



DARLINGTON

Borough Council

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Agenda

9.30 am, Thursday, 30 June 2022

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Darlington. DL1 5QT

Members of the Public are welcome to attend this Meeting.

1. Introductions/Attendance at Meeting
2. Chair –
To appoint a Chair of this Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal Year 2022/23
3. Vice-Chair –
To appoint a Vice-Chair of this Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal Year 2022/23
4. Time of Meetings –
To consider the timings of meetings of this Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal Year 2022/23 on the dates agreed in the Calendar of Meetings by Cabinet at Minute C100/Feb/22
5. Declarations of Interest
6. Minutes –
To approve the Minutes of the meeting of this Scrutiny Committee held on 28 April 2022 (Pages 3 - 4)
7. Performance Indicators Qtr 4 2021/22 –
Report of the Assistant Director Community Services, the Assistant Director – Economic Growth, the Assistant Director – Resources, and the Assistant Director - Law and Governance

(Pages 5 - 18)

8. Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring Outturn 2021/22 –
Report of the Assistant Director Resources and the Assistant Director Transport and
Capital Projects
(Pages 19 - 48)
9. Revenue Outturn 2021/22 –
Report of the Assistant Director Resources
(Pages 49 - 72)
10. Revenue Budget Monitoring 2022/23 - Quarter 1 –
Report of the Assistant Director Resources
(Pages 73 - 90)
11. Work Programme –
Report of the Assistant Director Law and Governance
(Pages 91 - 100)
12. SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS (if any) which in the opinion of the Chair of this Committee are
of an urgent nature and can be discussed at this meeting
13. Questions



Luke Swinhoe
Assistant Director Law and Governance

Wednesday, 22 June 2022

Town Hall
Darlington.

Membership

Councillors Boddy, Crudass, Harker, L Hughes, Mrs D Jones, Lee, McEwan, Mills, Paley, Wright
and Mrs H Scott

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ECONOMY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Thursday, 28 April 2022

PRESENT – Councillors Renton (Chair), Boddy, Crudass, Harker and McEwan

APOLOGIES – Councillors Bartch, L Hughes, Mrs D Jones, Paley and Wright,

ABSENT –

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE – Councillors Marshall and Snedker

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE – Mark Ladyman (Assistant Director Economic Growth), Brett Nielsen (Assistant Director Resources) and Shirley Wright (Democratic Manager)

ER42 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting

ER43 MINUTES

Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Scrutiny Committee held on 3 February 2022.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be received as a correct record.

ER44 CLIMATE CHANGE

The Young People's Opportunity and Involvement Worker gave Members a presentation on the work of the Youth Partnership in Darlington, particularly in relation to projects it was involved with in relation to the environment.

It was reported that the national Make your Mark consultation, which was an annual consultation, which gave all young people aged 11-18, the opportunity to shortlist the topics they felt were the most pressing issues facing young people in the UK, took place in February. As part of that consultation the young people were presented with seven topics they cared about the most, with the three topics receiving the most votes becoming the campaigns that Members of the Young Parliament would work on throughout their two-year term.

The Young People's Opportunity and Involvement Worker advised the Scrutiny Committee that seven schools in Darlington together with the Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College and Darlington College were involved in this consultation, with 3,477 votes being cast. It was reported that, in Darlington, the environment had come third out of the seven topics, with Health and Well-Being and education and learning being first and second.

Reference was made to some of the environmental projects which were currently being undertaken in schools and discussion ensued on a virtual meeting with young people from Darlington and young people from Mulheim, one of the Council's twin towns, which was

taking place in June 2022 to discuss various topics, one of which being the environment and climate change.

RESOLVED – That the thanks of this Scrutiny Committee be extended to the Young People’s Opportunity and Involvement Worker for her presentation.

ER45 TOWNS FUND

The Assistant Director Economic Growth, gave us a presentation on the projects within the Towns Fund.

It was reported that, to date, the Council had received £8,757,500 capital funding from the Government to fund projects to revitalise and improve the Town, with £341, 029 revenue funding and that a business case for each of the nine Towns Fund intervention projects had been completed with a business case summary for each one submitted to Government, following agreement by the Towns Board.

The Assistant Director also reported that all of the submitted business cases had now been approved by Government which had enabled initial funding to be released.

Discussion ensued on work which was progressing with the design and commissioning of the required design and surveys for the acquired Northern Echo building, progress being made with the Skinnergate and the Yard project with public realm improvement proposals and the design and delivery of shopfront/property improvements within the area and the T Levels project working alongside Darlington College.

Further updates on the progress against the further six projects within the programme which included the Rail Heritage Quarter, Bank Top, Linear Park, North Road and Northgate House, Edward Pease House and Victoria Road were also given to the Scrutiny Committee.

RESOLVED – That the presentation be noted.

ER46 WORK PROGRAMME

The Assistant Director Law and Governance submitted a report (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to the work programme for this Scrutiny Committee.

It was reported that the work programme for the next Municipal Year would be considered at the next ordinary meeting of this Scrutiny Committee scheduled for 30 June 2022

RESOLVED – That the report be received.

Economy and Resources Scrutiny Committee 30 June 2022

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS QTR 4 2021/22

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide Members with performance data against key performance indicators for 2021/22 at Quarter 4.

