

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC, POLICY AND BUDGET

9 September 2014

Report of the Chief Executive and the Director of Finance

BUDGET MONITORING MONTH 3 2014-2015

1. Purpose of the Report

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

2. Information and Analysis

The budget for the Strategic, Policy and Budget portfolio is approximately £5.9m. The budget monitoring is currently projecting an underspend of £0.510m, as detailed in Appendix A.

Key variances

Communications – projected underspend £0.348m

The key underspends relate to staffing within the Call Derbyshire and Communications, due to vacancy control during the communications review, and the reduction in expenditure on publications.

Policy Unit – projected underspend £0.188m

This is mainly due to a gradual reduction in the number of payments to other local authorities for the administration of Local Area Forums. There are also underspends of approximately £0.078m on a number of budgets covering staffing, travel and supplies and services.

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 and transport considerations.

4. Key Decision

No.

5. Background Papers

Working papers held in Corporate Finance Accountancy section

6. OFFICERS' RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Cabinet Member notes the monitoring position on the 2014-15 revenue budget.

Ian Stephenson
Chief Executive

Peter Handford
Director of Finance

**STRATEGIC, POLICY AND BUDGET
BUDGET MONITORING 2014/15
JUNE 2014**

DIVISION	2014/15			2014/15	CONTROLLABLE
	CONTROLLABLE	ACTUALS	REST OF	CONTROLLABLE	(UNDER)/
	BUDGET	TO DATE	YEAR	FORECAST	OVER
	£	£	£	£	£
COMMUNICATIONS	3,627,872	828,782	2,451,430	3,280,212	(347,660)
POLICY AND RESEARCH					
- Policy Unit	1,427,416	292,678	945,848	1,238,526	(188,890)
- Performance Management	104,709	0	104,709	104,709	0
- Troubled Families Initiative	87,500	0	87,500	87,500	0
CHIEF EXECUTIVE	618,096	174,611	470,385	644,996	26,900
TOTAL	5,865,593	1,296,071	4,059,872	5,355,943	(509,650)