

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

MEETING WITH CABINET MEMBER, HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES

28 July 2015

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

REVENUE OUTTURN 2014-15

1. Purpose of the Report

To report the final revenue outturn position for 2014-15, to identify significant variations from the budget and to make proposals for the use of any underspends.

2. Information and Analysis

2.1 Summary

Attached as Appendix 1 to this report is a statement setting out the final outturn position for 2014-15. The gross controllable budget was £52m and the controllable underspend was £6.297m. This includes an underspend of £5.987m against the ring-fenced Public Health budget. After transferring this to the Public Health Reserve, the Portfolio's net underspend is £0.310m

2.2 Key variances

Public Health

underspend £5.987m

The key areas of underspend were:-

£m	reason
2.098	Commitments to Public Health Resource Fund
0.516	lower than anticipated claims from attendances at GUM Clinics
0.427	underspend on 2014/15 allocations from Public Health Resource Fund
0.371	lower than expected costs on Childrens Public Health budgets
0.343	lower than expected costs on the Substance Misuse Drug Prescribing budget

The underspend at year-end has been transferred into the Public Health Resource Fund from which further allocations will be made in 2015-16 which were approved by Cabinet in February 2015.

Community Safety

underspend £0.221m

The main underspend is due to staffing vacancies and lower than anticipated spending on projects.

2.3 Commitments

Domestic Abuse Voluntary Perpetrator Programme £0.038m
Approved by Cabco on 2/12/14.

2.4 Proposals for the use of underspends

Cabinet on 7 July allocated £0.250m to this portfolio from underspend to be used on specific, one off projects. Below is the list of schemes we are proposing are funded from this allocation:

Digital exclusion/Benefits/Universal Credit Support	£ 96,000
Fairshare	£154,000
Total	£250,000

2.5 Return to General Reserves

Once the commitments and bids are accounted for, there is a transfer to general reserves of £22,000. The position is summarised in Appendix 2.

2.6 Earmarked Reserves

The department's earmarked reserves, totalling £9.741m, are listed in Appendix 3.

Public Health Resource Fund £6.661m

Generated by underspends against the ring-fenced Public Health Grant, it is envisaged that this fund will give financial support for Council wide preventative programmes in order to minimise impacts on the health and wellbeing of local people. It should be noted that this resource must be deployed within the terms of the ring-fenced Public Health Grant.

Public Health S256 monies/externally funded projects £0.573m

This reserve was generated in April 2013 following an agreement between the old Derbyshire County Primary Care Trust and Derbyshire County Council. Both parties agreed that accumulated underspends on the Substance Misuse budget from previous years could be carried forward to make targeted investments in non-recurrent initiatives. There is also a small balance for Public Health projects and initiatives from organisations outside of the NHS.

Emergency Planning £0.078m

Emergency Planning work relating to reservoirs which is funded by a Department for Environment, Food & Affairs (DEFRA) grant.

Community Safety £0.209m

There are a number of projects that were approved during 2014-15 and will continue into 2015-16.

Derbyshire Sport**£1.131m**

These funds relate to the Derbyshire Sports Partnership, for which the Council holds the budget, generated mainly from grants. They will be utilised to provide sports projects and contribute towards the running costs of the partnership.

Libraries and Heritage**£1.089m**

PSA1 Reward grant £0.188m

Part of this will be required for furniture and equipment for the new Heanor Library opening in 2015; for example, new self-service terminals. This reserve is the only source of funding to pay for other library refurbishments and improvement work to library buildings.

Picture the Past reserve £0.114m

This is a partnership project for which the Council holds funds.

‘Made in Derbyshire’ programme £0.127m

This reserve is to be used for the ‘Economic Regeneration and Culture programme 2015’.

Libraries Computer reserve £0.066m

A replacement plan is currently being developed and this reserve will fund the replacement of a range of ICT equipment for public use.

Broadband in libraries £0.300m

This will be used to upgrade Broadband in Libraries

Other reserves £0.294m

There are a number of other reserves, including Community Arts projects, Trusted Trader, Schools Library Service and County Records.

2.7 Savings against 2014/15 Target

Budget reductions totaling £1.288m were agreed by Full Council as part of the approval of the 2014-15 budget. A table showing performance against target is shown below:-

Identified Saving	Budget Reduction Amount	Achieved Amount	Not Achieved
	£m	£m	£m
Emergency Planning - staffing review	0.045	0.045	0
Community Safety – staffing re-organisation to tackle anti-social behaviour, domestic violence, re-offending rates	0.300	0.300	0
Mobile Library Service	0.265	0.265	0

changes			
Trading Standards - restructuring of the service	0.400	0.400	0
Library Service Restructuring	0.200	0.200	0
Arts Service - reduction in grants awarded to local groups/organisations	0.065	0.065	0
Departmental HQ - reduction in leadership, management and non-staffing budgets	0.013	0.013	0
Total	1.288	1.288	0

3. Other considerations

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

4. Background papers:

Files and reports held by the Director of Finance in room 151 County Hall.

5. Key Decision:

No

6. Call-in:

Is it required that call-in be waived for any decision on this report?

No

7. Officers' Recommendations

- i) To note the revenue outturn position for 2014-15.
- ii) To approve the use of underspends to meet the commitments outlined in the report.
- iii) To approve new bids requested for the use of underspends.

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APPENDIX 1

SUMMARY OUTTURN POSITION 2014-15

	Gross Controllable Budget 2014-15	Income Budget 2014-15	Controllable Net Budget 2014-15	Actual	Controllable (Under)/Over
DIVISION	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Public Health	37.077	(38.920)	(1.843)	(7.830)	(5.987)
Libraries & Heritage	12.149	(1.438)	10.711	10.750	0.039
Trading Standards					
Derbyshire Sport	0.200	0	0.200	0.200	0.000
Community Safety	1.574	(0.206)	1.368	1.147	(0.221)
Emergency Planning	0.736	(0.303)	0.433	0.420	(0.013)
Other	0.346	0	0.346	0.231	(0.115)
Total	<u>52.082</u>	<u>(40.867)</u>	<u>11.215</u>	<u>4.918</u>	<u>(6.297)</u>
Transfer to Public Health Reserve/Resource Fund					<u>5.987</u>
Net underspend					<u>(0.310)</u>

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Summary position

	£m	£m
Net underspend		6.297
Less:		
Transfer to Public Health Reserve/Resource Fund		5.987
Commitments		0.038
Proposals for use of 2014-15 underspends		
Digital exclusion		0.096
Fairshare		0.154
Transfer to General Reserve		<u>0.022</u>

APPENDIX 3

STATEMENT OF RESERVES

2014/15

Reserve	Balance at 1.4.2014 £m	Movements in year £m	Balance at 31.3.2015 £m
Public Health Resource Fund	4.323	2.338	6.661
Public Health S256/external programme	0.829	(0.256)	0.573
Emergency Planning	0.078	0	0.078
Derbyshire Sport	1.176	(0.045)	1.131
PSA1 reward	0.208	(0.020)	0.188
Picture the past	0.115	(0.001)	0.114
Made in Derbyshire	0.136	(0.009)	0.127
Broadband in Libraries		0.300	0.300
Libraries Computer reserve	0.066	0	0.066
Other	0.199	0.095	0.294
Community Safety		0.209	0.209
Total	<u>7.130</u>	<u>2.611</u>	<u>9.741</u>