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Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives:	Priority 1 – Improve the health and wellbeing of our Communities Priority 2 – Enhance the quality of people's lives
	Priority 3 – Enable a flourishing local economy
Consultation:	None.
Legal:	The legal implications are contained within the body of the report.
Equality	The there are no equality implications.
Financial:	The Medium Term Financial Plan made provision of a 1-2% increase in allowances.
Human Resource:	None
Risk Management:	See legal implications above.
Equality Impact Assessment required?	No