Report

Background

2. This report provides performance information in line with an indicator set and scrutiny committee distribution agreed by Monitoring and Coordination Group on 4 June 2018, and subsequently by scrutiny committee chairs.
3. The indicators included in this report are aligned with key priorities. Other indicators may be referenced when appropriate in narrative provided by the relevant assistant directors, when providing the committee with performance updates.
4. Twenty-two indicators are reported to the committee, seventeen of them on a six-monthly basis and five annually.

Headlines

Human Resources

5. The number of days lost to sickness in 2021/22 is higher than in 2020/21, however the 2020/21 figures were significantly lower than previous years due to lockdown and less staff were absent due to hospital/medical treatment as non urgent procedures were cancelled.
6. The wellbeing programme has produced significant benefits for staff and continues to be a priority for the Council.

Council Tax

7. The amount of Council Tax arrears collected in 2021/22 was £1.55m, which was £0.32m more than in 2020/21. The amount of outstanding Council Tax arrears also increased but this was due to limitations on recovery action being imposed during the Covid pandemic.

8. Overall, £66m was collected by Revenues and Benefits officers in 2021/22, which is £5.5m more than the previous year. The overall target collection rate of 99% is on course to be met.

Business Rates

9. The percentage of Businesses Rates collected was slightly above the target of 98% with £26.8m collected in 2021/22, which was £9.2m more than the previous year. The amount of Business Rates arrears reduced in 2021/22 and the overall target collection rate of 99% is on course to be met.

Culture

10. Footfall has increased since 2020/21 and is expected to continue to increase.
11. The events team has provided a fantastic schedule of events and activities in the town centre to encourage visitors.
12. A number of new independent retailers have come to the town centre.
13. The work of the Town Fund has improved shop fronts in Skinnergate and the Yards.

Planning Applications

14. 85.7% of major planning applications are decided within 13 weeks or to an agreed timescale.
15. 91.3% of non major or household applications are decided within eight weeks or an agreed timescale.

Economy

16. The number of residents claiming unemployment benefits continues to fall. It is expected this will continue as the growth in employment opportunities increases following the pandemic.
17. Employment rates have remained static for 2020/21 but show a longer term gradual increase linked to employment opportunities.
18. The economically active rate is higher than both the national and regional average highlighting the growth in employment opportunities.
19. Average annual income has risen for the fourth year compared with the national income which has declined. Average income remains higher than the regional average and is closing the gap on the national average.

Environmental Health

20. Thanks to good advice, inspections and enforcements by the environmental health team, many premises have been found to comply with food hygiene rules.

21. There has been a 64% increase in domestic noise complaints, due, in part, to more people working from home and increased dog ownership, despite this the target for investigating complaints has been met.

Performance Summary

22. Performance of the six indicators reported annually that have targets.

- a) Four of the indicators shows performance better than its target.

ECI 401	New homes delivered against annual target
HBS 002	Amount in £s of Council Tax arrears collected
HBS 009	% of Council Tax collected in year
HBS 010	% of Business Rates collected in-year

- b) Two of the indicators show performance is not as good as their target.

FHR 001	Number of FTE working days lost due to sickness (excluding schools)
HBS 003	Amount in £s of Housing Benefit overpayments recovered

23. Performance of the twenty two indicators reported annually:

- a) Of the twenty two indicators reported annually twenty one can be compared against their data at Qtr 4 2020/21.

- b) Ten indicators are showing performance better than at this time last year.

CUL 080a	Town centre footfall weekly average
ECI 104	% of major planning applications decided within 13 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)
ECI 105	% of non-major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)
ECI 106	24 months to date % of non major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)
ECI 321	Monthly unemployed claimant count
ECI 329	Average annual income - Darlington residents

HBS 002	Amount in £s of Council Tax arrears collected
HBS 010	% of Business Rates collected in-year
REG 301	Environmental Health : % of food premises which are inspected within the financial year in which they are due
REG 308	Environmental Health: % of premises broadly compliant for food hygiene

c) Eleven indicators are showing performance not as good as at this time last year:

ECI 330	Average annual income - Darlington employees
ECI 401	New homes delivered against annual target
FHR 001	Number of FTE working days lost due to sickness (excluding schools)
FHR 003	Number of reportable employee accidents / ill health
FHR 008	Number of complaints upheld by the Local Government Ombudsman/Housing Ombudsman
FHR 009	Number of complaints upheld by the Information Commissioners Office
FHR 019	Staff turnover - Voluntary Leavers
HBS 003	Amount in £s of Housing Benefit overpayments recovered
HBS 009	% of Council Tax collected in year
LGP 008	Contracted spend as a % of total non-salary spend
REG 312a	% of noise complaints investigated and completed within 6 weeks of the date of receipt (except where diary sheet returned)

d) One indicator has information available up to Qtr 3.

ECI 327	Employment rate – all people economically active
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e) Of the sixteen indicators reported quarterly seven can be compared against their previous quarter data.

f) Three of the six indicators show performance better than at Qtr 3.

ECI 104	% of major planning applications decided within 13 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)
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ECI 106	24 months to date % of non-major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)
ECI 321	Monthly unemployed claimant count

g) Three of the indicators are showing performance not as good than at Qtr 3.

