

GLASGOW AND THE CLYDE VALLEY STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AUTHORITY JOINT COMMITTEE

To: Joint Committee

On: 13 December 2021

Report by: The Treasurer and the Strategic Development Plan Manager

Heading: Revenue Estimates 2022/23 for ClydePlan and the Green Network Partnership

1. Summary

- 1.1 The following report has been prepared by the Treasurer, in consultation with the Strategic Development Plan Manager, to present the Revenue Estimates of Glasgow and the Clyde Valley Strategic Development Planning Authority and Green Network Partnership, including the requisition of the constituent authorities, for financial year 2022/23 and indicative planning figures for 2023/24 and 2024/25.
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2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that Members:
- a) Approve the Revenue Estimates for 2022/23 set out in Appendix 1, including the planned use of reserves;
 - b) Approve the transfer of reserves from ClydePlan to Green Network Partnership (GNP) to cover the two-year Green Network Development Officer post;
 - c) Approve the proposal that one requisition will be invoiced to constituent authorities, covering Glasgow Clyde Valley and GNP activities;
 - d) Note the indicative estimates for 2023/24 and 2024/25.
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3. Background

- 3.1 The annual Revenue Estimates process each year outlines the summary revenue budget position. For 2022/23, both ClydePlan and the Green Network Partnership budgets are presented together, in recognition of their shared activity and resources.
- 3.2 The Revenue Estimates presented in Appendix 1 outline projected net expenditure and proposed requisition for 2022/23, along with indicative figures

2023/24 and 2024/25 for members' information and to assist with constituent authorities' financial planning.

- 3.3 The financial environment in which the Joint Committee and member authorities operate continues to be characterised by significant demand and cost pressures, compounded by constrained grant support. It is anticipated that the Scottish Budget, to be announced in December 2021, will again reflect a settlement for local government which potentially does not meet the levels required.
- 3.4 The requisition for ClydePlan is proposed at £68,375 per member. This maintains the gross requisition at 2021/22 levels but reflects a reduced use of reserves to apply a discount in recognition of operational changes affecting spend; as well as the agreement of the Joint Committee on 13 September 2021 to fund a £30,000 contribution to Sustrans from reserves.
- 3.5 The requisition for Green Network Partnership is outlined in Appendix 1. The allocation basis for this is different to ClydePlan, being a per capita allocation. The proposed net requisition for 2022/23 and beyond has been held at the 2021/22 level.

4. Budget Assumptions

- 4.1 The budget has been constructed on the basis of a fundamental review of the core operations of Clydeplan and Green Network Partnership and is based on the following assumptions:
- Provision for inflation on employee costs has been included at 3% for 2022/23 and subsequent years; this is subject to change once the national pay award is agreed;
 - Current working from home arrangements and other operational changes have produced savings across various areas of the budget, e.g. staff training, conferences, consultancy, printing and travel, and the budget assumption is that these savings will continue to be sustained into 2022/23;
 - As agreed by the Joint Committee on 13 September 2021, a two-year temporary Grade 9 post of Green Network Development Officer has been included in the GNP Employee Costs. It is anticipated that the appointment will commence on 1 March 2022 and is budgeted to be funded from ClydePlan reserves. A transfer of reserves between ClydePlan and GNP can therefore be seen in the budget for 2022/23 at Appendix 1;
 - Also agreed by the Joint Committee on 13 September 2021, a contribution to Sustrans of £30,000 has been included in 2022/23 to part-fund a

dedicated post for two years to support the delivery of the strategic access network. This is budgeted as Third Party Payments in Appendix 1.

