Expenditure Statement is	(4)	0	0	0	0	4
different from Council Tax income	(4)	O			0	_
calculated for the year in						
accordance with statutory						
requirements						
Adjustment involving the Accum	ulated Abs	ences Adjus	stment Acco	ount:		
Amount by which officer						
remuneration charged to the						
Comprehensive Income and						
Expenditure Statement on an	4	1	0	0	0	(5)
accrual basis is different from						, ,
remuneration chargeable in the year in accordance with statutory						
requirements						
Adjustment involving the Financ	ial Instrum	ents Adiustr	ment Accou	nt		
Amount by which finance costs		,juoti				
charged to the Comprehensive						
Income and Expenditure						
Statement are different from the	8	0	0	0	0	(8)
finance costs chargeable in the						
year in accordance with statutory						
requirements	(4.555)	(00 ::::				4
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	(1,062)	(68,446)	211	0	(81)	69,378

7. Transfers To/From Earmarked Reserves

This note sets out the amounts set aside from the General Fund and HRA balances in earmarked reserves to provide financing for future expenditure plans and the amounts posted back from earmarked reserves to meet General Fund and HRA expenditure in 2012/13.

	Balance at 31st March 2011	Transfers out 2011/2012	Transfers in 2011/12	Balance at 31st March 2012	Transfers out 2012/13	Transfers in 2012/13	Balance at 31st March 2013
			•				
General Fund:	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Commutation and Feasibility	247	(10)	50	287	(120)	0	167
Benefits Reserve	172	` ó	100	272	Ò	208	480
Local Plan	391	(17)	68	442	(34)	73	481
Historic Buildings	14	Ò	0	14	Ò	0	14
Land Charges	51	0	0	51	(20)	233	264
Disaster Recovery	118	(118)	0	0	0	0	0
Pensions Contributions	109	(75)	15	49	0	0	49
Building Control	64	0	70	134	0	0	134
Waste Management Reserve	173	(12)	82	243	0	74	317
ICT Reserve	241	0	12	253	(41)	0	212
Project Management/Masterplan	333	0	0	333	0	0	333
Shared Services Reserve	74	0	0	74	0	0	74
Housing and Planning Delivery Grant	247	(75)	0	172	(43)	0	129
Flexible Working	15	0	0	15	0	0	15
IFRS Capacity Support	2	(2)	0	0	0	0	0
Freedom of Information Act Training	3	0	0	3	(3)	0	0
New Performance Improvement Set	10	0	0	10	(2)	0	8
Housing Energy Certificate Training	11	0	0	11	0	0	11
Finance Capacity Fund	20	0	2	22	0	0	22
Priority Improvement Fund	70	0	0	70	(70)	0	0
Workforce Strategy	3	0	0	3	0	10	13
Elections	85	(68)	45	62	0	25	87
Grounds Maintenance Machinery	50	0	25	75	(16)	25	84
Replacement		0	0	50	0	0	50
Transformation	50	0	0	50	(220)	0	50
Relocation Reserve	182	0	135	317	(326)	346	337
Future Capital Projects Modern.Gov Reserve	486	(19)	125	611 2	(611)	0	0
	20 19	(18)	0	2 19	0	0	2 19
Greenfields Reserve		0 (7)	0 55	48	0 (74)	0 177	151
Special Expenses Atkins	0	(7) (9)	9	0	(74)	0	0
Carry Forwards	0	(9)	136	136	(136)	139	139
Hub Future Rental Management	0	0	250	250	(130)	0	250
Business Rates Pooling		0	0	0	0	110	110
Leisure Centre		0	0	0	0	1,353	1,353
Community Safety	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Troubled Families	0	0	0	0	(30)	90	60
Hinckley Club for Young People	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Development Control	Ö	0	0	0	0	40	40
Total Earmarked Reserves	3,260	(409)	1,177	4,028	(1,526)	2,911	5,413
Unapplied Grants and Contributions	862	(141)	221	942	(86)	2,069	2,925
Total General Fund	4,122	(550)	1,398	4,970	(1,612)	4,980	8,338
Housing Revenue Account: HRA Piper Balance	117	0	9	126	0	11	137
HRA Communal Furniture	4	0	0	4	0	0	4

HRA Housing Repairs Account Regeneration Reserve HRA Carry forward Reserve	344 0 0	0 0 0	128 0 0	472 0 0	(230) 0 0	0 2,834 34	242 2,834 34
Total HRA Earmarked Reserves	465	0	137	602	(230)	2,879	3,251
HRA Unapplied Grants and Contributions	6	0	0	6	0	25	31
Total Housing Revenue Account	471	0	137	608	(230)	2,904	3,282
TOTAL	4,593	(550)	1,535	5,578	(1,842)	7,884	11,620

Earmarked reserves:

Commutation and Feasibility Reserve

The Borough Council has been applying the commutation adjustment to reduce its Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP), but prospective increases in the capital financing requirement and a reducing commutation adjustment means that there will be a progressive increase in future MRP.

Proposed capital projects often need feasibility studies before final commitment can be made to a project. This reserve will be used to cater for each of these requirements.

Benefits Reserve

This reserve is to allow for variances between estimates for benefit payments and the subsidy received. In view of the material budget only a small variation would have a significant effect on balances. It is therefore prudent to keep an earmarked reserve for such variations particularly in light of the changes in Council Tax Benefit from 2013/14.

Hub Future Rental Management Reserve

Developer incentives received have been transferred into this reserve to minimise the risk of future movement in rental indices which may impact the Council's expenditure on the new Hinckley Hub.

Special Expenses Reserve

This reserve has been established to fund additional parks and open spaces expenditure within the Hinckley area.

Local Plan Procedure Reserve

This reserve is to fund the costs of the Local Development Framework. The reserve will be used as elements of the framework are required.

Business Rates Pooling Reserve

From 2013/14, Business Rates Retention will mean that certain losses in rates will need to be funded by the Council. This reserve has been created to reflect the total amount of Business Rates this Council is required to "lose" before receipt of a safety net payment from the Leicestershire Pool.

Historic Buildings Reserve

This reserve is to allow owners of listed buildings the opportunity to borrow money to fund historic alterations and restorations. It will be used as and when applications for loans are submitted and contributions will be made as and when repayments are received.

7. Transfers To/From Earmarked Reserves (continued)

Relocation Reserve

This reserve has been established from savings in 2010/11 to provide resources to support the Council's office move planned for 2013/14

Modern.Gov Reserve

This reserve was established to cover the cost of the acquisition and subsequent upgrades of the Modern.gov software system.

Greenfields Reserve

This reserve has been created to finance minor alterations to the Greenfields Industrial Units to make them more attractive to tenants.

Community Safety Reserve

Costs of funding intranet development work for informing officers of potentially violent customers.

Leisure Centre Reserve

Reserve created to fund capital costs of new Leisure Centre in order to minimise levels of borrowing required for the scheme.

Carry Forwards Reserve

Relates to those budget carry forwards authorised from the previous financial year.

Troubled Families Reserve

The Council has agreed to make a cash investment of £90,000 towards the Leicestershire Troubled Families programme. This reserve will be released over a 3 year period to fund this scheme.

Building Control Reserve

The Council strives to ensure that fee income from Building Control work is sufficient to cover the associated costs of the work over a rolling three-year period. This reserve will be used to smooth out variations in surpluses and deficits from year to year.

Land Charges Reserve

Reserve has been set aside to fund potential legal costs arising from land charge action against Local Authorities nationally.

ICT Reserve

This reserve was set up from the 2007/08 underspend on the ICT budget and will be used to further improve the ICT support service, in particular by upgrading the aging infrastructure and to fund the infrastructure moves to the Hinckley Hub.

Waste Management Reserve

The Waste Management Service is currently experiencing a number of pressures on its resources particularly in respect of the need to recycle more and conduct additional rounds. This reserve has been set up using under spends to provide resources to address the pressures ahead for this high priority service area.

Project Management/Masterplan Reserve

At the present time the Council has an ambitious Capital Programme and is looking to facilitate the regeneration of Hinckley Town Centre through the Town Centre Renaissance Masterplan. This reserve is intended to provide project management support and resources to support the implementation of this plan.

7. Transfers To/From Earmarked Reserves (continued)

Shared Services Reserve

This reserve has been created to deal with any one off costs associated with increased collaboration and shared working by the Council across Leicestershire.

Housing and Planning Delivery Grant Reserve

This reserve has been set up to carry forward receipts of Housing and Planning Delivery Grant that will be spent in future years.

Flexible Working Reserve

This reserve has been set up to provide additional resources to promote the Council's flexible working programme.

New Performance Improvement Set Reserve

This reserve has been established to develop a base line for the new performance improvement set by Human Resources

Housing Energy Certificate Training

To provide resources for Housing Energy Certificate training in light of changes in legislation

Finance Capacity Fund Reserve

This reserve has been created to provide resources to cover short term capacity issues in the Finance service area.

Workforce Strategy Reserve

This reserve will fun resources to enable a corporate Workforce Strategy to be developed.

Election Reserve

Elections to the Borough Council are held every four years. It is considered to be inequitable to charge the full cost in the year of the election. An earmarked reserve has therefore been created to allow the cost of the election to be provided for each year.

Grounds Maintenance Machinery Replacement Reserve

This reserve has been established from the savings in rental charges following the initial purchase of new machinery to allow for its replacement at the end of its useful life.

Pensions Reserve

This reserve has been created to meet future potential increases in employers pension contributions resulting from triennial valuations of the Pensions Fund and requirements for "opt in" in 2017.

Transformation Reserve

This reserve has been created to provide resources to support the Transformation agenda within the Council.

7. Transfers To/From Earmarked Reserves (continued)

Hinckley Club for Young People Reserve

This reserve provides for reflects any additional support that may be required for Hinckley Club for Young People following issues with their building.

Development Control Reserve

Reserve set up in 2012/13 to reflect additional salary costs that may arise from large levels of planning applications.

Unapplied Grants and Contributions Reserves

This reserve is an accountancy requirement and contains balances of grants and contributions that have not been applied to finance expenditure as the grant conditions have not yet been satisfied.

Piper Balance Reserve

This reserve will provide funding for the replacement of the Piper alarm system at the control centres when the current system becomes unviable.

Communal Furniture Reserve

This reserve has been created to provide for the replacement of furniture in communal areas of sheltered housing schemes which currently do not meet safety standards.

Housing Repairs Reserve

The Housing Repairs Reserve represents the cost of providing the housing repairs service to the Borough. This is detailed further in the notes to the Housing Revenue Account.

Regeneration Reserve

This reserve has been created from the available funds within the Housing Revenue Account following the introduction of self financing. The reserve will be used to fund projects outlined in the HRA Business and Investment Plan.

