# Finance Monitoring Report – January 2022

To: Communities, Social Mobility & Inclusion Committee

Meeting Date: 10 March 2022

From: Executive Director: People and Communities

Director of Public Health Chief Finance Officer

Electoral division(s): All

Key decision: No

Forward Plan ref: N/A

Outcome: To provide the Committee with the January 2022 Finance Monitoring

Report for People and Communities and Public Health.

The report is presented to provide the Committee with the opportunity to comment on the financial position as at the end of January 2022.

Recommendation: The Committee is asked 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 detailed FMR for People and Communities (P&C) and Public Health (PH) is attached at Appendix 2. This report covers the whole of the P&C, and PH Service, and as such, not all of the budgets contained within it are the responsibility of this Committee. Members are requested to restrict their attention to the budget lines for which this Committee is responsible, which are detailed in Appendix 1.
- 1.4 The table below provides a summary of the budget totals relating to CSM&I Committee:

Forecast Outturn Variance (Previous) £000	Directorate	Budget 2021/22 £000	Actual Jan 22	Forecast Outturn Variance £000
456	Communities and Partnerships	11,506	8,784	428
456	Total Expenditure	11,506	8,784	428
0	Grant Funding (including Adult Education Budget etc.)	-4,321	-4,193	0
456	Total	7,185	4,591	428

A more detailed breakdown may be found on page 16 of Appendix 2. Please note that the Youth and Community budgets are excluded from the above as they report into CYP Committee.

#### 2. Main Issues - Revenue

- 2.1 At the end of January 2022, the overall P&C position shows a forecast underspend of £9,028k; around -3% of budget. The budgets within the remit of CS&I are currently forecasting an overspend of £428k (+4% of budget).
- 2.1.2 The significant issues as highlighted in the main FMR are:

Public Library Services continue to report a pressure of £301k as a result of a reduction in income related to the Covid-19 pandemic. See note number 8, on page 25 of Appendix 2 for more detail.

The Coroners Service is reporting a revised pressure of £127k mainly as a result of additional costs related to Covid-19; there has been a slight reduction (from £155k) since

last month as the previous forecast included a contingency which is now unlikely to be needed. See note number 9, on page 25 of Appendix 2 for more detail.

### 3. Alignment with corporate priorities

- 3.1 Communities at the heart of everything we do There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 3.2 A good quality of life for everyone There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 3.3 Helping our children learn, develop and live life to the full There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 3.4 Cambridgeshire: a well-connected, safe, clean, green environment There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 3.5 Protecting and caring for those who need us There are no significant implications for this priority.

#### 4. Significant Implications

4.1 Resource Implications

This report above sets out details of the overall financial position of the P&C and PH Services

- 4.2 Procurement/Contractual/Council Contract Procedure Rules Implications
  There are no significant implications within this category.
- 4.3 Statutory, Legal and Risk Implications
  There are no significant implications within this category.
- 4.4 Equality and Diversity Implications

  There are no significant implications within this category.
- 4.5 Engagement and Communications Implications
  There are no significant implications within this category.
- 4.6 Localism and Local Member Involvement
  There are no significant implications within this category.
- 4.7 Public Health Implications

  There are no significant implications within this category.
- 4.8 Environment and Climate Change Implications on Priority Areas: There are no significant implications within this category.
- 4.8.1 Implication 1: Energy efficient, low carbon buildings. Positive/neutral/negative Status: Neutral / N/A

**Explanation:** 

4.8.2 Implication 2: Low carbon transport.

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

Explanation:

4.8.3 Implication 3: Green spaces, peatland, afforestation, habitats and land management.

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

Explanation:

4.8.4 Implication 4: Waste Management and Tackling Plastic Pollution.

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

Explanation:

4.8.5 Implication 5: Water use, availability and management:

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

Explanation:

4.8.6 Implication 6: Air Pollution.

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

**Explanation:** 

4.8.7 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 LGSS Law? N/A

Name of Legal Officer:

Have the equality and diversity implications been cleared by your Service Contact?

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:

## 5. Appendices

- 5.1 Appendix 1 Communities, Social Mobility and Inclusion Committee Revenue Budgets within the Finance Monitoring Report
- 5.2 Appendix 2 Finance Monitoring Report (October 2021) People & Communities and Public Health

#### 6. Source documents

6.1 As well as presentation of the FMR to Committees, reports are made available online each month: <a href="https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/finance-and-budget/finance-&-performance-reports/">https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/finance-and-budget/finance-&-performance-reports/</a>