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<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Comment/Impact/Idea</b>
<b><u>Procurement</u></b>	Group was not sure there was a direct impact as they didn't know what changes there were going to be in terms of what the Council buys.
<b><u>Corporate Landlord</u></b>	Again if it meant some groups and activities changed where they worked it might affect them but they did not know detail.
<b><u>Library Services</u></b>	Half the people in the room used the service. Some used Cockerton at a weekend, main library on a Wednesday. Those using the library expressed a preference for books including poetry and cookery. Some did use them for computing. Whilst they agreed in most cases they could use other library they were concerned at transport to get there and the time this would take. Group highlighted that Cockerton had access via ramp which they preferred to lifts. Some people would prefer a bigger library with more ramps. One person suggested that they could include a café, play area including a ball pool for children while parents were looking at books. Overall people would pay for use of computers but not for books. If they had to travel to a different library they may need to take a carer with them. Also if less libraries then they may have a library that was too busy. One suggestion was that Cockerton Library could be closed and a day centre built on the site.
<b><u>Countryside and rights of way</u></b>	There was concern that they would feel unsafe if the paths were not kept clear.
<b><u>Cycle and Pedestrian training</u></b>	Concern that children could be at risk if parents did not train them.
<b><u>Road Safety</u></b>	Concern that children could be at risk if parents did not train them.
<b><u>Anti-social Behaviour</u></b>	Concern that if less resources for Anti Social Behaviour it would mean bullying on buses would not be dealt with or cheeky behaviour, throwing stones, Concern that children would do silly things and be hurt eg riding on the back of buses or playing on railway lines. Worried that if there were less anti-social behaviour staff no-one would be able to go into schools and help understand bullying.
<b><u>Supporting People</u></b>	Group didn't think there was an impact as it was office change.
<b><u>Community Safety</u></b>	Unclear of the details but if this means less PCSO then group said they would feel less safe and may not go to the Gateway or other activities.
<b><u>Supported Bus Services</u></b>	Concerned that they wouldn't be able to afford taxis if buses did not run. Travelling before 9:30 to go to college was expensive.
<b><u>Car Parking and Contract Parking</u></b>	Group didn't think there would be an impact.
<b><u>Toilets</u></b>	Most of the group were not worried about charging for toilets as they said they would just go to the Dolphin Centre or Cornmill.
<b><u>Environmental Health</u></b>	No specific impact.

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<b><u>Trading Standards</u></b>	Concern that if the service was replaced by being given a telephone number many of the group could not use the telephone or didn't feel confident to do so.
<b><u>Funding to the Third Sector</u></b>	Group thought if this impacted on DAD or ther groups they would not be able to do certain things.
<b><u>Town Centre</u></b>	No impact.
<b><u>Cultural Services</u></b>	Two thirds of the parliament used the theatre and would miss it if they could not afford to go. A number of the group also used the Open Arts Studio although it could be moved to a more accessible venue which would be better – the Dolphin Centre for example. Concern expressed that if concessionary tickets were stopped the group may not be able to go as they need a carer with them.
<b><u>Street Scene</u></b>	The group here said that they could help keep streets tidy or their gardening group could take over a flowerbed. Newbeck and Grassroots nurseries could help.
<b><u>Adult Social Care - Disability Income Disregard</u></b>	Concern that if could no longer get services they could afford they would stay at home become lonely and depressed, lose confidence. If less people used services may be that staff or activity stopped and this was a worry.
<b><u>Adult Social Care – Personalised budgets</u></b>	Concern with the fact that if they could not afford services they would have less choice. Also Parents and carers may have to give up work because of the lack of affordable support. Social isolation was a concern. Concern that if lost staff they currently know they would be scared as they have developed relationships with their workers.
General	Children's proposals need more impact assessment work when there is greater detail.