### **Booklet A**

# Highland Council **25 February 2016**

Revenue Budget 2016/17 - 2018/19

**Summary of Proposed Budget Savings** 

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings

		Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Service	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
Finance	2.450	0.041	0.000	2.491	16.7	1.0	0.0	17.7
Corporate Development	0.970	0.170	0.170	1.310	11.0	0.0	0.0	11.0
Chief Executive's Office	0.893	0.019	0.019	0.931	6.3	0.0	0.0	6.3
Community Services	2.415	0.236	-0.182	2.469	16.0	7.0	5.0	28.0
Care and Learning	8.420	1.207	0.400	10.027	30.6	12.6	10.0	53.2
Development and Infrastructure	2.011	0.000	0.000	2.011	25.1	0.0	0.0	25.1
Corporate Savings	7.912	0.000	0.000	7.912	141.0	0.0	0.0	141.0
Total Service & Corporate Savings	25.071	1.673	0.407	27.151	246.7	20.6	15.0	282.3
Add: Use of Preventative Spend	2.000			2.000			0.0	0.0
Add: Use of 2nd Homes Council Tax	2.600			2.600			0.0	0.0
Total Savings	29.671	1.673	0.407	31.751	246.7	20.6	15.0	282.3

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Finance

				Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
1	Council Tax	Efficiency saving - more targeted approach to prior year debt resulting in improved collection and reduction in bad debts provision	0.915			0.915				0.0
2	Council Tax	Amendment to base assumptions of growth in tax base, following work on reassessing single person discounts and property growth	0.250			0.250				0.0
3	Welfare	Reduction in budget to reflect current cost of Council Tax Reduction Scheme, net of DWP Grant cut	0.279			0.279				0.0
4	Payroll/Creditors	Net efficiency savings arising from ResourceLink and FMIS Projects through move to online forms reducing manual input and checking	0.030	0.015		0.045	1.0	0.5		1.5
5	Audit	Deletion of 1 FTE vacant clerical post, reduction of hours, and minor budget adjustment to grade. No impact to Audit Plan.	0.029			0.029	1.2			1.2
7	Money Advice	Review provision of internal & external services	0.130			0.130	5.0			5.0
8	Corporate Finance	Extension of investment period for cash balances	0.065			0.065				0.0
9	Revenues & Business Support	Restructuring of service	0.205			0.205	7.0			7.0
10	Senior Management savings	Restructuring of Corporate Finance & Procurement	0.164	0.026		0.190	2.5	0.5		3.0
11	CTRS	Council Tax Reduction Scheme	0.383			0.383	tbc			0.0
TOTA	AL		2.450	0.041	0.000	2.491	16.7	1.0	0.0	17.7

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Corporate Development

				Savings				Staff Impact			
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE	
1	Contract Savings	Re-procurement of mobile/landline telephony and SWAN savings	0.300			0.300				0.0	
3	Staffing Reductions	Reduction in staffing across all Services including management positions. Will be achieved through re-structuring and targeted use of Early Retirement and Voluntary Severance.	0.380			0.380	10.0			10.0	
4	ICT Contract	Reduction in costs targeted from the new ICT Contract due to be awarded in July 2016 with commencement of delivery of service from early 2017. Savings for 2016/17 will be achieved by moving to the new Managed Print Service early.	0.250	0.170	0.170	0.590				0.0	
5	Performance	25% reduction in Performance Team	0.040			0.040	1.0			1.0	
TOT	AL		0.970	0.170	0.170	1.310	11.0	0.0	0.0	11.0	

