

FC50. IJB Business Case 2023/24

Council considered a report by the Director of Transformation, Communities and Corporate Services which presented the IJB Business Case for 2023/24. It was normal practice for Council to gain early sight of the IJB's Business Plan and savings options before concluding deliberations at the Budget meeting in February/March. The IJB Business Case was provided as an appendix to the report.

In line with previous years' Local Government Financial Settlement, the anticipated service payment to the IJB for 2023/24 was based on the Scottish Government's requirement that the current budget plus any new social care funding would be passed on in full to the IJB. Within the Business Case, the IJB had identified an overall budget shortfall of £10.4m, of which £5.5m related to services funded by Falkirk Council.

The IJB had identified saving options to a value of £7.8m, with £3.7m relating to Adult Social Care, although £1.4m of these were flagged red under their RAG risk rating. The IJB's financial plan also assumed that funding for the 2022/23 pay award would be passed on to the IJB. This was still under review and discussions with the IJB were ongoing.

Decision

Council noted the position set out in the report and the savings options identified by the IJB.