Reserves removed in year

The Council reviews the earmarking of its reserves on an annual basis to ensure available funds meet the needs of the Council. The following reserves were re-earmarked as a result of this exercise in September 2012:

- Future Capital Projects Reserve
- IFRS Capacity Support Reserve
- Freedom of Information Training Reserve
- Priority Improvement Reserve
- Atkins Reserve

8. Other Operating Expenditure

	2012/13	2011/12
	£'000	£'000
(Gain)/ Losses on disposal of Non Current Assets	(247)	129
Amounts due to Precepting Authorities	Ì,50Ś	1,469
Contribution to Housing pooled Capital Receipts	310	263
Total	1,568	1,861

9. Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Interest payable and similar charges *	2,333	300
Pension Interest Costs	2,648	2,720
Net Surplus of Undertakings (see note 28)	(544)	(409)
Interest and Investment Income	(38)	(75)
Expected return on pension assets (see note 40)	(1,879)	(2,460)
Revaluation of Investment Properties	179	280
Total	2,699	356

 $^{^{\}star}$ - Interest payable in 2012/13 includes £2.066 million interest on the Council's HRA self financing loans

10. Taxation and Non Specific Grant Income

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Demand on Collection Fund	(5,731)	(5,665)
Balance on Collection Fund	(21)	(15)
Revenue Support Grant	(102)	(1,410)
Contribution from Non -Domestic Rate pool	(5,270)	(4,562)
New Homes Bonus	(711)	(350)
Council Tax Freeze Grant	(106)	(105)
New Burdens Grant	(5)	0
Total	(11,946)	(12,107)

11. Property, Plant and Equipment

2012/13

	Council Dwellings	Other Land and Buildings	Vehicles Plant and Equipment	Infra- Structure Assets	Community Assets	Surplus Assets	Assets Under Construction	TOTAL
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost or valuation								
At 1 April 2012	105,431	13,116	9,067	2,011	3,880	2,300	12	135,817
Additions Revaluation	2,728	1,747	371	0	314	0	286	5,446
Increases/(decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve Revaluation	0	692	0	0	0	0	0	692
Increases/(decreases) recognised in the Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services	884	(714)	0	0	0	0	0	170
Derecognition -Disposals	(535)	0	0	0	0	(2,300)	0	(2,835)
Other Movements in the cost of valuation	(2,932)	(363)	0	0	0	0	(11)	(3,306)
At 31st March 2013	105,576	14,478	9,438	2,011	4,194	0	287	135,984
Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment								
At 1 April 2012	0	0	(3,994)	(614)	0	0	0	(4,608)
Depreciation Charge	(2,932)	(645)	(535)	(56)	0	0	0	(4,168)
Depreciation written out to the Revaluation Reserve Depreciation written out to	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
the Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(0)
Other Movements in Depreciation and Impairment	2,932	645	0	0	0	0	0	3,577
At 31st March 2013	0	0	(4,529)	(670)	0	0	0	(5,199)
Net Book Value								
At 31st March 2013	105,576	14,478	4,909	1,341	4,194	0	287	130,785
At 31 st March 2012	105,431	13,116	5,073	1,397	3,880	2,300	12	131,209

An asset previously leased on peppercorn rent, was handed back to the Council in 2011/12 after a new facility was built. The asset had been earmarked for sale in 2011/12 and the sale completed in 2012/13.

11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

2011/2012

	Council Dwellings	Other Land and Buildings	Vehicles Plant and Equipment	Infra- Structure Assets	Community Assets	Surplus Assets	Assets Under Construction	TOTAL
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost or valuation						_		
At 1 April 2011	106,279	13,864	7,461	2,011	3,703	0	0	133,318
Additions	2,485	77	1,606	0	177	0	12	4,357
Revaluation Increases/(decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve Revaluation	0	(69)	0	0	0	2,300	0	2,231
Increases/(decreases) recognised in the Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services	(261)	112	0	0	0	0	0	(149)
Derecognition -Disposals	(149)	(355)	0	0	0	0	0	(504)
Other Movements in the cost of valuation	(2,923)	(513)	0	0	0	0	0	(3,436)
At 31st March 2012	105,431	13,116	9,067	2,011	3,880	2,300	12	135,817
Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment								
At 1 April 2011	0	0	(3,513)	(559)	0	0	0	(4,072)
Depreciation Charge	(2,924)	(589)	(481)	(55)	0	0	0	(4,049)
Depreciation written out to the Revaluation Reserve Depreciation written out to	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	22
the Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services	0	54	0	0	0	0	0	54
Other Movements in Depreciation and Impairment	2,924	513	0	0	0	0	0	3,437
At 31st March 2012	0	0	(3,994)	(614)	0	0	0	(4,608)
Net Book value								
At 31st March 2012	105,431	13,116	5,073	1,397	3,880	2,300	12	131,209

11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

Depreciation

The following useful lives and depreciation rates have been used in the calculation of depreciation:

Asset Classification Basis of Depreciation

Council Dwellings Residual lives based on total life of 80 years but with a

minimum residual life of 20 years to reflect enhancements as

the Borough Council is at Decent Homes Standard.

Land Not depreciated.

Operational Buildings Residual lives provided by the valuer in report of 31st March

2012. Depreciation in based upon the updated residual lives of

revalued properties.

Vehicles, Plant and Equipment Based on expected lives of the asset.

Infrastructure Depreciated over a 40 year life.

Community Assets Not depreciated as these are land assets.

Non-Operational Investment Assets Not depreciated.

Intangible Assets Amortised over useful life (e.g. software over 5 years).

Heritage Assets Not depreciated as have indefinite life.

Surplus Assets Not depreciated

Capital Commitments

At 31st March 2013, the Council had capital commitments of £0.134million (£0.119million 2011/12) relating to works on Burbage Common. In all other cases, contracts had not been let by 31st March 2013.

Revaluations

The freehold and leasehold properties, which comprise the Council's property portfolio, have now been revalued by Mr D.W. Flatley FRICS of Sturgis, Snow and Astill LLP, 98 New Walk, Leicester. The valuations were carried out in accordance with the Statements of Asset Valuation Practice and Guidance Notes of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and the government specifications relating to the Housing Revenue Account.

A full valuation of Council Properties was undertaken by Sturgis Snow and Astill LLP as at 31st March 2009. The valuation of Council dwellings used beacon values to determine the total valuation. These valuations have been updated by a desktop valuation at 31st March 2013. The Council commissions full revaluations on a 5 year cycle.

Plant, furniture and equipment in the Council Offices is included in the valuation of those offices.

Properties regarded as operational were valued on the basis of open market value for the existing use. Where this could not be assessed because there was no market for the subject asset, the depreciated replacement cost basis was used.

Effects of changes in Estimates

In 2012/13 the Council made no material changes to its accounting estimates for Property, Plant and Equipment.

12. Investment Properties

The following items of income and expense, relating to Investment Properties, have been accounted for in the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement:

Income from investment property including capital grant credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement but appropriated to Reserves	£'000 (660)	£'000 (626)
Direct operating expenses arising from investment property	322	481
Net (Gain)/Loss	(338)	(145)

There are no restrictions on the Council's ability to realise the value inherent in its Investment Property or on the Council's right to the remittance of income and the proceeds of disposal. The Council has no contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment property or repairs, maintenance or enhancement.

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Balance at the start of the year Additions:	9,064	9,455
Construction	34	0
Subsequent Expenditure	0	8
Disposals	0	(100)
Net Gains/(Losses) from fair value adjustments	(147)	(299)
Balance at the end of the year	8,951	9,064

13. Heritage Assets

Heritage assets are those that are held and maintained principally for their contribution to knowledge and culture. They have historical, artistic, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities. All assets are deemed to have indefinite useful economic lives.

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Balance at start of year	121	121
Additions	0	0
Disposals	0	0
Revaluations	0	0
Impairment losses/(reversals) recognised in	0	0
Revaluation Reserve		
Impairment losses/(reversals) recognised in the	0	0
Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services		
Other Movements	0	0
Closing Balance	121	121

14. Intangible Assets

The Council accounts for its software as Intangible Assets, to the extent that the software is not integral part of a particular IT system and accounted for as part of a hardware item.

The Intangible Assets included on the Balance Sheet relate to both purchased licences and internally generated software. All Intangible Assets are given a finite useful life, based on assessments of the period that the software is expected to be of use to the Council. The useful lives assigned to the major software suites used by the Council is 5 years.

The carrying amount of Intangible Assets is amortised on a straight-line basis. The amortisation of £0.155million charged to revenue in 2012/13 was charged to IT Administration cost centre and then absorbed as an overhead across all the service headings in the net expenditure of respective services.

The movement in Intangible Asset balances during the year is as follows:

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Balance at start of year:		
Gross carrying amounts	3,403	3,135
Accumulated amortisation	(2,701)	(2,531)
Net carrying amount at start of year	702	604
Additions	3	268
Amortisation for the period	(155)	(170)
Net carrying amount at the end of the year	550	702
Comprising:		
Gross Carrying amounts	3,406	3,403
Accumulated amortisation	(2,856)	(2,701)
Closing Balance	550	702

15. Inventories

Inventories are valued on a First In First Out (FIFO) basis and relate to consumables.

16. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The balance of Cash and Cash Equivalents (split across current assets and current liabilities) is made of the following elements:

	2012/13	2011/12
	£'000	£'000
Cash held by the Council	1	1
Bank Current Accounts	(314)	(233)
Short-term deposits with Building Society/Banks	4,988	0
Regional Growth Funding – short-term deposit *	2,120	0
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents held on Balance Sheet	6,795	(232)

* This balance relates to cash balances held in the bank at year end relating to Regional Growth Funding. The nature of all balances relating to this scheme are outlined in page 4 of the Explanatory Forward.

17. Investments

The Council's investments are detailed below:

	2012/13	2011/12	
	£'000	£'000	
Short Term Investments < 1 Year	0*	2,500	
Long Term Investments > 1 Year	0	0	
Total Investments	0	2,500	_

^{*}Due to a change in the nature of investments short term investments in 2012/13 have been classed cash or cash equivalents

18. Long Term Receivables

The value of Long Term Receivables as at 31 March is:

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
North West Leicestershire DC	149	161
Hinckley Museum	8	8
Car Loans to Employees	39	43
Sale of Council Houses	2	3
Atkins Café	14	17
NNDR	61	0
Total Long Term Receivables	273	232

19. Short Term Receivables

The value of Short Term Receivables as at 31 March is:

	2012/13	2011/12	2010/11
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Car Loans to Employees	30	34	32
Central Government Bodies	910	921	643
Other Local Authorities	98	38	297
Housing rent	299	229	181
Sundry debtors	3,092	1,422	1,304
Council Tax, Community Charge and NNDR	1,752	1,429	3,100
Prepayments	485	453	343
Provision for Doubtful Debts	(869)	(671)	(564)
Total Short Term Receivables	5,797	3,855	5,336

20. Short and Long Term Payables

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000	2010/11 £'000
Short Term Payables			
Inland Revenue	212	211	0
Other Local Authorities	267	262	146
Housing Rents	67	74	59
Department for Energy and Climate Change *	375	0	0
Regional Growth Fund *	912	0	0
Sundry Creditors	3,010	2,544	3,167
Central Government Bodies	103	282	604
Council Tax, Community charge and NNDR	1,478	845	1.043
Total Short Term Payables	6,424	4,218	5,019
Long Term Payables			
Sundry Payables	876	807	1,139
NNDR	61	0	0
Total Payables	7,361	5,024	6,158

^{*} These balances relate to elements of funding received in year which will be transferred to other bodies in 2013/14. The nature of all balances relating to these schemes are outlined on page 4 of the Explanatory Forward

Included within the balance of Sundry Creditors are amounts that the Council holds in respect of Section 106 contributions from developers that they are required to make for infrastructure provision and improvement as a result of developments they have received planning consent for. If the Council does not make the necessary provision or improvement within a set period of time specified in the Consent and associated agreement then the contribution is returned to the developer. An analysis of the amount held is set out below.

		2012/13			2011/12			
	Repayable in less than 1 year £'000	Repayable in more than 1 year £'000	Total £'000	Repayable in less than 1 year £'000	Repayable in more than 1 year £'000	Total £'000		
Section 106	223	702	925	241	655	896		
Play and Open Spaces	231	173	404	248	152	400		
Total	454	875	1,329	489	807	1,296		

21. Provisions

	Capital Cost of Early Retirement	Redundancy Cost Provision	Total Provision	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Balance at 1 April 2012	293	8	301	
Additional provisions arising in the year	0	56	56	
Amounts used during the year	(132)	(8)	(140)	
At 31 March 2013	161	56	217	

Provisions are split on the Balance Sheet as follows:

	2012/13
	£'000
Short Term Provisions	188
Long Term provisions	29
Total Provisions	217

The Council creates provisions in order to recognise expenditure where a liability has arisen in one financial year but will not be discharged until a future year.

