

INFORMATION

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No 12

meeting date: 15 JULY 2010
 title: REVENUE MONITORING 2010/11
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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 performance and improvement plan objective 2, "to maintain critical financial management and controls" this report provides members with information arising from out budget monitoring exercise for the first quarter of 2010/11.

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 overspend of £3,283. However, after allowing for estimated transfers to and from reserves this changes to a net underspend of £21,540.

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	-18,410	337,205	340,115	2,910	A
PLANG	Planning Control & Enforcement	69,000	-66,876	-72,921	-6,045	R
PLANP	Planning Policy	129,780	-72	-159	-87	G
PLDEV	Planning Delivery	0	0	15,631	15,631	R
BCSAP	Building Control SAP Fees	-150	-535	-617	-82	G
BLDGC	Building Control	114,750	-43,150	-38,642	4,508	A
AONBS	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	12,710	7,150	7,150	0	G
COMMG	Community Groups	19,980	6,100	6,000	-100	G
COUNT	Countryside Management	48,290	16,493	3,679	-12,814	R
FPATH	Footpaths & Bridleways	5,330	74	0	-74	G
HIGHH	High Hedges	1,910	479	0	-479	G
CONSV	Conservation Areas	12,020	0	0	0	G
ALBNM	Albion Mill	-2,950	6,281	5,592	-689	G
INDDV	Economic Development	111,720	3,450	4,740	1,290	G
PLSUB	Grants and Subscriptions	14,950	0	0	0	G
CINTR	Clitheroe Integrated Transport Scheme	7,620	5,883	5,197	-686	G
TRNSP	Transport Development	0	0	0	0	G

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 £
	Total net cost of services	526,550	272,482	275,765	3,283

Items added to / (taken from) balances and reserves					
PLBAL H234	Building Control Reserve Fund	-87,850	42,308	37,682	-4,626
PLBAL H264	Countryside Management Reserve Fund	0	0	-4,566	-4,566
PLBAL H268	Planning Delivery Reserve Fund	0	0	-15,631	-15,631
Net Balances and Reserves		-87,850	42,308	17,485	-24,823

Net Expenditure	438,700	314,790	293,250	-21,540
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- 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)	R
Variance between £2,000 and £4,999 (Amber)	A
Variance less than £2,000 (Green)	G

- 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 underspend of £21,540 for the first three months of the financial year 2010/11.

- 3.2 The main reason for the underspend is the additional funding of £16,835 from the Department for Communities and local government for Habitats and Climate change funding. A report will be brought to a future meeting of this Committee setting our proposals to spend their grant.

- 3.3 The main area of concern for this committee is the reduced income from building control fees. Total income received for building regulation fees for the first quarter of this year was £49,000, which does not compare favourably to £64,000 for the same period last year.

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RED VARIANCES

Ledger Code	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
COUNT/2881	Countryside Management / Equipment & Materials	24,930	13,266	18,818	5,552	R	Over spend is a combination of grants to parish council paid early in the financial year and also commitments placed for a value of £5k, Part of which is to be funded from a reserve fund	£4,566 is to be added to the budget at revised estimate time funded from reserve fund.
COUNT/8018Z	Countryside Management / DCLG - Habitats & Climate Change Grant	0	0	-16,835	-16,835	R	Year 2 of additional funding from DCLG	Report to be taken to Planning Committee, which will suggest one off projects on which this funding is to be spent on.
PLDEV/0100	Planning Delivery / Salaries	0	0	12,539	12,539	R	Due to changes in the statement of recommended practice we are now including planning delivery expenditure as general fund expenditure, previously monies held in a suspense account.	A budget to be introduced at revised estimate time funded from planning delivery grant monies carried forward from previous years.

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BLDGC/8405n	Building Control / Building Regulation Fees	-200,000	-57,500	-48,594	8,906	R	Income from building regulations fees is below the lowest that we have collected compared to the previous 3 years this is due to the continuing economic climate.	A new charging regime is to be introduced by 1st October

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AMBER VARIANCES

Ledger Code	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
DEVDP/0100	Development Department / Salaries	1,000,750	166,924	169,966	4,722	A	Over spend is as a result of a budget provision for savings from staff turnover. No change in staff to-date.
PLANG/8495n	Planning Control / Pre Application advice	-5,000	-1,251	-3,989	-2,738	A	A conservative estimate was entered for the new charge that was introduced in 2009/10.