Blackpool Council – Community and Environmental Services

Revenue summary - budget, actual and forecast:

	BUDGET	EXPENDITURE			VARIANCE	
	2018/19					2017/18
FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	ADJUSTED	EXPENDITURE	PROJECTED	FORECAST	F/CAST FULL	(UNDER)/OVER
	CASH LIMITED	APR - NOV	SPEND	OUTTURN	YEAR VAR.	SPEND B/FWD
	BUDGET				(UNDER) / OVER	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES						
NET EXPENDITURE						
BUSINESS SERVICES	504	515	(104)	411	(93)	-
LEISURE AND CATERING	2,515	3,925	(1,175)	2,750	235	-
PUBLIC PROTECTION	332	561	(265)	296	(36)	-
HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SERVICES	16,225	9,625	6,600	16,225	-	-
STREET CLEANSING AND WASTE	18,687	7,982	10,624	18,606	(81)	-
COASTAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIPS	4,594	2,585	2,022	4,607	13	-
INTEGRATED TRANSPORT	643	1,256	(653)	603	(40)	-
TOTALS	43,500	26,449	17,049	43,498	(2)	-

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 8 months of 2018/19 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.

Business Services

There is a £93k surplus due to savings made to assist in funding pressures across the Directorate.

Leisure and Catering

There is a forecast pressure of £235k. The majority of this pressure relates to Leisure Service income and the loss of catering contracts. This is an increase of £10k from period 7, the main change relates to reduced income in Leisure Services.

Public Protection

There is a forecast surplus of £36k due to an improvement in income and continuing vacancies.

Highways and Traffic Management Services

This service is now forecasting a break-even position.

Street Cleansing and Waste

Street Cleansing and Waste has a surplus of £81k, this increased surplus continues to be due to savings on service contracts and additional income.

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 2018/19.

Coastal and Environmental Partnerships

There is £13k pressure now forecast in this area due to increased utility costs relating to Marton Mere Pumping station.

Integrated Transport

There is a net surplus of £40k due to income.

Conclusion – Community and Environmental Services financial position

As at the end of month 8 the Community and Environmental Services Directorate is forecasting a £2k underspend position for the financial year to March 2019 as detailed above. The pressure due to the loss of the Waste PFI grant has been offset against reserves in 2018/19.

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