The Council currently operates two provisions, details of which are set out below:

- Capital Cost of Early Retirement when an employee leaves the employment of the Council before their normal retirement date and receives immediate payment of their pension benefits there is an actuarial strain on the Pension Fund. Where the retirement is due to reasons other than ill health retirement the Council is required to make a payment to the Pension Fund to cover the value of the strain. Whilst the liability needs to be recognised immediately, Pension Scheme Regulations allow employers to make equal annual payments over a period of up to 5 years and the timing of outflows from this provision will be made in line with the agreed period. This provision represents the unexpended amount of the liability.
- Redundancy Cost International Financial Reporting Standards require that the cost of redundancy terminations are recognised in the accounts when it becomes certain that they will occur and when they can be quantified. Where terminations are approved in one financial year but will not occur until the next an estimate of the costs is recognised in the year of account the redundancy is approved and shown as a provision in the accounts. The provision will be utilised when the redundancy occurs and payments made to the employee.

22. Other Long term Liabilities

The amount of other long term liabilities shown in the Balance Sheet is made up as follows:

	31 March	31 March
	2013	2012
	£'000	£'000
Pensions Liability (see note 40)	25,187	20,520
Finance lease liabilities	1,763	2,027
Total Long Term Liabilities	26,950	22,547

23. Usable Reserves

Movements in the Council's usable reserves are detailed in the Movement in Reserves Statement and in Notes 6 and 7.

24. Unusable Reserves

The Council has a number of reserves which are used for accounting purposes and cannot be used for the provision of services. The balance of these reserves are:

	31 March	31 March
	2013	2012
	£'000	£'000
Revaluation Reserve	(1,308)	(3,039)
Capital Adjustment Account	(52,867)	(52,366)
Financial Instrument Adjustment Account	25	28
Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve	(1,037)	(4)
Collection Fund Adjustment Account	7	(6)
Pension Fund Reserve	25,348	20,812
Accumulated Absences Adjustment Account	175	178
Total Unusable Reserves	(29,657)	(34,397)

(NB – figures in brackets represent credit balances)

Revaluation Reserve

The Revaluation Reserve contains the gains made by the Council arising from increase in the value of its Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets. The balance is reduced when asset with accumulated gains are:

- revalued downwards or impaired and the gains are lost;
- used in the provision of services and the gains are consumed through depreciation; or
- disposed of and the gains are realised.

The reserve contains only revaluation gains accumulated since 1st April 2007, the date the Reserve was created.

2011/12 £'000 (800) (2,637)	Balance at 1 April Upward revaluation of assets Downward revaluation of assets and impairment losses	2012/13 £'000 (3,039) (752)
383	not charged to the Surplus/deficit on the provision of services	58
(2,254)	Surplus or Deficit on revaluation of non -current assets not posted to the surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	(3,733)
15	Accumulated gains on assets sold or scrapped	2,425
15	Amount written off to the Capital Adjustment Account	2,425
(3,039)	Balance at 31 March	(1,308)

Capital Adjustment Account

The Capital Adjustment Account absorbs the timing differences arising from the different arrangements for accounting for the consumption of non-current assets and for financing the acquisition, construction or enhancement of those assets under statutory provisions. The Account is debited with the cost of acquisition, construction or enhancement as depreciation, impairment losses and amortisations are charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. The Account is credited with the amounts set aside by the Council as finance for the costs of acquisition, construction and enhancement.

The Account contains accumulated gains and losses on Investment Properties and revaluation gains accumulated on Property, Plant and Equipment before 1 April 2007, the date that the Revaluation Reserve was created to hold such gains.

Note 6 provide details of the source of all transactions posted to the account, apart from those involving the Revaluation Reserve.

2011/12 £'000	Deleves et 4 April	201 £'000	2/13 £'000
(121,661)	Balance at 1 April Reversal of items relating to capital expenditure debited or credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure statement:		(52,366)
67,652	Local Authority settlement payment for self- financing	0	
4,220	Charges for depreciation and impairment of non current Assets	4,064	
95	Revaluation losses/gains on Property, Plant and Equipment	(304)	
352	Revenue expenditure funded from Capital under statute	291	
604	Amounts of non current assets written off on disposal or sale as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the comprehensive income and expenditure statement	535	
72,923	-		4,586
(15)	Adjusting amounts written out of the revaluation reserve		0
(48,753)			(47,780)
(425)	Capital financing applied in the year. Use of the Capital Receipts Reserve to finance new capital expenditure	(1,341)	
(2,071)	Use of the Major Repairs Reserve to finance new capital expenditure	(2,071)	
(579)	Capital grants and contributions credited to the Comprehensive and Income and Expenditure statement that have been applied to capital financing	(89)	
(126)	Application of grants to capital financing from the Capital Grants Unapplied Account	(40)	
(712)	Statutory provisions for financing of capital investment charged against the General Fund and HRA balances	(1,431)	
0	Capital expenditure charged against the General Fund and HRA balances	(262)	
(3,913)	_	(5,234)	
300	Movements in the market value of Investment Properties debited or credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement		147
(52,366)	Balance at 31 March		(52,867)

Financial Instrument Adjustment Account

This account absorbs timing differences arising from the different arrangements for accounting for income and expenses relating to certain financial instruments and bearing losses or benefiting from gains per statutory provisions.

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000
36	Balance at 1 April	28
0	Premiums incurred in the year and charged to the	0
(5)	Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement Proportion of premiums incurred in previous financial years to be charged against the General Fund Balance	1
(5)		1
(3)	Amount by which finance costs charged to Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement are different from finance costs chargeable in the year in accordance to statutory requirements	(4)
28	Balance at 31 March	25

Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve

The Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve holds the gains recognised on the disposal of non-current assets but for which cash settlement has yet to take place. Under statutory arrangements, the Council does not treat these gains as usable for financing new capital expenditure until they are backed by cash receipts. When the deferred cash settlement eventually takes place, amounts are transferred to the Capital Receipts Reserve.

2011/12 £'000 (6)	Balance at 1 April	2012/13 £'000 (4)
2	Transfer of deferred sale proceeds credited as part of gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(1,033)
(4)	Balance at 31 March	(1,037)

Collection Fund Adjustment Account

The Collection Fund Adjustment Account manages the differences arising from the recognition of Council Tax income in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as if falls due from Council Tax payers compared with the statutory arrangements for paying across amounts to the General Fund from the Collection Fund.

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000
(10)	Balance at 1 April	(6)
4	Amount by which Council Tax income credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is different from Council Tax income calculated for the year in accordance to Statutory requirements	13
(6)	Balance at 31 March	7

Pension Fund Reserve

This reserve absorbs the timing differences arising from the different arrangements for accounting for post employment benefits and for funding benefits as the benefits are earned by employees accruing years of service, updating the liabilities recognised to reflect inflation, changing assumptions and investment returns on any resources set aside to meet the costs. The arrangements ensure that funding will have been set aside by the time the benefits come to be paid.

2011/12 £'000 15,295	Balance at 1 April	2012/13 £'000 20,812
5,516	Actuarial gains and losses on pensions assets and liabilities	3,947
1,511	Reversal of items relating to retirement benefits debited or credited to the Surplus or Deficit on the provision of services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	2,191
(1,379)	Employers pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners payable in the year	(1,471)
(131)	Capital cost of early retirement	(131)
20,812	Balance at 31 March	25,348

Accumulated Absences Adjustment Account

This account absorbs the differences that would otherwise arise on General Fund Balance from accruing for compensated absences earned but not taken in the year e.g. annual leave entitlement carried forward at 31st March. Statutory arrangements require that the impact on the General Fund Balance is neutralised by transfers to or from the account.

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000
183	Balance at 1 April	178
(183)	Settlement or cancellation of accrual made at the end of the preceding year	(178)
178	Amounts accrued at the end of the current year	175
178	Balance at 31 March	175

25. Cash Flow Statement – Operating Activities

The cash flow for operating activities includes the following items:

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000
(85)	Interest Received	(38)
220	Interest Paid	2,333

26. Cash Flow Statement – Investing Activities

The cash flow for investing activities includes the following items:

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000
115,374	Purchase of short-term and long-term investments	137,593
5,214	Purchase of property, plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets	5,094
(477)	Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets	(2,188)
(117,456)	Proceeds from short-term and long-term investments	(144,701)
(993)	Other proceeds not in above	(148)
1,662	Net cash flows from investing activities	(4,350)

27. Cash Flow Statement – Financing Activities

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000
(83,152)	Cash Receipts from short and long term borrowing	(7,000)
255	Cash payments for the reduction of outstanding liabilities relating to Finance Leases	273
18,400	Repayment of short and long term borrowing	10,600
67,652	Other Payments not in above	(11)
3,155	Net cash flows from financing activities	3,862

28. Trading Operations

The Council operated the following trading services in 2012/13 for which outturn income and expenditure was as shown in the table below:

- Markets the operation of a market in Hinckley Town Centre.
- Industrial Estates the provision of factory units for rental principally aimed at small businesses.
- Grounds Maintenance DSO an internal business unit that provides grounds maintenance services to all parts of the Council.
- Housing Repairs DSO an internal business unit that provides housing repair services to the Borough Council.

28. Trading Operations (continued)

	2012/13 Income	2012/13 Expenditure	2012/13 (Surplus)/ Deficit	2011/12 (Surplus)/ Deficit
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Markets	(160)	212	52	40
Industrial Estates	(660)	356	(304)	(145)
Grounds Maintenance DSO	(958)	834	(124)	(25)
Housing Repairs DSO	(1,524)	1,535	11	1
Net Surplus on ordinary activities	(3,302)	2,937	(365)	(129)
Net impact of extra-ordinary items on (surplus)/deficit			0	0
Market Value Impairment			(179)	(280)
Net (surplus)/deficit reported in Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure (Note 9)			(544)	(409)

29. Members' Allowances

The total members' allowances paid in 2012/13 was £166,017 (2011/12 - £162,050) and £7,749 was paid for members expenses (2011/12 - £9,122).

30. External Audit Costs

In 2012/13 Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council incurred the following fees relating to external audit and inspection:

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Fees payable to the PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP with regards to external audit services carried out by the appointed auditor	65	108
Fees payable to the PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for the certification of grant claims and returns	46	61
Rebate received from The Audit Commission	0	(9)
Total fees payable	111	160

The Council, as the accountable body for the Leicestershire Revenues and Benefits Partnership has mobilised PricewaterhouseCoopersLLP to perform "Agreed Upon Procedures" on the accounting records for the Partnership. Fees for this work for 2012/13 were £2,300 and have been paid by the Partnership.

