

BUDGET MONITORING 2015/16 - FORECAST OUTTURN AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2015

	Expenditure			Income			Total Net			Comments	July 2015/16 £000
	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000		
CONTROLLABLE ITEMS											
Environment, Housing and Leisure											
Sport & Leisure	7,927	7,788	-139	-5,955	-5,867	87	1,972	1,921	-51	The reported variance reflects savings at Hadrian Leisure Centre (£0.082m) largely due to careful management of backfill around vacancies and reduced third party payments. This offsets (mainly staffing) cost pressures at the Parks Sports Centre (£0.040m) as well as other minor cost pressures across the service.	-55
Arts Tourism & Heritage	1,493	1,808	315	-398	-678	-280	1,095	1,130	35		35

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Libraries & Community Centres	7,656	7,710	53	-2,486	-2,429	58	5,170	5,281	111	There are cost pressures across the service around building cleaning which amount to £0.065m. In addition, PFI contract inflationary cost pressures totalling £0.064m across the PFI sites John Willie Sam's, Whitley Bay Customer First Centre and Shiremoor Library/Joint Service Centre are forecast. Other historical cost pressures linked to Shiremoor Community Centre and Howdon Community Centre (£0.022m and £0.020m respectively) are partially offset by various under spends (£0.060m) across the service.	141
Fleet & Security	4,755	4,391	-364	-4,876	-4,728	148	-121	-337	-216	The service is forecasting an underspend around the Transport/Fleet Account, mainly due to lower costs of maintenance of a partially refreshed fleet and lower staff costs within the fleet function.	-179
Waste Strategy	11,128	11,319	191	-1,648	-1,774	-126	9,480	9,545	65	Overspend mainly relates to a reduced forecast for income.	-25
Bereavement	1,213	1,356	144	-1,958	-2,247	-290	-745	-891	-146	The service is continuing to overachieve 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.	-104

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Street Environment	9,107	9,298	191	-1,442	-1,674	-232	7,665	7,624	-41	The service continues to forecast a net underspend across a range of cost centres predominantly in outdoor parks and street cleansing. The movement from the July position is due to a proposal to replace ageing and inefficient grounds maintenance machinery and equipment to support the delivery of Creating Brighter Futures savings targets in 2016/17.	-140
Head of Service and Resilience	304	285	-19	-168	-153	15	136	132	-4		-4
Street Lighting PFI	5,124	5,169	45	-1,701	-1,701	0	3,423	3,469	45		45
Consumer Protection & Building Control	2,539	2,784	245	-1,673	-1,799	-127	866	985	119	There is a £0.070m pressure within the client budgets due to the conclusion of a Trading Standards legal case. The remaining pressure relates to a £0.030m unachievable recharge budget and standage rental charges of £0.012m from the Duke of Hastings	33

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Transport and Highways	5,203	5,322	118	-4,424	-4,735	-311	779	586	-193	Under spend is due to an over achievement in income (£0.304m) and reduced transports costs (£0.050m) partially offset by increased expenditure within Civil Enforcement Officers and Appeals Officer of £0.065m, staff increment costs of £0.025m, fall out of a grant of £0.022m and Car Park costs of £0.015m. The remaining pressures of £0.034m are minor over spends across the service.	-41
Planning	1,070	1,020	-50	-724	-730	-6	346	290	-56	Planning income is now forecast to over achieve against budget by £0.024m due to higher than expected fees during the first part of the year (previous forecast was pressure of £0.018m).	24
General Fund Housing	1,367	2,225	858	-232	-1,102	-870	1,135	1,123	-12		-11
Total Environment, Housing and Leisure	58,885	60,474	1,589	-27,684	-29,617	-1,933	31,201	30,857	-344		-281
Deputy Chief Executive Central Costs											
Business Management	279	275	-4	0	-0	-0	279	275	-4		-3
Total Deputy Chief Executive Central Costs	279	275	-4	0	-0	-0	279	275	-4		-3