

Blackpool Council – Community and Environmental Services

Revenue summary - budget, actual and forecast:

FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	BUDGET	EXPENDITURE			VARIANCE	2018/19 (UNDER)/OVER SPEND B/FWD
	2019/20					
	ADJUSTED CASH LIMITED BUDGET £000	EXPENDITURE APR - JUL £000	PROJECTED SPEND £000	FORECAST OUTTURN £000	F/CAST FULL YEAR VAR. (UNDER) / OVER £000	
COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES						
NET EXPENDITURE						
BUSINESS SERVICES	453	94	97	191	(262)	-
LEISURE AND CATERING	2,923	(2,525)	5,512	2,987	64	-
PUBLIC PROTECTION	511	(1,797)	2,248	451	(60)	-
HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SERVICES	16,892	(38)	16,848	16,810	(82)	-
STREET CLEANSING AND WASTE	18,031	927	17,104	18,031	-	-
COASTAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIPS	3,979	806	3,173	3,979	-	-
INTEGRATED TRANSPORT	707	(48)	833	785	78	-
TOTALS	43,496	(2,581)	45,815	43,234	(262)	-

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 4 months of 2019/20 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

This service is currently forecasting a £262k surplus. The 2019/20 target savings of £747k is also being met.

Leisure and Catering

This service is currently forecasting a pressure of £64k. Leisure Services, where Health and Fitness income is down against budget, is showing an improvement on the month 3 forecast, as a restructure within the service has provided savings to reduce the forecast overspend. Projects are also being put in place to help improve income streams. The balance of the pressure will be off-set by savings elsewhere in the Directorate.

Public Protection

This service is currently forecasting a £60k surplus, due to staffing vacancies which will not be filled. This surplus will be used to off-set pressures elsewhere in the Directorate.

Highways and Traffic Management Services

This service is currently forecasting a surplus of £82k due to staffing vacancies and increased Scheme Income. This surplus will be used to off-set pressures elsewhere in the Directorate.

Street Cleansing and Waste

This service is fully expecting to deliver the £570k saving budgeted this year for refuse collection, with Envoco NW commencing operations on 1st July 2019. The service as a whole is currently forecasting a break-even position.

Coastal and Environmental Partnerships

This service is currently forecasting a break-even position.

Integrated Transport

This service is currently forecasting a pressure of £78k. There is a target saving of £90k for school crossing patrols, but this will not be met. There are, however, one-off small savings identified within other areas, but the pressure will still amount to £78k. Use of savings being achieved in other areas will address this issue in 2019/20.

Conclusion – Community and Environmental Services financial position

At the end of July 2019, the Community and Environmental Services Directorate is forecasting a £262k surplus. There are ongoing pressures within Leisure and Integrated Transport, which are being addressed through savings achieved elsewhere in the Directorate whilst the services produce plans to address the underlying problems.

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