31. Grant Income

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Credited to Taxation and Non Specific Grant Income:		
Revenue Support Grant	102	1,410
New Homes Bonus	711	350
Council Tax Freeze Grant	106	105
Total	919	1,865
Credited to Services:		
Disabled Facilities Grants	245	364
Waste and Recycling	1,010	943
Regional Growth Funding	365	0
Homelessness	120	54
Housing Benefit Administration	541	590
Benefit Reimbursements	24,349	23,052
Regional Improvement Efficiency Partnership (RIEP)	9	372
Decent Homes	11	52
Locality Partnership (Sure Start)	401	444
Community Safety	71	59
Sports Grants	189	172
Play and Open Space	227	88
Developer Contributions	1	585
Elections	140	36
NNDR Cost of Collection	123	125
Supporting People and other HRA grants	439	561
Green Deal and Fuel Poverty Funding	2,708	0
Other	38	47
Total	30,987	27,544

The Council has received a number of grants and contributions that have yet to be recognised as income as they have conditions attached to them that will require the monies or property to be returned to the giver. The balances at the year-end are as follows:

Capital Grants Possived in Advance	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Capital Grants Received in Advance East Midlands Development Agency (EMDA) Revenue Grants Received in Advance	9	11
Regional Growth Funding	1,208	0
Total Grants Received in Advance	1 219	11

32. Related Party Transactions

The Council is required to disclose material transactions with related parties - bodies or individuals that have the potential to control or influence the Council or to be controlled or influenced by the Council. Disclosure of these transactions allows readers to assess the extent to which the Council might have been constrained in its ability to act independently or might have secured the ability to limit another party's ability to bargain with the Council.

Central Government has effective control over the general operations of the Council - it is responsible for providing statutory framework within the Council operates provides the majority of its funding via grants and prescribes the terms of many of the transactions the Council has with other parties (e.g. Housing Benefits).

The details of Government Grants received are detailed in note 31. Employer's contributions paid to the Pension Fund are shown in note 40.

Members of the Council and Chief Officers have direct control over the Council's financial and operating policies. Three (2011/2012 – Three) following related party declarations have been made in 2012/13:

- One elected member is the Treasurer for Community Action, Hinckley and Bosworth which received £20,463 of funding from the Council in 2012/13 (2011/12 £15,926).
- One senior officer holds board membership for the Hinckley and Bosworth Tourist Partnership. This organisation was paid £400 by the Council in 2012/13. (2011/12 £0)
- One member has declared that two members of his family provide buffets for Council occasions. The Council has paid this organisation £1,212 in 2012/13 for these services. (2011/12 - £744)

33. Capital Expenditure and Capital Financing

The total amount of capital expenditure incurred in the year is shown in the table below (including the value of assets acquired under finance leases and PFI/PP contracts), together with the resources that have been used to finance it. Where capital expenditure is to be financed in future years by charges to revenue as assets are used by the Council, the expenditure results in an increase in the Capital Financing Requirement (CFR), a measure of the capital expenditure incurred historically by the Council that has yet to be financed. The CFR is analysed in the second part of this note

Opening Capital Financing Requirement		2012/13 £'000 85,251		2011/12 £'000 16,551
Capital Investment Property Plant and Equipment Investment Properties	5,446 34		4,357 8	
Intangible Assets Revenue Expenditure funded from Capital under Statute	3 1,633		268 741	
Housing Revenue Account – Self Financing Total Expenditure in year	0	7,116	67,652	73,026
Internal Financing of Capital Expenditure Application of Usable Capital Receipts Application Capital Grants/ Contributions/ Reserves	(1,341) (1,471)		(426) (967)	
Capital Financed from Revenue Total Internal Financing	(2,250)	(5,062)	(2,933)	(4,326)
Closing Capital Financing Requirement	-	87,305	_	85,251
Explanation of Movements in year:				
Increase in underlying need for borrowing - Supported by Government Financial Assistance		0		107
 - Unsupported by Government Financial Assistance 	-	2,054	-	68,593
Increase in Capital Financing Requirement	-	2,054	_	68,700

34. Amounts Reported for Resource Allocation Decisions

The analysis of income and expenditure by service on the face of the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is that specified by the Service Reporting Code of Practice. However, decisions about resource allocation are taken by the Council's Strategic Leadership Board (SLB) on the basis of the budget reports analysed across the services. These reports are prepared on a different basis from the accounting policies used in the financial statements. In particular:

- no charges are made in relation to capital expenditure (whereas depreciation, revaluation and impairment losses in excess of the balance on the Revaluation Reserve and amortisations are charged to services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement);
- the cost of benefits is based on cash flows (payment of employer's pension contributions) rather than current service cost of benefits accrued in the year; and
- support service recharges are excluded for internal reporting for services.

Income and Expenditure Analysis 2012/13

	Leisure and Environment £'000	Planning £'000	DSO £'000	Central Services to public £'000	Support Services £'000	Housing General Fund £'000	Housing Revenue	Total £'000
Fees, charges and	(2,465)	(3,132)	(445)	(6,721)	(1,065)	(21,148)	(11,891)	(46,837)
other service income Other Government Grants	(7)	(45)	(415) 0	0	0	(75)	(2,880)	(3,007)
Total Income	(2,472)	(3,177)	(415)	(6,721)	(1,065)	(21,223)	(14,771)	(49,844)
Employee expenses	3,007	1,455	1,472	365	2,794	381	1,422	10,896
Other service expenses	3,503	1,496	(1,253)	7,891	2,381	19,485	9,802	43,305
Total Expenditure	6,510	2,951	219	8,256	5,175	19,866	11,224	54,201
Net Expenditure	4,038	(226)	(196)	1,535	4,110	(1,357)	(3,547)	4,357

Reconciliation of Service Income and Expenditure to Cost of Services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

This reconciliation shows how the figures in the analysis of service income and expenditure relate to the amounts included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000
12,219	Net Expenditure in the Directorate analysis	4,357
(4)	Net expenditure of services and support services not included in the analysis	(1,808)
65,833	Amounts in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement not reported to the management analysis	322
78,048	Cost of services in Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	2,871

34. Amounts Reported for Resource Allocation Decisions (continued)

2012/13 Reconciliation to Subjective Analysis

	Directorate Analysis	Net expenditure of services and support services not included in the analysis	Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement not reported to the Management	Additional Segments not included in analysis but included in income and expenditure statement	Cost of services	Corporate Amounts	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fees, charges and other	(46,837)	0	0	3,303	(43,534)	(3,303)	(46,837)
service income Interest and Investment income	0	11	0	0	11	(38)	(27)
Expected Return on Pension Assets	0	0	0	0	0	(1,879)	(1,879)
Government Grants and Contributions	(3,007)	0	0	0	(3,007)	0	(3,007)
Income From Council Tax	0	0	0	0	0	(11,946)	(11,946)
Total Income	(49,844)	11	0	3,303	(46,530)	(17,166)	(63,696)
Employee expenses	10,896	0	0	(1,546)	9,350	2,939	12,289
Other service expenses	43,305	0	0	(1,221)	42,084	0	42,084
Support services recharges	0	0	(43)	(171)	(214)	0	(214)
Interest Payments	0	(2,066)	` ó	` ó	(2,066)	2,332	`266
Pension Interest Costs	0	Ó	0	0	Ó	2,648	2,648
Precepts and Levies	0	0	0	0	0	1,505	1,505
Payments to Housing Capital Receipts Pool	0	0	0	0	0	292	292
Gain or Loss on Disposal of Non Current Assets	0	247	0	0	247	(247)	0
Total Expenditure	54,201	(1,819)	(43)	(2,938)	49,401	9,469	58,870
Surplus or Deficit on the provision of services	4,357	(1,808)	(43)	365	2,871	(7,697)	(4,826)

34. Amounts Reported for Resource Allocation Decisions (continued)

Income and Expenditure Analysis 2011/12

	Leisure and Environment £'000	Planning £'000	DSO £'000	Central Services to public £'000	Support Services £'000	Housing General Fund £'000	Housing Revenue £'000	Total £'000
Fees, charges and other service income	(2,239)	(2,675)	(1,521)	(6,567)	(1,198)	(18,039)	(10,929)	(43,168)
Other Government Grants	(3)	0	0	0	0	(30)	(486)	(519)
Total Income	(2,242)	(2,675)	(1,521)	(6,567)	(1,198)	(18,069)	(11,415)	(43,687)
Employee expenses	2,956	1,427	860	373	2,790	374	1,344	10,124
Other service expenses	4,099	1,344	558	7,701	2,052	18,132	11,896	45,782
Total Expenditure	7,055	2,771	1,418	8,074	4,842	18,506	13,240	55,906
Net Expenditure	4,813	96	(103)	1,507	3,644	437	1,825	12,219

34. Amounts Reported for Resource Allocation Decisions (continued)

2011/12 Reconciliation to Subjective Analysis

	Directorate Analysis	Net expenditure of services and support services not included in the analysis	Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement not reported to the Management	Additional Segments not included in analysis but included in income and expenditure statement	Allocation of Recharges	Cost of services	Corporate Amounts	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fees, charges and other service income	(43,168)	0	(802)	2,324	(41,646)	(2,324)	(43,970)	(43,168)
Interest and Investment income	0	0	0	0	0	(75)	(75)	0
Expected Return on Pension Assets	0	0	0	0	0	(2,460)	(2,460)	0
Government Grants and Contributions	(519)	0	0	0	(519)	0	(519)	(519)
Income From Council Tax	0	0	0	0	0	(12,107)	(12,107)	0
Total Income	(43,687)	0	(802)	2,324	(42,165)	(16,966)	(59,131)	(43,687)
Employee expenses	10,124	(4)	(86)	(941)	9,093	941	10,034	10,124
Other service expenses	45,782	0	66,400	(1,066)	111,116	1,253	112,369	45,782
Support services recharges Depreciation,	0	0	0	(188)	(188)	0	(188)	0
amortisation and impairment	0	0	(10)	0	(10)	300	290	0
Interest Payments	0	0	0	0	0	2,720	2,720	0
Pension Interest Costs	0	0	0	0	0	1,469	1,469	0
Precepts and Levies	0	0	0	0	0	263	263	0
Payments to Housing Capital Receipts Pool	0	0	202	0	202	130	332	0
Gain or Loss on Disposal of Non Current Assets	55,906	(4)	66,506	(2,195)	120,213	7,076	127,289	55,906
Total Expenditure	12,219	(4)	65,704	129	78,048	(9,890)	68,158	12,219
Surplus or Deficit on	12,219	(4)	00,704	129	10,040	(3,030)	00,100	12,219
the provision of services	(43,168)	0	(802)	2,324	(41,646)	(2,324)	(43,970)	(43,168)

35. Officers' Remuneration

The number of employees, not including senior staff disclosed separately below, whose remuneration, in the year, including employer's pension contributions, was £50,000 or more in bands of £5,000 were:

Remuneration Band 2012/13 2011/12

Number of employees Number of employees
£50,000 - £54,999 1 1

The following table sets out in detail the remuneration for Senior Officers whose salary is £50,000 or more per year:

Post holder information (Post title)	Year	Salary (Including fees and allowances)	Bonuses	Expense Allowances	Compensation for loss of Office	Benefits in Kind (e.g. Car Allowance)	Total Remuneration Excluding pension contributions	Pension Contribution	Total Remuneration Including pension contributions
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Chief Executive (Steve Atkinson)	2011/12 2012/13	136,712 136,712	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	136,712 136,712	22,557 23,925	159,269 160,637
Deputy Chief Executive Community Direction	2011/12 2012/13	95,231 95,231	0	0	0	0	95,231 95,231	15,713 16,665	110,944 111,896
Deputy Chief Executive Corporate Direction	2011/12 2012/13	110,231 105,231	0 0	0 0	0	0 0	110,231 105,231	18,188 18,415	128,419 123,646
Head of Business Development and Street Scene Services	2011/12 2012/13	65,100 79,773	0 0	0	0 17,000	0 0	65,100 96,773	10,742 10,371	75,842 107,144
Head of Corporate and Scrutiny Services	2011/12 2012/13	62,700 65,100	0 0	0 0	0	0 0	62,700 65,100	10,345 11,392	73,045 76,492
Head of Community Services Housing	2011/12 2012/13	60,300 62,700	0 0	0 0	0	0 0	60,300 62,700	9,950 10,972	70,250 73,672
Chief Officer Environmental Health	2011/12 2012/13	58,690 60,602	0 0	0 0	0	0 0	58,690 60,602	9,554 10,552	68,244 71,154
Chief Officer- Finance, ICT, Asset Management, Audit and Procurement	2011/12 2012/13	50,617 60,300	0 0	0 0	0	549 549	51,166 60,849	8,352 10,552	59,518 71,401

35. Officers Remuneration (continued)

The number of exit packages with total cost per band and total cost of the compulsory and other redundancies are set out in the table below.

