

Finance Monitoring Report – May 2023

To: Communities, Social Mobility and Inclusion Committee

Meeting Date: 6 July 2023

Executive Director of Strategy and Partnerships
Service Director of Finance and Procurement

Electoral division(s): All

Key decision: No

Outcome: To provide the Committee with the May 2023 financial position for the services within the remit of the Committee.

The report is presented to provide the Committee with the opportunity to comment on the financial position as at the end of May 2023.

Recommendation: The Committee is recommended to:

Review and comment on the report.

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1. Background

- 1.1 Finance Monitoring Reports (FMR) are produced monthly, except for April, by all services. They report on a range of financial information to enable a view of each service's financial position to be taken.
- 1.2 Budgets for services are agreed by Full Council in the business plan in February of each year and can be amended in-year by budget virements. In particular, the FMR provides a revenue budget forecast showing the current projection of whether services expect to be over or underspent at the end of the current financial year against those budgets.
- 1.3 The services within the remit of this Committee span two separate service areas within the Council; Domestic Violence and Regulatory Services (Registration, Coroners and Trading Standards) sit within Place and Sustainability, whilst Communities, Employment and Skills services (including Libraries) and the Local Assistance Scheme are now within Strategy and Partnerships.
- 1.4 Rather than presenting two separate Finance Monitoring Reports (FMRs) to this Committee, the relevant revenue and capital lines from both the Place and Sustainability and the Strategy and Partnerships FMR's are summarised below. The full reports for Place and Sustainability and Strategy and Partnerships will be presented to the Highways and Transport and Strategy and Resources Committees respectively and will also be published online (see 6.2).

2. Main Issues - Revenue

- 2.1 At the end of May 2023, the budgets within the remit of the Communities, Social Mobility and Inclusion Committee are currently forecasting a balanced outturn position.

Previous Forecast Outturn Variance £000's	Committee	Directorate	Budget 2023/24 £000's	Actual May 2023 £000's	Forecast Outturn Variance £000's	Forecast Outturn Variance %
		Place & Sustainability: Community Safety & Regulatory Service				
0	CSMI	Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Service	2,577	-70	0	0%
0	CSMI	Registration & Citizenship Services	-757	-94	0	0%
0	CSMI	Coroners	2,080	243	0	0%
	CSMI	Trading Standards	779	-105	0	0%
0		Community Safety & Regulatory Service Total	4,679	-26	0	0%
		Strategy & Partnerships: Communities Employment & Skills				

Previous Forecast Outturn Variance £000's	Committee	Directorate	Budget 2023/24 £000's	Actual May 2023 £000's	Forecast Outturn Variance £000's	Forecast Outturn Variance %
0	CSMI	Strategic Management - CES	38	-8,884	0	0%
0	CSMI	Public Library Services	3,861	714	0	0%
0	CSMI	Cambridgeshire Skills	0	72	0	0%
0	CSMI	Archives	400	68	0	0%
0	CSMI	Cultural Services	118	-7	0	0%
0	CSMI	Communities Service	1,144	-174	0	0%
0	CSMI	Changing Futures & Projects	0	-491	0	0%
0		Communities Employment & Skills Total	5,561	-8,701	0	0%
0	CSMI	Strategy & Partnerships: Other Local Assistance Scheme	300	0	0	0%
0		CSMI Services Total	10,540	-8,727	0	0%

3. Main Issues - Capital

- 3.1 At the end of May 2023, the capital programmes within the remit of the committee have no significant variances to report.
- 3.2 The revised capital budget for 2023/24 is £4.791m, with total expenditure to the end of May totalling £17k.

Scheme category	Schemes Budget £000	Schemes Forecast variance £000	2023-24 budget £000	2023-24 actuals £000	2023-24 forecast variance £000
Capitalisation of Policy, Design and Delivery Team	12,612		1,682	0	
Community Fund	5,000		1,641	0	
Histon Library Rebuild	97		5	1	
Libraries - Open access & touchdown facilities	1,172		875	16	
Library Minor Works	85		71	0	
EverySpace - Library Improvement Fund	389		310	0	
Darwin Green Library	152		152	0	
Cherry Hinton Library	55		55	0	
TOTAL	19,562		4,791	17	

3.3 Existing schemes re-phasing - the following schemes will be proposed to the Strategy and Resources Committee on 11 July 2023 for re-phasing following a review of actual spend vs budget in 2022-23 and budget required in 2023-24 to deliver the scheme.

