



Amendment

Date: 22 February 2023

Agenda Item No. 7: Medium Term Financial Plan 2023/24 and Capital Programme

Amendment Proposer: Councillor Martin Tett

Amendment Seconder: Councillor Steven Broadbent

Amendment wording:

This council notes that the prolonged period on incessant rain, combined with the extended freezing weather, has resulted in a significant deterioration in the condition of roads across the country, including within Buckinghamshire. The Budget already proposes a record level of expenditure upon repair and resurfacing of our roads with the current £100m+ four-year programme now being extended into a 5th year with over £5m of additional expenditure to continue the member led rolling maintenance programme. Nevertheless, since this Budget was proposed, it has become apparent that further action is required to address the immediate need.

This council therefore resolves to amend the Budget proposals as follows:

- **Amend Appendix 2 (Buckinghamshire Council Capital Programme) Transport Expenditure 2023/24 by leaving out '£47,430' and replacing it with '£52,430'. Also insert an additional line "Funding from General Fund Balance £5,000" in column 2023/24.** This will amend the Budget by releasing £5m from General Fund Reserves and adding this to the 2023/2024 Revenue for Highways road maintenance.

As a consequence, Council is asked to further approve additional resolutions to those on page 27 of the Council papers; namely that

- **the Cabinet Member for Transportation should begin immediate planning for the urgent deployment of this funding**
- **the Leader to write to the Secretary of State for Transport stating the need to increase capital funding for roads given the recent weather impacts.**