CUL 080a	Town centre footfall weekly average
ECI 105	% of non-major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)
LGP 008	Contracted spend as a % of total non-salary spend

h) One of the indicators shows performance the same as Qtr 3.

REG 312a	% of noise complaints investigated and completed within 6 weeks of the date of receipt (except where diary sheet returned)
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24. A detailed performance scorecard is attached at **Appendix 1**.

Recommendations

25. It is recommended:

- a) that performance information provided in this report is reviewed and noted, and relevant queries raised with appropriate Assistant Directors.

Ian Thompson
Assistant Director Community Services

Mark Ladyman
Assistant Director Economic Growth

Brett Nielsen
Assistant Director Resources

Luke Swinhoe
Assistant Director Law and Governance

Background Papers

Background papers were not used in the preparation of this report.

S17 Crime and Disorder	This report supports the Councils Crime and Disorder responsibilities
Health and Well Being	This report supports performance improvement relating to improving the health and wellbeing of residents
Sustainability	This report supports the Council's sustainability responsibilities
Diversity	This report supports the promotion of diversity
Wards Affected	This reports supports performance improvement across all Wards
Groups Affected	This report supports performance improvement which benefits all groups
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework
Key Decision	This is not a key decision
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision
Council Plan	This report contributes to the Council Plan by involving Members in the scrutiny of performance relating to the delivery of key outcomes
Efficiency	Scrutiny of performance is integral to optimising outcomes.

Main Report

Information and Analysis

Human Resources

26. FHR 001 - Number of FTE working days lost due to sickness:

At the yearend 2021/22 the number of working days lost to sickness is higher than reported in 2020/21. However 2020/21 saw low figures of sickness absence as the country had numerous CV19 lockdowns. As society started to open again, absence conditions associated with social interaction have increased. Also during 2021/22 absence due to hospital treatment/medical increased, as the NHS reinstated non urgent procedures, some of which were postponed during the pandemic. Managers at all levels (with HR support) continue to manage sickness within the Council's sickness management policies. The Wellbeing programme has produced significant benefits for our workforce and continues to be a key priority within the new workforce strategy to promote the health and wellbeing of staff. Additional activities have been implemented during 2021/20, with further planned in 2022/23.

27. FHR 019 - Staff turnover - Voluntary Leavers:

The number of staff leaving in 2021/22 is higher than in 2020/21. This is to be expected as during 2020/21 the pandemic meant many employers were not recruiting and employees were cautious regarding seeking new employment. In 2021/22, as we came out of the pandemic and due to local success in attracting new employers, many new employment opportunities have arisen in Darlington which has resulted in staff moving. The Council continues to undertake exit surveys for all staff that leave our employment to understand the reason for leaving and implement improvements where needed, with 92% of staff completing exit surveys stating they would work for the Council again. The Council continues to improve its offer to staff through wellbeing projects, employee benefits and other changes (for example agile working) to make the Council an attractive place to work.

Health and Safety

28. FHR 003 - Number of reportable employee accidents / ill health:

The number of reportable employee accidents/ill health for 2021/22 was 12, which is higher than in 2020/21. All accidents and ill health reports are investigated by management and the Health & Safety team to establish the causes, to identify issues or

trends and make recommendations to prevent reoccurrence. The profile and importance of health and safety continues to be a key priority for the Council at all levels. Relationships with partner organisations have been strengthened to ensure the promotion of a health and safety culture across all Council activities.

Complaints

29. FHR 008 - Number of complaints upheld by the Local Government Ombudsman/Housing Ombudsman: 7 complaints were upheld during 2021/22, compared to 5 in 2020/21.
30. FHR 009 - Number of complaints upheld by the Information Commissioners Office: 2 complaints were upheld during 2021/22 compared to 1.5 in 2020/21.

Procurement

31. LGP 008 - Contracted spend as a % of total non-salary spend: Increased communication announcements and a refreshed intranet page over the past year has enabled officers to acquire a greater understanding of the procurement rules and the need for value for money and transparency which has contributed to the figure remaining above 85% for the third consecutive year.

Council Tax

32. HBS 002 - Amount in £s of Council Tax arrears collected: The amount of Council Tax arrears collected exceeded the target for 2021/22, with £1.55 million collected compared to £1.23 million in 2020/21. The amount of outstanding arrears has also increased during 2021/22 from £5.6 million to £6.8 million. This was due to restrictions being imposed on recovery action due to the Covid pandemic.
33. HBS 009 - % of Council Tax collected in year: The percentage of Council Tax collected in-year in 2021/22 was slightly below the Council's target of 95.5%. However, £66.0 million was collected in 2021/22 by Revenues and Benefits officers, exceeding the amount collected for the previous year by £5.5 million. Despite the increase in Council Tax arrears, the overall collection rate of 99% is still on course to be met.

Housing Benefits

34. HBS 003 - Amount in £s of Housing Benefit overpayments recovered: The amount of Housing Benefit overpayments collected was slightly lower than the target for 2021/22. £568k of overpayments were collected, compared to £646k collected for the same period in 2020/21. However, collection rates are currently at 107% of the new overpayment debt created (£533k) and the overall outstanding debt is decreasing (currently at £1.78 million). It is likely that as Housing Benefit claims continue to transfer to Universal Credit, the amount of Housing Benefit overpayments created (and therefore the amount collected) will continue to decrease.

