Information Services

Services that will continue to be delivered:

The savings identified will not result in any services within Information Services being withdrawn, however slight reductions in service levels within ICT Services will occur, specifically within the PC Support and ICT Development units and the Post Room. Other Services namely Customer Services (Connections & Call centre) and Print room will operate to current service levels.

Improvements agreed and budgeted for:

There are no major agreed growth items built into the Information Services budget for 2012/13, however there is work currently being undertaken in the following areas

- Refining the Productivity improvement programmes "design project" business case implementation will require funding to be allocated from either Capital reserve or released from existing reserve budgets.
- Print Division replacement of the Mailing machine potential cashable savings of around £20k p.a
- Print & ICT Corporate Print, Mail merge & communication solution potential cashable savings of around £24k p.a. from year 2 of the contract)
- upgrade to our current Call centre technology and supports the Council's Customer access channel strategy
- potential to establish a joint
- ICT Disaster Recovery contract with another local authority, which will provide an improved DR service and reduce cost.

Key Performance Indicators

Information Services do not have any National PI's but have a number of agreed Local PI's across the 3 services areas ie ICT Services; Customer Services; Print & Post room.

The main KPI's which reflect our ability to support both our internal & external customer base are as follows:

CUSTOMER SERVICES					
PI Title	Last Year Status 2010/11	This year Status 2011/12	Improvement		
Avoidable contact: The proportion of contacts that are a poor use of customer and officer time	Well below target	Well above target	yes		

Budget variance – keeping to budget	PI did not exist	On target		
Percentage of calls abandoned	Well below target	Well below target	Still below our target but slight improvement on last year	
Average length of time caller in queue call centre	On target	On target	No change	
Overall Customer satisfaction	On target	On target	No change	
Website – UK Local Government ranking	PI did not exist	Well above target	Improved Website design	
Website accessibility	PI did not exist	On target	Improved Website accessibility	
	PRINT & POST			
PI Title	Last Year Status 2010/11	This year Status 2011/12	Improvement	
Clean mail items outgoing post	PI did not exist	Well above target	Maximising mail discounts	
Franked items outgoing post	PI did not exist	Above target	Maximising mail discounts	
Commissioned print work delivered to satisfactory quality, within agreed timetable	Well above target	Above target	No improvement but still above target	
External income target profiled against previous year actuals	PI did not exist	On target	Should hit year end target	
Internal income target profiled against previous year actuals	PI did not exist	On target	Should hit year end target	
	ICT SERVICES			
PI Title	Last Year Status 2010/11	This year Status 2011/12	Improvement	
Budget variance	On target	On target	No change	
Customer satisfaction	On target	On target	No change	
Availability of network	On target	Well above target	yes	
Success of ICT projects	Above target	Well above target	yes	
Cost of connection to data network	Below target	Well above target	yes	
Cost of connection to Voice network	Above target	On target	no	
No. of IT Courses run per year	Well above target	Well above target	No change	
No. of delegates attending ICT Training courses	Above target	Well above target	Yes	

Customer satisfaction with ICT Training supplied	Well above target	Well above target	No change
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Proposed Savings

	Savings	s 2012/13	Cost 01/04/12 • Include brief outline If earlier	Risks / impact of proposals Potential risks Impact on community Knock on impact to other agencies		Type of decision		
Proposals – Outline details=	Income £ 000's	Budget reduction £ 000's				Minor	Major	
ICT SERVICES								
ICT INFRASTRUCTURE & STAFFING OVERHEADS ACCOUNTS:								
ICT INFRASTRUCTURE - Following a further review of ICT infrastructure cost items, a saving has been identified which will have no detrimental impact on service delivery	0	60	None	In place 01.04.12	Efficiency saving There should be no reduction of service however the ICT Training budget will be extremely low (£15k) and may impact on our ability to adequately provide technical training in key areas.	V		
STAFFING OVERHEADS Reducing budgets for: IT Training; Mileage; public transport; Conferences, etc.					training in key areas.			

	Savings	2012/13	Implementation	Delivery In place	Risks / impact of proposals	Type o decision		
Proposals – Outline details=	Income £ 000's	Budget reduction £ 000's	Cost Include brief outline + year incurred	01/04/12 If earlier or later state date	Potential risksImpact on communityKnock on impact to other agencies		Minor	Major
Re-structure ICT Development Unit - reduce by (2 FTE)	0	84	None	In place 01.04.12	Reduction in service level. Reducing the ICT System Development/ support team by 2 FTE reduces the capacity to engage with new developments & implementations; it should not affect the on-going support of existing systems, as this will be supported by the existing staff. Overall impact is a reduced capacity to	V		
Reduce PC Support team (1 FTE)	0	26	None	In place 01.04.12	Reduction in service level. The PC Support team is already at capacity. Any reduction in staff levels in this area will reduce service levels. As the number of users reduces in the future this reduction will have less impact on service levels	√		
TOTAL FOR ICT SERVICES		180						
CUSTOMER SERVICES								
 Vacancy Management 2K Converting Team leader post to advisor post 7K Reduce training budget from 	0	12	None	In place 01.04.12	Efficiency Saving Reduced training for all Customer First staff Reduced absence cover for team leaders	V		

	Implementation In pla	Delivery In place	Risks / impact of proposals	Type o decision				
Proposals – Outline details=	Income £ 000's	Budget reduction £ 000's	Cost Include brief outline + year incurred	01/04/12 If earlier or later state date	Potential risksImpact on communityKnock on impact to other agencies	Internal	Minor	Major
8k to 5K = 3K								
TOTAL FOR CUSTOMER SERVICES		12						
PRINTING								
Removing 1 FTE in the Post room through efficient working practices		20	none	Possible by 01.04.12	Efficiency saving Reduced throughput in scanning but no major impact.	1		
Increase Print income: Due to increased large format printing and extra service marketing.	15		none	Possible by 01.04.12		√		
TOTAL FOR PRINT SERVICES	15							
GRAND TOTAL FOR INFORMATION SERVICES	15	202						

Summary Costs and Savings	£ 000's	
Overall Saving – 2012/13	217	

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Revenue Cost per	annum		
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