

## 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
	2015/16					
	ADJUSTED CASH LIMITED BUDGET £000	EXPENDITURE APR - OCT £000	PROJECTED SPEND £000	FORECAST OUTTURN £000	F/CAST FULL YEAR VAR. (UNDER) / OVER £000	
<b>COMMUNITY &amp; ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES</b>						
<b>NET EXPENDITURE</b>						
BUILDING CLEANING	(116)	116	(190)	(74)	42	
CONVENIENCES	926	547	387	934	8	
HIGHWAYS	14,207	7,692	6,515	14,207	-	
TRANSPORT	700	72	628	700	-	
STREET LIGHT PFI & COASTAL PARTNERSHIP	4,485	1,418	3,076	4,494	9	
ENFORCEMENT AND QUALITY STANDARDS	95	(1,275)	1,362	87	(8)	
CVMU	(6)	206	(212)	(6)	-	
INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SERVICES	167	256	(89)	167	-	
TRAVEL AND ROAD SAFETY	52	163	56	219	167	
WASTE MANAGEMENT	15,308	6,186	9,156	15,342	34	
STREET CLEANSING AND LEAF	2,984	1,447	1,509	2,956	(28)	
PARKS	1,705	818	901	1,719	14	
CATERING SERVICES	331	(511)	830	319	(12)	
LEISURE FACILITIES & SPORT DEVELOPMENT	2,012	1,518	642	2,160	148	
BUSINESS SERVICES	1,259	599	619	1,218	(41)	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>44,109</b>	<b>19,252</b>	<b>25,190</b>	<b>44,442</b>	<b>333</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 7 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 £34k, an improvement of £17k from Period 6 due to additional income generated by Trade Waste. This is partially offsetting pressures 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 deteriorated by £6k in Period 7 to a pressure of £167k due to the net effect of reviewing the forecast for School Bus Routes as part of the ongoing review of this service. The main component of this pressure is a proposed CSR saving no longer deemed achievable.

The pressure on Leisure at Period 7 is unchanged at £148k due to a revised forecast of Leisure income. This includes the pressure on Woodlands Pool and School Swimming transport of £18k.

Building Cleaning is showing a pressure of £42k due to increased staffing costs. The service is looking to make efficiencies and will review income levels as part of the 2016/17 Service Level Agreement (SLA).

Catering is showing an improvement of £42k from Period 6 to an under spend of £12k due to efficiencies on staffing and provisions.

Building Services has transferred to Property Services (incl. Investment Portfolio) within the Resources Directorate.

Other services have savings and pressures that net off to a total saving of £46k. This includes efficiencies in Business Services of £41k achieved by holding vacancies.

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

Community and Environmental Services' position is £333k over budget due to a £34k pressure on Waste because of a fall in the market for recycled materials, Travel and Road Safety pressures of £167k, a £148k pressure on Leisure due to a revised forecast of Leisure income and £42k pressure on Building Cleaning due to staffing costs. Catering is under budget by £12k due to efficiencies on staffing and provisions and there are savings and pressures in other services that net off to a surplus of £46k. Risk on the Waste PFI grant has been offset against reserves.

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