



Governance and Audit Committee Financial Update 28th September 2021



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To Cover

- Current Year Issues (Month 4 Report to Cabinet 23rd September)
- Budget Strategy Work 2022/23



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Month 4 Overview

Division	Net Budget £000	Projected Outturn £000	Variance £000	Summary of main areas of variance
Corporate Management / Cap. Financing	26,856	27,256	400	Capital financing £400k
Economic Development	8,048	9,911	1,863	£1.086m Culture, Venues, Events, £338k Sport & Leisure, £287k PDD, £230k Major Projects
Education (Retained)	293,485	294,080	595	+£114k School Transport, +£136k trading, +£232k EOTAS, +£504k Achievement, -£167k OOC
Governance & Legal Services	6,010	6,176	166	£35k external legal fees, £24k printing, £80k CMS / subscriptions
Housing & Communities	49,068	48,905	(163)	Underspend position projected
Performance and Partnerships	2,871	2,871	0	Balanced Position projected
Planning, Transport, Environment	5,928	6,299	371	+£371k Energy Management,
Recycling & NS	30,273	30,423	150	Pressures in Enforcement, Waste Disposal and Collections – Improved income Generation
Resources	14,770	14,570	(200)	Overall underspend mainly due to a level of in-year vacancies
Social Services - Adult's	120,279	120,324	45	+£430k on Commissioning. Offset by -£385k on Internal Services
Social Services - Children's	70,535	71,750	1,215	Assumes of reliance on £2.2m contingency
Total	628,123	632,565	4,442	



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COVID-19: Expenditure Claims to M4

Dir.	Description	April £000	May £000	June £000	July £000	Total £000
CMT	PPE, Additional Cleaning materials and Warehouse Costs	46	75	49		170
ECD	Economy Re-opening and City Stewarding costs	8	22	34		64
RNS	Additional Domestic Waste Processing	105	75	27		207
EDU	Free School Meals	407	58	56	570	1091
	Schools Costs – Additional Cleaning, Staffing and adaptations	125	194	266	118	703
HAC	Homelessness – Provision of food, Security, Staffing and NRPF costs	26	58	98	86	268
	Self Isolation Payments – Admin and Payments cost	104	42	47	229	422
Adult Services	Residential and Nursing Provider Voids	718	659	786	800	2,963
	Fee Uplift for Supported Living, Dom. Care, Residential and Nursing Providers	331	387	369	401	1,488
	SSP enhancement Scheme and Care Home Testing	29	156	0		185
CH D	Additional Staff / Placements	117	149	187	200	653
× Dir	Misc. Costs across Directorates – Add. Staff, Infection Cont	62	77	38	113	290
Council Total Claim		2,078	1,952	1,957	2,517	8,504

- Misc - relates to residual body storage ancillary costs and minor staffing & infection control claims across all directorates

COVID-19: Income Claims Q1

Description	Claimed	Reimbursed	Holding	Detail on Holdingg
Parking	964	964	0	
Planning	204	0	204	Planning timing of income
Property	523	523	0	
Schools Catering	130	130	0	
Schools	136	136	0	
Sport & Leisure	619	114	505	Timing of Claim
Venues	1,868	1,868	0	
Other	565	334	231	Licensing timing of Income
Council Total Claim	5,009	4,069	940	



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Budget Strategy 2022/23

Budget Gap of £21.3 million next year and £80.9 million over the next four years

Key Funding Announcements

- 27th October - UK Budget and Comprehensive Spending Review
- 21st December - Provisional Settlement

Key Work Streams over the Autumn

Savings

- Proposals required in respect of any remaining shortfalls to savings targets
- Further detail and due diligence required at pace on all savings proposals – to ensure that proposals are robust and deliverable on time

Financial Modelling

- Refine work on demand pressure - Social Services, Pupil Numbers (Sept on roll), FSM, CTRS - gage any impact of JRS ending
- Inflation - monitor CPI and any announcements in UK Budget (e.g. NLW) with potential implications for commissioned service costs in 2022/23
- Address issues inherent in the Month 4 monitoring position - per previous slide
- Further work on financial recovery of services, especially income funded areas - quantify risk and sensitivity analysis for 2022/23 position
- Consider construction materials supply and pricing pressures - impact on capital schemes and maintenance budgets, and identification of mitigations to manage these within existing resources

Other -Commence work on Fees and Charges proposals for 2022/23

Capital

- Not looking to expand our own funding (borrowing / capital receipts). Needs to be focussed consideration of priorities, as well as a realistic assessment of the capacity to deliver proposed schemes
- New schemes should be limited to external funding sources or ITS/ITE. Any ITS / ITE must be robust.



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