



**DEVON & SOMERSET
FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY**

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CLERK TO THE AUTHORITY**

**To: The Chair and Members of the
Resources Committee**

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RESOURCES COMMITTEE
(Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority)

Tuesday, 8th February, 2022

A meeting of the Resources Committee will be held on the above date,
commencing at 2.00 pm in The Committee Rooms, Somerset House, Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Headquarters to consider the following matters.

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AGENDA

***PLEASE REFER TO THE NOTES AT THE END OF THE AGENDA LISTING
SHEETS***

PART 1 - OPEN COMMITTEE

4 2022-23 Revenue Budget and Council Tax Level (Pages 1 - 16)

Report of the Director of Finance, People and Estates (Treasurer) and Chief Fire Officer (RC/22/1). The Budget Books (marked to follow in the recommendation in the paper circulated) associated with Options A and B on the Revenue Budget for 2022-23 are now attached.

10 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RECOMMENDATION that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public (with the exception of the Officers of Red One Ltd., and Councillors Radford and Shayer {Authority appointed Non-Executive Directors of Red One Ltd.}) be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the following Paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to the Act, namely:

- Paragraph 3 (information relating to the financial and business affairs of any particular person – including the authority holding that information);

PART 2 - ITEMS WHICH MAY BE CONSIDERED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

12 Red One Performance 2021-22: Quarter 3 (Pages 17 - 28)

Report of the Director of Finance, People and Estates (Treasurer) and Chief Executive of Red One Ltd. (RC/22/7) attached.

MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER

Membership:-

Councillors Chesterton, Coles, Drean (Vice-Chair), Long, McGeough, Peart (Chair) and Thomas

NOTES

1. **Access to Information**

Any person wishing to inspect any minutes, reports or lists of background papers relating to any item on this agenda should contact the person listed in the “Please ask for” section at the top of this agenda.

2. **Reporting of Meetings**

Any person attending a meeting may report (film, photograph or make an audio recording) on any part of the meeting which is open to the public – unless there is good reason not to do so, as directed by the Chair - and use any communication method, including the internet and social media (Facebook, Twitter etc.), to publish, post or otherwise share the report. The Authority accepts no liability for the content or accuracy of any such report, which should not be construed as representing the official, Authority record of the meeting. Similarly, any views expressed in such reports should not be interpreted as representing the views of the Authority.

Flash photography is not permitted and any filming must be done as unobtrusively as possible from a single fixed position without the use of any additional lighting; focusing only on those actively participating in the meeting and having regard also to the wishes of any member of the public present who may not wish to be filmed. As a matter of courtesy, anyone wishing to film proceedings is asked to advise the Chair or the Democratic Services Officer in attendance so that all those present may be made aware that is happening.

3. **Declarations of Interests at meetings (Authority Members only)**

If you are present at a meeting and you are aware that you have either a disclosable pecuniary interest, personal interest or non-registerable interest in any matter being considered or to be considered at the meeting then, unless you have a current and relevant dispensation in relation to the matter, you must:

- (i) disclose at that meeting, by no later than commencement of consideration of the item in which you have the interest or, if later, the time at which the interest becomes apparent to you, the existence of and – for anything other than a “sensitive” interest – the nature of that interest; and then
- (ii) withdraw from the room or chamber during consideration of the item in which you have the relevant interest.

If the interest is sensitive (as agreed with the Monitoring Officer), you need not disclose the nature of the interest but merely that you have an interest of a sensitive nature. You must still follow (i) and (ii) above.

Where a dispensation has been granted to you either by the Authority or its Monitoring Officer in relation to any relevant interest, then you must act in accordance with any terms and conditions associated with that dispensation.

Where you declare at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary or personal interest that you have not previously included in your Register of Interests then you must, within 28 days of the date of the meeting at which the declaration was made, ensure that your Register is updated to include details of the interest so declared.

