

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No 7

meeting date: 15 SEPTEMBER 2016
 title: REVENUE MONITORING 2016/17
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1 PURPOSE

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

1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities:

- ❖ Community Objectives – none identified
- ❖ Corporate Priorities – to continue to be well managed Council providing efficient services based on identified customer need and meets the objective within this priority, of maintaining critical financial management controls, ensuring the authority provides council tax payers with value for money.
- ❖ Other Considerations – none identified

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 underspend of £19,641 on the net cost of services. After allowing for estimated transfers to and from earmarked reserves this underspend is increased to £22,922. Please note that underspends are denoted by figures with a minus symbol.

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 £	
PLANG	Planning Control & Enforcement	159,670	-173,609	-201,796	-28,187	R
PLANP	Planning Policy	161,810	0	0	0	G
LDEVE	Local Development Scheme	40,040	12,144	17,185	5,041	R
BCSAP	Building Control SAP Fees	-2,480	-1,164	-146	1,018	G
BLDGC	Building Control	68,770	-58,036	-59,381	-1,345	G
AONBS	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	15,650	0	0	0	G
COMMG	Community Groups	22,830	0	0	0	G
COUNT	Countryside Management	46,190	10,014	13,950	3,936	A
FPATH	Footpaths & Bridleways	6,850	104	0	- 104	G
CONSV	Conservation Areas	16,000	0	0	0	G
PLSUB	Grants and Subscriptions	10,530	0	0	0	G
CINTR	Clitheroe Integrated Transport Scheme	6,410	5,230	5,230	0	G
	Total net cost of services	552,270	-205,317	-224,958	-19,641	

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Items added to / (taken from) balances and reserves					
PLBAL H234	Building Control Reserve Fund	-8,060	59,255	61,015	1,760
PLBAL H336	Planning Reserve Fund	-36,000	-12,144	-17,185	-5,041
Net Balances and Reserves		-44,060	47,111	43,830	-3,281
Net Expenditure		586,200	-158,206	-181,128	-22,922

- 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 that 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.
- 2.5 In summary the main areas of variance which are unlikely to rectify themselves by the end of the financial year are summarised below. Please note favourable variances are denoted by figures with a minus symbol.

Description	Variance to end of July 2016 £
PLANG – Planning Control Two large planning applications received in the period which has resulted in a fluctuation in the income received.	-28,934

3 CONCLUSION

- 3.1 The comparison between actual and budgeted expenditure shows an overall underspend of £19,641 on the net cost of services. After allowing for estimated transfers to and from earmarked reserves this underspend is increased to £22,922 for the first four months of the financial year 2016/17
- 3.2 The main reasons for the underspend is the increase in income of £28,934 from planning applications. However this situation can fluctuate greatly depending on whether any applications are received for a major development.

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BACKGROUND WORKING PAPERS

Planning & Development Committee budget monitoring working papers 2016/17

For further information please ask for Trudy Holderness.

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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
LDEVE/2971	Local Development Scheme / Printing & Stationery	5,000	1,830	14,483	12,653	R	Consultation on the issues and option stage of the Allocations Plan has been delayed as available resources have focused on updating info for cartography and producing subject papers.	All expenditure is to be met from earmarked reserves. Any underspends will result in less being taken from reserves
LDEVE/3085	Local Development Scheme / Consultants	25,000	8,336	2,702	-5,634	R	Delay in option stage as resources focused on employing consultant to update information	All expenditure is to be met from earmarked reserves. Any underspends will result in less being taken from reserves
PLANG/8404u	Planning Control / Planning Fees	-540,410	-180,280	-209,214	-28,934	R	2 large applications received in the period - Oakmere Homes - Acccrrington Rd, Whalley and Taylor Wimpey - Land Pendle Rd, Clitheroe	Income fluctuates from month to month. No Action at present.

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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
PLANG/ 8495n	Planning Control / Pre Application Advice	-39,010	-13,012	-9,687	3,325	A	Below average income received for the period