

ASHINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**Draft Budget for the Financial Period 1 April 2022 To 31 March 2023**

	2021-22 CORE BUDGET (PRECEPT FUNDED)	2022-23 CORE BUDGET (PRECEPT FUNDED)	CHANGE FROM 2021/22	2022-23 CORE BUDGET (PRECEPT FUNDED)	2022-23 PLANNED USE OF RESERVES	2022-23 GROSS BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION						
EMPLOYEE COSTS						
Staff Salaries	174,200	174,640	440	174,640		174,640
NI - Employer's Contribution	18,750	18,340	-410	18,340		18,340
Pension - Employer's Contribution	37,100	37,030	-70	37,030		37,030
Mobile Phone	950	900	-50	900		900
Payroll Administration Costs	300	320	20	320		320
Travel Costs - Officer Mileage	300	500	200	500		500
Training (Inc SLCC Conference)	3,200	3,400	200	3,400		3,400
Subscriptions (Society of Local Council Clerks)	700	700	0	700		700
Sub-Total	235,500	235,830	330	235,830	0	235,830
OFFICE COSTS						
Rent - Town Hall	6,500	6,500	0	6,500		6,500
Service Charge - Town Hall	5,000	5,000	0	5,000	10,000	15,000
Venue/Room Hire	750	750	0	750		750
Telecomms - Office Phones	630	630	0	630		630
Telecomms - Business Email/Internet provider (Vodafone)	350	400	50	400		400
IT Equipment/Support Services	750	1,700	950	1,700		1,700
Web Hosting Charges - Email Addresss	2,500	2,160	-340	2,160		2,160
Website Development	2,500	1,000	-1,500	1,000		1,000
Photocopier Rental & Insurance	1,800	1,800	0	1,800		1,800
Photocopying Charges	1,200	1,200	0	1,200		1,200
Postages	750	600	-150	600		600
Printing & Stationery	2,400	2,400	0	2,400		2,400
Furniture & Equipment	600	500	-100	500		500
Insurances	6,500	6,500	0	6,500		6,500
Sundries (Supplies - Meeting Room etc)	100	100	0	100		100
Sub-Total	32,330	31,240	-1,090	31,240	10,000	41,240

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FEES & CHARGES						
Audit - Internal	750	750	0	750		750
Audit - External	2,000	2,000	0	2,000		2,000
Ashington Crier - Retainer for Web Services	300	300	0	300		300
Ashington Camera Club - Annual Retainer	300	0	-300	0		0
Data Protection Registration	100	100	0	100		100
Legal and Professional Fees	750	750	0	750		750
HR Advisory Services & Fees	500	500	0	500		500
Election Expenses - Full Council	2,500	5,000	2,500	5,000	13,500	18,500
Election Expenses - Casual Vacancies	7,000	7,000	0	7,000		7,000
Subscription - National Association of Local Councils	4,000	4,000	0	4,000		4,000
Subscription - North East Regional Employer's Organisation/NAC	550	600	50	600		600
Publications	300	300	0	300		300
Publicity & Consultation	2,000	2,000	0	2,000		2,000
Sub-Total	21,050	23,300	2,250	23,300	13,500	36,800
MEMBER EXPENSES						
Councillors Expenses - Printing and Stationery	6,000	6,000	0	6,000		6,000
Councillor Expenses - Mobile Phone Allowances	720	720	0	720		720
Councillor Training & Development	2,000	2,000	0	2,000		2,000
Sub-Total	8,720	8,720	0	8,720	0	8,720
CIVIC EVENTS						
Town Twinning	500	500	0	500		500
Mayoral Expenses	450	500	50	500		500
Remembrance/Armed Forces Day/Miners Memorial Service	1,200	1,350	150	1,350		1,350
Sub-Total	2,150	2,350	200	2,350	0	2,350
COMMUNITY EVENTS						
Community Fayre Day	8,000	8,000	0	8,000		8,000
Northumberland Miner's Picnic	10,000	10,000	0	10,000		10,000
Christmas Lighting Switch-On	2,500	2,500	0	2,500		2,500
Ashington Hirst Celebratory Cup - Bowls Competition	500	500	0	500		500
Sub-Total	21,000	21,000	0	21,000	0	21,000

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SUBSIDIES & GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS						
Annual Subsidies - Infrastructure Organisations	42,000	50,000	8,000	50,000		50,000
Annual Sponsorships - Sports Clubs	9,000	9,000	0	9,000		9,000
Ashington Male Voice Choir - Corporate Sponsor	250	250	0	250		250
Ashington Colliery Band	250	250	0	250		250
Small Grants & Donations Fund	7,500	8,000	500	8,000		8,000
Citizen's Awards	500	750	250	750		750
Sub-Total	59,500	68,250	8,750	68,250	0	68,250
DIRECT SERVICE PROVISION						
Community Warden Service - Expenses						
- Vehicle Finance Costs	2,500	2,500	0	2,500		2,500
- Vehicle Fuel & Maintenance	3,000	3,000	0	3,000		3,000
- Protective Clothing Allowance	380	400	20	400		400
- Materials	3,500	3,500	0	3,500		3,500
- Storage Unit (Green Lane)	3,000	3,200	200	3,200		3,200
Sub Total 1	12,380	12,600	220	12,600	0	12,600
Allotments	30,000	30,000	0	30,000	30,000	60,000
Hirst Park - (SLA)	23,680	23,680	0	23,680		23,680
CCTV Provision - Leasing Costs - Town Centre	6,000	6,000	0	6,000		6,000
CCTV Provision - Rental Costs (Asset Watch - Play Areas/other locations)	0	10,000	10,000	10,000	5,000	15,000
Highways Interactive Cameras	2,500	2,500	0	2,500		2,500
Seasonal Lighting	17,500	17,500	0	17,500	20,000	37,500
Annual Gardens Competition	850	900	50	900		900
Memorials	1,000	1,000	0	1,000		1,000
Bus Shelters	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	23,000	33,000
Provision of Litter Bins	8,000	8,000	0	8,000		8,000
Public Seats	800	1,000	200	1,000	8,000	9,000
Play Areas - Maintenance & Refurbishment	7,000	8,000	1,000	8,000	50,000	58,000
Sub Total 2	107,330	118,580	11,250	118,580	136,000	254,580
Ashington Neighbourhood Services						
ATC Neighbourhood Services Partnership	220,000	228,000	8,000	228,000		228,000
Floral Displays - Environmental Enhancements	47,000	43,000	-4,000	43,000	40,000	83,000
Climate Change Projects & Initiatives	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	30,000	40,000
Environmental Enforcement Officer (SLA)	21,100	22,030	930	22,030		22,030
Sub Total 3	298,100	303,030	4,930	303,030	70,000	373,030
Sub-Total 1-3	417,810	434,210	16,400	434,210	206,000	640,210

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FURTHER AGREED USE OF RESERVES						
Town-Wide Survey (5 Year Cycle - Publication in 2023)			0	0	35,000	35,000
Sub-Total	0	0	0	0	35,000	35,000
GROSS EXPENDITURE	798,060	824,900	26,840	824,900	264,500	1,089,400