5. Financial Overview

- 5.1 Clydeplan's current operational methods, structure and long-term financial arrangements are under continuous review by the Strategic Development Manager and the Treasurer.
- 5.2 The outlook in the medium term is characterised by uncertainty. The current areas of significant risk for the Joint Committee in the medium term are:
- ongoing discussions around improved integration of regional planning and the impact of the Planning (Scotland) Act; and
 - the level of pay award for 2022/23, which has not yet been agreed.
- 5.3 The impact of the 2022/23 Local Government settlement is yet to be confirmed. The Joint Committee continues to be mindful of the financial pressures that member authorities face and will work with them to address these challenges.
- 5.4 The Audited Annual Accounts for 2020/21 indicated that the level of reserves was £383,872 at 31 March 2021.
- 5.5 In recognition of the high level of reserves and no further requirement to earmark any balances, a reduction of requisition was made in 2021/22 to contributing authorities, amounting to £160,000, thereby reducing reserves. This principal has been continued into the 2022/23 budget to ensure appropriate and agreed levels of funding from both requisitions and reserves.
- 5.5 Due to the current financial climate and ongoing COVID-19 situation, operational costs will remain under review and any savings that may arise will be brought forward to a future meeting. The level of reserves will also remain under review and any changes to the proposed use of reserves will be reported as appropriate to the Joint Committee.
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Revenue Estimates 2022/23 to 2024/25
ClydePlan and Green Network Partnership

	Approved Budget 2021/22			Probable Outturn 2021/22			Proposed Budget 2022/23		
	ClydePlan	GNP	Total	ClydePlan	GNP	Total	ClydePlan	GNP	Total
Expenditure									
Employee Costs	493,700	96,300	590,000	499,905	98,313	598,218	473,600	135,085	608,685
Premise Costs	24,200	1,000	25,200	3,630	1,000	4,630	22,200	900	23,100
Supplies and Services	47,600	7,600	55,200	25,500	11,650	37,150	27,400	7,300	34,700
Support Services	20,500	300	20,800	23,800	975	24,775	23,700	300	24,000
Third Party Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	30,000	0	30,000
Transfer Payments	2,900	700	3,600	2,200	479	2,679	2,100	600	2,700
Transport	4,500	400	4,900	600	200	800	1,000	300	1,300
Total Expenditure	593,400	106,300	699,700	555,635	112,617	668,252	580,000	144,485	724,485
Income									
Gross Requisition	579,500	96,185	675,685	579,500	96,185	675,685	579,500	143,685	723,185
Requisition discount	(160,000)	0	(160,000)	(160,000)	0	(160,000)	(32,500)	(47,500)	(80,000)
Net Requisition	419,500	96,185	515,685	419,500	96,185	515,685	547,000	96,185	643,185
Other Income	18,700	0	18,700	50,220	750	50,970	3,000	800	3,800
Total Income	438,200	96,185	534,385	469,720	96,935	566,655	550,000	96,985	646,985
Net Expenditure / (Income)	155,200	10,115	165,315	85,915	15,682	101,597	30,000	47,500	77,500
Reserve Balances									
General Reserves at 1 April	383,872	46,637	430,509	383,872	46,637	430,509	297,957	30,955	328,912
Transfer of Clydeplan Reserves to GNP	0	0	0	0	0	0	(47,500)	47,500	0
Use of Reserves Other	(155,200)	(10,115)	(165,315)	(85,915)	(15,682)	(101,597)	0	0	0
Use of Reserves per 13/09/2021 report	0	0	0	0	0	0	(30,000)	(47,500)	(77,500)
Total Reserves at 31 March	228,672	36,522	265,194	297,957	30,955	328,912	220,457	30,955	251,412
Reserves as % of gross revenue spend	39%	34%	38%	54%	27%	49%	38%	21%	35%
Change in Net Requisition	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	30.4%	0.0%	24.7%
Net Requisition per Authority:									
City of Glasgow Council	52,437.50	31,949.00	84,386.50	52,437.50	31,949.00	84,386.50	68,375.00	31,949.03	100,324.03
North Lanarkshire Council	52,437.50	17,825.00	70,262.50	52,437.50	17,825.00	70,262.50	68,375.00	17,825.02	86,200.02
South Lanarkshire Council	52,437.50	16,992.00	69,429.50	52,437.50	16,992.00	69,429.50	68,375.00	16,992.02	85,367.02
East Dunbartonshire Council	52,437.50	5,756.00	58,193.50	52,437.50	5,756.00	58,193.50	68,375.00	5,756.01	74,131.01
West Dunbartonshire Council	52,437.50	5,001.00	57,438.50	52,437.50	5,001.00	57,438.50	68,375.00	5,001.00	73,376.00
East Renfrewshire Council	52,437.50	4,900.00	57,337.50	52,437.50	4,900.00	57,337.50	68,375.00	4,900.00	73,275.00
Inverclyde Council	52,437.50	4,451.00	56,888.50	52,437.50	4,451.00	56,888.50	68,375.00	4,451.00	72,826.00
Renfrewshire Council	52,437.50	9,311.00	61,748.50	52,437.50	9,311.00	61,748.50	68,375.00	9,311.01	77,686.01
	419,500.00	96,185.00	515,685.00	419,500.00	96,185.00	515,685.00	547,000.00	96,185.09	643,185.09

