

# Bookham Residents' Association Annual General Meeting

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# Will cover....

- Introduction
- What Local Government is for and does (briefly!)
- Local Government in Surrey
- Who does what
- How your money is spent
- Bookham matters
- Questions

# Local Government in England

..... **provides and manages services** for residents, visitors and businesses

...**has a regulatory role** over some services and functions, e.g. schools, licensing

...**works in partnership** with others to secure positive lives, outcomes and environments for people and places

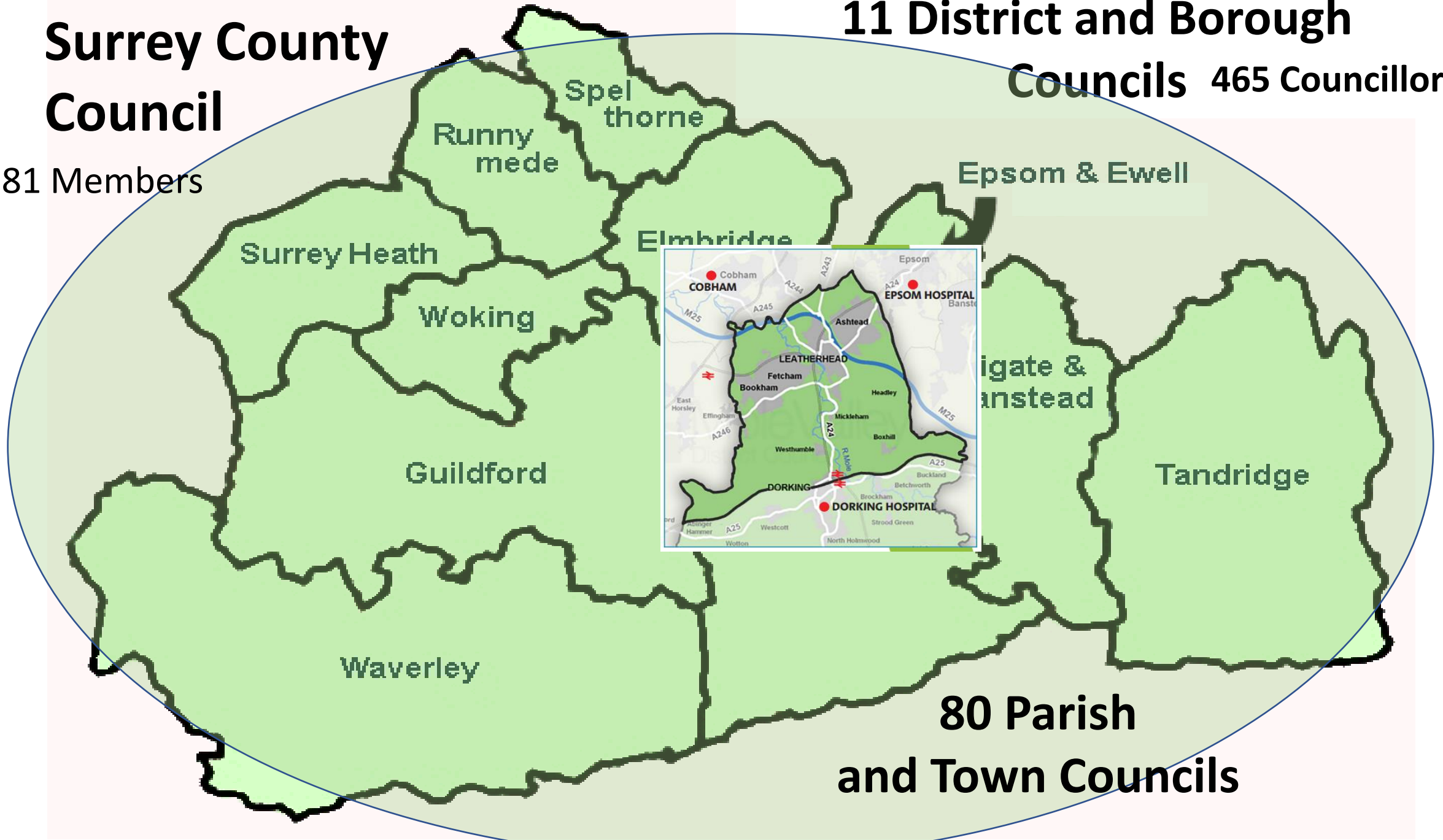
.....**employs** more than one million people, providing more than 800 diverse services

...has a unique **democratic mandate** to lead in their places, determining priorities, devising strategies and policies