Business Rates

35. HBS 010 - % of Business Rates collected in-year: The percentage of Business Rates collected in-year in 2021/22 was slightly above the Council's target of 98.0%. £26.8 million was collected in 2021/22 by Revenues and Benefits officers, exceeding the amount collected for the previous year by £9.2 million. The amount of Business Rates arrears reduced in 2021/22 and therefore, the overall collection rate of 99% is still on course to be met.

Culture

36. CUL 080a - Using the information provided by the Springboard footfall counters, the footfall in Darlington has increased in comparison to 2020/21 figures and continue to follow this trend for 2022/23 period. Some restrictions with face masks were reintroduced in November and December 2021. The events team have continued to schedule a variety of events and town centre animation to encourage visitors to the town centre. We will continue to review and monitor the footfall data. Darlington has welcomed a number of new independent retailers to the town centre and the continued works programme with the Towns Fund is improving shop fronts within the Skinnergate and Yards areas.

Planning Applications

37. ECI 104 - % of major planning applications decided within 13 weeks or within agreed time: The department continues to provide a prompt service for deciding major applications with an increase over the previous quarter up to 85.7%

38. ECI 105 % of non-major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time: Although this indicator is slightly down on the previous 2 quarters it is still a healthy 91.3% of non major or Household type applications now decided within Target or an agreed time.

39. ECI 106 - 24 months to date % of non major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time: For the 24 months to date indicator the department is showing a continued improvement with 88.5% of non major or Household type applications now decided within Target or an agreed time.

Planning Policy

40. ECI 321 - Monthly unemployed claimant count: The number of Darlington residents claiming benefits for the reason of unemployment continues to fall – a trend which is mirrored in both regional and national statistics. The reduction in claimant count will be directly influenced by the growth in employment opportunities, as the economy recovers from the impacts of pandemic

41. ECI 327 - Employment rate – all people economically active: The economically active rate has remained around 80% from April to Dec 2021. The December figure of 81% is above both the England average of 78.7% and North East Average of 74.7% highlighting the growth in new employment opportunities within the area.
42. ECI 329 - Average annual income - Darlington residents: Residents average income has risen for the 4th year in succession, the £24,280 is above the North East average of £23,414 and closing the gap between the England average of £26,192.
43. ECI 330 - Average annual income - Darlington employees: Employees average income has fallen for the 2nd year in succession from the high of £23,658 in 2019/20 to £23,149 a decrease of £509 per annum. This figure is in-line with the North East average of £23,151 but below the England average of £26,204.
44. ECI 401 - New homes delivered against annual target: The Local Plan was adopted in February. It was hoped this would result in a number of planning applications to promote economic growth. Whilst the number of completions remains high and above Local Plan targets at 511 for the year 2021/22, the Government announced in March 2022 that Darlington was part of the Nutrient Neutrality catchment area of the River Tees. The impact of this is that no new permissions for housing developments can be granted until it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of Natural England that any development would not increase the release of nutrients (Nitrogen) into the River Tees or its tributaries. This will delay the granting of planning permissions which ultimately will impact on housing delivery.

Environmental Health

45. REG 301 - % of food premises which are inspected within the financial year in which they are due: To limit the spread of Covid infection during the Pandemic Environmental Health officers were under instruction from the Food Standards Agency not to visit commercial premises unless they had evidence that there was a direct risk to public health. As a result of this, officers were left with a significant backlog of inspections. The Local Authority (LA) recovery plan has re-started the regulatory delivery system for the highest risk businesses and provides greater flexibility for lower risk businesses wherever possible. Officers have developed a plan which triages all currently registered food premises and uninspected premises and ensures that priority is given to the highest risk premises.
46. REG 308 – % of premises broadly compliant for food hygiene: Premises within the Borough have shown a consistently high level of compliance year on year. This is due to a robust, consistent, and proportionate advice, inspection, and enforcement regime by officers.
47. REG 312a – % of noise complaints investigated and completed within 6 weeks of the date of receipt: During 2021/2022 688 domestic noise complaints including barking dogs were received and investigated by Environmental Health. The target of 90% has been met despite there being a 64% increase in domestic noise complaints compared to pre-

Covid levels 2019/2020. This increase is likely to be due to people continuing to work from home and increased dog ownership.

