

## Blackpool Council – Community and Environmental Services

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

FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	BUDGET	EXPENDITURE			VARIANCE	2014/15 (UNDER)/OVER SPEND B/FWD £000
	ADJUSTED CASH LIMITED BUDGET £000	2015/16				
		EXPENDITURE	PROJECTED	FORECAST	F/CAST FULL	
		APR - AUG	SPEND	OUTTURN	YEAR VAR.	
£000	£000	£000	£000	(UNDER) / OVER £000	£000	
<b>COMMUNITY &amp; ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES</b>						
<b>NET EXPENDITURE</b>						
BUILDING SERVICES	88	206	(18)	88	-	
BUILDING CLEANING	(16)	269	(385)	(16)	-	
CONVENIENCES	926	291	643	934	8	
HIGHWAYS	14,314	123	14,167	14,290	(24)	
TRANSPORT	700	(184)	893	709	9	
STREET LIGHT PFI & COASTAL PARTNERSHIP	4,251	446	3,811	4,257	6	
ENFORCEMENT AND QUALITY STANDARDS	95	(1,954)	2,035	81	(14)	
CVMU	(6)	159	(165)	(6)	-	
INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SERVICES	167	590	(423)	167	-	
TRAVEL AND ROAD SAFETY	52	168	33	201	149	
WASTE MANAGEMENT	15,313	4,298	11,083	15,381	68	
STREET CLEANSING AND LEAF	3,011	1,065	1,918	2,983	(28)	
PARKS	1,711	385	1,349	1,734	23	
CATERING SERVICES	331	(819)	1,180	361	30	
LEISURE FACILITIES & SPORT DEVELOPMENT	1,921	(94)	2,033	1,939	18	
BUSINESS SERVICES	1,316	103	1,180	1,283	(33)	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>44,074</b>	<b>5,052</b>	<b>39,234</b>	<b>44,286</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>-</b>

### Commentary on the key issues:

#### Community and Environmental Services - Directorate Summary

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 5 months of 2015/16 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.

Waste Management has a net pressure of £68k at the Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) due to a decrease in the level of income forecast from recycling waste which is due to a downturn in the recycle markets. The £856k PFI Grant is no longer available and is subject to judicial review, with the risk being covered against the specific Waste PFI reserve.

Travel and Road Safety's position has improved by £6k from Period 4 to £149k pressure - additional savings are still being sought to offset previously agreed CSR savings. The main component of this pressure is a proposed CSR saving no longer deemed achievable. A further review of the service is being undertaken.

The pressure on Leisure due to the closure of Woodlands Pool and transport costs for school swimming has improved by £24k in Period 5 to give a net pressure of £18k. Negotiation of transport costs and increasing the charge to schools has partially offset the pressure.

There are various other savings and pressures across the remaining services that net off to a surplus of £23k.

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

Community and Environmental Services' position is £212k over budget due to a £68k pressure on Waste because of a fall in the market for recycled materials, Travel and Road Safety pressures of £149k, a £18k pressure on Leisure due to transportation costs and the closure of Woodlands Pool and various minor savings and pressures across other services that net off to a net surplus of £23k. Risk on the Waste PFI grant has been offset against reserves.

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