

Communities, Economy & Transport - current & additional savings			Gross budget *	Savings
			2016/17	2018/19
Service description	Description of savings proposal	Impact assessment	£'000	£'000
<b>Operations and Contract Management</b>				
Waste Disposal Service	Review of Current approach during 2017/18	The review will consider options for: demand management; asset management; income generation and the impact of any changes on residents.	28,680	800
Grass Cutting	Review of grass cutting policy	Work with borough, district and parish councils the options for reducing the cost of grass cutting.	950	400
<b>Economy</b>				
Review fees & charges across the Planning Service.	To charge for pre-application advice on major/significant County matter proposals , and review Ordinary Watercourse Consents fees.	<p>Proponents of major schemes are unlikely to be resistant to making a pre-application charge, although they will expect a certain level of service in return, which they are probably already receiving. Proponents of smaller schemes, particularly waste uses, may be put off from having pre-application dialogue if charges are introduced. Hence, a threshold for schemes we do and do not charge for will need to be introduced. Certain District &amp; Borough Council's may be reluctant to introduce ESCC as a party on their PPA's - we will need to clearly demonstrate the benefits of doing so.</p> <p>Potential that a substantial increase in OWC fees may put off people applying for OWC consent in the first place - this could lead to a greater need for enforcement. However, statutory consultation on major planning applications is assisting in identifying where OWC is required.</p>	1,855	25

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Library and Information Service	Libraries Transformation Programme - internal review of the Library and Information Service	This extensive review of service delivery, the stock fund, opening hours and staffing structure will ensure that the current service is as efficient as possible. Staffing levels and expenditure on the stock fund will be benchmarked against other authorities, and any changes will have a low impact on the majority of our customers. During the review of opening hours, we will use management information about libraries usage to minimise the impact of any potential changes on our customers. Subject to sign off from Cabinet, proposals to change the opening hours of libraries will be publically consulted on in early 2016.	6,444	125
Library and Information Service	Libraries Transformation Programme - development and implementation of the Libraries' Strategic Commissioning Strategy	The outcome of the Strategic Commissioning Strategy will potentially affect change in the overall configuration and nature of the library service in East Sussex. The implementation of the Strategy itself will optimise how the Library and Information Service is delivered, responding to current and future need, to achieve the best possible service within available resources. The outcome of the Strategy is dependent on the findings of the needs assessment, however it is estimated that it could achieve further savings during 2018/19.	6,444	750
The Keep	Improved staff utilisation across a range of functions, increased income generation and reduction in sinking fund	An Income Generation Strategy is currently being developed. The Governance Board has approved, in principle, the approach of the sinking fund.	689	19
				<b>2,119</b>

\* The budgets shown reflect the areas against which savings have been proposed.