PRECAUTIONARY ITEMS

These are items of expenditure over which there is some doubt as to whether they would occur, but if they did, the Council would be required to meet them. If the spending need does arise on any item, delegated authority has been given to the Resources and Staffing Portfolio Holder and the Finance & Resources Director to approve such expenditure (to be met from reserves), up to the level indicated for the relevant year:

Precautionary Items approved for 2005/06	Total Approved £	Used in 2005/06 to Jan 06 £
Awarded Watercourses	15,000	0
Contaminated Land	82,000	0
Clearance of Private Sewers	6,000	0
National Assistance Burials Act	5,000	0
District Emergencies	50,000	0
Homelessness - additional Bed and Breakfast payments	60,000	0
Employment Committee	10,000	0
Licensing Legal Costs	10,000	0
Total	238,000	0
Precautionary Items for 2006/07	Total £	
Awarded Watercourses	15,000	
Contaminated Land	82,000	
Clearance of Private Sewers	6,000	
National Assistance Burials Act	5,000	
District Emergencies	50,000	
Homelessness - additional Bed and Breakfast payments	40,000	
Employment Committee	10,000	
Licensing Legal Costs	10,000	
Total	218,000	

Other provisions of a contingency nature are held by the Cabinet and Scrutiny Committee, the amounts being £135,000 and £40,000 respectively at the commencement of each year.