	NOTES (Continued)
4.	<p><u>Part 2 Reports</u></p> <p>Members are reminded that any Part 2 reports as circulated with the agenda for this meeting contain exempt information and should therefore be treated accordingly. They should not be disclosed or passed on to any other person(s). Members are also reminded of the need to dispose of such reports carefully and are therefore invited to return them to the Committee Secretary at the conclusion of the meeting for disposal.</p>
5.	<p><u>Substitute Members (Committee Meetings only)</u></p> <p>Members are reminded that, in accordance with Standing Orders, the Clerk (or his representative) must be advised of any substitution prior to the start of the meeting. Members are also reminded that substitutions are not permitted for full Authority meetings.</p>
6.	<p><u>Other Attendance at Committees)</u></p> <p>Any Authority Member wishing to attend, in accordance with Standing Orders, a meeting of a Committee of which they are not a Member should contact the Democratic Services Officer (see “please ask for” on the front page of this agenda) in advance of the meeting.</p>

DEVON & SOMERSET FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY

PROPOSED REVENUE BUDGET 2022/2023 OPTION A - 0%



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REVENUE BUDGET 2022/2023

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COUNCIL TAX INFORMATION & PRECEPTS

TOTAL SPENDING TO BE MET FROM COUNCIL TAX			
Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority budget funded by District Councils' collection funds			£
Net deficit/(surplus) on Council Tax collection in previous year			56,132,272
Total spending to be met from Council Tax precepts in 2022/2023			<u>(529,414)</u>
55,602,858			
EQUIVALENT NUMBERS OF BAND "D" PROPERTIES			
Billing Authority	Tax Base Used for Collection		
East Devon	60,805.00		
Exeter	37,666.00		
Mendip	41,544.11		
Mid Devon	29,811.41		
North Devon	34,762.04		
Plymouth City	73,830.00		
Sedgemoor	42,016.14		
Somerset West and Taunton	56,628.91		
South Hams	39,139.70		
South Somerset	60,643.62		
Teignbridge	49,633.00		
Torbay	46,194.82		
Torrige	24,447.03		
West Devon	20,687.75		
	<u>617,809.53</u>		
DEVON & SOMERSET FIRE AUTHORITY COUNCIL TAX DUE FOR EACH PROPERTY VALUATION BAND			
Valuation Band	Ratio	Government Multiplier %	Council Tax £ p
A	6/9	0.667	60.00
B	7/9	0.778	70.00
C	8/9	0.889	80.00
D	1	1.000	90.00
E	11/9	1.222	110.00
F	13/9	1.444	130.00
G	15/9	1.667	150.00
H	18/9	2.000	180.00
Billing Authority	Surplus/(Deficit) for 2021/2022	Precepts Due 2022/2023	Total due in 2022/2023
	£	£	£
East Devon	41,362	5,472,450	5,513,812
Exeter	5,694	3,389,940	3,395,634
Mendip	140,196	3,738,970	3,879,166
Mid Devon	119,354	2,683,027	2,802,381
North Devon	(18,469)	3,128,584	3,110,115
Plymouth City	(53,843)	6,644,700	6,590,857
Sedgemoor	110,419	3,781,452	3,891,871
Somerset West and Taunton	(32,227)	5,096,602	5,064,375
South Hams	65,000	3,522,573	3,587,573
South Somerset	88,700	5,457,926	5,546,626
Teignbridge	(18,158)	4,466,970	4,448,812
Torbay	(10,255)	4,157,534	4,147,279
Torrige	49,641	2,200,233	2,249,874
West Devon	42,000	1,861,897	1,903,897
	<u>529,414</u>	<u>55,602,858</u>	<u>56,132,272</u>