Scheme	Total Scheme Budget £000	Original Budget 2023/24 (as per BP) £000	Re-phased Budget into 2023/24 £000	New Total Budget 2023/24 £000	Notes
Library Minor works	85	0	71	71	Small works in libraries, work needs re-profiling, funded by S106
Histon Library Re-Build	97	0	5	5	Final amount owed
EverySpace - Library Improvement Fund	389	301	9	310	Minor movement in the expenditure profile
Libraries - Open access & touchdown facilities	1,172	492	383	875	The scope and capacity of this project has changed, the project manager will provide an update later in the year for a steer towards how this project should be delivered going forward.
Community Fund	5,000	1,722	-81	1,641	Funding spent in advance of the profile set, reduce 2023-24 budget

4. Alignment with ambitions

4.1 Net zero carbon emissions for Cambridgeshire by 2045, and our communities and natural environment are supported to adapt and thrive as the climate changes
There are no significant implications for this priority.

4.2 Travel across the county is safer and more environmentally sustainable
There are no significant implications for this priority.

4.3 Health inequalities are reduced
There are no significant implications for this priority.

4.4 People enjoy healthy, safe, and independent lives through timely support that is most suited to their needs
There are no significant implications for this priority.

- 4.5 Helping people out of poverty and income inequality
There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 4.6 Places and communities prosper because they have a resilient and inclusive economy, access to good quality public services and social justice is prioritised
There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 4.7 Children and young people have opportunities to thrive
There are no significant implications for this priority.

5. Significant Implications

5.1 Resource Implications

This report sets out details of the overall financial position of the services within the remit of the Committee.

5.2 Procurement/Contractual/Council Contract Procedure Rules Implications There are no significant implications within this category.

5.3 Statutory, Legal and Risk Implications There are no significant implications within this category.

5.4 Equality and Diversity Implications There are no significant implications within this category.

5.5 Engagement and Communications Implications There are no significant implications within this category.

5.6 Localism and Local Member Involvement There are no significant implications within this category.

5.7 Public Health Implications There are no significant implications within this category.

5.8 Environment and Climate Change Implications on Priority Areas: There are no significant implications within this category.

5.8.1 Implication 1: Energy efficient, low carbon buildings.
Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A
Explanation:

5.8.2 Implication 2: Low carbon transport.
Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A
Explanation:

5.8.3 Implication 3: Green spaces, peatland, afforestation, habitats and land management.
Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A
Explanation:

5.8.4 Implication 4: Waste Management and Tackling Plastic Pollution.

Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A

Explanation:

5.8.5 Implication 5: Water use, availability and management:

Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A

Explanation:

5.8.6 Implication 6: Air Pollution.

Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A

Explanation:

5.8.7 Implication 7: Resilience of our services and infrastructure, and supporting vulnerable people to cope with climate change.

Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A

Explanation:

Have the resource implications been cleared by Finance? Yes

Name of Financial Officer: Martin Wade / Clare Andrews

Have the procurement/contractual/ Council Contract Procedure Rules implications been cleared by the Head of Procurement? N/A

Name of Officer:

Has the impact on statutory, legal and risk implications been cleared by the Council's Monitoring Officer or Pathfinder Legal? N/A

Name of Legal Officer:

Have the equality and diversity implications been cleared by your EqIA Super User?

N/A

Name of Officer:

Have any engagement and communication implications been cleared by Communications?

N/A

Name of Officer:

Have any localism and Local Member involvement issues been cleared by your Service Contact? N/A

Name of Officer:

Have any Public Health implications been cleared by Public Health?

N/A

Name of Officer:

If a Key decision, have any Environment and Climate Change implications been cleared by the Climate Change Officer?

N/A

Name of Officer:

6. Source Documents

- 6.1 As well as presentation of the FMR to Committees, reports are made available online each month - [Finance monitoring reports - Cambridgeshire County Council](#)