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Chief Executive's Office

				Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
1	Chief Exec	Misc budgets incl training	0.017			0.017				0.0
2	Chief Exec	Reduction in hours of 1.0 fte to 0.8fte	0.007			0.007	0.3			0.3
3	Corp Development	Reduction in discretionary budget and corporate training/briefings	0.012			0.012				0.0
4	Information Management	Removal of training and misc budgets	0.007			0.007				0.0
5	Corporate Comms	Additional income - advertising in In Brief; the Intranet and Website. Promoted posts fees	0.007			0.007				0.0
6	Corporate Comms	Reduction in Quality Awards and Hospitality budget	0.002			0.002				0.0
7	Policy, reform and ward management	Reduction in ward discretionary grants	0.519			0.519				0.0
8	Policy, reform and ward management	10% reduction in administration grants for community councils	0.017			0.017				0.0
9	Policy, reform and ward management	Delete posts	0.168			0.168	4.0			4.0
10	Policy, reform and ward management	Re-charge Common Good Fund for ward manager time	0.002			0.002				0.0
11	Policy, reform and ward management	Reduce discretionary spend for Gaelic arts development and events	0.033	0.019	0.019	0.071				0.0
12	Policy, reform and ward management	Policy team staff reduction and reduce discretionary spending on mental health events	0.056			0.056	0.8			0.8
13	Policy, reform and ward management	Highland Environmental Network contract and Carbon Clever publicity and events	0.010			0.010				0.0
14	Corporate Comms	Restructuring - Release of 2 posts (1.8 FTE) and recruitment of Digital Communications Assistant post (0.6 FTE)	0.036			0.036	1.2			1.2
TOT	AL		0.893	0.019	0.019	0.931	6.3	0.0	0.0	6.3

# 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Community Services

				Sav	ings		FTE FTE FTE			
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m			2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
2	Public Conveniences	Review of provision of public conveniences	0.250	0.344		0.594				0.0
4	Coast Protection	Delete the coast protection budget	0.057			0.057				0.0
5	Recycling	Review the hours of opening at recycling centres during weekdays	0.081			0.081				0.0
6	Street Cleansing	Continue the reduction in staffing to this statutory service of 5 posts in each year	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.300	5.0	5.0	5.0	15.0
10	Airstrips	Airstrips operation and maintenance	0.028			0.028				0.0
11	Play Areas	Cease maintaining some of the play areas by either transfer them to Community groups or closure	0.112			0.112	2.0			2.0
12	Interments	Interments to take place within 7 days unless there are traditional or religious reasons for not doing so	0.044	0.044		0.088	2.0	2.0		4.0
13	Out of Hours	Move service to Aberdeen City	0.015			0.015				0.0
16	Standby	Review of duty officer	0.087			0.087				0.0
17	Anti-Social Behaviour	Review of Anti-Social Behavious Services including partial transfer to HRA	0.162			0.162				0.0
18	Waste Disposal	Negotiate to remove all funding from Social Enterprises	0.250			0.250				0.0
21	Community Services	Review layers of management throughout Service	0.300			0.300	4.0			4.0
24	Supporting People	Reduce budget for homelessness housing support services	0.082			0.082				0.0
25	Street Cleansing	Stop buying dog bags for public	0.010			0.010				0.0
26	Recycling	Cut in the waste awareness budget	0.040			0.040				0.0
27	Community Transport	Review funding to community groups	0.040			0.040				0.0

				Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
28	Burials & Cremations	Accelerate agreed increase (increase agreed HC 18/12/14)	0.633	-0.252	-0.282	0.099				0.0
30	Contaminated Land	Reduction in Contaminated Land work	0.089			0.089	2.0			2.0
31	Emergency Planning	Reduction in Emergency Planning	0.035			0.035	1.0			1.0
TOT	AL		2.415	0.236	-0.182	2.469	16.0	7.0	5.0	28.0

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Care & Learning - Adult Services

				Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
1	Commissioning officer post	Delete post - post currently vacant. Duties will require to be undertaken by existing post holder	0.045			0.045	1.0			1.0
2	External funding officer	Delete post - post currently vacant. Duties will require to be undertaken by commissioning officer and Head of Service	0.046			0.046	1.0			1.0
3	Blindcraft	6% Saving Target in 16/17	0.003			0.003				0.0
5	Community Health co- ordinators	Stop funding to NHS Highland to provide targeted support to areas	0.240			0.240				0.0
6	Health Weight Dieticians	Stop funding to NHS Highland to provide dietary advice in areas of need	0.200			0.200				0.0
7	HLH/Inverness Leisure	4.3% saving target (£0.148m savings already included in HC 18/12/14 agreed savings)	0.325			0.325				0.0
9	Eden Court	10% saving target	0.059			0.059				0.0
12	Criminal Justice Services	Saving from Council contribution to CJS	0.020			0.020				0.0
13	Women's Aid	Reduce the contribution the council makes to Women's Aid groups across Highland	0.040			0.040				0.0
TOTA	AL BEFORE NHSH ADU	JLT SERVICES	0.978	0.000	0.000	0.978	2.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
15	NHSH Adult Services	4.3% Saving Target	4.100			4.100				0.0
TOT	AL		5.078	0.000	0.000	5.078	2.0	2.0 0.0 0.0		

#### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Care & Learning - Education Services

				Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
3	Primary and Secondary Education	A 6% reduction in school non-staffing DSM budgets	0.080	0.070		0.150				0.0
5	Music Tuition	A 10% reduction in the Music tuition budget	0.020	0.050		0.070				0.0
6	Central Budgets	Change the parameters when central supply cover kicks in	0.100			0.100				0.0
7	Secondary Education	Re-job sizing secondary school promotion structures	0.100	0.050	0.100	0.250	2.5	1.1	2.5	6.1
8	Primary and Secondary Education	CPD training budget	0.010			0.010				0.0
9	Primary and Secondary Education	Efficiency saving from revised school management	0.200	0.300	0.300	0.800	5.0	7.5	7.5	20.0
10	Central Budgets	Skills for work funding	0.060			0.060				0.0
11	Plockton School of Music	6% saving target on funding provided	0.014			0.014				0.0
TOT	AL		0.584	0.470	0.400	1.454	7.5	8.6	10.0	26.1

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Care & Learning - Children's Services

				Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
1	Residential care	Cease use of all spot purchased beds with external contractor	0.550	0.450		1.000				0.0
2	Commissioned services	10% reduction in contracts	0.199	0.098		0.297				0.0
4	Early Years staff training	Reduce budget	0.100			0.100				0.0
5	Senior management	Deletion of 2FTE posts	0.120			0.120	2.0			2.0
6	Early Years staffing re- structure	Maximisation of grant funding	0.438			0.438				0.0
7	Wrap-around childcare	Increase income target	0.060			0.060				0.0
8	Unallocated budget	Funding not specifically allocated, earmarked for community capacity building	0.106			0.106				0.0
9	CAMHS	Deletion of posts (Child and Adolescent Mental Health service)	0.086			0.086	2.0			2.0
10	Early Years	Removal of PTs & QIO in Early Years	0.130	0.070		0.200	4.0	4.0		8.0
TOT	AL		1.789	0.618	0.000	2.407	8.0	4.0	0.0	12.0

## 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Care & Learning - Resources

				Savi	ings					
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
1	School Transport	Charges for concessionary places - the charges are currently set a a flat rate of £1 per day. The charge will be reviewed, with a view to a flat increase for all charges, or introducing a sliding scale based on route distance. A 100% increase on existing income could produce £25k.	0.025			0.025				0.0
2	School Transport	Additional Support Needs transport - a review to achieve a 6% saving target on ASN transport costs of £2.1m (incl c£0.350m on escorts).	0.126			0.126	tbc			0.0
3	School Transport - Gaelic	Review arrangements for Gaelic school transport provision to targe a 6% saving against the current spend of £0.332m	0.020			0.020				0.0
4	School Transport - Denominational schools	Review arrangements for school transport provision to denominational schools to target a 6% saving against the current spend of £0.070m	0.004			0.004				0.0
6	Building Cleaning	Over and above the saving from the primary school week, and existing agreed savings currently being implemented of £580k, implement further reductions to cleaning specification across buildings.	0.090			0.090	6.1			6.1
7	School Catering	Introduce charging for school hostel pupil lunches.	0.023			0.023	Nil			0.0
8	School Catering	Redesign menu options to effect cost savings. The proposal will continue to meet required nutritional standards for school meals. The saving equates to a c4% reduction in food costs.	0.160			0.160	Nil			0.0
10	School Catering	Conveyancing of school meals - this is currently delivered under contract but is being reviewed for VFM options when contract ceases.		0.050		0.050				0.0
12	Resources Teams - Service Information and Support	On the assumption that the Council reaches agreement with NHSI over the transfer of resources back to the Council, to provide specialist business support, there may be scope to achieve saving through integration and re-structuring of these resources within the existing SIAS team.	0.030			0.030	1.0			1.0
13	Property Costs - CLL Properties	For CLL properties, move tenant cost recovery onto a consistent and equitable basis. This would impact on facility tenants which would include Inverness community centres and Wick Youth Club facilities.		0.048		0.048		Nil		0.0
14	Property Costs - CLL Properties	In parallel with the saving target set for HLH on their budgeted operations, set a comparable saving target for property costs on HLH tenanted properties (these budgets still controlled by HC). Saving to be delivered in partnership with HLH.		0.021		0.021				0.0