Exit package cost band (including special payments)	Number of compulsory redundancies		Number of other departures agreed		Total number of exit packages by cost band		Total cost of exit packages in each band	
	2012/13	2011/12	2012/13	2011/12	2012/13	2011/12	2012/13 £	2011/12 £
£0 - £20,000	0	0	5	2	5	2	53,487	26,914
£20,001 – £40,000	0	0	2	2	2	2	60,334	62,963
£40,001- £60,000	0	0	2	1	2	1	96,387	70,448
£60,001- £80,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
£80,001- £100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
£100,001- £150,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	9	5	9	5	210,208	160,325

The total cost of exit packages includes £88,751 for 2012/13 (£78,000 of costs for 2011/12), which relate to the pension contributions in respect of added years for those officers that were granted early retirement. These costs have been met by Leicestershire County Council Pension Fund and therefore have not been directly incurred by the Council in year. The Council's pension fund liability has been adjusted to reflect these notional costs.

36. Leases

Council as Lessee

Finance Leases

The Council has acquired vehicles and office premises under finance leases.

The assets acquired under these leases are carried as Property, Plant and Equipment in the Balance Sheet at the following net amounts:

	31 March	31 March
	2013	2012
	£'000	£'000
Other Land and Buildings	60	135
Vehicles, Plant, Furniture and Equipment	1,791	1,914
Total Value	1,851	2,049

The Council is committed to making payments under these leases comprising settlement of long-term liability for the interest in the property acquired by the Council and finance costs that will be payable by the council in future years while the liability remains outstanding. The minimum lease payments are made up of the following amounts:

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Finance lease liabilities(net present value of minimum lease payments):	2 000	2 000
Current	404	338
Non Current	1,359	1,659
Finance Costs payable in future years	259	364
Minimum Lease Payments	2,022	2,361

	Minimum Lea	ase Payments	Finance Lease Liabilities		
	31 March 2013 31 March 201		31 March 2013	31 March 2012	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Within One year	493	447	404	353	
Between one and five years	1,467	1,503	1,297	1,275	
After five years	62	411	62	399	
Total	2,022	2,361	1,763	2,027	

Operating Leases (As Lessee)

The Council had previously acquired 10 photocopiers by entering into operating leases. On the 1 April 2010 the council entered into a new three year lease and in 2012/13 paid an annual rental charge of £5,352.

	2012/13	2011/12
	£'000	£'000
Not later than one year	5	4
Later than one year and not later than five years	0	0
Total Payments	5	4

36. Leases (continued)

Operating Leases (As Lessor)

The Council acts as a for lessor industrial and commercial units, rented under operating leases. The total rental income from the operating leases was £940,647 (£833,000 2011/12).

Industrial and commercial rents:

	201 <i>21</i> 13	2011/12	
	£'000	£'000	
Not later than one year	826	817	
Later than one year and not later than five	3,354	3,338	
years	-		
	4.180	4.155	

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37. Impairment Review

During 2012/13, the Council has undergone an impairment review through the following means:

- An external review of the market value of assets by the Council's external valuer; and
- Review of assets for obsolescence by the Council's Estates and Asset Manager

As a result of the above, the Council has recognised a net impairment loss of £1.131million in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement split as follows:

	2012/13	2011/12
	£'000	£'000
Property Plant and Equipment	716	(166)
Investment Property	415	300
Total Impairment Loss	1,131	134

38. Capitalisation of Borrowing Costs

No borrowing costs have been capitalised in the year. (£nil in 2011/12)

39. Termination Benefits

The Council offered the option of Voluntary Redundancy to a number of employees in 2012/13 incurring costs, which resulted in redundancy payments of £65,328 (£82,390 in 2011/12) and capital costs of early of early retirement of £63,511 (£77,936 in 2011/12). All capital costs associated with early retirement have been funded by Leicestershire County Council Pension Fund. See Note 35 for the number of exit packages and the cost per band.

Four further Voluntary Redundancies have been approved for employees to leave in 2013/14 and a provision for £ 56,130 for the redundancy costs (£7,795 in 2011/12) has been made in the 2012/13 Accounts for this cost (see Note 21).

40. Pensions and Retirement Benefits

Local Authorities are required to recognise the full requirements of International Accounting Standard 19 (IAS 19).

The objectives of IAS 19 are to ensure that:-

- a) Financial statements reflect at fair value assets and liabilities arising from an employer's retirement benefit obligations and any related funding;
- b) The operating costs of providing retirement benefits to employees are recognised in the accounting period(s) in which the benefits are earned by the employees, and the related finance costs and any other changes in value of the assets and liabilities are recognised in the accounting periods in which they arise; and
- c) The financial statements contain adequate disclosure of the cost of providing retirement benefits and the related gains, losses, assets and liabilities.

The accounting entries required under have no impact on the Council Tax liability.

Participation in Pension Schemes

The Council participates in the Local Government Pension Scheme for all employees, administered locally by Leicestershire County Council. This is a funded, defined benefit, final salary scheme, meaning that the Council and employees pay contributions into a fund, calculated at a level intended to balance the pension's liabilities with investment assets. The Council pays contributions to the Leicestershire County Council Pension Fund, which provides its members with defined benefits related to pay and service. The contribution rate is determined by the County Fund's Actuary based on triennial actuarial valuation. A full valuation was carried out on 31 March 2010. A roll forward valuation is performed by the actuary in the years between full valuations.

Transactions Relating to Retirement Benefits

We recognise the cost of retirement benefits in the Net Cost of Services when they are earned by employees, rather than when the benefits are eventually paid as pensions. However, the charge we are required to make against Council Tax is based on the cash payable in the year, so the real cost of retirement benefits is reversed out in the statement of movement in the General Fund balance.

The following transactions have been made in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and Statement of Movement in Reserves during the year:

Payments to the Pension Fund

It is budgeted that the Council will pay Leicestershire County Council £1.399million in employer's pension contributions in the year 2013/14.

40. Pensions and Retirement Benefits (continued)

Income and Expenditure Account		
	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Net Cost of Service:		
Current Service Cost	1,299	1,194
Past Service Costs	0	0
Losses/(Gains) on Curtailments and Settlements	123	57
Net Operating Expenditure:		
Interest Cost	2,648	2,720
Expected return on Scheme Assets	(1,879)	(2,460)
Net Charge to the Income and Expenditure Account	2,191	1,511
Movement in Reserves Statement		
Reversal of Net Charges made for Retirement Benefits in accordance with IAS 19	(2,191)	(1,511)
Actual Amount charged against the General Fund Balance for pensions in the year		
Employers' Contributions Payable to Scheme	1,385	1,293

In addition to the recognised gains and losses included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, actuarial losses of £3.947million (2011/12 losses of £5.516million) were included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. The cumulative amount of actuarial losses recognised in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement to 31 March 2013 is £23.862million (£19.915million to 31 March 2012).

Assets and Liabilities in Relation to Retirement Benefits

Reconciliation of present value of the S	scneme	Liabilities
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	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 April	(55,299)	(49,562)
Current Service Costs	(1,299)	(1,194)
Interest Cost	(2,648)	(2,720)
Contributions by Members	(457)	(455)
Actuarial Gains and Losses	(7,015)	(3,235)
Losses/(Gains) Curtailments	(123)	(57)
Past Service Costs/ (Gains)	0	0
Estimated Unfunded Benefits Paid	86	86
Estimated Benefits Paid	2,042	1,838
Net Liability Balance at 31 March	(64,713)	(55,299)
Reconciliation of Fair Value of Employer Assets		
• •	2012/13	2011/12
	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 st April	34,779	34,690
Expected Return on Assets	1,879	2,460
Contributions by Members	457	455
Employers Contributions	1,385	1,293
Contributions in respect of Unfunded Benefits	86	86
Actuarial Gains and Losses	3,068	(2,281)
Unfunded Benefits Paid	(86)	(86)
Benefits Paid	(2,042)	(1,838)
Net Asset Balance at 31 March	39,526	34,779

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40. Pensions and Retirement Benefits (continued)

The expected return on scheme assets is determined by considering the expected returns available on the assets underlying the current investment policy. Expected yields on fixed interest investments are based on gross redemption yields as at the Balance Sheet date. Expected returns on equity investments reflect long-term real rates of return experienced in the respective markets. The actual return on Scheme assets in the year was £4,956m (£188m 2011/12).

Scheme History

	31 March 2013 £'000	31 March 2012 £'000	31 March 2011 £'000	31 March 2010 £'000	31 March 2009 £'000	31 March 2008 £'000
Present Value of Scheme Liabilities	(64,713)	(55,299)	(49,562)	(63,734)	(39,336)	(40,137)
Fair Value of Scheme Assets	39,526	34,779	34,690	37,342	26,932	35,417
Net (Liability)/ Asset	(25,187)	(20,520)	(14,872)	(26,392)	(12,404)	(4,720)

Basis for Estimating Assets and Liabilities

Liabilities have been assessed on actuarial basis using the projected unit method, an estimate of the pensions that will be payable in the future years dependent on assumptions about mortality rates, salary levels, etc. The County Council fund liabilities have been assessed by the actuaries Hymans Robertson.

The principal assumptions used by the actuary have been:

Long Term Expected Rate of Return on Asse	2012/13	2011/12
Equity Investments	4.5%	6.2%
Bonds	4.5%	3.9%
Property	4.5%	4.4%
Cash	4.5%	3.5%
Mortality Assumptions:		
	Men	Women
Longevity at 65 for Current Pensioners	20.9	23.3
Longevity at 65 for Future Pensioners	23.3	25.6
Assumptions as at :	31 March 2013 Per Annum	31 March 2012 Per Annum
Price Increases	2.8%	2.5%
Rate of Increase in Salaries	5.1%	4.8%
Rate for Discounting Scheme Liabilities	4.5%	4.8%

40. Pensions and Retirement Benefits (continued)

Constitution of the Fair Value of Scheme Assets

The Local Government Pension Scheme's assets consist of the following categories, by proportion the total assets held:

31	March	2013	31	March	2012
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Equity Investments	65%	65%
Bonds	26%	16%
Property	9%	11%
Cash	0%	8%

History of Experience Gains and Losses

The actuarial gains identified as movements on the Pension Reserve

	2012/13	2011/12	2010/11	2009/10	2008/09	2007/08
Experience adjustments arising on	7.8%	(6.6%)	(8.7%)	22.10%	(42.3%)	(8.7%)
scheme assets as a % of assets						
Experience adjustments arising on	(0.10%)	1.4%	(3.4%)	0.10%	(0.2%)	7.5%
scheme liabilities as a % of liabilities						

41. Financial Instruments

Financial Instruments Balances

The borrowings and investments disclosed in the Balance Sheet are made up of the following categories of financial instruments

	Long-Term		Current	
	31 March 2013 £'000	31 March 2012 £'000	31 March 2013 3 £'000	31 March 2012 £'000
Financial liabilities *	71,889	71,759	4,760	6,761
Finance lease liabilities	1,359	1,690	404	337
Loans and receivables (Financial Assets)*	212	232	4,012	4,783
Soft loans provided (included in financial liabilities above)**	61	68	30	41

^{* -} Under accounting requirements the carrying value of the financial instrument value is shown in the Balance Sheet which includes the principal amount borrowed or lent and further adjustments for breakage costs or stepped interest loans (measured by an effective interest rate calculation) including accrued interest. Accrued interest is shown separately in current assets/liabilities where the payments/receipts are due within one year. The effective interest rate is effectively accrued interest receivable under the instrument, adjusted for the amortisation of any premiums or discounts reflected in the purchase price.

