

## BUDGET MONITORING 2015/16 - FORECAST OUTTURN AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2015

CONTROLLABLE ITEMS	Expenditure			Income			Total Net			Comments	Variance Sept 15 £000
	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000		
<b>Environment, Housing and Leisure</b>											
Sport & Leisure	7,868	7,858	-10	-5,955	-5,987	-32	1,913	1,871	-42	Staff saving due to careful management of backfill in relation to vacancies and a strong income performance in the first part of the year. This position is net of a loss of contribution from Public Health (£0.140m) due to the in-year reduction of grant .	-51
Arts Tourism & Heritage	1,487	1,808	321	-398	-696	-298	1,089	1,112	23		35
Libraries & Community Centres	7,616	7,669	53	-2,486	-2,422	64	5,130	5,247	117	There are cost pressures across the service around building cleaning which amount to £0.056m. In addition, PFI contract inflationary cost pressures are forecast totalling £0.064m across the PFI sites John Willie Sam's, Whitley Bay Customer First Centre and Shiremoor Library/Joint Service Centre. Other historical cost pressures linked to Shiremoor Community Centre and Howdon Community Centre (£0.021m and £0.006m respectively) are partially offset by various under spends (£0.030m) across the service.	111
Fleet & Security	4,550	4,343	-207	-4,876	-4,914	-38	-326	-571	-245	The service continues to forecast 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.	-216

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<b>CONTROLLABLE ITEMS</b>											
Waste Strategy	11,116	11,310	194	-1,648	-1,769	-121	9,468	9,541	73	Overspend mainly relates to a reduced forecast for income, predominantly in Kerbside/Home Recycling Contract (£0.090m).	65
Bereavement	1,210	1,353	143	-1,958	-2,327	-369	-748	-974	-226	The service is continuing to overachieve on income, caused by the closure of Blyth Crematorium which is now not due to reopen until December. The increased income has been forecasted on a prudent basis taking into account a reduced profile once the services in Northumberland resume.	-146
Street Environment	9,063	9,222	159	-1,442	-1,665	-223	7,621	7,557	-64	The service continues to forecast a net underspend across a range of cost centres due to additional income in Outdoor Parks as well as vacancies across Street Cleansing. The movement from the September position is due to lower expenditure costs forecast across Grounds Maintenance largely associated with reduced tipping costs.	-41
Head of Service and Resilience	303	284	-19	-168	-151	17	135	133	-2		-4
Street Lighting PFI	5,124	5,169	45	-1,701	-1,701	0	3,423	3,468	45		45

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<b>CONTROLLABLE ITEMS</b>											
Consumer Protection & Building Control	2,538	2,874	336	-1,673	-1,802	-129	865	1,072	207	There is a £0.170m 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 target and standage land rental charges of £0.012m to give an overall forecast pressure of £0.207m	119
Transport and Highways	5,083	5,210	127	-4,424	-4,734	-310	659	476	-183	Under spend is due to an over achievement in income (£0.294m) 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.	-193
Planning	1,070	1,018	-52	-724	-745	-21	346	273	-73	Planning income is now forecast to over achieve against budget.	-56
General Fund Housing	1,362	2,219	857	-232	-1,101	-869	1,130	1,118	-12		-12
<b>Total Environment, Housing and Leisure</b>	<b>58,390</b>	<b>60,337</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>-27,685</b>	<b>-30,014</b>	<b>-2,329</b>	<b>30,705</b>	<b>30,323</b>	<b>-382</b>		<b>-344</b>