

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL INFORMATION

REPORT TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No

meeting date: 16 JULY 2009
 title: REVENUE MONITORING 2009/10
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1 PURPOSE

1.1 To let you know the position for the first three months of this year's revenue budget as far as this committee is concerned.

1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities:

- ❖ In accordance with corporate plan objective 2.3, this report provides members with information to ensure that budget allocation and expenditure is in line with corporate priorities.

2 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

2.1 Shown below, by cost centre, is a comparison between actual expenditure and the original estimate for the period. You will see an overall over spend of £16,555 on the net cost of services.

Cost Centre	Cost Centre Name	Net Budget for the full year £	Net Budget to the end of the period £	Actual including Commitments to the end of the period £	Variance £	
DEVDP	Development Department	-10,670	340,262	338,813	1,449	
PLANG	Planning Control & Enforcement	46,960	-100,254	-56,819	-43,435	
PLANP	Planning Policy	125,620	-87	0	-87	
BCSAP	Building Control SAP Fees	-580	-645	-1,292	647	
BLDGC	Building Control	102,130	-43,358	-48,535	5,177	
AONBS	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	15,010	85	0	85	
COMMG	Community Groups	20,890	6,100	4,000	2,100	
COUNT	Countryside Management	47,810	14,804	20,101	-5,297	
FPATH	Footpaths & Bridleways	5,400	74	0	74	
HIGHH	High Hedges	1,900	477	0	477	
CONSV	Conservation Areas	11,830	-3	0	-3	
ALBNM	Albion Mill	-2,330	6,490	5,592	898	
INDDV	Economic Development	116,730	7,854	62	7,792	
CCTEL	CCTV Equipment	165,680	15,278	17,635	-2,357	
PLSUB	Grants and Subscriptions	25,490	16,007	0	16,007	
CINTR	Clitheroe Integrated Transport Scheme	7,550	3	85	-82	
TRNSP	Transport Development	1,160	0	0	0	
	Total net cost of services	680,580	263,087	279,642	-16,555	

- 2.2 The variations between budget and actuals have been split into groups of red, amber and green variance. The red variances highlight specific areas of high concern, for which budget holders are required to have an action plan. Amber variances are potential areas of high concern and green variances are areas, which currently do not present any significant concern.

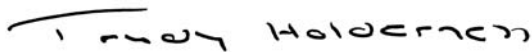
Key to Variance shading	
Variance of more than £5,000 (Red)	
Variance between £2,000 and £4,999 (Amber)	
Variance less than £2,000 (Green)	

- 2.3 We have then extracted the main variations for the items included in the red shaded cost centres and shown them with the budget holder's comments and agreed action plans, in Annex 1.

- 2.4 The main variations for items included in the amber shaded cost centres are shown with budget holders' comments at Annex 2.

3 CONCLUSION

- 3.1 The comparison between actual and budgeted expenditure shows an over spend for the first three months of the financial year 2009/10. The main area of concern for this committee is the reduced income from planning fees this is a reflection of the current economic climate.



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RED VARIANCES

Ledger Code Name	Budget for the Full Year	Budget to the end of the period	Actual including Commitments to the end of the period	Variance	Reason for Variance	Action Plan as agreed between the Budget Holder and Accountant
Countryside Management/Purchase of Equipment & Materials.	24,930	11,577	17,136	-5,559	Overspend is mainly due to a commitment of £5k for the thermal imaging of trees which will enable a more proactive role to the maintenance of trees	Expenditure being closely monitored to ensure that no overspend of the full year budget provision occurs
Economic Development/Subscriptions.	22,770	7,854	0	7,854	No expenditure to date, usually a contribution towards the Lancashire economic partnership subscriptions has been made by May.	Budget holder is formulating plans for future expenditure, accountant to follow up shortly.
Planning Control & Enforcement/Planning Fees.	-370,000	-101,121	-57,083	-44,039	Downturn in planning applications received	To increase income budget holder suggests bringing in a charge for pre-application advice and refusing any free inquiry applications.
Grants & Subscriptions/Subscriptions	25,490	16,007	0	16,007	No expenditure to date, usually a contribution towards the Lancashire economic partnership subscriptions has been made by May.	Invoice not received from LEP, delay may be due to restructuring of LEP, situation to be monitored by budget holder

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AMBER VARIANCES

Ledger Code Name	Budget for the Full Year	Budget to the end of the period	Actual including Commitments to the end of the period	Variance	Reason for Variance
Building Control/Consultants.	4,370	1,097	5,410	-4,313	Staff from other Local authorities used to cover staff vacancies and long-term sickness. Only recently invoiced for work carried out in previous financial year.
Building Control/Building Regulation Fees.	-245,000	-59,339	-63,782	4,443	Increase in income in June
Community Groups/Grants.	6,100	6,100	4,000	2,100	Only two grants have been paid to date usually three by the end of June
Development Department/Salaries.	984,080	246,216	243,275	2,941	Underspend is a combination of retirement of Building surveyor and maternity leave for regeneration officer
Development Department/National Insurance Salaries.	75,210	18,795	15,658	3,137	Estimated creditor provision of £1.9k for 2008/09 class 1a national insurance contributions, still to pay and staff vacancies