

## BUDGET MONITORING 2013/14 - PROVISIONAL OUTTURN AS AT 31 MARCH 2014

## FULL YEAR FIGURES

	Expenditure			Income			Total Net			Comments	Variance Jan 14 £000
	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000		
<b>CONTROLLABLE ITEMS</b>											
Commercial Services	5,890	5,834	-56	-2,211	-2,090	120	3,679	3,744	64	The main forecast budget variations within this service area relate to Budget pressures in Street lighting of £0.124m and trading income £0.155m which are partially offset by savings on staffing of £0.139m, consultants fees £0.035m and christmas lighting £0.036m.	126
Finance Service	2,842	2,644	-198	-101	-101	0	2,741	2,543	-198	The underspend results from a saving on staffing of £0.087m, a saving on the external audit fee against budget of £0.102m. The movement is due to the saving on the external audit fee	-101
Customer Services	2,018	2,022	4	0	-1	-1	2,018	2,021	4		14
Internal Audit & Risk	512	485	-27	-95	-208	-113	417	277	-140	The movement is in relation to increased receipts in respect of shared audit service with Northumberland County Council.	-13
Procurement	202	198	-4	0	-8	-8	202	189	-13		-11
Strategic Director Finance & Commercial Services	250	338	87	0	0	0	250	338	87	This is a one off overspend in respect of a change in management arrangements effected after the January report.	-12
Revenue & Benefits	82,222	79,514	-2,708	-81,534	-80,068	1,466	688	-554	-1,242	The outturn includes the £0.498m unspent provision for Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) that has been reported throughout the year in the core body of the cabinet report. Throughout the year we have reported that we have been monitoring the position regarding the processing of housing benefit claims and monitoring the level of overpayments and how this may impact upon the subsidy we receive. Whilst the position is not fully complete and audited we have assumed that we will be in receipt of the full subsidy payment. In addition to the subsidy, following year end analysis of benefit overpayments and recovery there is an improvement of £0.501m. Following this exercise we will work closer with our partner Cofely in 2014/15 to ensure the in year monitoring forecast captures all known information. Finally, following recent DWP advice sent to all Local Authorities we have adjusted the collection fund for some council tax overpayments made in 2012/13. This has resulted in a one off return to the general fund of £0.207m.	0
Information & Communication Technology	3,763	3,771	8	0	-4	-4	3,763	3,766	4		-7
<b>TOTAL Finance and Commercial Services - Controllable</b>	<b>97,699</b>	<b>94,803</b>	<b>-2,895</b>	<b>-83,940</b>	<b>-82,480</b>	<b>1,461</b>	<b>13,758</b>	<b>12,323</b>	<b>-1,435</b>		<b>-4</b>