

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MEETING OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC POLICY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET**

**20 September 2016**

**Report of the Chief Executive and the Director of Finance**

**BUDGET MONITORING 2016-17 - MONTH 3**

**1 Purpose of the Report**

To inform the Cabinet Member of the current budget monitoring position as at the end of month 3 (April to June 2016).

**2 Information and Analysis**

**2.1 Summary**

The budget for the Strategic Policy, Economic Development and Budget portfolio currently stands at approximately £7.914m. The budget monitoring for month 3 is currently showing an underspend of £0.242m, as detailed in Appendix 1, although it is anticipated that there will not be this level of underspend at the end of the year.

**2.2 Key variances**

**Chief Executives - underspend £0.189m**

The key underspend relates to the front loaded savings from 2014-15, which will be used to provide capacity for essential Council priorities including communication and policy and to manage the budget cuts within Chief Executive's Office. As such an underspend at the year end is not anticipated.

**2.3 Reserves**

The current balances on the Earmarked Reserves (including reserves held corporately, by the Chief Executive's Office and by the Economy, Transport and Communities Department), totaling £5.696m, are listed in Appendix 2. These have been earmarked for corporate issues or committed to projects and initiatives that contribute to the Council's Council Plan pledges and priorities.

## **2.4 Budget Reductions**

Budget reductions totaling £0.425m have been allocated to Chief Executive's Office budgets in 2016-17, although it has been agreed to carry over the budget cuts for the department into 2019-20. As such £0.339m cuts have been achieved against the in-year target, as identified in the table at Appendix 3.

## **3 Considerations**

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

## **4 Key Decision - No.**

## **5 Background Papers**

Working papers held in the Corporate Finance Accountancy section

## **6 Call-in**

Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of decisions proposed in the report? No.

## **7 Officers' Recommendation**

That the Cabinet Member notes the monitoring position for period 3 on the 2016-17 revenue budget.

IAN STEPHENSON

Chief Executive

PETER HANDFORD

Director of Finance

## APPENDIX 1

STRATEGIC, POLICY AND BUDGET BUDGET MONITORING 2016/17 JUNE 2016					
DIVISION	2016/17 CONTROLLABLE BUDGET £	ACTUALS TO DATE £	REST OF YEAR FORECAST £	2016/17 CONTROLLABLE FORECAST £	CONTROLLABLE (UNDER)/ OVER £
<b><u>CHIEF EXECUTIVES DEPARTMENT</u></b>					
COMMUNICATIONS					
- Communications	1,359,074	329,113	1,056,435	1,385,548	26,474
- Call Derbyshire	1,900,772	437,660	1,407,664	1,845,324	-55,448
<b>COMMUNICATIONS TOTAL</b>	<b>3,259,846</b>	<b>766,773</b>	<b>2,464,099</b>	<b>3,230,872</b>	<b>-28,974</b>
POLICY AND RESEARCH					
- Policy Unit	1,306,759	426,553	885,693	1,312,246	5,487
- Thriving Communities	0	3,490	2,950	6,440	6,440
<b>POLICY AND RESEARCH TOTAL</b>	<b>1,306,759</b>	<b>430,043</b>	<b>888,643</b>	<b>1,318,686</b>	<b>11,927</b>
<b>PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>107,845</b>	<b>18,480</b>	<b>74,520</b>	<b>93,000</b>	<b>-14,845</b>
CHIEF EXECUTIVE					
- Management	553,074	89,588	282,902	372,490	-180,584
- Secretariat	820,926	218,121	626,393	844,514	23,588
- Transformation Challenge Award	97,057	67,264	29,793	97,057	0
- Innovations & Transformation Team	483,376	122,009	361,367	483,376	0
- Refugees - VPR Partnership	90,000	-15,386	105,386	90,000	0
<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S TOTAL</b>	<b>2,044,433</b>	<b>481,596</b>	<b>1,405,841</b>	<b>1,887,437</b>	<b>-156,996</b>
<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S DEPARTMENT TOTAL</b>	<b>6,718,883</b>	<b>1,696,892</b>	<b>4,833,103</b>	<b>6,529,995</b>	<b>-188,888</b>
<b><u>ECONOMIES, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNITIES</u></b>					
REGENERATION	1,195,542	408,036	733,960	1,141,996	-53,546
<b>ECONOMIES, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNITIES TOTAL</b>	<b>1,195,542</b>	<b>408,036</b>	<b>733,960</b>	<b>1,141,996</b>	<b>-53,546</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,914,425</b>	<b>2,104,928</b>	<b>5,567,063</b>	<b>7,671,991</b>	<b>-242,434</b>

## APPENDIX 2

**Ear Marked Reserves**

	<b>Balance at 30.06.2016</b>
Thriving Communities Initiative	205,907
Literacy	16,838
Fostering Publicity	12,568
Performance Management	145,000
Innovation Programme Support	50,000
Equal Pay - including Legal Costs	1,393,206
Derbyshire Challenge Fund	1,043,866
Call Derbyshire automation - Speech recognition	70,000
GIS	65,000
Partnership Forum	29,007
Innovations & Transformation	755,322
Transformation Challenge Award	585,999
Combined Authority Consultant	76,000
Apprenticeship Scheme Committed Liability - Revenue	109,000
Markham Vale Seymour Impact Assessment Committed Liability	100,000
Markham Vale Centre Extension Committed Liability - Revenue	114,463
D2N2 - Demand Stimulation	100,000
D2 Enterprise Growth Fund Committed Liability - Revenue	200,000
D2EE Committed Liability - Revenue	62,333
Derbyshire Economic Partnership Committed Liability - Revenue	90,000
Rural Development Programme for England	4,905
County Wide Approach to External Funding Committed Liability - Revenue	135,659
D2 Business Development Committed Liability - Revenue	108,333
Strategy Policy Budget underspends	223,000
	<b>5,696,406</b>

## APPENDIX 3

	Budget Reduction target £m	Achieved Amount £m
<b>POLICY</b>		
Reduction in staffing		0.031
Reduction in Corporate Consultation budget		0.006
Reduction in Corporate Sustainability budget		0.001
Reduction in Corporate Equalities budget		0.001
Reduction in funding to VCS organisations		0.027
<b>POLICY TOTAL</b>		<b>0.066</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
Reduction in staffing		0.073
Reduction in publicity budget		0.030
Your Derbyshire - reduction in print costs and removal of boundary match		0.040
Reduction in Gold Card budget		0.032
Excellence in the Community Publicity budget - remove from base		0.003
Reduction in Digital Software budget		0.004
Reduction in general budgets		0.011
<b>COMMUNICATIONS TOTAL</b>		<b>0.192</b>
<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVES</b>		
Secretaries and Members Support - reduction in staffing		0.080
<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVES TOTAL</b>		<b>0.080</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.425</b>	<b>0.338</b>