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Indicator	Title	Format	Reported	What is best	2018 / 2019	2019 / 2020	2020 / 2021	2021/22 - Q1	2021/22 - Q2	2021/22 - Q3	2021/22 - Q4	Target	Qtr 4 compared to Qtr 3	2021/22 compared to 2020/21	
CUL 080a	Town centre footfall weekly average	Number	Monthly	Higher	No data available	No data available	139,536	274,600	283,165	277,597	274,444	NA	↓	↑	
ECI 104	% of major planning applications decided within 13 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)	Percentage	Quarterly	Higher	91.4%	77.4%	80.0%	100.0%	84.6%	81.0%	85.7%	NA	↑	↑	
ECI 105	% of non major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)	Percentage	Quarterly	Higher	86.8%	86.3%	85.0%	90.1%	92.8%	92.1%	91.3%	NA	↓	↑	
ECI 106	24 months to date % of non major planning development decisions within 8 weeks or within agreed time (EoT)	Percentage	Quarterly	Higher	86.6%	86.6%	85.6%	86.2%	87.5%	87.8%	88.5%	NA	↑	↑	
ECI 321	Monthly unemployed claimant count	Percentage	Monthly	Lower	4.2%	4.8%	7.2%	6.3%	5.6%	5.1%	4.6%	NA	↑	↑	
ECI 327	Employment rate – all people economically active	Percentage	Annually	Higher	79.0%	80.0%	77.9%	80.1%	79.8%	81.0%	No data available	NA	NA	NA	
ECI 329	Average annual income - Darlington residents	£	Annually	Higher	£21,867	£23,520	£24,146	No data available	No data available	No data available	£24,280	NA	NA	↑	
ECI 330	Average annual income - Darlington employees	£	Annually	Higher	£22,675	£23,658	£23,299	No data available	No data available	No data available	£23,149	NA	NA	↓	
ECI 401	New homes delivered against annual target	Number	Quarterly	Higher	627	537	545	145	277	411	511	492	NA	↓	
Page 47	FHR 001	Number of FTE working days lost due to sickness (excluding schools)	Average Days	Monthly	Lower	8.3	8.7	6.7	1.7	3.8	5.9	8.2	7.0	NA	↓
	FHR 003	Number of reportable employee accidents / ill health	Number	Quarterly	Lower	8	4	3	3	5	8	12	NA	NA	↓
	FHR 008	Number of complaints upheld by the Local Government Ombudsman/Housing Ombudsman	Number	Quarterly	Lower	12	6	5	2	4	5	7	NA	NA	↓
	FHR 009	Number of complaints upheld by the Information Commissioners Office	Number	Quarterly	Lower	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	NA	NA	↓
	FHR 019	Staff turnover - Voluntary Leavers	Percentage	Quarterly	Lower	7.3%	7.1%	6.6%	1.8%	4.9%	8.2%	10.5%	NA	NA	↓
HBS 002	Amount in £s of Council Tax arrears collected	£	Monthly	Higher	£1,463,946	£1,243,505	£1,234,774	£222,249	£806,156	£1,273,681	£1,546,390	£1,250,000	NA	↑	
HBS 003	Amount in £s of Housing Benefit overpayments recovered	£	Quarterly	Higher	£1,129,882	£939,792	£646,397	£149,464	£269,196	£424,899	£568,423	£600,000	NA	↓	
HBS 009	% of Council Tax collected in year	Percentage	Monthly	Higher	96.0%	96.2%	95.8%	26.7%	52.1%	77.8%	94.9%	95.5%	NA	↓	
HBS 010	% of Business Rates collected in-year	Percentage	Monthly	Higher	97.7%	99.4%	97.1%	27.0%	53.5%	85.7%	98.1%	98.0%	NA	↑	
LGP 008	Contracted spend as a % of total non-salary spend	Percentage	Quarterly	Higher	75.7%	86.7%	86.6%	85.9%	84.9%	86.2%	85.6%	NA	↓	↓	
REG 301	Environmental Health : % of food premises which are inspected within the financial year in which they are due	Percentage	Annually	Higher	92.7%	94.1%	18.1%	No data available	No data available	No data available	43.5%	NA	NA	↑	
REG 308	Environmental Health: % of premises broadly compliant for food hygiene	Percentage	Annually	Higher	97.6%	96.1%	97.7%	No data available	No data available	No data available	98.5%	NA	NA	↑	

SCRUTINY - ECONOMY & RESOURCES 2021/22 QUARTER 4

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REG 312a	% of noise complaints investigated and completed within 6 weeks of the date of receipt (except where diary sheet returned)	Percentage	Quarterly	Higher	94.4%	95.5%	97.7%	96.3%	96.0%	95.6%	95.6%	NA	↔	↓
													Better than =	↑
													Not as good as =	↓
													The same as =	↔

**ECONOMY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
30 June 2022**

**PROJECT POSITION STATEMENT AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING
OUTTURN 2021/22**

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring 2021/22 Outturn report.

Summary

2. Attached at **Annex 1** is the Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring 2021/22 Outturn report which is due to be considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 5 July 2022

Recommendation

3. It is recommended that Members consider and discuss the Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring 2021/22 Outturn report.

Anthony Hewitt
Assistant Director Transport and Capital
Projects

Brett Nielsen
Assistant Director Resources

Background Papers

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

S17 Crime and Disorder	There are no specific crime and disorder implications in this report.
Health and Well Being	There are no issues relating to health and well being which this report needs to address.
Carbon Impact and Climate Change	There are no specific carbon impact issues in this report.
Diversity	The report does not contain any proposals that impact on diversity issues.
Wards Affected	All wards are affected.
Groups Affected	No specific groups are particularly affected.
Budget and Policy Framework	This decision does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	The report does not require a key decision.
Urgent Decision	The report does not require an urgent decision.
Council Plan	The Capital Programme referred to in this report supports the delivery of the Council plan.
Efficiency	The report contains updated information regarding efficiency savings contained in the MTFP.
Impact of Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers

CABINET
05 JULY 2022

PROJECT POSITION STATEMENT & CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING
OUTTURN 2021/22

Responsible Cabinet Member -
Councillor Scott Durham, Resources Portfolio

Responsible Director -
Elizabeth Davison, Group Director of Operations
Dave Winstanley, Group Director of Services

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. This report provides:
 - (a) Information on delivery of the Council's Capital Programme, the financial outturn position as at 31 March 2022 and the proposed financing of the 2021/22 capital expenditure.
 - (b) An update on the current status of all construction projects currently being undertaken by the Council.
2. It also seeks approval for a number of changes to the programme.

