

Renewal & Recreation Portfolio - Budget Monitoring - 30 September 2013**Summary of latest financial position**

2012/13 Actuals £'000	Division Service Areas	2013/14 Original Budget £'000	2013/14 Latest Approved £'000	2013/14 Projection £'000	Variation £'000	Notes	Variation Last Reported £'000	Full Year Effect £'000
	R&R PORTFOLIO							
0	Commissioning Fund							
	Commissioning Fund	0	0	0	0		0	0
0		0	0	0	0		0	0
	Housing Strategy & Development							
(4)	Housing Strategy & Development	(18)	(16)	(16)	0		0	0
(4)		(18)	(16)	(16)	0		0	0
	Planning							
3	Building Control	(7)	1	(16)	(17)	1	0	0
(165)	Land Charges	(169)	(168)	(168)	0		0	0
939	Planning	582	693	568	(125)	2	(115)	0
1,240	Renewal	1,127	1,163	1,173	10	3	15	0
2,017		1,533	1,689	1,557	(132)		(100)	0
	Recreation							
2,313	Culture	2,036	2,049	2,049	0		0	0
4,841	Libraries	4,762	4,798	4,893	95	4	65	0
304	Town Centre Management & Business Supt	249	251	251	0		0	0
7,458		7,047	7,098	7,193	95		65	0
9,471	TOTAL CONTROLLABLE R&R PORTFOLIO	8,562	8,771	8,734	(37)		(35)	0
22,045	TOTAL NON-CONTROLLABLE	1,812	2,007	2,007	0		0	0
2,052	TOTAL EXCLUDED RECHARGES	2,260	2,201	2,201	0		0	0
33,568	TOTAL R&R PORTFOLIO	12,634	12,979	12,942	(37)		(35)	0

Reconciliation of latest approved budget**£'000****Original budget 2013/14****12,634**

Repairs & Maintenance (carried forward from 2012-13)

195

Allocation of Localisation & Conditions Pay Award

94

Centralisation of training budgets

(4)

Carry forward sum for Local Plan

60

Latest Approved Budget 2013/14**12,979**

1) Building Control Cr £17k

For the chargeable service, an income deficit of £40k is anticipated based on information to date. This is being offset by a projected underspend within salaries of £40k arising from reduced hours being worked and vacancies.

Within the non-chargeable service, as a result in delays in not appointing to vacant posts, there is a projected underspend of £17k.

2) Planning Cr £125k

Income from non-major planning applications is £13k below budget for the first six months of the year, and a deficit of £25k is projected for the year. Actual income for the period April to September 2013 is £18k higher than that received for the same period last year, and is largely attributable to the 15% price increase that was introduced in November 2012.

For major applications, £277k has been received as at 30th September. Additionally, a further £33k has been received during early October. Therefore, total income to date is £310k. Planning officers within the majors team have provided a schedule of additional potential income that may be received in the coming months of approximately £200k, and therefore a surplus of £125k is projected from major applications at this stage of the year, allowing for delays to a few of the proposed developments.

This projected surplus is due to a large number of major applications that require a higher fee. There appears to be growing optimism in the market but the trend is relatively volatile, and therefore this surplus is not currently expected to continue into 2014-15.

There is a projected deficit within income from the address management service of £10k due to lower volumes than previously expected.

There are projected surpluses within pre-application income of £30k, and income from discharge of planning conditions of £5k, both due to higher activity levels than previously anticipated.

At this stage no additional costs are projected for appeals lost. New processes and procedures were introduced at the start of this year and it is hoped these costs will be reduced compared to previous years. The situation will be closely monitored and any major variations reported back to Members.

Summary of variations within Planning

Surplus income from non-major applications	£'000
Surplus income from major applications	25
Income deficit within address management	(125)
Surplus income from pre-applications	10
Surplus income from discharge of conditions	(30)
Total variation for Planning	(5)
	(125)

3) Renewal £10k

There is a projected overspend within Renewal salaries of £10k. This is largely due to employing more expensive agency cover as backfill for a secondment to the planning section.

4) Libraries Dr £95k

There is an overspend within Library IT budgets of £65k. This is largely due to delays incurred in the replacement of the Library Management System (LMS) and additional costs associated with the transfer of data between the current and incumbent LMS suppliers.

There is a projected income deficit of £30k. This comprises of a deficit of £36k on income from library fines, and a net surplus of £6k across other items. Year on year customers are borrowing fewer items overall which is having an adverse effect on income budgets.

The net overspend across Libraries of £95k is being more than offset by additional income generated within planning.

Details of virements since last monitoring report

None

Analysis of Members' Initiatives - Earmarked Reserves @ 30.9.13

Item	Divison / Service Area	Responsible Officer	Allocation £'000	Total spend during 2012/13 £'000	Spend to Date 2013/14 £'000	Commitments & planned expenditure £'000	Total spend & commitments £'000	Balance available £'000	Comments on Progress of Scheme
Investment in small shopping parades	Recreation - Town Centre Management & Business Support	Martin Pinnell	250	17	15	198	230	20	At this stage, it is anticipated that the remaining balance of £20k will be spent in 2014/15.
Tackling youth unemployment	Recreation - Business Support	Hannah Jackson	500	0	0	61	61	439	This is a 3 year project. Estimated spend for 2014/15 is £230k and for 2015/16 £209k.
Beckenham Town Centre public realm improvements	Planning - Renewal	Kevin Munnelly	250	45	13	42	100	150	Remaining balance of £150k to be spent during 2014/15.
TOTAL			1,000	62	28	301	391	609	