

21 March 2019

Brighton & Hove City Council

MEMBER INVOLVEMENT - WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following written question has been submitted:

(i) Amendments to Budget

At Budget Council the Green Group submitted a number of amendments, which passed, that included reversals of cuts and funding for some new or reinstated services as set out below. Please would the Council Leader indicate for each cut reversal what the effect will be in relation to the original Administration proposal and for the three new /reinstated service propositions what the plan is to take them forward?

Cut reversals:

- Delete the £0.020m proposed cut to the Third Sector Improvement Programme Healthy Neighbourhoods fund;
- Delete the £0.053m proposed cut in Public Health funding of substance misuse services;
- Delete the £0.093m proposed cut in Public Health funding of sexual health services;
- Delete the £0.050m proposed cut in directly-provided day services for people with Learning Disabilities;
- Delete the £0.031m proposed cut in funding to the Community Safety Team;
- Reduce the £0.242m proposed cut to the Library service by £0.121m to help safeguard the future of our Libraries;
- Reduce the £0.140m proposed cut in Families Children and Learning residential, respite and short breaks for children with health problems and Special Educational Needs by £0.070m.

New /reinstated services:

- Fund Cityclean with £0.022m to provide logistical support to Universities and student volunteers to ensure reuse and sustainable disposal of student household furniture and belongings at end of term and to minimise fly-tipping;
- Provide £0.033m to create a recurring fund to help keep the City Centre looking at its best: a Community Clean-up Fund. To be used for anti-graffiti materials available for community groups and residents and towards sustainable street cleansing innovations such as hot foam technology to remove gum, grime and weeds;
- Fund community transport for older people (for example, the Easylink service) with £0.038m.

Councillor Sykes