# Surrey County Council

81 Members

**11 District and Borough Councils** 465 Councillors



**80 Parish and Town Councils**

# Who does what in Surrey

## County Council

- Adult Social Care
- Public Health
- Children's Social Care
- Education
- Highways maintenance
- Fire and Rescue

- Transport, e.g. bus services
- Libraries and Cultural Services
- Strategic economic development
- Waste disposal
- Trading Standards
- Countryside services
- Planning – minerals and waste

Joint  
arrangements

## District and Borough Councils

- Waste collection
- Revenue collection and benefits administration
- Community support, e.g. Meals on Wheels
- Licensing e.g., alcohol and taxis
- Housing

- Cemeteries
- Planning – homes, offices and shops
- Parking fines, permits and car parks
- Pest control
- Environmental health
- Leisure services

## Parish councils and residents associations

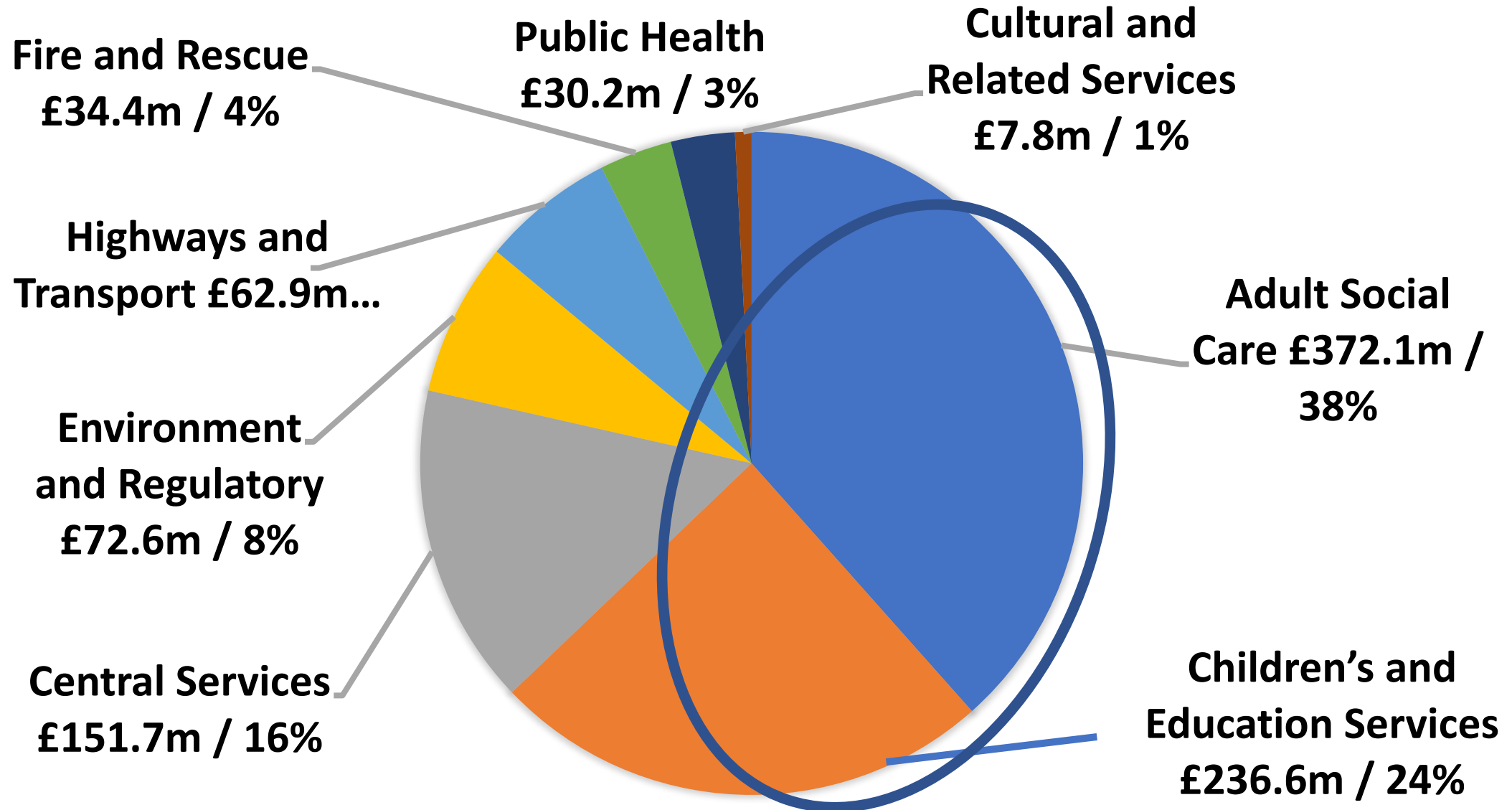
Examples of responsibilities:

- Allotments
- Bus shelters
- Footpaths
- Public conveniences
- Recreation grounds
- Rights of Way
- Traffic calming

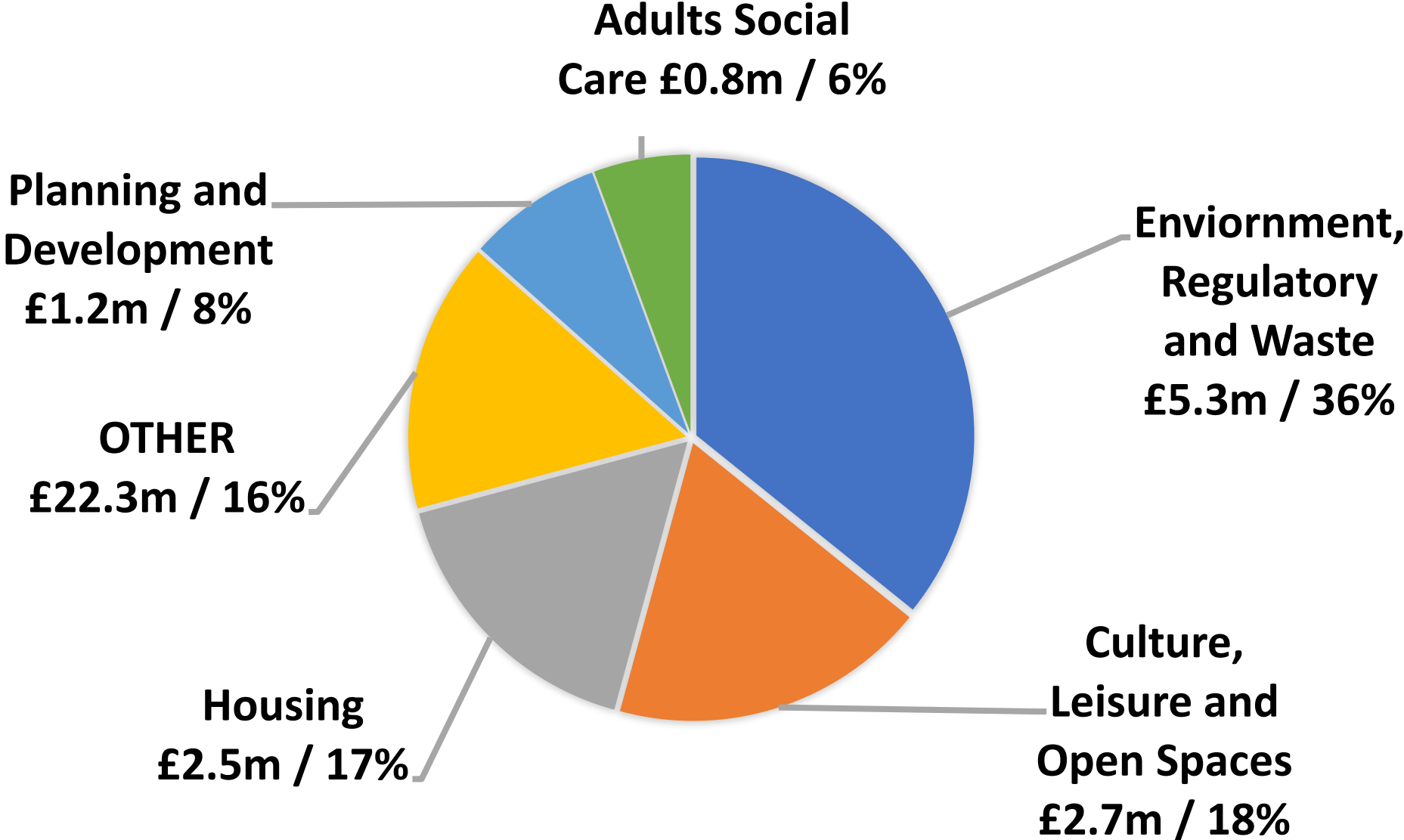
# Surrey County Council: Priorities

- A greener future
- Thriving and empowered communities
- A growing economy from which everyone benefits
- Reducing health inequalities
  
- No-one left behind
  
- Delivering quality services and value for money

# REVENUE SPENDING



# INDICATIVE DISTRICT/BOROUGH





# **Bookham Village Day engagement: residents' feedback...**

## ***People like:***

- The good sense of community and great neighbours
- Access to open, green spaces and nature.

