

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MEETING WITH CABINET MEMBER, HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES**

**17 March 2015**

**Report of the Strategic Director, Health and Communities  
and the Director of Finance**

**BUDGET MONITORING MONTH 9 2014-2015**

**1. Purpose of the Report:**

To inform the Cabinet Member of the current budget monitoring position.

**2. Information and Analysis:**

**2.1 Summary**

The gross budget for the Health and Communities portfolio is approximately £53m. The budget monitoring statement (Appendix 1) is projecting an underspend for the year of £5.426m, of which £5.106m relates to the Public Health function. At year-end the Public Health underspend will be transferred into the Public Health Resource Fund leaving a projected underspend for the remaining portfolio of £0.320m. The underspends for the remaining portfolio may be reduced as further commitments are recognised.

**2.2 Key variances**

**Public Health – projected underspend £5.106m**

The Public Health function is mainly funded by a ring fenced grant of £35.651m. The latest projections are predicting an underspend of £5.106m at the end of the financial year.

The 2014-15 underspend at year-end will be transferred into the Public Health Resource Fund from which further allocations will be made in 2015-16 to be agreed by Cabinet.

Allocations have already been made in 2014-15 from the balance of the Resource Fund which was the result of underspends against the Public Health Ring-Fenced Grant in 2013-14.

Key areas of underspend are:-

£m	reason
2.531	Commitments to Public Health Resource Fund
0.422	lower than anticipated claims from attendances at GUM Clinics
0.303	Substance Misuse Supervised Consumption Enhanced Service costs now fully recharged
0.270	vacancy control
0.250	lower than expected costs on the Substance Misuse Drug Prescribing budget
0.214	reduction in the value of Smoking Cessation claims
0.212	revised implementation date of the Affordable Warmth Project
0.167	revised implementation date of the Healthy Workplaces Project
0.128	lower than anticipated costs on the Substance Misuse Prevention budget
0.114	lower than anticipated costs on the Contraception/Sexual Health Advice budget

There has recently been a major re-design/re-procurement of Obesity and Smoking Cessation services which has resulted in greater efficiencies worth a 15% saving on the original annual budget value. The new Integrated service started on 1 December 2014 so the savings effect will start to be felt in the early months of 2015.

### **Community Safety - projected underspend £0.183m**

The underspend is mainly due to salaries and various projects which have an on-going commitment.

#### **2.3 Reserves**

The Department's Earmarked Reserves total £2.597m and are listed in Appendix 2.

#### **2.4 Budget Reductions**

Budget reductions totaling £1.288m were agreed by Full Council as part of the approval of the 2014-15 budget. Where there is a shortfall on a specific scheme, this will be met by underspends elsewhere in the budget. A table showing performance against target is attached as Appendix 3.

### **3. Other Considerations:**

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: financial, legal and human rights, human resources, equality and diversity, health, environmental, transport, property, and prevention of crime and disorder considerations.

### **4. Key Decision:**

No

**5. Call-in:**

Is it required that call-in be waived for any decision on this report? No

**6. Background Papers:**

Working papers held in Corporate Finance Accountancy section.

**7. Officers' Recommendation:**

That the Cabinet Member notes the position on the 2014-15 Revenue Budget.

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# APPENDIX 1

HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO BUDGET MONITORING 2014/15 DECEMBER 2014							
DIVISION	2014/15 GROSS CONTROLLABLE BUDGET £	2014/15 INCOME BUDGET £	2014/15 CONTROLLABLE NET BUDGET £	ACTUALS TO DATE £	REST OF YEAR FORECAST £	2014/15 CONTROLLABLE FORECAST £	CONTROLLABLE (UNDER)/ OVER £
PUBLIC HEALTH	37,077,135	-37,077,135	0	-5,629,465	523,054	-5,106,411	-5,106,411
COMMUNITY SAFETY	1,541,941	-20,442	1,521,499	959,533	379,240	1,338,773	-182,726
EMERGENCY PLANNING	740,162	-302,524	437,638	268,748	131,534	400,282	-37,356
LIBRARIES AND HERITAGE	10,520,014	-1,205,860	9,314,154	6,934,760	2,388,780	9,323,540	9,386
TRADING STANDARDS	1,696,273	-110,963	1,585,310	1,205,435	377,878	1,583,313	-1,997
DERBYSHIRE SPORT	1,291,624	-1,136,191	155,433	161,987	-6,554	155,433	0
OTHER	238,094	0	238,094	136,935	-5,857	131,078	-107,016
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53,105,243</b>	<b>-39,853,115</b>	<b>13,252,128</b>	<b>4,037,933</b>	<b>3,788,075</b>	<b>7,826,008</b>	<b>-5,426,120</b>

## APPENDIX 2

### Earmarked Reserves

	<b>Balance at 31.12.2014 £</b>	
Arts Partnership	42,438	Arts activities funded by Arts Council
Derbyshire Literature Festival	24,960	To take place as part of 'Made in Derbyshire' event
Derbyshire Poet Laureate	19,496	to fund her activities
Libraries Computer Reserve	65,552	Fund replacement of IT kit for public use
Museums Acquisitions reserve	10,381	donations from the public to fund acquisitions
Picture the Past	109,293	Partnership with OLA's
PSA1 reward grant	188,284	major part will fund library refurbishments and Local Studies equipment
Rural and Community Tour	4,515	Arts Council funding
Readwritetell	3,250	To be transferred back to general reserves
School Library service	23,676	To meet deficits if they arise
Made in Derbyshire	126,786	To fund the Made in Derbyshire events in 2015
Trusted Trader	31,948	to contribute towards running the scheme and maintaining subscription levels
County Records	10,300	to cover equipment expenditure
Collections In The Landscape	15,917	Heritage Lottery funding for a scheme run by the museum
Emergency Planning	78,332	reservoir work
Public Health Resource Fund	673,457	remaining balance following 2014-15 allocations
Derbyshire Sport	40,002	partnership body for whom we host their accounts
Upgrade of Broadband in Libraries	300,000	from 13/14 underspends
Buy-out of Mobile Library leases	0	from 13/14 underspends
Public Health s256/Externally Funded Programmes	828,658	s256 and others
<b>HCS total</b>	<b>2,597,245</b>	

## APPENDIX 3

### Budget reductions

	Budget Reduction Amount	Achieved Amount	Not Achieved	
	£	£	£	
Emergency Planning - staffing review	45,000	45,000	0	
Community Safety - staffing re-organisation to tackle anti-social behaviour, domestic violence, re-offending rates	300,000	300,000	0	
Mobile Library Service changes	265,000	100,000	165,000	full impact to be achieved in 15/16. Shortfall in 14/15 to be met by other underspends.
Trading Standards - restructuring of the service	400,000	400,000	0	
Library Service Restructuring	200,000	200,000	0	
Arts Service - reduction in grants awarded to local groups/organisations	65,000	65,000	0	
Departmental HQ - reduction in leadership, management and non-staffing budgets	13,000	13,000	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,288,000</b>	<b>1,123,000</b>	<b>165,000</b>	