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Planning assumptions for August 2014 MTFP update

Factor	Note	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Council Tax Increase		0%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Pay settlement (including allowance for increments and local award)	1	2.25%	2.25%	2.25%	2.25%
Members allowances	2	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
Price Inflation	3	2.3%	2.1%	2.00%	2.00%
Contract Inflation (general)	4	2.3%	2.1%	2.00%	2.00%
Council Tax Base	5	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Fees and Charges (General)	6	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%

Notes

- Based on a continued pay restraint ceiling through the life of the MTFP. Includes an annual 0.75% increase to take account of increments and local award
- 2. Members allowances are set by Independent remuneration Panel but for planning purposes only, have included up rating in line with assumptions around pay.
- 3. Price inflation is based upon OBR predictions around inflation in future years
- 4. Contract inflation is based upon OBR predictions around inflation in future years
- Council Tax base increases have been calculated using trend information. Further revisions may apply once more data on the impact of Council Tax support has been analysed.
- 6. Fees and Charges income levels assumed to increase by 2.5%. This may be through generation of additional income or where appropriate price increases