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Summary

This report has been produced to provide Members with an update on the Central Contingencies uncommitted balances.

On 23rd December 2019 a drawdown of £25,000 from the National and International Disaster contingency was approved under delegated authority.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. Service Committee budgets are prepared within the resources allocated by the Policy and Resources Committee and, with the exception of the Policy and Resources Committee, such budgets do not include any significant contingencies. The budgets directly overseen by the Finance Committee therefore include central contingencies to meet unforeseen and/or exceptional items that may be identified across the City Corporation's range of activities. Requests for allocations from the contingencies should demonstrate why the costs cannot, or should not, be met from existing provisions.
2. In addition to the central contingencies, the Committee has a specific City's Cash contingency of £100,000 to support humanitarian disaster relief efforts both nationally and internationally.

Current Position

3. The uncommitted balances that are currently available for 2019/20 are set out in the table below. At the time of preparing this report there are no requests for funding elsewhere on the agenda.

2019/20 Contingencies – Uncommitted Balances and requests at 3 January 2020				
	City's Cash £'000	City Fund £'000	Bridge House Estates £'000	Total £'000
General Contingencies	519	594	50	1,163
National and International Disasters	50	0	0	50
Uncommitted Balances	569	594	50	1,213
Requests for contingency allocations	0	0	0	0
Balances pending approval	569	594	50	1,213

4. The sums which the Committee has previously allocated from the 2019/20 contingencies are listed in Appendix 1. This includes a drawdown from the National and International Disaster contingency of £25,000 which was approved under delegated authority on 23rd December 2019.

Conclusion

5. Members are asked to note the Central Contingencies uncommitted balances.

Appendices

- Non-Public: Appendix 1 - Allocations from 2019/20 contingencies

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