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I write further to your email dated 19 November 2020.

Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), explained on our [freedom of information](#) page.

Your request:

1. What is your current predicted in-year expenditure increase due to Covid-19 by the end of the financial year 2020/21?
£2,448,000 (£2,488,000 for General Fund and £0 for Housing Revenue Account (HRA)).
2. What is your current predicted in-year decrease in income due to Covid-19 by the end of the financial year 2020/21?
£1,723,000 (£1,035,000 for General Fund and £688,000 for HRA).
3. What is your current predicted in-year expenditure reduction made on budgeted services by the end of the financial year 2020/21?
-£1,057,750 (-£1,004,750 for General Fund and -£53,000 for HRA).
4. How much extra money do you predict to take from reserves over the amount that was included in the pre-year budget by the end of the financial year 2020/21?
In relation to the General Fund we budgeted to contribute £630,000 to reserves, but instead will need to take £690,000 from reserves (a difference of £1.3m). For the HRA we budgeted a surplus of £2,780,000, the latest forecast is £2,635,000 making a reduction of £145,000.
5.
 - a. How much extra money have you received from central government in Covid-specific grants since the start of the financial year?
*General Fund: £1,441,781 COVID Support Grants/Welfare/compliance.
All other grants received are paid out to businesses/individuals.*
 - b. How much extra money do you believe the government's commitment to covering 75p on the £1 of lost income (excluding the first 5% of lost income) will be worth to your council by the end of the financial year?
The General Fund figure is estimated at £400,000.

- c. How much do you believe the phased repayments of council tax and business rates deficits over the next 3 years will be worth to your council by the end of the financial year?

£714,000 deficit that would have hit the General Fund in 21/22 will now be deferred until 22/23 and 23/24.

6.

- a. What is your current predicted funding gap by the end of the financial year 2020/21?

For the General Fund, £995,000 due to COVID

- b. What is your current predicted funding gap by the end of the financial year 2021/22?

For the General Fund, £430,000 due to COVID.

- c. What is your current predicted funding gap by the end of the financial year 2022/23?

N/A

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Yours sincerely

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