

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

**CABINET MEMBER FOR
STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP, CULTURE AND TOURISM**

5 September 2019

Joint Report of the Executive Director of Commissioning, Communities and Policy, the Executive Director of Economy, Transport and Environment and the Director of Finance & ICT

BUDGET MONITORING 2019-20 – PERIOD 3 (as at 30 June 2019)

1. Purpose of the Report

To provide the Cabinet Member with an update of the Revenue Budget position of the SLCT portfolio for 2019-20 up to the end of June 2019. (Period 3).

2. Information and Analysis

(2.1) Forecast Summary

The net controllable budget for the SLCT portfolio is £10.720m.

The Revenue Budget Monitoring Statement prepared at period 3 indicates that there is a projected year-end underspend of £0.280m.

The significant areas which make up this projection are shown in the table below:

| | Controllable Budget £m | Full Year Forecast £m | Forecasted (under)/over Spend £m |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| COMMISSIONING, CULTURE AND POLICY | | | |
| Communications | 1.049 | 0.950 | -0.099 |
| Policy | 1.849 | 1.738 | -0.111 |
| Call Derbyshire | 1.927 | 1.816 | -0.111 |
| Libraries | 7.034 | 7.091 | 0.057 |

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|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| TOTAL CCP | 11.859 | 11.595 | -0.264 |
| ECONOMY, TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT | | | |
| Conservation | 0.568 | 0.629 | 0.061 |
| Tourism & Twinning | 0.220 | 0.143 | -0.077 |
| TOTAL ETE | 0.788 | 0.772 | -0.016 |
| TOTAL SLCT | 12.647 | 12.367 | -0.280 |
| Total After Use of Reserves | 12.647 | 12.367 | -0.280 |

(2.2) Key Variances

2.2.1. Communications. underspend £0.099m

The main underspend relates to:

| | |
|------------------|---------|
| Staffing | £0.045m |
| Running expenses | £0.046m |

2.2.2. Policy and Research. Underspend £0.111m

Underspends relate to:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| G9 vacancy in Performance Management | £0.030m |
| VCS grants – CVP Bolsover folded | £0.015m |
| Running expenses | £0.035m |

2.2.3. Call Derbyshire. Underspend £0.111m

The underspend relates to staff turnover and vacancy control.

(2.3) Budget Savings

Budget reductions totaling £0.701m were allocated for the year.

It is forecast that £0.701m of savings will have been achieved by the year-end. The table below shows performance against the target.

| Identified Savings Initiatives | Budget Reduction Amount | Forecast to be Achieved by the end of 2019-20 | (Shortfall)/ Additional Savings Achieved |
|--|-------------------------|---|--|
| | £m | £m | £m |
| Call Derbyshire - staffing | 0.135 | 0.135 | 0.000 |
| Policy - staffing | 0.100 | 0.100 | 0.000 |
| Comms - Advertising Income | 0.102 | 0.102 | 0.000 |
| Libraries HQ ICT | 0.040 | 0.040 | 0.000 |
| Mobile Libraries | 0.050 | 0.050 | 0.000 |
| Materials Fund | 0.140 | 0.140 | 0.000 |
| Library Service - reduction in hours | 0.134 | 0.134 | 0.000 |
| Total of Identified Savings Initiatives | 0.701 | 0.701 | 0.000 |

(2.4) Growth Items and One-Off Funding

The portfolio received the following additional budget allocations in 2019/20:

2.4.1. Thriving Communities £0.368m (on going)

Funding to concentrate on three priorities in respect of rolling out the Council Plan commitment across Derbyshire: radically reshaping demand, unlocking community potential and creating an alliance for work and skills.

2.4.2. Enterprising Council £0.094m (ongoing)

Support for this programme of transformational change, which will affect the whole organization and is a Council Plan commitment.

2.4.3. Community Managed Libraries - £0.742m (one off)

Funding for the Council Plan commitment to introduce community managed libraries.

(2.5) Risks

No quantifiable risks identified.

(2.6) Earmarked Reserves

Earmarked reserves totaling £2.384m are currently held to support future expenditure. Details of these reserves are as follows:

| | Balance at 30.06.2019 £ |
|--|--|
| Policy & Research | |
| - Thriving Communities Initiative | 5,376 |
| - Performance Management | 133,460 |
| - Customer Segmentation | 80,000 |
| - Speech recognition | 100,000 |
| - GIS | 35,000 |
| - Action Grants | 529,866 |
| - Money Matters | 27,000 |
| Strategic Policy Underspends | |
| - Call Derbyshire - service improvement | 201,000 |
| - Web Chat solution | 12,000 |
| - Self Service Design templates | 14,010 |
| - Replacement social media platform | 25,000 |
| - Channel Shift | 197,731 |
| - Print & Design solution - Panacea | 17,747 |
| - Action Grant Publicity | 22,779 |
| - Thriving Communities Initiative | 20,000 |
| - Digital Developer Training | 21,000 |
| - Armed Forces Covenant | 12,500 |
| Partnership Forum | 29,007 |
| Arts Partnership | 66,559 |
| Library Strategy Implementation | 428,645 |
| Museum Acquisitions | 30,924 |
| EM RR - Made in Derbyshire | 45,500 |
| County Records | 48,779 |
| Paul Mellon Reserve | 7,343 |
| Arts Council | 84,560 |
| Proceeds Sale of Mobile Libraries | 37,600 |
| Digital Exclusion | 21,000 |
| Matinee - Paul Hamlyn Foundation | 57,747 |
| New Burdens | 71,612 |
| Total | 2,383,745 |

3. Financial Considerations

As detailed in the report.

4. Other Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: financial, legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality of

opportunity; and environmental, health, human resources, property, social value and transport considerations.

5. Key Decision

No.

6. Call-In

Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No.

7. Background Papers

Held on file within the CCP Department. Officer contact details – Claire Bell, extension 38756.

8. Officer Recommendations

That the Cabinet Member notes the report.

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