Summary

3. Significant enhancements have been made to the Council's assets in three major programme areas of schools, housing and transport, mostly using external funding, as well as several other largescale schemes in the Borough. These investments are delivering a wide range of improvements to the Council's assets and more critically, to Council services. Refurbishment of council homes, improved learning environments in schools, better traffic flows and opportunities for sustainable travel have been achieved and are detailed within the report.
4. Capital expenditure in 2021/22 totalled £43.388m. Since the last revision of the Capital Medium Term Financial plan further refinements to estimates have occurred as part of the ongoing management of the programme and these are included in the recommendations below, all revisions can be contained within existing programmes.
5. The Council has a substantial annual construction programme of work. The current project position statement (PPS) shows there are 48 live projects currently being managed by the

Council with an overall project outturn value of £188.383m. The majority of projects are running to time, cost and quality expectations with no foreseeable issues.

6. The projects are managed either by the Council's in-house management team, a Framework Partner or by consultants sourced via an open/OJEU tender process.

Recommendations

7. It is recommended that Cabinet:
 - (a) Note the delivery and financial outturn of the 2021/22 Capital Programme.
 - (b) Note projected capital expenditure and resources.
 - (c) Approve the adjustments to resources as detailed in paragraph 26.

Reasons

8. The recommendations are supported by the following reasons:
 - (a) The recommendations are supported to enable Members to note the progress of the 2021/22 Capital Programme and to allow the capital spend to be fully financed.
 - (b) To inform Cabinet of the current status of construction projects.
 - (c) To maintain effective management of resources.

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Background Papers

- (i) Capital Medium Term Financial Plan 2021/22 – 2024/25
- (ii) Project Position Statement March 2022

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S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for crime and disorder.
Health and Well Being	There are no issues relating to health and wellbeing which this report needs to address.
Carbon Impact and Climate Change	There are no carbon impact implications in this report
Diversity	There are no specific implications for diversity
Wards Affected	All wards are affected.
Groups Affected	The proposals do not affect any particular groups within the community
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	The report does not represent a key decision
Urgent Decision	For the purpose of the 'call-in' procedure this does not represent an urgent matter.
Council Plan	The Capital Programme referred to in the report supports delivery of the Council plan.
Efficiency	The recommendations support the effective and efficient use of resources.
Impact on Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers

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Information and Analysis

9. **Appendix 1** is a summary of all of the live construction projects and provides an overview on numbers, client responsibility, details of projected spend against budget and projected completion dates.
10. **Appendix 2** is for information and lists all live construction projects and provides details on numbers, type and details of the key individuals responsible for the delivery of the projects. It also provides a statement on the current status position on each project, details of actions being taken, where required and any current issues.
11. The Capital outturn for 2021/22 totalled £43.388m compared to £29.875m in 2020/21. **Appendix 3** analyses the 2021/22 capital spend by department, the proposed financing of the overall approved programme and corporate resources to be carried forward into 2022/23. The total of resources already approved to finance the outstanding capital programme including part finished projects is £202.949m therefore £159.561m will be carried forward into 2022/23 to fund completion. The spend summary shows the amount available to be utilised in future years to help finance the capital programme.

12. **Appendix 4** summarises the total approved departmental capital budgets of £306.650m, along with spend to date of £147.089m and the projected outturn position which is lower than budget at £290.815m.
13. The proposed financing of the 2021/22 expenditure is:

	2021/22
Capital Expenditure	£M
Financing of Capital Expenditure	43.388
<i>Corporate resources</i>	
Corporate Unsupported Capital Expenditure (Borrowing)	7.623
Capital Receipts	0.586
<i>Externally funded</i>	
Capital Grants	19.372
Capital Contributions	0.038
<i>Departmental and Other Resources</i>	
HRA - Capital Receipts	0.986
HRA - Revenue Contribution	8.502
Departmental - Borrowing for Leasable Assets	0.299
Departmental - Unsupported Borrowing	5.859
Departmental – Revenue Contribution	0.123
Total Capital Financing	43.388

Project Position Statement

14. Project management procedures require the production by project managers of a Project Position Statement (PPS) for all projects over £75,000. This report brings together the pertinent data from the current PPS with financial information from the Financial Management System (FMS) and approvals by Cabinet.
15. The Project Position Statement (Appendix 2) details the current live construction projects, up to the end of March 2022, by delivery area, and provides details on numbers, type and details of the key individuals responsible for the delivery of the projects. It also provides a statement on the current status position on each project, details of actions being taken, where required and any current issues. The statement excludes any completed projects or those on hold.