DEVON & SOMERSET FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY

2022/2023 Revenue Budget

Line No	2021/2022 Budget £000 (1)		2022/2023 Budget £000 (2)
SPENDING			
EMPLOYEE COSTS			
1	51,769	Service Delivery staff	56,130
2	11,195	Professional and technical support staff	12,950
3	854	Training investment	1,055
4	2,352	Fire Service Pension costs	2,358
	66,170		72,493
PREMISES RELATED COSTS			
5	1,010	Repair and maintenance	1,051
6	578	Energy costs	711
7	499	Cleaning costs	570
8	1,917	Rent and rates	1,829
	4,005		4,160
TRANSPORT RELATED COSTS			
9	708	Repair and maintenance	889
10	1,257	Running costs and vehicle insurance	1,258
11	1,404	Travel and subsistence	1,214
	3,370		3,361
SUPPLIES AND SERVICES			
12	3,567	Equipment and furniture	3,729
13	131	Hydrants-installation and maintenance	96
14	2,408	Communications technology	2,451
15	521	Protective Clothing	568
16	143	External Fees and Services	170
17	309	Partnership & Regional collaborative projects	380
18	66	Catering	125
	7,146		7,518
ESTABLISHMENT COSTS			
19	283	Printing, stationery and office expenses	277
20	34	Advertising including Community Safety	31
21	434	Insurances	450
	750		757
PAYMENTS TO OTHER AUTHORITIES			
22	715	Support service contracts	817
	715		817
CAPITAL FINANCING COSTS			
23	3,474	Loan Charges & Lease rentals	3,510
24	2,037	Revenue Contribution to Capital Spending	94
	5,511		3,604
25	(512)	Transfer to/(from) Earmarked Reserves	(2,944)
26	87,154	TOTAL SPENDING	89,766

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2022/2023 Revenue Budget

<i>Line No</i>	2021/2022 Budget £000 (1)		2022/2023 Budget £000 (2)
		INCOME	
27	(100)	Treasury management income	(100)
28	(11,998)	Grants and reimbursements	(12,147)
29	(835)	Other income	(1,474)
30	-	Internal Recharges	-
31	<u>(12,933)</u>	TOTAL INCOME	<u>(13,722)</u>
32	<u>74,222</u>	NET REVENUE BUDGET REQUIREMENT	<u>76,045</u>
		FINANCED BY:	
33	6,424	Formula Funding Grant	6,621
34	13,008	Share of Non Domestic Business Rates	13,292
35	54,790	District Councils Collection Funds	56,132
36	<u>74,222</u>	TOTAL FINANCING	<u>76,045</u>