## ***But, didn't like:***

- Heavy traffic
- A lack of parking

## ***And would like to see:***

- More for young families and children
- A swimming pool
- More shops in town

# The Bookhams (1 of 3): Roads

- Increase in funding for Surrey roads and pavements by £50m over the next two years
- Additional £15m in 2022/23 and £35m in 2023/24.
- Focus on local and residential roads with some of the funding being directly allocated by County Councillors to local priority areas
- Proportion determined through analysis of data such as road condition, safety issues and reports from the public.

# The Bookhams (2 of 3)

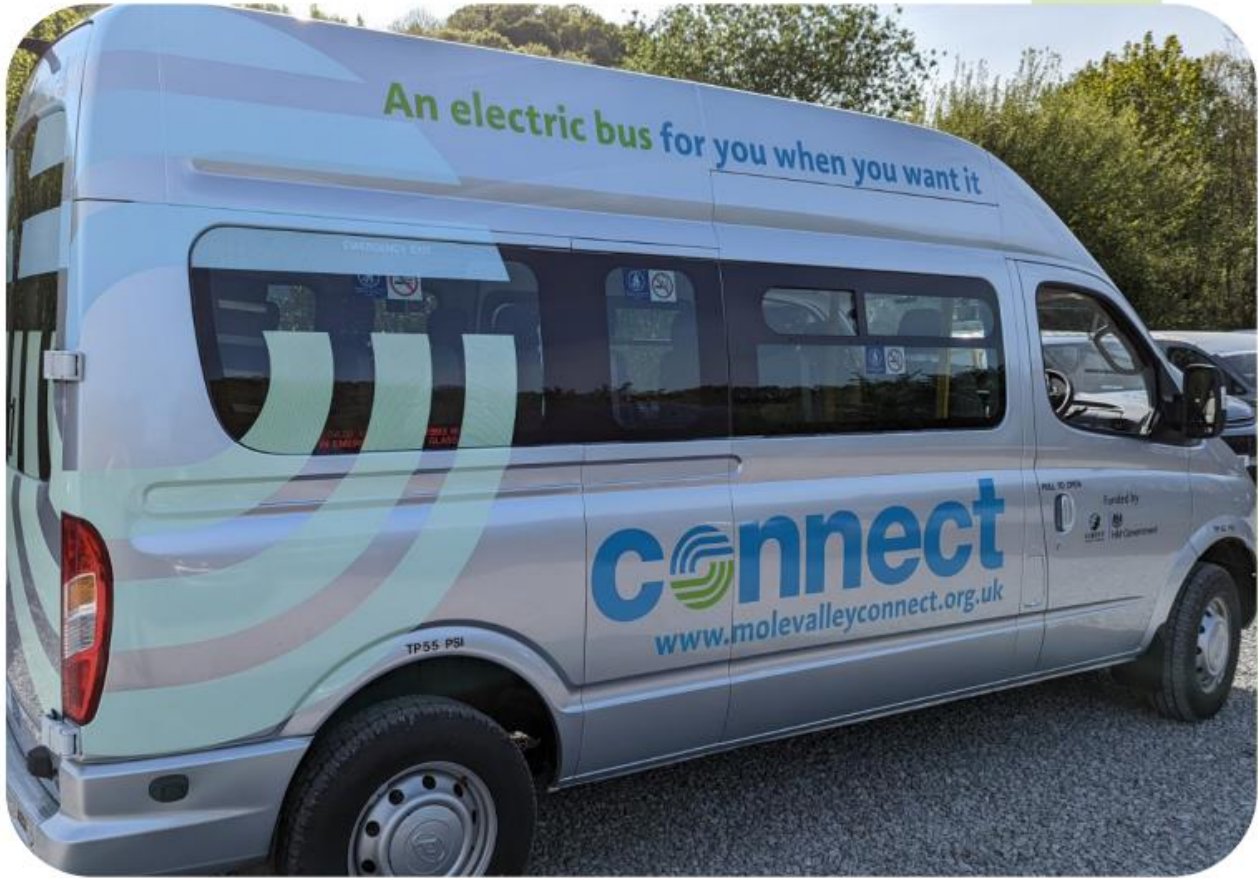
## **Infrastructure & Major Projects:**

- Bookham Station identified, with Network Rail, for possible accessibility upgrades
- Lower Road, Bookham (Preston Cross roundabout to Effingham,) in pipeline for pre-feasibility upgrade
- Youth Centre: designed and costed, inflation causing viability issues - being addressed

## **Environment**

- Successful tree planting projects, including review of planting opportunities/locations
- Successful tree giveaway at Bookham Library in March
- 'Admiral's Trail' byway upgrade: improved access

# The Bookhams (3 of 3): Transport



# Questions

