

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Communities, Housing & Infrastructure
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT:-

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Committee Members with an up to date 2016/17 financial out turn for the General Fund revenue, Trading services and Housing Revenue Account which relate to this Committee. The overall Council position will be reported Finance Policy & Resources Committee at a later date.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee:
a) consider and note this report.

3. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES / OTHER HEADINGS AS APPROPRIATE

3.1 Highlighted below is the outturn for General Fund revenue, Trading services, and Housing Revenue Account budgets which relate to this Committee at a summary level highlighting any movement from the reports on this agenda.

Financial Position and Risks Assessment

3.2 General Fund Revenue

As at Period 12 2016/17	Actual at Year End			
	Full Year Revised Budget £'000	Actual Expenditure £'000	Variance Amount £'000	Change from previous forecast £'000
Communities, Housing & Infrastructure	86,819	87,617	798	7

The significant areas of variance from previous forecast are as follows:

- Facilities a reduction of £215k resulting from higher than anticipated central accommodation recharge.
- Increased over spend of £206k within Fleet principally as a result of increased stores issued to jobs.

- Economic Development improved position of £220k mostly relates to an over recovery of income.
- Building Standards and Development Management over spend of £173k is due to a further shortfall in planning application income.

3.3 Trading Services

As at Period 12 2016/17	Actual at Year End			
	Full Year Revised Budget £'000	Actual Expenditure £'000	Variance Amount £'000	Change from previous forecast £'000
Trading Services	(10,325)	(10,394)	(69)	(669)

The most significant movement from previous forecast is Building Services increased surplus of £452k as a result of additional income generated by the service.

3.4 Housing Revenue Account

As at Period 12 2016/17	Actual at Year End			
	Full Year Revised Budget £'000	Actual Expenditure £'000	Variance Amount £'000	Change from previous forecast £'000
Housing Revenue Account	(24,436)	(23,411)	1,025	1,487

The most significant movement from previous forecast is Repairs & Maintenance £1.1m due to additional works being undertaken in the final two months of the financial year and Arrears £811k due to the impact of Welfare reform.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

General Fund Revenue

- 4.1 The total revenue budget amounts to £86.8m net expenditure, excluding the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) budget. The Directorate is £798k overspent.
- 4.2 Trading services budget amounts to a credit balance of £10.3m, with a balanced actual position.
- 4.3 Housing Revenue Account budgeted a net saving for the year of £24.4m the final achieved position is £23.4m this was used to provide a CFCR contribution to fund the capital programme and increase the working balance.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct legal implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

6. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

Risks have not been identified as this report is for noting the 2016/17 revenue out turn for Communities, Housing & Infrastructure.

7. IMPACT SECTION

Economy

The Council has a duty to ensure that best value is considered in all of its operations and this report helps to inform that process.

People

Accurate budget monitoring and forecasting assists the Council to plan and design our services around current and future customer needs as much as possible.

Good financial information improves good financial management and helps to track how successful management initiatives, such as service redesign, have been.

Place

Communities, Housing & Infrastructure contributes to managing waste effectively and in line with UK and European legislative requirements by maximizing recycling and reducing waste to landfill, thereby reducing our costs and carbon footprint.

Also to the provision of a clean, safe and attractive streetscape and promoting bio-diversity and nature conservation and encourages wider access to green space in our streets, parks and countryside.

Technology

This report is a status report therefore has no impact on further advances technology for the improvement of public services and/ or the City as a whole.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Monitoring reports on this agenda –

2016/17 Trading Services Budget Monitoring

<http://councilcommittees.acc.gov.uk/documents/s69032/CHI.17.064%202016-17%20Trading%20Services%20Budget%20Monitoring.pdf>

2016/17 General Fund Revenue & Capital Budget Monitoring

<http://councilcommittees.acc.gov.uk/documents/s69034/CHI.17.066%202016-17%20General%20Fund%20Revenue%20Capital%20Budget%20Monitoring.pdf>

2016/17 Housing Revenue Account

<http://councilcommittees.acc.gov.uk/documents/s69033/Final%20Report%20HRA%2024-05-17.pdf>

Financial ledger data extracted for the period.

9. APPENDICES (if applicable)

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