

COUNCIL – 8 FEBRUARY 2024

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE – GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2024/25 AND PROPOSED SAVINGS**

**SUPPLEMENTARY PAPER – AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR WILL FORSTER**

Councillor Will Forster has given prior notice that he intends to move the following amendments to the recommendations of the Executive in respect of the General Fund Budget 2024/25 and Proposed Savings.

“Recommend (iv)

In accordance with paragraph 12.4, a hardship co-ordinator post is proposed. Subject to final agreement with Citizens Advice Woking the role will be employed by them. This post would be employed by CAW and funded by the Council. It would support the transition of CAW’s business model and create a network of support and advice, utilising the voluntary capacity in other charities and voluntary organisations across the borough. This will be funded to the value of £50,000 for 2024/25 from the provision made for hardship as a result of the level of Council Tax increase proposed.

Recommend (v)

This Council agrees to ask residents to voluntarily contribute to the Woking Community Fund to support the Borough’s voluntary sector.

The Woking Community Fund is managed independently by the Community Foundation for Surrey and works closely with the Council to understand resident needs. Residents will be asked to indicate whether their donation should go to particular priorities such as hardship advice, transport for the vulnerable or more general priorities.”

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