

BUDGET MONITORING 2015/16 - FORECAST OUTTURN AS AT 31 JULY 2015

CONTROLLABLE ITEMS	Expenditure			Income			Total Net			Comments	May 2015/16 £000
	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000		
Environment, Housing and Leisure											
Sport & Leisure	7,923	8,004	81	-5,950	-6,087	-137	1,972	1,917	-55	The reported variance reflects improved income generation across the main sports centres & Contours gym facilities over the summer period, mainly at Parks Sports Complex (increase of -£0.019m) & Waves Leisure Pool (increase of -£0.022m).	-10
Arts Tourism & Heritage	1,493	1,791	298	-398	-662	-264	1,095	1,130	35	The forecast reflects potential cost pressures around the Playhouse operation (£0.063m) managed by SMG Europe. The improvement in the forecast from May is mainly due to £0.060m Service Improvement Funding being agreed to cover pressures arising from the Mouth of the Tyne Festival. In addition income from rent of land at Stephenson Railway Museum of £0.017m has also reduced the adverse variance.	114

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Libraries & Community Centres	7,656	7,734	78	-2,486	-2,423	63	5,170	5,311	141	There are pressures around building cleaning of £0.050m across the service. In addition a shortfall in income at White Swan is forecast (£0.023m), together with £0.064m inflationary Leaseplus PFI cost pressures across John Willie Sam's, Whitley Bay CFC and Shiremoor Library/JSC.	164
Fleet & Security	4,822	4,540	-281	-4,938	-4,835	103	-116	-294	-179	The service is now forecasting an underspend around the Transport/Fleet Account mainly due to lower fuel costs of £0.107m .	-9
Waste Strategy	11,128	11,279	150	-1,648	-1,823	-175	9,480	9,455	-25	Expenditure costs across Waste Disposal (mainly around Landfill Tax tonnage & Green Waste) is forecast to underspend by £0.064m. Minor cost pressures around the Norham Refuse service £0.022m and Killingworth Refuse service £0.013m have reduced the overall underspend. The movement since May is due to an increased staff forecast with additional clarity around use of temporary staff in Green Waste collection and around the filling of vacancies across the service. There has also been a realignment of transport cost between Waste and Street Environment.	-146

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Bereavement	1,213	1,301	89	-1,958	-2,150	-193	-745	-849	-104	The service is overachieving on income, partially caused by the closure of Blyth Crematorium. The Crematorium in Blyth is planned to reopen in October and therefore the increased income has been forecasted on a prudent basis taking into account a reduced profile once the services in Northumberland resume.	4
Street Environment	9,107	9,133	26	-1,458	-1,624	-166	7,649	7,509	-140	The service is now forecasting to show a net underspend mainly due lower employee costs than previously forecast around Neighbourhood Grass Cutting (£0.083m) and reduced employee, premises and transport expenditure across the four Street Cleansing areas (Wallsend, Tynemouth, Killingworth & Whitley Bay) totalling £0.065m. There has been a realignment of transport forecasts between Waste and Street Environment.	15
Head of Service and Resilience	304	285	-19	-168	-152	15	136	132	-4		-8

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Street Lighting PFI	5,124	5,169	45	-1,701	-1,701	0	3,423	3,469	45	The Streelighting contract was previously shown within Commercial and Business Redesign but has now been moved to Environment Housing and Leisure following a management restructure. Energy cost pressures of £0.072m are now not being shown within the service area but are included within the corporate total. Overall there are remaining net pressures within streetlighting of £0.45m due to ongoing inflationary increases within the PFI contract.	114
Consumer Protection	2,590	2,742	151	-1,643	-1,762	-118	947	980	33		-13
Transport and Highways	3,760	3,829	69	-4,378	-4,488	-110	-618	-658	-41		-41

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Planning	1,235	1,185	-50	-761	-688	74	474	497	24		28
General Fund Housing	1,402	2,260	858	-232	-1,102	-870	1,169	1,158	-11		-7
Total Environment, Housing and Leisure	57,756	59,252	1,497	-27,718	-29,496	-1,778	30,037	29,756	-281		204
Deputy Chief Executive Central Costs											
Business Management	279	276	-3	0	-0	-0	279	276	-3		-0
Total Deputy Chief Executive Central Costs	279	276	-3	0	-0	-0	279	276	-3		-0