16. The overview of live construction projects is as follows:

	Projects	Current Approved Budget £ / p	Projected Outturn £ / p	Variance %	Variance (Value) £ / p
Chief Executive & Economic Growth	16	55,598,101	55,456,218	(0.3)	(141,883)
Operations	18	57,798,271	57,784,601	(0.0)	(13,670)
People	2	4,154,566	4,154,566	0.0	0
Services	12	70,876,623	70,987,420	0.2	110,797
TOTAL	48	188,427,561	188,382,805	(0.1)	(44,756)

17. The table shown above includes a column for current approved budget. In certain cases this budget figure may be different from the original approved budget. This could be as a result of variances identified during construction or other variables not known at the initiation stage. The original budget and all subsequent changes have been reported to and approved by Cabinet.

18. The live projects are at the following stages:

Department	Brief	CP1	CP2	CP3	CP4	CP5	Total
Chief Executive & Economic Growth	0	1	4	7	2	2	16
Operations	0	1	0	7	9	1	18
People	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Services	0	2	1	5	3	1	12
TOTAL	0	4	5	21	14	4	48

19. **Control Point 1 (CP1) – Start Up:** is used to define the position of a project at its conception stage.

- (a) **Control Point 2 (CP2) – Initiate:** defines a project at feasibility stage and will likely include a desktop assessment of a project and the use of informed estimates.
- (b) **Control Point 3 (CP3) – Define:** the point that the project is progressed to RIBA Stage F, i.e. detailed design.
- (c) **Control Point 4 (CP4) – Construction Phase:** is the stage at which work begins on the project, i.e. for a construction project on site through to build completion.
- (d) **Control Point 5 (CP5) – Evaluate:** is the stage post completion of the project at which time the project is reviewed and lessons learned are discussed in order that they can be taken to the next or similar projects.

20. The status on live projects is as follows:

Department	p	~	ê
Chief Executive & Economic Growth	3	13	0
Operations	6	12	0
People	0	2	0
Services	6	6	0
TOTAL	15	33	0

- (a) Star and triangle symbols are used to identify projects that have variances which are:
- (i) More than £5,000, if the variance is also more than 5% of the approved budget for the project, or
 - (ii) More than £50,000 regardless of the percentage variance
- (b) Projects that are within these margins are symbolised with circles.
- (c) In addition to cost, the same symbols are used to indicate similar levels of variances in time and quality/outputs/outcomes.

21. Current projects with the triangle symbol are as follows:

Project	Reason for Variance	Action
A68 Woodland Road Outram Street Duke Street	A delay has been encountered due to the need for a public Inquiry for the Duke Street proposals	Awaiting outcome of public inquiry, design will be reviewed depending on outcome
External works 2021-22	Due to supply chain issues the contractor have not yet completed the works	Works being carried forward to 22/23
Garages 2020-22	Works have been delayed due to further consultation with residents required, which means works will be delayed into 22/23	Works being carried forward to 22/23
LAD 1b funding	The contractor has been delayed and will be delivering until the end of April with reporting to be carried out by May 22	Works being carried forward to 22/23

Repairs before painting and External Decoration 2021-22	Awaiting final programme for the 21/22 delivery. Approx 50% has been completed to date. Budget to be slipped for the remainder of the programme to be completed by end of April/May 22	Works being carried forward to 22/23
Replacement Door Programme 2021-22 Housing	Following a delay to works with the supply chain issues the contractor is off site, suffering from a shortage of materials. Priority is being given to Responsive replacements, albeit this will be with another contractor where appropriate. Remainder of programme and outstanding responsive replacements will need to be slipped into 22/23	Works being carried forward to 22/23
S & D Trackbed	Delays were encountered with remedial works being completed, now complete	Some remedial works still to complete
Skinnergate & Indoor Market	Revised completion date 31/07/22, however this may slip again dependant on final design	Design to be finalised asap
Walking Cycling Route MSG Yarm Road-Mill Lane	Scheme required additional drainage and structural design work which extended the programme	Consultants on-board to complete design work
Windows Replacement Programme 2021-22 Housing	The appointed contractor has encountered delays with deliveries which has affected the programme	Works being carried forward to 22/23
Skinnergate Re-development Housing	A delay was encountered following the production of a revised design to satisfy concerns raised by Historic England at the planning application stage	The design team are working on the Stage 4 design and reviewing the programme to see if there is an opportunity to save time
Ingenium Parc Masterplan + Infrastructure	Delays encountered due to ground conditions, phase II works underway	Contractor on board to complete drainage works

Dolphin Centre Bowling & Soft Play	Complete	The over £1m Outturn report to be produced
Crown Library Refurbishment	Delays and additional costs have been encountered from the withdrawal of the originally appointed roofing contractor	Building Services are now working with new roofing contractor and looking at ways to make up time
Central Park Mound Removal & Transformation	A delay was created with the uncertainty of the location for the Treasury North development	An option to include for Treasury and an option to develop without them is being taken forward

Reconciliation of Project Position Statement to Capital Programme

22. The table shown below reconciles the differences between the Capital Programme (CP) and the Project Position Statement (PPS). Differences occur because the Project Position Statement includes all construction projects over £75,000 in value funded from Capital and Revenue sources. Spending within the Capital Programme is not always of a construction nature, can be of any value and excludes Revenue funded schemes.