** - The Council has made loans to voluntary organisations and to staff under the Assisted Car Purchase Scheme at less than market rates (soft loans). In addition loans have been made to the Hinckley Museum and Atkins Cafe to cover repairs to the property and equipment. When soft loans are made, a loss is recorded in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (debited to the appropriate service) for the present value of the interest that will be foregone over the life of the instrument, resulting in a lower amortised cost than the outstanding principal. Interest is credited at a marginally higher effective rate of interest than the rate receivable from the voluntary organisations, with the difference serving to increase the amortised cost of the loan in the Balance Sheet. Statutory provisions require that the impact of soft loans on the General Fund Balance is the interest receivable for the financial year – the reconciliation of amounts debited and credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement to the net gain required against the General Fund Balance is managed by a transfer to or from the Financial Instruments Adjustment Account in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

Where assets are identified as impaired because of a likelihood arising from a past event that payments due under the contract will not be made, the asset is written down and a charge made to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Any gains and losses that arise on the derecognition of the asset are credited/debited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Financial instruments Gains/Losses

The gains and losses recognised in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in relation to financial instruments are made up as follows:

2012/13

	Liabilities measured at amortised cost	Loans and Receivables	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Interest expense	2,333	0	2,333
Interest Income	0	(38)	(38)
Net (gain)/loss for the year	2,333	(38)	2,295

2011/12

	Liabilities measured at amortised cost	Loans and Receivables	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Interest expense	300	0	300
Interest income	0	(75)	(75)
Net (gain)/loss for the year	300	(75)	225

Fair value of Assets and Liabilities carried at Amortised Cost

Financial liabilities and financial assets represented by loans and receivables are carried on the Balance Sheet at amortised cost (in long term assets/liabilities with accrued interest in current assets/liabilities). Their fair value can be assessed by calculating the present value of the cash flows that take place over the remaining life of the instruments, using the following assumptions:

- For loans from the PWLB and other loans payable, premature repayment rates from the PWLB have been applied to provide the fair value under PWLB debt redemption procedures.
- For loans receivable prevailing benchmark market rates have been used to provide the fair value
- No early repayment or impairment is recognised.
- Where an instrument has a maturity of less than 12 months or is a trade or other receivable the fair value is taken to be the carrying amount or the billed amount.
- The fair value of trade and other receivables is taken to be the invoiced or billed amount.

The fair values calculated are as follows:

	31 March 2013		31 March 2012	
	Carrying amount £'000	Fair value £'000	Carrying amount	Fair value
PWLB debt	70,952	78,120	71,952	75,580
Long term payables	875	875	807	807
Total Liabilities	71,827	78,995	72,759	76,387

The fair value of PWLB debt is greater than the carrying amount because the Council's portfolio of loans includes a number of fixed rate loans where the interest rate payable is higher than the rates available for similar loans in the market at the Balance Sheet date.

	31 March 2013		31 March 2012	
	Carrying amount £'000	Fair value £'000	Carrying amount	Fair value
Money market loans	0	0	2,500	2,500
Long term Receivables	212	232	215	215
Total Assets	212	232	2,715	2,715

The fair values for loans and receivables have been determined by reference to similar practices, as above, which provide a reasonable approximation for the fair value of a financial instrument, and includes accrued interest. The comparator market rates prevailing have been taken from indicative investment rates at each Balance Sheet date. In practice rates will be determined by the size of the transaction and the counterparty, but it is impractical to use these figures, and the difference is likely to be immaterial.

Disclosure of nature and extent of risk arising from Financial Instruments

Key risks

The Council's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks. The key risks are:

- Credit risk the possibility that other parties might fail to pay amounts due to the Council.
- Liquidity risk the possibility that the Council might not have funds available to meet its commitments to make payments.
- Re-financing risk and maturity risk the possibility that the Council might be requiring to renew a financial instrument on maturity at disadvantageous interest rates or terms.
- Market risk the possibility that financial loss might arise for the Council as a result of changes in such measures as interest rates movements.

Overall procedures for managing risk

The Council's overall risk management procedures focus on the unpredictability of financial markets, and are structured to implement suitable controls to minimise these risks. The procedures for risk management are set out through a legal framework based on the Local Government Act 2003 and associated regulations. These require the Council to comply with the CIPFA Prudential Code, the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management in the Public Services and investment guidance issued through the Act. Overall, these procedures require the Council to manage risk in the following ways:

- By formally adopting the requirements of the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice.
- By the adoption of a Treasury Policy Strategy and treasury management clauses within its financial regulations/standing orders/constitution.
- By approving annually in advance prudential and treasury indicators for the following three years limiting:
 - o the Council's overall borrowing;
 - its maximum and minimum exposures to fixed and variable rates;
 - o its maximum and minimum exposures to the maturity structure of its debt; and
 - o its maximum annual exposures to investments maturing beyond a year.
- By approving an investment strategy for the forthcoming year setting out its criteria for both investing and selecting investment counterparties in compliance with Government guidance.

These are required to be reported and approved at or before the Council's annual Council Tax setting Budget or before the start of the year to which they relate. These items are reported with the annual treasury management strategy which outlines the detailed approach to managing risk in relation to the Council's financial instrument exposure. Actual performance is also reported after each year, as is a mid-year update.

The annual Treasury Management Strategy which incorporates the Prudential Indicators was approved by the Finance, Audit and Performance Committee on 11th June 2012 and is available on the Council website. The key points within the Strategy were:

- The Authorised Limit for 2012/13 was set at £84.667million. This is the maximum limit of external borrowings or other long term liabilities.
- The Operational Boundary was expected to be £84.213million. This is the expected level of debt and other long term liabilities during the year.
- The maximum amounts of fixed and variable interest rate exposure were set at £16million and £4million based on the Council's net debt.

These policies are implemented by the Chief Financial Officer and the Finance Section. The Council maintains written principles for overall risk management, as well as written policies (Treasury Management Practices – TMPs) covering specific areas, such as interest rate risk, credit risk, and the investment of surplus cash. These TMPs are a requirement of the Code of Practice and are reviewed annually and approved by Council as part of the budget process

Credit risk

Credit risk arises from deposits with banks and financial institutions, as well as credit exposures to the Council's customers.

This risk is minimised through the Annual Investment Strategy element of the Treasury Management Strategy, which requires that deposits are not made with financial institutions unless they meet identified minimum credit criteria. The Annual Investment Strategy also considers maximum amounts and time limits in respect of each financial institution. Details of the Investment Strategy can be found on the Council's website. The key areas of the Investment Strategy are that the minimum criteria for investment counterparties include:

- Credit ratings of Short Term of F1, Long Term A, Support 3 and Individual C (Fitch or equivalent rating), with the lowest available rating being applied to the criteria.
- Guaranteed Banks with suitable sovereign support;
- Building societies which meet the required credit ratings and hold assets in excess of £500m.

The Council's maximum exposure to credit risk in relation to its investments in banks and building societies of £5million cannot be assessed generally as the risk of any institution failing to make interest payments or repay the principal sum will be specific to each individual institution. Recent experience has shown that it is rare for such entities to be unable to meet their commitments. A risk of irrecoverability applies to all of the Council's deposits, but there was no evidence at the 31 March 2013 that this was likely to crystallise.

No breaches of the Council's counterparty criteria occurred during the reporting period and the Council does not expect any losses from non-performance by any of its counterparties in relation to deposits and bonds.

The Council does not generally allow credit for its customers, such that the majority of the general debtor balance within its due date for payment. The past due amount can be analysed by age as follows:

	General Receivables as 31 March 2013 £'000	General Receivables as 31 March 2012 £'000
<30 days	794	666
30-59 days	80	42
60-89 days	156	18
90-119 days	15	19
>120 days	350	225
Total	1,395	970

Collateral – During the reporting period the Council held no collateral as security.

Liquidity risk

The Council manages its liquidity position through the risk management procedures above (the setting and approval of prudential indicators and the approval of the treasury and investment strategy reports), as well as through a comprehensive cash flow management system, as required by the CIPFA Code of Practice. This seeks to ensure that cash is available when needed.

The Council has ready access to borrowings from the money markets to cover any day to day cash flow need, and the PWLB and money markets for access to longer term funds. The Council is also required to provide a balanced budget through the Local Government Finance Act 1992, which ensures sufficient monies are raised to cover annual expenditure. There is therefore no significant risk that it will be unable to raise finance to meet its commitments under financial instruments.

The maturity analysis of financial assets, excluding sums due from customers, is as follows:

	31 March 2013 £'000	31 March 2012 £'000
Less than 1 year	0	2,500
Between 1 and 2 years	0	0
Between 2 and 3 years	0	0
More than 3 years	0	0
Total	0	2,500

All Council deposits in money market accounts at 31 March 2013 were being held for a period of less then 3 months and therefore have been classified as cash and cash equivalents in line with the Code.

Refinancing and Maturity risk

The Council maintains a debt and investment portfolio. Whilst the cash flow procedures above are considered against the refinancing risk procedures, longer-term risk to the Council relates to managing the exposure to replacing financial instruments as they mature. This risk relates to both the maturing of longer term financial liabilities and longer term financial assets.

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The approved treasury indicator limits for the maturity structure of debt and the limits placed on investments placed for greater than one year in duration are the key parameters used to address this risk. The Council's approved treasury and investment strategies address the main risks and the central treasury team address the operational risks within the approved parameters. This includes:

- Monitoring the maturity profile of financial liabilities and amending the profile through either new borrowing or the rescheduling of the existing debt
- Monitoring the maturity profile of investments to ensure sufficient liquidity is available for the Council's day to day cash flow needs, and the spread of longer term investments provide stability of maturities and returns in relation to the longer term cash flow needs.

The maturity analysis of financial liabilities is as follows, with the maximum and minimum limits for fixed interest rate borrowings maturing in each period:

	Approved minimum limits	Approved maximum limits	Actual 31 March 2013 £'000	Actual 31 March 2012 £'000
Less than 1 year	0%	100%	0	3,600
Between 1 and 2 years	0%	100%	0	0
Between 2 and 5 years	0%	100%	0	0
Between 5 and 10 years	0%	100%	11,766	8,824
More than 10 years	0%	100%	59,186	62,128
Total	0%	100%	70,952	74,552

Market risk

Interest rate risk - The Council is exposed to interest rate movements on its borrowings and investments. Movements in interest rates have a complex impact on the Council, depending on how variable and fixed interest rates move across differing financial instrument periods. For instance, a rise in variable and fixed interest rates would have the following effects:

- Borrowings at variable rates the interest expense charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement will rise.
- Borrowings at fixed rates the fair value of the borrowing will fall (no impact on revenue balances).
- Investments at variable rates the interest income credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement will rise.
- Investments at fixed rates the fair value of the assets will fall (no impact on revenue balances).

