**FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE MONITORING AS AT MONTH 9 2018/19**

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 The level of spending against the Council’s Revenue and Capital budgets for the first 9 months to 31 December 2018.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To note the report.

2.2 To continue to lobby Government (HM Treasury, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and the Department for Education in particular) along with local authority peers, the Local Government Association and the Association of Directors of Children’s Services for more funding to cope with the mounting demand and new burdens presenting in Children’s Services.

2.3 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 and Parking Services.

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:

None.

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 See reports and appendices circulated to members under separate cover.

5.2 Does the information submitted include any exempt information? No

5.3 List of Appendices:
Report
Appendix 1 - Revenue Summary
Appendix 2 - Schedule of Service forecast overspendings
Appendix 3a - Chief Executive
Appendix 3b - Governance and Partnership Services
Appendices 3b/c - Ward Budgets
Appendix 3d - Resources
Appendix 3e – Communications and Regeneration
Appendix 3f - Strategic Leisure Assets
Appendix 3g - Community and Environmental Services
Appendix 3h - Adult Services
Appendix 3i - Children’s Services
Appendix 3j - Public Health
Appendix 3k - Budgets Outside the Cash Limit
Appendix 4 - Capital Monitoring
Appendix 5 - Cash Flow Summary
Appendix 6 - General Fund Balance Sheet Summary

(All circulated to members under separate cover)

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 None.

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 See reports and appendices circulated to members under separate cover.
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 circulated to members under separate cover.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

11.0 Ethical considerations:
11.1 None.

12.0 Internal/External Consultation undertaken:
12.1 None.

13.0 Background papers:
13.1 None.

14.0 Key decision information:
14.1 Is this a key decision? No
14.2 If so, Forward Plan reference number:
14.3 If a key decision, is the decision required in less than five days? N/A
14.4 If yes, please describe the reason for urgency:

15.0 Call-in information:
15.1 Are there any grounds for urgency, which would cause this decision to be exempt from the call-in process? No
15.2 If yes, please give reason:
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16.0 Scrutiny Committee Chairman (where appropriate):

   Date informed:   N/A   Date approved:   N/A

17.0 Declarations of interest (if applicable):

17.1 None.

18.0 Executive decision:

18.1 The Executive resolved as follows:

   1. To note the report.

   2. To continue to lobby Government (HM Treasury, Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government and the Department for Education in particular) along with local authority peers, the Local Government Association and the Association of Directors of Children’s Services 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 and Parking Services.

18.2 Date of Decision:

   4 February 2019

19.0 Reason(s) for decision:

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

19.1 Date Decision published:

   5 February 2019
20.0  Executive Members present:

20.1  Councillor Blackburn, in the Chair

   Councillor Benson, Campbell, Cross, Jackson, Kirkland, Smith, I Taylor and Mrs Wright

21.0  Call-in:

21.1

22.0  Notes:

22.1