

## MTRP Proposal - 18/19 and Beyond - Business Case

<b>Service Area</b>	Children's Services
<b>Unique Reference Number</b>	CFS181908
<b>Proposal Title</b>	Funding for asylum seekers
<b>Version</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> December 2017
<b>Proposal Summary Description</b>	Reducing part of the budget to reflect current usage.
<b>Impact on Performance</b>	None
<b>Impact on FTE Count</b>	None
<b>Impact on other Service Areas</b>	None
<b>Impact on Citizens</b>	Assuming the current demand none
<b>Delegated Decision (Head of Service/Cabinet Member/ Cabinet)</b>	Head of Service
<b>Activity codes</b>	SOC 28 child protection

<b>Net Savings (£000's)</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2019/20</b>	<b>2020/21</b>	<b>2021/22</b>
	20			

<b>Implementation Costs (- £000's)</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2019/20</b>	<b>2020/21</b>	<b>2021/22</b>
<b>Revenue – Redundancy/Pension</b>	0			
<b>Revenue – External consultants</b>	0			
<b>Revenue - Other</b>	0			
<b>Capital – Building related</b>	0			
<b>Capital - Other</b>	0			
<b>Implementation Cost - Total</b>	0			

### **Current Position**

Section 115 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) states that a person will have 'no recourse to public funds' if they are subject to immigration control; public funds include welfare benefits and public housing. However, under the legislation councils have to assess families in this position and then provide subsistence and accommodation. A budget in Children's Services is used for the subsistence element. The call on this has diminished significantly over the past five years.

### **Current Resources**

The current full year budget is £25K. For 16/17 the usage again fell to £4,840, mirroring

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the trajectory of the past three years. This proposal is to reduce the budget by £20K.

### **Key Objectives and Scope**

The proposal is to reduce the current non-recourse to public funds (NRPF) budget in line with the past five years trajectory of spend. The risk would be if there was an increase in demand that would have to be met by the council. .

### **Options considered**

**Option 1** - Retain the current arrangements

**Option 2** - Reduce the budget by £20K

### **Recommended Proposal/Option**

Option 2

### **Required Investment**

None

### **High Level Milestones and Timescales**

None required

### **Key Risks/issues**

<b>Risk Description</b>	<b>Risk Score (as per matrix below)</b>	<b>Mitigation Measures</b>
Change in demand could lead to increased spend	2 x 4	Continue to monitor demands

### **Specific linkage with Future generation act requirements**

The proposal is a direct saving against a reducing demand. There is therefore no positive linkage with FG Act requirements.

### **Fairness and Equality Impact Assessment**

No