

Report to:	TOURISM, ECONOMY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Steve Thompson, Director of Resources
Date of Meeting	25 October 2017

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE MONITORING AS AT MONTH 4 2017/2018

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To consider the level of spending against the Council's Revenue and Capital budgets for the first four months to 31 July 2017.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To consider the report and to identify any further issues for scrutiny as appropriate.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

3.1 To ensure financial performance against the Council's Revenue and Capital Budget is kept under review by members.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

Not applicable.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 The relevant Council Priority is 'The economy: Maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool.'

5.0 Background Information

5.1 This report is the standard monthly financial performance monitoring report, which sets out the summary revenue budget position for the Council and its individual directorates for month 4, the period April 2017 – July 2017, together with an outlook for the remainder of the year. The report is complemented with an assessment of progress to date against the Council's latest capital programme.

5.2 The report was considered by the Executive at its meeting of 9 October 2017. Committee Members are advised that the Executive agreed:

1) To note the report.

2) To continue to lobby Government along with other local authorities facing similar pressures and the Local Government Association for more funding to cope with the mounting demand and new burdens presenting in Children's Services.

3) To require the respective directors and Director of Resources to continue to closely monitor and manage service financial and operational performances, specifically Children's Services, Strategic Leisure Assets, Treasury Management/Business Loans Fund and Parking Services.

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

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Appendix 3a - Chief Executive

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Appendix 5 - Cash Flow Summary

Appendix 6 - General Fund Balance Sheet Summary

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 None.

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 None

8.0 Equalities considerations:

8.1 An Equalities Impact Assessment was produced as a part of the budget setting process and remains relevant.

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 See reports and appendices to this report.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 Impact of financial performance on Council balances. Financial performance against approved Revenue and Capital budgets.

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None

12.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

12.1 None

13.0 Background papers:

13.1 None