

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET MEMBER, HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES

5 December 2019

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

BUDGET MONITORING 2019-20 – PERIOD 7 (as at 31 October 2019) (HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO)

1. Purpose of the Report

To provide the Cabinet Member with an update of the Revenue Budget position of the Health and Communities portfolio for 2019-20 up to the end of 31 October 2019 (Period 7).

2. Information and Analysis

2.1 Forecast Summary

The net controllable budget for the Health and Communities portfolio is £4.258m. This figure includes the Public Health base budget of £39.477m which is fully funded by the ring-fenced Grant.

The Revenue Budget Monitoring Statement prepared at period 7 indicates that there is a projected year-end underspend of £56,000. Included in this figure is the projected year-end overspend against the ring-fenced Public Health Grant of £94,830.

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

	Controllable Budget £m	Projected Actuals £m	Forecast Over/(Under) Spend £m
Public Health – Live Life Better Derbyshire service	2.410	1.772	(0.638)
Public Health – support Children’s Centre delivery April-September met from in-year underspends	0.000	0.500	0.500

Public Health – additional funding to improve Social Connectedness met from in-year underspends	0.000	0.200	0.200
Trading Standards – reduced staffing costs following re-structure to deliver savings requirement for period 2019-22	1.327	1.154	(0.173)
Other minor balances	0.521	0.576	0.055
Total	4.258	4.202	(0.056)

2.2 Key Variances

2.2.1. Trading Standards underspend £0.173m

The current Trading Standards underspend can be attributed to planning for the achievement of the future savings requirement for the period 2019-22, one off funding to support older people in relation to scams and doorstep crime - this funding is yet to be committed, vacancies and additional income.

2.3 Budget Savings Targets

Budget Reductions	£m
Prior Year B/f	0.000
Current Year	0.157
Total Savings Target	0.157

The table below shows performance against each initiative.

Identified Savings Initiatives	Budget Reduction Amount £m	Forecast to be Achieved by the end of 2019-20 £m	(Shortfall)/ Additional Savings Achieved £m
Emergency Planning	0.057	0.057	0.000
Registrars	0.050	0.050	0.000

Community Safety Projects	0.049	0.049	0.000
Trading Standards Restructuring	0.050	0.050	0.000
Total of Identified Savings Initiatives	0.206	0.206	0.000
Shortfall/(Surplus) of Identified Savings	(0.049)		
Total Savings Target	0.157	0.206	0.049

2.4 Growth Items and One-Off Funding

The portfolio received the following additional one-off budget allocations in 2019-20:

2.4.1 Trading Standards – Older People - £0.048m one-off

Provide a sustained Awareness raising programme over 3 years to reduce the number of instances of fraudulent activity against Older People.

2.4.2 Community Safety - Digital MOT funding from POCA - £0.014m one-off

Technical development of Digital MOT on-line risk assessment to be hosted by Safer Derbyshire website.

2.5 Risks

There is a risk that the following issue will negatively impact on the portfolio's forecast outturn position reported in the Forecast Summary above:

Service	Risk	Sensitivity* £m	Likelihood 1 = Low, 5 = High
Coroners	National shortage of Pathologists will impact by increasing fees	0.069-0.101 per year	5

*Sensitivity represents the potential negative impact on the outturn position should the event occur.

2.6 Earmarked Reserves

Earmarked reserves totalling £10.306m are currently held to support future expenditure. Details of these reserves are as follows:

Reserve Description	Amount £m
Public Health Reserve	7.601
Public Health s256/Externally Funded Reserve	0.254
Community Safety – Domestic Violence	2.060
Community Safety	0.021
Syrian Refugee Project	0.079
Emergency Planning - Reservoirs	0.078
Proceeds of Crime	0.060
Trusted Trader	0.014
Trading Standards - Scams	0.057
Coroners – new accommodation at Derby	0.042
Coroners – new Case Management system	0.040
Total Earmarked Reserves	10.306

2.7 Debt Position

Debt figures relating to Public Health are included in the Adult Social Care and Health Department's figures as reported in the Adult Care portfolio month 7 budget monitoring report. Figures for the remainder of the portfolio are included in the Commissioning, Communities and Policy Department's figures as reported in the Council Services portfolio month 7 budget monitoring report.

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 Adult Social Care and Health, Commissioning Communities and Policy and Economy Transport and Environment Departments. Officer contact details – Karen Howes extension 38730 (Emergency Planning), Paula Littlewood extension 38922 (Community Safety, Trading Standards, Coroners and Registrars) and David King extension 38758 (Public Health).

8. Officer Recommendations

That the Cabinet Member notes the report.

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