# **Blackpool Council – Community and Environmental Services**

# **Revenue summary - budget, actual and forecast:**

	BUDGET EXPENDITURE				VARIANCE	
	2016/17					2015/16
FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	ADJUSTED	EXPENDITURE	PROJECTED	FORECAST	F/CAST FULL	(UNDER)/OVER
	CASH LIMITED	APR - OCT	SPEND	OUTTURN	YEAR VAR.	SPEND B/FWD
	BUDGET				(UNDER) / OVER	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES						
NET EXPENDITURE						
BUSINESS SERVICES	969	639	330	969	-	(14)
LEISURE AND CATERING	4,088	3,169	822	3,991	(97)	-
PUBLIC PROTECTION	(330)	(1,533)	1,266	(267)	63	-
HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SERVICES	18,125	7,484	10,618	18,102	(23)	-
STREET CLEANSING AND WASTE	18,705	5,464	13,172	18,636	(69)	-
COASTAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIPS	3,071	1,314	1,757	3,071	-	-
INTEGRATED TRANSPORT	514	1,053	(475)	578	64	-
TOTALS	45,142	17,590	27,490	45,080	(62)	(14)

#### Commentary on the key issues:

#### **Directorate Summary - basis**

The Revenue summary (above) lists the outturn projection for each individual service within Community and Environmental Services against their respective, currently approved, revenue budget. Forecast outturns are based upon actual financial performance for the first 7 months of 2016/17 together with predictions of performance, anticipated pressures and efficiencies in the remainder of the financial year, all of which have been agreed with each head of service.

### Leisure and Catering

There is a forecast underspend of £97k due to savings on provisions.

### **Public Protection**

Public Protection is over budget by £63k due to a forecast pressure at the end of the South Beach Selective Licensing Scheme.

### **Highways and Traffic Management Services**

Highways are under budget by £23k, but there is still a £67k pressure on Shelters due to income, which is offset by savings on maintenance and additional scheme income.

### **Street Cleansing and Waste**

Street Cleansing and Waste is under budget by £69k after a rigorous and determined review of forecast income and expenditure. The Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) budget position has improved significantly as a result of the aforementioned review and is now showing as £77k over. Unfortunately there is still a decrease in the level of income forecast from recycling waste which is due to a downturn in the recyclate markets and higher costs of recycling materials. The service is pro-actively managing the pressure.

The £856k PFI Grant is no longer available and is being considered along with Lancashire County Council in the review of the operation of the recycling plants, with the risk being covered against the specific Waste PFI reserve in 2016/17.

## **Integrated Transport**

Integrated Transport is £64k over budget due to a pressure on public transport contracts.

# **Conclusion – Community and Environmental Services financial position**

As at the end of month 7 the Community and Environmental Services Directorate is forecasting an overall underspend of £62k for the financial year to March 2017 as detailed above. The pressure due to the loss of the Waste PFI grant has been offset against reserves in 2016/17.

# Budget Holder - Mr J Blackledge, Director of Community and Environmental Services