

PUBLIC

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP, CULTURE AND TOURISM** held on 22 November 2019 at County Hall, Matlock

PRESENT

Cabinet Member – Councillor B Lewis

20/19 **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 24 October 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

21/19 **BUDGET MONITORING 2019-20 – PERIOD 5 (AS AT 31 AUGUST 2019)** The net controllable budget for the Strategic Leadership, Culture and Tourism portfolio was £12.746m. The Revenue Budget Monitoring Statement prepared at period 5 indicated that there was a projected year-end underspend of £0.255m. The significant areas which made up this projection were highlighted and the key variances were as follows:-

Communications – underspend £0.064m

The main underspend related to Your Derbyshire, now having 3 copies per year instead of 4 and running costs.

Policy and Research – underspend £0.148m

The main underspends related to staff vacancy and VCS grant to Bolsover CVP (no longer in operation).

Call Derbyshire – underspend £0.150m

The underspend related to staff turnover and vacancy control.

Tourism – underspend £0.083m

The underspend was due to reducing spend on tourism related activities in Derbyshire.

Heritage – overspend £0.071m

The overspend was due mainly to the Environmental Studies Service which had been allocated a budget saving in 2018-19 that had not yet been achieved.

Budget reductions totalling £0.701m had been allocated for the year. It was forecast that £0.701m of savings would have been achieved by the year-end, and these were detailed in the report.

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

- (i) 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.
- (ii) Enterprising Council £0.094m (ongoing)
Support for this programme of transformational change, which would affect the whole organisation and was a Council Plan commitment.
- (iii) Community Managed Libraries - £0.742m (one off)
Funding for the Council Plan commitment to introduce community managed libraries.

Earmarked reserves totalling £3.206m were currently held to support future expenditure and details of these reserves were presented.

RESOLVED to note the report

22/19 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES RESOLVED to replace Councillor Tony King with Councillor Garry Hickton as the Council's representative on the Elvaston Castle and Gardens Trust.