Borrowings are not carried at fair value on the Balance Sheet, so nominal gains and losses on fixed rate borrowings would not impact on the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services or Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure. However, changes in interest payable and receivable on variable rate borrowings and investments will be posted to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services and affect the General Fund balance, subject to influences from Government grants. Movements in the fair value of fixed rate investments that have a quoted market price will be reflected in Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

The Council has a number of strategies for managing interest rate risk. The Annual Treasury Management Strategy draws together Council's Prudential and treasury indicators and its expected treasury operations, including an expectation of interest rate movements. From this Strategy a treasury indicator is set which provides maximum limits for fixed and variable interest rate exposure. The finance team will monitor market and forecast interest rates within the year to adjust exposures appropriately. For instance during periods of falling interest rates, and where economic circumstances make it favourable, fixed rate investments may be taken for longer periods to secure better long term returns, similarly the drawing of longer term fixed rates borrowing would be postponed.

The risk of interest rate loss is partially mitigated by Government grant payable on financing costs.

If all interest rates had been 1% higher or lower (with all other variables held constant) the financial effect would be nil as all the Council's borrowing and investments are fixed rate.

42. Contingent Liabilities

The Council is aware of litigation currently taking place regarding charges for personal local property searches. If the case goes against Local Authorities the Council will have to refund charges made for such searches. At the time the Statement of Accounts were being prepared the outcome of the case and resultant liability was not known, however, it is estimated the maximum cost will be £268.500.

43. Revenues and Benefits Partnership

The Council has entered into a partnership with North West Leicestershire and Harborough District Councils to provide shared administration of revenues and benefits. The partners have an agreement in place for funding these services which runs for 5 years from 6 April 2011. The Partnership is currently hosted by Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council on behalf of the other partners.

All partners contribute towards the operation of the partnership which is classified as a Jointly Controlled Operation. On this basis, each partner accounts for their share of contributions within their Statement of Accounts. The funding provided by Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council in 2012/13 was £1.346million (2011/12 - £1.321million).

Each partner provides equipment and software for the operation of the Partnership. These remain the property of the partners. Those assets used by the Council for the Partnership are included in the Balance Sheet at a Net Book Value of £0.349million (Vehicles, Plant and Equipment) and £0.268million (Intangible Software Assets).

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ADDITIONAL financial STATEMENTS

THE Housing Revenue Statement

THE Collection Fund

Housing Revenue Account 2012/13

The Housing Revenue Account Income and Expenditure Statement shows the economic cost in the year of providing the landlord's housing services in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices, rather than the amount to be funded from rents and government grants. Authorities charge rents to cover expenditure in accordance with regulations; this may be different from the accounting cost. The difference between the accounting cost and the funding cost is adjusted in the Movement on the Housing Revenue Account Statement.

Housing Revenue Statement 2012/13

2011/12 £'000	HRA INCOME and EXPENDITURE STATEMENT	Notes	2012/13 £'000
	INCOME		
10,609	Dwelling Rents	5	11,537
71	Non Dwelling Rents	5	75
220	Charges for Services and Facilities		225
644	Contributions towards Expenditure		534
11,544	Total Income		12,371
	EXPENDITURE		
2,236	Repairs and Maintenance		2,250
2,351	Supervision and Management		2,381
245	Rents, Rates, Taxes, Other Charges		261
4,236	Negative Housing Revenue Account Subsidy Payable	10	6
67,652	LA Housing Settlement payment to Government for HRA Self-Financing		0
3,213	Depreciation and Impairment of Non Current Assets	9	2,943
0	Gain on Revaluation		(888)
7	Debt Management Costs		4
96	Increase in Bad Debt Provision / Bad debt write off	6	53
80,036	Total Expenditure		7,010
68,492	Net Cost/(Surplus) of HRA Services per Authority Income and Expenditure Statement		(5,361)
20	Interest Payable		2,066
(10)	Interest and Investment Income		(11)
(202)	Surplus on disposal of Non Current Assets		(247)
68,300	Deficit/(Surplus) for the Year on HRA Services		(3,553)
	STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT ON THE HRA BALANCE		
68,300	(Surplus) for the year on HRA Income and Expenditure Statement Items included in the HRA Income and Expenditure Statement but excluded from the movement on HRA Balance for the year.		(3,553)
(183)	Net charges made for retirement benefits in accordance with IAS 19	11	(201)
(67,652)	LA Housing Settlement paid to Government for HRA Self-Financing		Ó
202	Surplus on disposal of Non Current Assets	•••	247
	Items not included in the HRA Income and Expenditure Statement but included in the movement on HRA Balance for the year		
(278)	Impairment of Non Current Assets	9	0
0	Gain on Revaluation		888
(864)	Transfer from Major Repairs Reserve	7	(826)
127	Transfers to/(from) Housing Repairs Account	1	(101)
198	Employer's Contributions to the Leicestershire County Council Pension Fund and retirement benefits payable direct to pensioners	11	215
125	Contribution to Reserves		3,124
15	Contribution to Pensions Reserve re Capital Cost of Early Retirement		16
1	Movements regarding employee benefits accruals		(1)
/00 000\	Movements regarding grant contributions		
(68,309)	Net additional amount required by statute to be debited or (credited) to the HRA Balance for the year		3,361
(9)	(Surplus) for the Year		(192)
(1,690)	Balance Brought Forward 1 April		(1,699)
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Collection Fund 2012/13

This account reflects the statutory requirement for billing authorities to maintain a separate Collection Fund, which shows the transactions of the billing Authority in relation to Non-Domestic Rates and the Council Tax, and illustrates the way in which these have been distributed to preceptors and the billing Authority. The accounts of the fund have been prepared on an accruals basis.

2011/12 £'000		Notes	2012/13 £'000	2012/13 £'000
2 000	INCOME		2 000	2 000
48,205	Income from Council Tax			48,825
	Transfer from General Fund			
5,737	Council Tax Benefits			5,745
27,580	Income from Business Ratepayers			28,237
81,522	Total Income			82,807
	EXPENDITURE			
	Precepts and Demands from County, District, Fire and			
53,701	Police Authorities	15		54,335
	Business Rate			
27,120	Payment to National Pool		27,736	
125	Costs of Collection		123	
27,245				27,859
	Bad and Doubtful debts/appeals			
460	- Write Offs		448	······································
8	Provisions		94	
468				542
	Contributions			
	Distribution of Previous Year's			
143	Estimated Balance			197
81,557	Total Expenditure			82,933
(35)	Movement on Fund Balance			(126)
95	Opening Fund Balance 1 April			60
60	Closing Fund Balance 31 March			(66)

Notes to the Additional Financial Statements

1. Housing Repairs Account

2011/12 £'000		2012/13 £'000	2012/13 £'000
2000	INCOME	2000	2 303
(2,400)	Contribution from HRA		(2,400
(5)	Interest on cash balances		
(2)	Miscellaneous Income		(2)
(2,407)	Total Income		(2,399)
	EXPENDITURE Administration		
266	Employee costs	320	
17	Transport related costs	7	
94	Supplies and services costs	151	
<u>285</u>	Central support costs	<u>267</u>	
662			74
457	Programmed repairs		438
1,156	Responsive repairs		1,095
2,275	Total Expenditure		2,278
(132)	Net Cost of Service		(121
3	IAS 19 Pension Adjustment		2
0	Revenue Contributions to fund Capital		220
(129)	(Surplus)/Deficit for the year		101
0	Additional contribution to fund capital expenditure		130
(344)	Balance brought forward 1 April		(473
(473)	Balance carried forward 31 March		(242

2. Movement in Dwelling Stock

The Council was responsible for managing a housing stock of 3,386 dwellings at 31st March 2013. During the year the following movement took place:

	2012/13	2011/12
	Number	Number
Sales (Right to Buy)	(13)	(4)
Additions	0	2
Total Movement	(13)	(2)

3. Property Types in Dwelling Stock

The types of properties owned by the Council at 31 March comprise the following:-

	2013	2012
TYPE	Number owned	Number owned
1 bedroom bungalows	271	262
1 bedroom houses	2	2
1 bedroom flats	594	591
2 bedroom bungalows	421	430
2 bedroom houses	309	269
2 bedroom flats	423	425
3 bedroom bungalows	10	11
3 bedroom houses	1,334	1,379
3 bedroom flats	1	2
4 bedroom bungalows	1	1
4 bedroom houses	17	25
5 bedroom houses	3	2
Total Dwellings	3,386	3,399

The 1 bedroom flats total, shown above, includes 14 units that are the dwelling equivalent of the flexible hostel places.

4. Balance Sheet Value of Council's HRA Assets

Dwellings	2012/13 £'000 105,576	2011/12 £'000 105,431
Other Land and Buildings	364	365
Operational Assets	105,940	105,796
Investment Land/Properties	467	324
Total Assets	106,407	106,120

The vacant possession value of dwellings within the Council's HRA as at 31 March 2013 was £285.862million (£285.209million 31 March 2012). The vacant possession value and Balance Sheet value of dwellings within the HRA show the economic cost to Government of providing Council housing at less than open market rents.

5. Rent Income

Rent Income can be analysed as follows: -

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	£'000	£'000
Collectable from Tenants	4,961	4,577
Rent Rebates	6,576	6,032
Dwelling Rents	11,537	10,609
Non-dwelling Rents (Shops etc.)	75	71
Total Rent	11,612	10,680

2012/13

2011/12

6. Rent Arrears

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Rent Arrears	309	271
Bad Debt Provision	173	144
Bad Debts Written Off	24	52

7. Major Repairs Reserve

Balance at 1 April	2012/13 £'000 0	2011/12 £'000 0
Amounts transferred to Reserve during year	(2,879)	(2,935)
Amounts transferred from Reserve to HRA during year	762	864
Capital Expenditure	2,071	2,071
Balance at 31 March	(46)	0

The HRA capital expenditure in 2012/13 was incurred entirely on dwellings (see note 8). Accordingly, the use of the Major Repairs Reserve to finance HRA capital expenditure relates entirely to enhancement of dwellings.

8. Capital Expenditure and Receipts

Total HRA capital expenditure of £2.785million (£2.485million 2011/12) was incurred. Expenditure on Dwellings was £2.728 million (£2.485million in 2011/12) and expenditure on Vehicles Plant and Equipment was £0.057 million (£0 in 2011/12). The sources of funding are shown below:

Revenue Contributions to Capital	2012/13 £'000 220	2011/12 £'000 0
Other Contributions (Repairs Reserve)	130	114
Borrowing	364	300
Major Repairs Reserve	2,071	2,071
Total financing	2,785	2,485

Total capital receipts from disposals within the Council's HRA assets during the financial year are shown below:

Right to Buy Dwellings	2012/13 £'000 787	2011/12 £'000 351
Council House Mortgage Repayments	2	2
Other Sales	0	0
Total capital receipts	789	353

9. Depreciation/Impairment

The total charge for depreciation and impairment for the land, houses and other property within the Council's HRA during the financial year is as follows:-

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Depreciation	2000	
Dwellings	2,867	2,924
Other Land and Buildings	12	11
Total Depreciation – Operational Assets	2,879	2,935
Impairment of Non Current Assets	0	278
Total Depreciation and Impairments	2,879	3,213

10. HRA Subsidy

A breakdown of the amount of HRA subsidy payable by the Council for the financial year is provided below.

	2012/13 £'000	2011/12 £'000
Management and maintenance	-	4,814
Major Repairs Allowance	-	2,083
Charges for capital	-	121
Guideline Rent Income	-	(11,253)
HRA Subsidy payable for year	-	(4,235)
Post audit subsidy adjustment relating to previous year	(6)	(1)
	(6)	(4,236)

From 2012/13, the system of housing subsidy was replaced by self financing and therefore no subsidy payment for 2012/13 was made. The subsidy claim to the Department of Communities and Local Government for 2011/12 was subject to certification which took place after the 2011/12 Statement was prepared and therefore the entries in 2012/13 relate to adjustments that arose as part of this process.