				Sav	ings			Staff I	mpact	
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
15	School Lets	Over and above existing savings relating to the phasing out of free lets, look to further increase the charges levied on users.	0.035			0.035				0.0
17	Management Savings	Management Savings - 2 posts	0.150			0.150	2.0			2.0
TOT	AL		0.663	0.119	0.000	0.782	9.1	0.0	0.0	9.1

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Care & Learning - Additional Support

				Sav	ings		Staff Impact			
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
3	Savings from specialist services	Closure of the Black Isle Education Centre with full saving achieve as a result.	0.200			0.200	3.0			3.0
4	Savings from specialist services	Reduction in ASL Legislation budget that is generally underspent by managing the risk of legal challenge effectively at an earlier stage (50k);	0.050			0.050				0.0
5	Savings from specialist services	Stop providing an Autism Outreach Education Service by raising the level of awareness and understanding of ASD at a local level through a systematic training strategy delivered at an Area level (50k – 1FTE coordinator post)	0.050			0.050	1.0			1.0
6	Savings from specialist services	Reduction in SLA to Glachbeg Farm as only 2 of the 3 days currently contained within the SLA are used consistently (6k).	0.006			0.006				0.0
TOTA	AL		0.306	0.000	0.000	0.306	4.0	0.0	0.0	4.0

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Development & Infrastructure

			Savings				Staff Impact			
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
2	Planning & Building Standards	Planning & Building Standards Fees	0.050			0.050				0.0
3	Industrial & Investment	Industrial Property Rental Income	0.050			0.050				0.0
4	Housing Development	Housing Development Charges	0.025			0.025				0.0
5	Visit Scotland	Reduce contribution	0.035			0.035				0.0
7	Review Work for Common Good	Review Charges Common Good	0.020			0.020				0.0
8	HOL/Business Gateway	Review of activity	0.100			0.100	6.0			6.0
9	Trading Standards	Re-structure to support development	0.130			0.130	4.0			4.0
10	Access/ Rangers	Review of countryside provision for 16/17	0.381			0.381	9.5			9.5
11	Across all Heads	Management Review	0.060			0.060	1.6			1.6
12	Property	Reduction of K2/IT Development Budget	0.040			0.040				0.0
13	Environmental Studies	Provision of Advice in-house (consultancy cost saving)	0.050			0.050				0.0
14	Employability	Efficiency from employability service budget	0.250			0.250				0.0
15	Deprived Area Funding	Reduction in funds	0.440			0.440				0.0
16	Biodiversity	Reduction in Biodiversity	0.030			0.030				0.0
17	Management Savings	Management Savings - 1 post at HC12 ; 1 post at HC13	0.145			0.145	2.0			2.0
18	Planning & Building Standards	Permitted Development Enquiries Fee Income	0.010			0.010				0.0
19	Property	Reduction in use of consultants	0.100			0.100				0.0
20	Coastal & Aquaculture	Review of Function/Activity	0.095			0.095	2.0			2.0
TOTAL		2.011	0.000	0.000	2.011	25.1	0.0	0.0	25.1	

### 2016/17 - 2018/19 Proposed Savings Corporate Savings

			Savings				Staff Impact			
Ref.	Activity Heading	Savings Proposal	2016/17 £m	2017/18 £m	2018/19 £m	3 Year Total £m	2016/17 FTE	2017/18 FTE	2018/19 FTE	3 Year Total FTE
1	Payroll Salary Sacrifice	Savings from salary sacrifice schemes	0.200			0.200				0.0
2	Fees & Charges	10% increase on all fees and charges that are not nationally set, o a different amount has already been agreed	r 0.487			0.487				0.0
3	Energy	Reduced consumption, pricing & behavioural change	0.250			0.250				0.0
4	Procurement	Procurement Shared Service & Collaborative Spend	0.500			0.500				0.0
5	Voluntary Severance	Voluntary Severance	5.900			5.900	141.0			141.0
6	Recruitment Freeze	Recruitment freeze for non-exempt posts	0.575			0.575	tbc			0.0
TOTAL		7.912	0.000	0.000	7.912	141.0	0.0	0.0	141.0	