

Our budget proposals for 2015/16

The following proposals require public consultation as they affect services that people receive.

You can read more information about these proposals in our consultation document.

How we generate income

Ref.	Title	Description	15-16 £'000	16-17 £'000	17-18 £'000	Total 15-18 £'000
2b	Charging for parking at Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse	Currently visitors do not have to pay to park when they visit Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse. However many similar museums and visitor attractions in Norfolk and elsewhere in the UK do charge visitors for parking. This proposal is to introduce a small charge of £1 - £2 for a car to park for the whole day/visit.	5	10	0	15
2c	One-off sale of antiquarian library stock	We currently own some old and rare books that are in safe storage. We do not lend these books out to people as they are either too valuable or simply "of their time". We propose to sell a selection of these books at auction.	100	0	-100	0
2d	Charge people to visit the Ancient House Museum in Thetford in the winter	People can currently visit the Ancient House Museum in Thetford for free between October and March. We propose to raise an additional £3,000 in 2015-16 by charging people to visit during	3	0	0	3

		these winter months. This estimate is based on our current admission charges and visitor forecasts.				
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How we organise our staff and resources

Ref.	Title	Description	15-16 £'000	16-17 £'000	17-18 £'000	Total 15-18 £'000
3g	Reduce library staff	<p>We propose to reduce library staff. Both staff based in libraries, and those working on outreach projects may be affected.</p> <p>If this proposal went ahead it would not affect opening hours of libraries or mobile libraries.</p> <p>It could mean that there will be fewer staff on duty in some of our libraries, and fewer staff able to work on outreach projects.</p>	80	0	0	80

How we work with others

Ref.	Title	Description	15-16 £'000	16-17 £'000	17-18 £'000	Total 15-18 £'000
4a	Reduce funding for arts	Part of our budget provides support to a number of arts organisations across the County. This includes financial support through grants, and other support in the form of advice, information and co-ordination of county-wide arts partnership working.	150	0	0	150

		We propose to make cuts to the grants programme, and reductions in the other activities of the service.				
4b	Remove subsidy we give to schools for community groups using their facilities.	We currently subsidise the community to use some school premises around the County. We propose removing this subsidy.	97	0	0	97

Changes to the services that people will either receive or use

Ref.	Title	Description	15-16 £'000	16-17 £'000	17-18 £'000	Total 15-18 £'000
5a	Reduce the amount we spend on transport for people who use Adult Social Care services	We propose to save money on transport for people who use Adult Social Care services users. We will do this by making sure people are using their motability allowance, meeting people's needs locally, and making more use of community transport services and public transport.	100	900	800	1,800
	Reduce highway maintenance	We are proposing to make a permanent saving on highways maintenance of £385k. We would continue to carry out all urgent works and any works that were needed to keep people safe.	385	0	0	385