11. HRA Share of Contribution to or From the Pension Reserve

To comply with IAS 19, the current service costs for the HRA are calculated separately and incorporated into Supervision and Management and Repairs and Maintenance costs shown. In order that there is no net cost to the HRA, these entries are reversed by the net effect of the following items:

- 1. Net charges made for retirement benefits in accordance with IAS 19; This amounted to £201,000 in 2012/13 (£183,000 in 2011/12).
- 2. Employer's contributions to the Leicestershire County Council pension fund and retirement benefits payable direct to pensioners. This amounted to £215,000 in 2012/13 (£198,000 in 2011/12).

12. Non-Domestic Rateable Value

	2013	2012
	£'000	£'000
Value at 31 March	71,337	70,166

13. National Non-Domestic Rates Multiplier

	2012/13	2011/12
National Non-Domestic Rates multiplier	45.8p	43.3p
Small Business Multiplier	45.0p	42.6p

14. Council Tax Base

Number of chargeable dwellings in each valuation band converted to an equivalent number of Band D dwellings.

Band	2012/13	2011/12
Α	4,496	4,442
В	10,013	9,901
С	8,381	8,367
D	6,217	6,176
E	4,342	4,288
F	2,619	2,597
G	1,499	1,482
Η _	104	99
Council Tax Base	37,671	37,352

15. Significant Precepting Authorities

Leicestershire County Council Leicestershire Police Authority	2012/13 £'000 40,044 6,550	2011/12 £'000 39,706 6,336
Leicestershire Police Authority Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Combined Fire Authority Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council	2,011	1,994
Total	5,730 54,335	5,665 53,701

16. Fund Balances

The balance on the Fund is comprised as follows:

31 March	31 March
2013	2012
£'000	£'000
(66)	60

A (Surplus)/Deficit on Council Tax Collection.

This will be distributed to the Borough Council, the County Council, the Fire and the Police Authorities in subsequent years in proportion to their demands and precepts on the Fund.

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Term	Definition
Accounting Policies	Principles, bases, rules and practices applied in the preparation of the financial statements.
Accruals	The concept that income and expenditure are recognised as they are earned or incurred not as money is received or paid.
Actuarial Gains and Losses	For a defined benefit pension scheme, the changes in actuarial deficits or surpluses that arise because a) events have not coincided with the actuarial assumptions made at the last valuation (experience gains or losses) or b) the actuarial assumptions have changed.
Capital Charge	A charge to revenue accounts to reflect the cost of Non Current Assets used in the provision of services.
Capital expenditure	Expenditure on the acquisition of Non Current Assets or expenditure which adds to and not merely maintains the value of an existing asset.
Capital Receipt	Money the Council receives from the sales of assets (buildings, land etc).
CCAB	Consultative Committee for Accountancy Bodies.
CIPFA	Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, the principal accountancy body dealing with local government finance.
Community Assets	Land held permanently for the benefit of Borough residents.
Consistency	The concept that the accounting treatment of like items within an accounting period and from one period to the next is the same.
Corporate and Democratic Core	Activities of the Council due to being an elected, multi purpose body. The cost of these activities is over and above those that would be incurred by a series of independent, single purpose nominated bodies managing the same activities. There is no logical basis for apportioning these costs to services.
Current Service Cost (Pensions)	The increase in the present value of a defined benefit scheme's liabilities expected to arise from employee service in the current period.
Defined Benefits Scheme	A pension or other retirement benefit scheme where the scheme rules define the benefits independently of the contributions payable and the benefits are not directly related to the investment of the scheme. The scheme may be funded or unfunded (including notionally funded).
Depreciation	The measure of the wearing out, consumption, or other reduction in the useful life of Property, Plant and Equipment assets whether arising from use, passage of time or obsolescence through technology or other changes.

Discretionary Benefits

Retirement benefits which the employer has no legal, contractual or constructive obligation to award and which are awarded under the Authority's discretionary powers such as the Local Government Discretionary Payments Regulations 2000.

Expected Rate of Return on Pensions Assets

For a funded defined benefit scheme, the average rate of return, including both income and changes in fair value but net of scheme expenses, expected over the remaining life of the related obligation on the actual assets held by the scheme.

Fair Value

The fair value of an asset is the price at which an asset could be exchanged in an arm's length transaction less, where applicable, any grants receivable towards the purchase or use of the asset.

Finance Lease

A lease that substantially transfers all of the risks and rewards of ownership of an asset to the lessee. Such a transfer of risks and rewards may be presumed to occur if at the inception of the lease the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any initial payment amounts to substantially all of the fair value of the leased asset.

Non Current Assets

Property, plant and equipment assets that yield benefits to the local Authority and the services it provides for a period of more than one year.

General Fund

The Council's main Revenue Account covering the net cost of all services other than Council Housing.

Going Concern

The concept that the Council will remain in operational existence for the foreseeable future, in particular that the revenue accounts and the Balance Sheet assume no intention to curtail significantly the scale of operations.

Housing Revenue Account (HRA)

A separate account to the General Fund, which includes the income and expenditure arising from the provision of Council Housing by the Council. The HRA is ring fenced with no cross subsidy being allowed between the HRA and the General Fund.

Housing Subsidy

A payment received from or made to Central Government designed to equate needs and resources for Social Housing across the country based on a notional Housing Revenue Account.

IEG

Implementation of electronic government.

Impairment

The reduction in the valuation of a Property, Plant and Equipment asset or goodwill below its Balance Sheet value and occurs when something adverse has happened to either the asset itself or to the economic environment in which the asset is operated.

Infrastructure Assets

Non Current Assets that are inalienable expenditure on which is recoverable only by continued use of assets created. Examples of infrastructure assets are Highways and Footpaths.

Interest Cost (Pensions)

For a defined benefit scheme, the expected increase during the period in the present value of the scheme liabilities because the benefits are one period closer to settlement.

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Inventories Comprise the following categories:goods or other assets purchased for resale; ii) consumable stores: raw materials and components purchased for iii) incorporation into products for sale: products and services in intermediate stages of completion: contract balances: v) finished goods. vi) A long-term investment is an investment that is intended to be **Investments (Non Pensions Fund)** held for use on a continuing basis in the activities of the Council. Investments should only be classed as such where an intention to hold the investment for the long term can clearly be demonstrated or where there are restrictions as to the investor's ability to dispose of the investment. Investments, other than those in relation to pension's funds, which do not meet the above criteria, are classified as current assets. The investments of the Pensions Fund will be accounted for in **Investments (Pensions Fund)** the Statements of the administering Authority, which is Leicestershire County Council. District Councils are required to disclose as part of the requirements relating to retirement benefits the attributable share of Pensions Scheme assets associated with their underlying obligations. **Investment Properties** Interest in land and/or buildings:a) in respect of which construction work and development has been completed; and b) which is held for its investment potential, any rental income being negotiated at arm's length. **Major Repairs Reserve** A reserve created to deal with major repairs to HRA properties financed from the Major Repairs Allowance element of Housing Subsidy. Minimum Revenue Provision is the minimum amount the Council Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) is required to provide for the repayment of long-term debt used to finance the acquisition of Non Current Assets. **National Non-Domestic Rates** National Non-Domestic Rates (Business Rates) represents the (NNDR) rate of taxation on business properties. Central Government has the responsibility for setting the rate and Local Authorities are responsible for the billing and collection of the tax. **Net Book Value** The amount at which Non Current Assets are included in the Balance Sheet i.e. their historic cost or current value less the cumulative amounts provided for depreciation. **Net Current Replacement Cost** The cost of replacing or recreating the particular asset in its existing condition and existing use i.e. the cost of its replacement or the nearest equivalent asset, adjusted to reflect the current condition of the existing asset.

Net Realisable value

The open market value of the asset in its existing use (or open market value in the case of non-operational assets) less the expenses incurred in realising the asset.

Non-Distributed Costs

These are overheads for which no user benefits and therefore should not be apportioned to services.

Non-Operational Assets

Non Current Assets that are held by a Local Authority but not directly occupied, used or consumed in the delivery of services. Examples would be investment properties and assets surplus to requirements, pending sale or redevelopment.

Operating Leases

A lease other than a finance lease.

Operational Assets

Non Current Assets that are held and occupied used or consumed by the Local Authority in the direct delivery of services for which it has a statutory or discretionary responsibility.

Past Service Cost

For a defined benefit pension scheme, the increase in the present value of the scheme liabilities related to employee service in prior periods arising in the current period as a result of the introduction of or improvement to retirement benefits.

Post Balance Sheet Events

Those events, both favourable and unfavourable, which occur between the Balance Sheet date and the date on which the Statement of Accounts is signed by the responsible financial officer.

Precept

A demand by one public body to another public body to collect revenue from a Council Tax payer.

Projected Unit Method

An accrued benefits valuation method in which the scheme liabilities make allowance for projected earnings. An accrued valuation method is a valuation method in which the scheme liabilities at the valuation date relate to:-

 the benefits for pensioners and deferred pensioners (i.e. the individuals who have ceased to be active members but are entitled to benefits payable at a later date) and their dependents, allowing where appropriate for future increases;

and

ii) The accrued benefits for members in service on the valuation date. The accrued benefits are benefits up to a given point in time, whether vested rights or not. Guidance on the projected unit method is given in the Guidance Note 27 issued by the Faculty and Institute of Actuaries.

Prudence

The concept that revenue is not anticipated but is recognised only when realised in the form of cash or other assets, the ultimate cash realisation of which can be assessed with reasonable certainty.

Reserve

Monies set aside for a scheme or event that may happen.

Retirement Benefits

All forms of consideration given by an employer in exchange for services rendered by an employee that are payable after the completion of employment. Retirement benefits do not include _

termination payments payable as a result of either;

i) An employer's decision to terminate an employee's employment before normal retirement date

Or

ii) an employee's decision to accept voluntary redundancy in exchange for those benefits, because these are not given in exchange for services rendered by employees.

Revenue expenditure

Any expenditure that is of a recurring nature and does not result in the creation of an asset that is of benefit to the organisation beyond the end of the current accounting period.

Scheme Liabilities

The liabilities of a defined benefit pension scheme for outgoings due after the valuation date. Scheme liabilities measured using the projected unit method reflects the benefits that the employer is committed to provide for service up to the valuation date.

Settlement

An irrevocable action that relieves the employer (or the defined benefit scheme) of the primary responsibility for a pension obligation and eliminates significant risks relating to the obligation and the assets used to effect the settlement. Settlements include.

- a lump sum cash payment to scheme members in exchange for their rights to receive specified pension benefits;
- ii) the purchase of an irrevocable annuity contract sufficient to cover vested benefits;
- the transfer of scheme assets and liabilities relating to a group of employees leaving the scheme.

Total Cost

The total cost of a service or activity includes all costs which relate to the provision of the service (directly or bought in) or to the undertaking of the activity. Gross total cost includes employee costs, expenditure relating to premises and transport, supplies and services, third party payments, transfer payments, support services and capital charges. This includes an appropriate share of all support services and overheads, which need to be apportioned.

Ultra Vires

An action that is outside the powers allowed to the body that wants to execute the action.

Useful Life

The period over which the Local Authority will derive benefits from the use of an asset.

Vested rights

In relation to a defined benefits pension scheme, these are:-

- For active members, benefits to which they would be unconditionally entitled to on leaving the scheme;
- ii) For deferred pensioners, their preserved benefits;
- iii) For pensioners, pension to which they are entitled.

Vested rights include where appropriate, the related benefits for spouses or other dependants.