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Analysis of Budget Changes

2022/2023 Revenue Budget

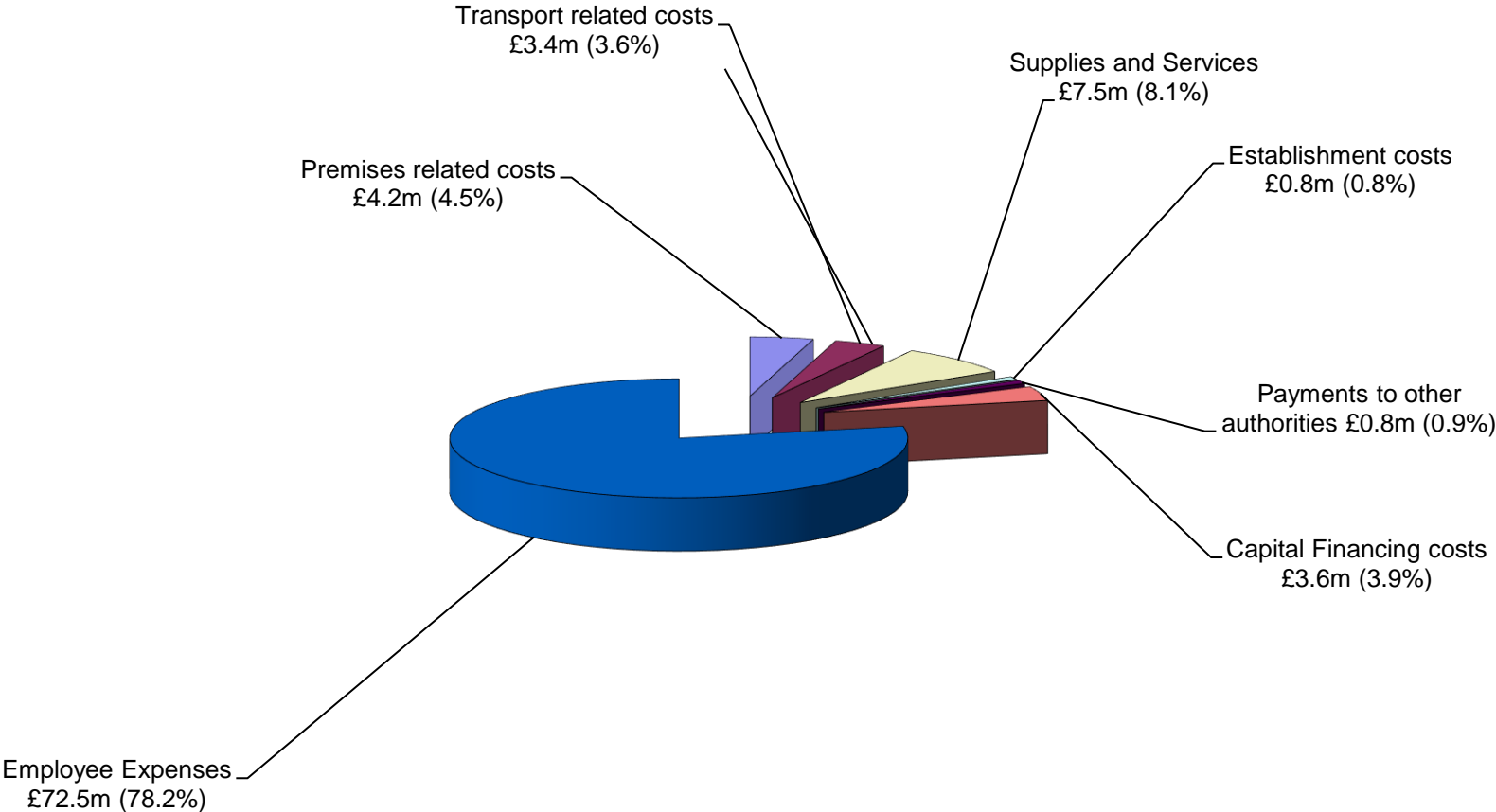
	£000	£000
2021/2022 Revenue Budget		74,222
Provision for Pay Awards and Prices Increases		
Provision for Cost of Pay Settlement for Uniformed Staff	1,557	
Provision for other Pay Awards and prices	1,463	3,020
Inescapable Commitments	138	
Revenue contribution to capital reduction	(1,943)	
New investment	3,948	
Less reserve contribution	(2,432)	
Section 31 grant	(267)	
Budget Reductions	(641)	(1,197)
2022/2023 Net Revenue Budget Requirement		76,045

ESTIMATED FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS INTO 2023/24 and 2024/25

The figures below have been extracted from the Medium Term Financial Strategy, and provide an indication of the estimated commitments into the next two financial years, flowing from the approval of the OPTION A - 0% draft revenue commitment budget. Any revision to these figures, e.g. Budget reductions arising from the implementation of the Safer Together programme or further investment in the Service will be included in the revised Medium Term Financial Plan and reported to the Authority during the course of the financial year.

	(Cumulative effect above 2022/2023)	
	2023/24	2024/25
	£000	£000
Net Revenue Budget Requirement 2022/2023	76,045	76,045
(i) Estimated Costs of pay awards and prices increases	1,504	3,042
Capital Financing charges and revenue contribution to the capital		
(ii) programme	2,928	2,958
(iii) <u>Other Changes</u>		
Provision for Pay & pension changes	600	700
Reserve funding	2,032	2,932
Other spending commitments	250	500
Section 31 grant removed	0	0
Other minor changes	0	(50)
Increase over 2022/2023	7,314	10,082
INDICATIVE CORE BUDGET REQUIREMENT	83,359	86,127

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PROPOSED REVENUE BUDGET 2022/2023 OPTION B - 1.99%