Revenue Estimates 2022/23 to 2024/25
ClydePlan and Green Network Partnership

	Indicative Budget 2023/24			Indicative Budget 2024/25		
	ClydePlan	GNP	Total	ClydePlan	GNP	Total
Expenditure						
Employee Costs	488,800	138,800	627,600	499,500	92,000	591,500
Premise Costs	22,200	1,000	23,200	22,200	1,000	23,200
Supplies and Services	27,400	7,200	34,600	27,400	7,200	34,600
Support Services	23,700	300	24,000	23,700	300	24,000
Third Party Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer Payments	2,100	800	2,900	2,800	500	3,300
Transport	800	385	1,185	900	385	1,285
Total Expenditure	565,000	148,485	713,485	576,500	101,385	677,885
Income						
Gross Requisition	579,500	147,685	727,185	579,500	100,585	680,085
Requisition discount	(17,500)	(51,500)	(69,000)	(6,000)	(4,400)	(10,400)
Net Requisition	562,000	96,185	658,185	573,500	96,185	669,685
Other Income	3,000	800	3,800	3,000	800	3,800
Total Income	565,000	96,985	661,985	576,500	96,985	673,485
Net Expenditure / (Income)	0	51,500	51,500	0	4,400	4,400
Reserve Balances						
General Reserves at 1 April	220,457	30,955	251,412	172,957	26,955	199,912
Transfer of Clydeplan Reserves to GNP	(47,500)	47,500	0	0	0	0
Use of Reserves Other	0	(4,000)	(4,000)	0	(4,400)	(4,400)
Use of Reserves per 13/09/2021 report	0	(47,500)	(47,500)	0	0	0
Total Reserves at 31 March	172,957	26,955	199,912	172,957	22,555	195,512
Reserves as % of gross revenue spend	31%	18%	28%	30%	22%	29%
Change in Net Requisition	2.7%	0.0%	2.3%	2.0%	0.0%	1.7%
Net Requisition per Authority:						
City of Glasgow Council	70,250.00	31,949.00	102,199.00	71,687.50	31,949.00	103,636.50
North Lanarkshire Council	70,250.00	17,825.00	88,075.00	71,687.50	17,825.00	89,512.50
South Lanarkshire Council	70,250.00	16,992.00	87,242.00	71,687.50	16,992.00	88,679.50
East Dunbartonshire Council	70,250.00	5,756.00	76,006.00	71,687.50	5,756.00	77,443.50
West Dunbartonshire Council	70,250.00	5,001.00	75,251.00	71,687.50	5,001.00	76,688.50
East Renfrewshire Council	70,250.00	4,900.00	75,150.00	71,687.50	4,900.00	76,587.50
Inverclyde Council	70,250.00	4,451.00	74,701.00	71,687.50	4,451.00	76,138.50
Renfrewshire Council	70,250.00	9,311.00	79,561.00	71,687.50	9,311.00	80,998.50
	562,000.00	96,185.00	658,185.00	573,500.00	96,185.00	669,685.00