

The Derbyshire Challenge

Making difficult decisions together



Have your say on the future of housing-related support – Proposed changes to the Handy Van Network

We are facing budget pressures like never before and need to save £157 million by 2018.

Reductions in Government grants, inflation and greater demands on our budget for adult social care and vulnerable children mean we must re-think the way we deliver services. It means some services will remain, some will be run differently and some services will have to stop. We don't want to cut any services but we have no choice.

We've drawn up plans for how we think we can save money and this includes making changes to the funding of some of our housing-related support services. One of the changes we are considering is to reduce funding to the Handy Van Network.

The service carries out around 8,400 visits to older and vulnerable people's homes each year and carries out practical household tasks. We're proposing to reduce funding from £452,602 to £251,951 on 1 April 2016. This could affect the number of people the Handy Van can visit each year and the number of tasks carried out.

We want to know what you think of this proposal before any final decisions are made. Please fill out the attached questionnaire or fill it out online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/challenge

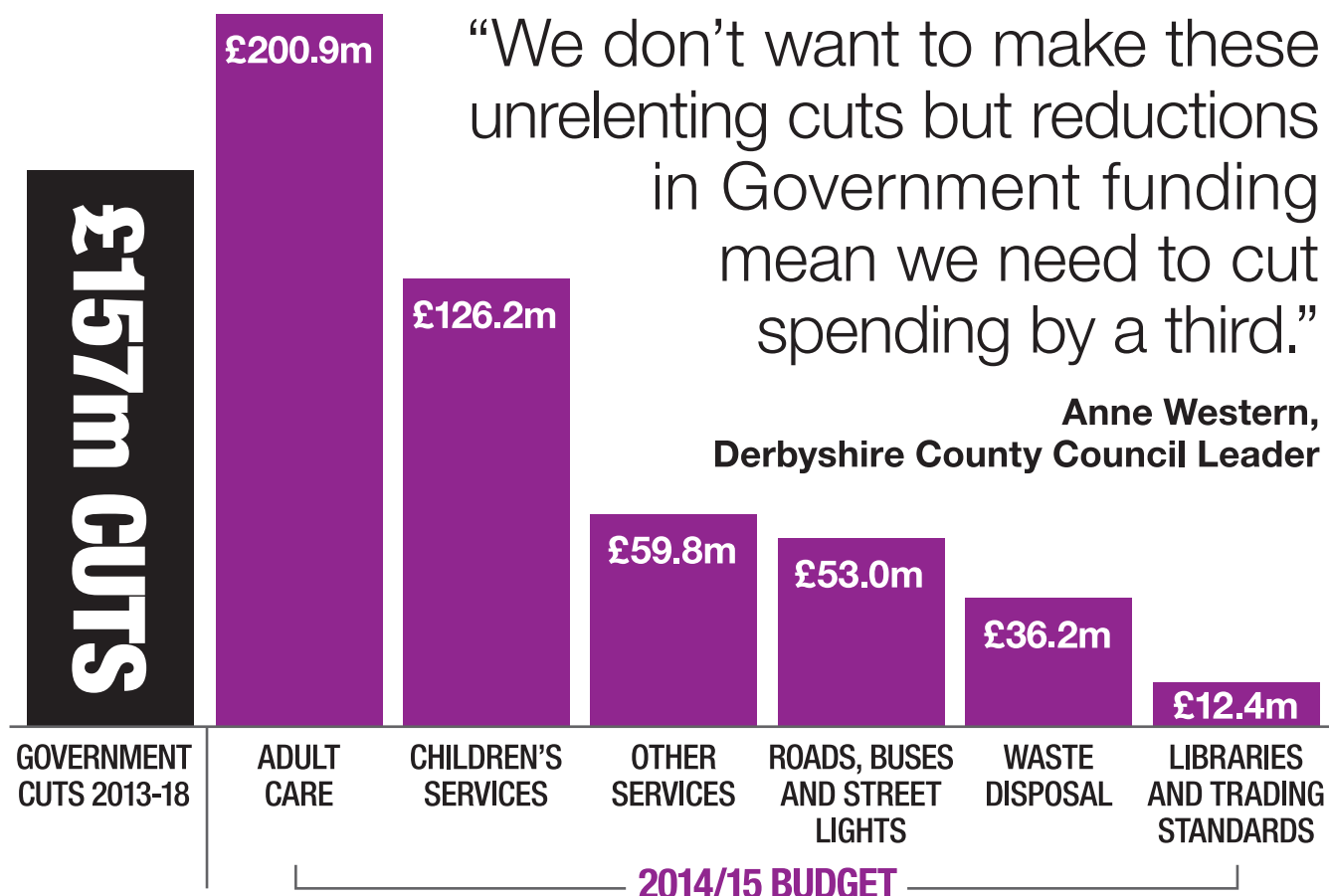
This consultation will run until 20 March 2015.

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We've got some difficult decisions to make.

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Putting our own house in order

We're saving money by:

- Making sure every penny is spent where it's needed most
- Reducing senior management
- Selling off redundant land and buildings.