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Net deficit/(surplus) on Council Tax collection in previous year			(529,414)
Total spending to be met from Council Tax precepts in 2022/2023			56,708,737
EQUIVALENT NUMBERS OF BAND "D" PROPERTIES			
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Mendip	140,196	3,813,334	3,953,530
Mid Devon	119,354	2,736,389	2,855,743
North Devon	(18,469)	3,190,808	3,172,339
Plymouth City	(53,843)	6,776,856	6,723,013
Sedgemoor	110,419	3,856,661	3,967,080
Somerset West and Taunton	(32,227)	5,197,968	5,165,741
South Hams	65,000	3,592,633	3,657,633
South Somerset	88,700	5,566,478	5,655,178
Teignbridge	(18,158)	4,555,813	4,537,655
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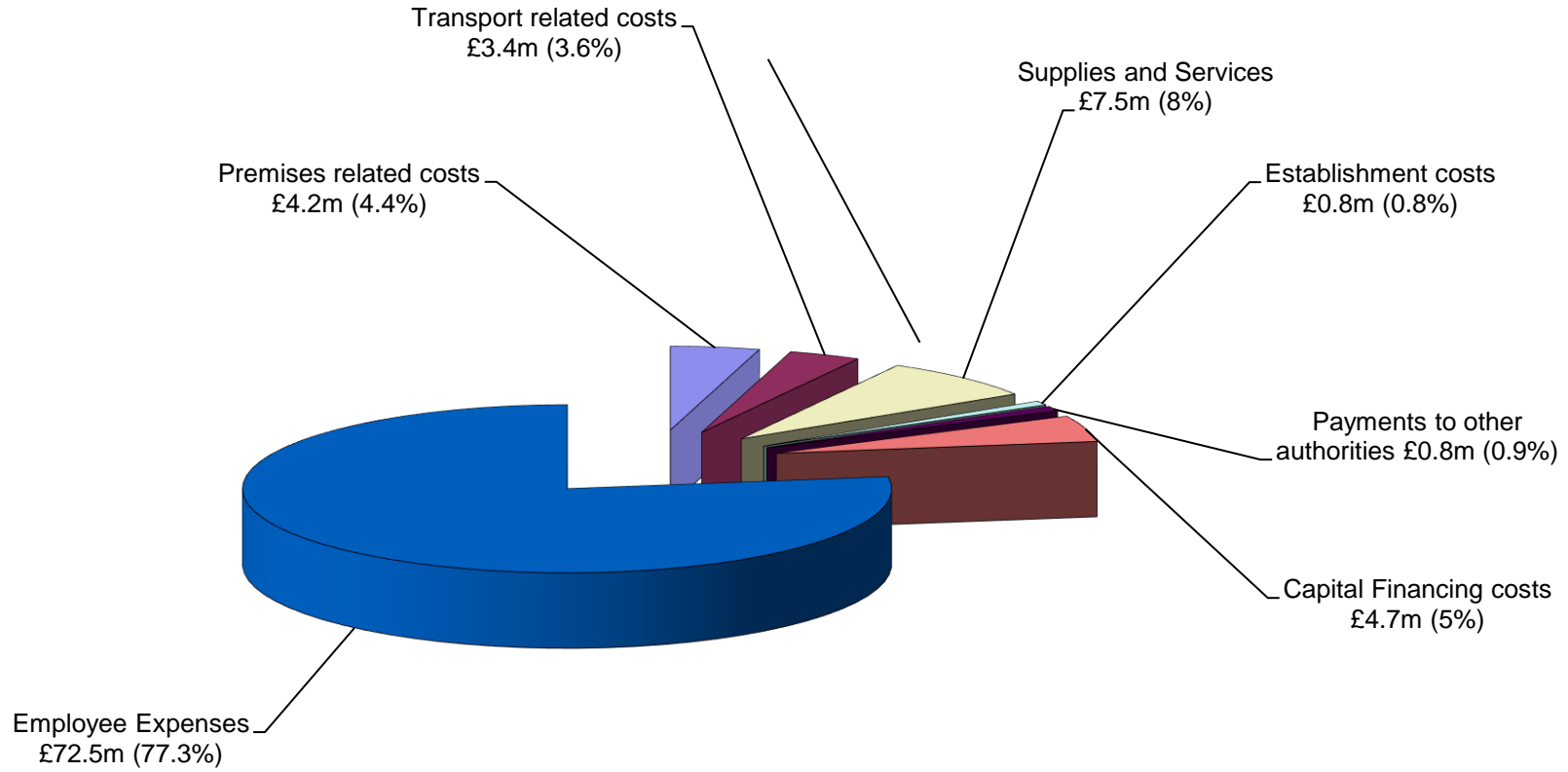
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