	Value £m
Live Projects from Project Position	188,383
Schemes closed or on hold within CP but awaiting PPS post project review.	26,702
Annualised Schemes excluded from PPS - Housing Repairs & Maintenance	687
Annualised Schemes excluded from PPS - Highways Maintenance	8,447
Non construction excluded from PPS	15,487
Capital Investment fund excluded from PPS	30,013
Projects under 75k excluded from PPS	2,144
Capital Schemes not yet integrated into PPS reporting	13,535
Included in PPS & CMR	153
Funding not yet allocated	5,264
Capital Programme	290,815

23. The table below shows the split of the approved capital programme of £291.140m, between the different service areas and also the various categories of spend. When compared to the table above it shows that there is a projected £0.325m underspend on the approved capital programme.

	Construction				Non construction	Capital investment fund	Housing New Build not yet allocated	Total
	Live Schemes 75k & Over	Annualised Schemes	Completed Schemes awaiting review	Live Schemes under 75k				
Area	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Housing	32.874	0.687	6.744	0.122	0.955	0.000	34.278	75.660
Economic Growth	55.191	0.000	0.918	0.590	10.204	30.013	2.037	98.953
Highways/Transport	57.505	8.447	18.880	1.095	1.314	0.000	0.000	87.241
Leisure & Culture	21.620	0.000	0.000	0.225	0.000	0.000	0.000	21.845
Education	4.155	0.000	0.160	0.112	0.053	0.000	0.000	4.480
Adult Social Care	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.071	0.000	0.000	0.071
Other	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	2.890	0.000	0.000	2.890
Total	171.345	9.134	26.702	2.144	15.487	30.013	36.315	291.140

Capital Programme

24. The following major areas of work have been undertaken in 2021/22:

(a) Children, Families and Learning

- (i) Condition works were undertaken at the maintained schools over Summer 2021 and surveys are underway to identify the works for Summer 2022.
- (ii) The Red Hall and Rise Carr special educational needs units are now complete and opened in September 2021.

(b) Housing

- (i) Adaptations – The provision of disabled adaptations including Flat Floor Showers, ramps, stair lifts, handrails, grabrails and other adaptations were provided to over 132 Council Properties.
- (ii) Heating Replacement - The upgrade of heating systems including ‘A’ rated Combi boilers, radiators and heating controls and the progressing of Electric to gas central heating replacement programme including the installation of new gas services and pipelines. Work was carried out to 168 properties. Due to Covid restrictions, the remaining programme will be carried out in 2022-23.
- (iii) Structural Repairs – Ongoing structural monitoring continues and as a result, a number of properties had structural repairs carried out.

- (1) Park Pace bin store walls – Demolition and rebuild of unstable walls were completed

- (2) 31 properties in Phase 3 of Arnold Road and Hundens Lane required structural repairs, new lintels, wall tie replacement, cavity clean and fully repointed
- (3) Flats in Havelock Street required structural remedial works to be carried out.
- (iv) Repairs before Painting – 1209 properties + 228 garages had joinery repair works as part of the cyclical external painting programme in Banktop / Lascelles and Haughton / Springfield areas.
- (v) Roofing – 75 properties at Haughton and 30 properties in Sadberge received replacement of roofs, fascias, soffits and rainwater goods alongside the top-up of loft insulation where appropriate. All brickwork to elevations of properties were also fully repointed
- (vi) Garages – They were no works carried out this year, we identified the prefabricated garages on Lascelles estate are beyond repair. It has been confirmed by housing that there is very little demand in the area.
- (vii) The decision was made that we would demolish the garages and to allow the works to be completed in 2022-23.
- (viii) External Works –
 - (1) 59 Properties were identified at Albert Hill that required the fences replacing
 - (2) 132 properties were identified by responsive inspections and required some fencing replacing
 - (3) The waste pump on Fenby was beyond economical repair and has been replaced
 - (4) Issues identified with the external paving need have been completed on the whole site of Branksome Hall Drive.
 - (5) 2 properties we identified to require the external render replacing
- (ix) Pavement Crossings – 5 properties had pavement crossings installed in their properties across the borough.
- (x) Replacement Door Programme – 51 properties were identified by responsive inspections and required replacement doors.
- (xi) 174 Properties in Banktop / Lascelles area were upgraded as part of our planned programme. Due to Covid restrictions and supply chain issues, the programme was delayed, it is proposed that we will carry out the remainder of the planned properties in 2022-23.

- (xii) Communal Works & Door Entry Systems –
 - (1) King William estate – 12 Blocks of flats had Communal doors replaced (fronts and rears) and new door entry systems
 - (2) North Road – 13 Blocks of Flats had Communal doors replaced fronts and rears- Existing Door Entry Systems were retained.
 - (3) Longfield Road – 4 Blocks of Flats had Communal doors replaced fronts and rears- Existing Door Entry Systems were retained.
 - (4) Balcony replacement completed to block at Church Row.
 - (xiii) Internal planned maintenance – 17 properties have been completed this year due to Labour constraints within Building Services.
 - (xiv) Windows – We were awarded grant funding under the Local Authority Delivery phase1b (LAD1b) stream. This enabled us to carry out upgrades to 347 properties, with remaining grant and programme properties to continue into 2022/23 programme year.
 - (xv) Loft Insulation – 293 properties were upgraded under the LAD1b grant funding.
- (c) Transport
- (i) Darlington continues to deliver capital schemes in support of its Transport Strategy. The objectives of the Transport Strategy as set out in the Third Local Transport Plan include supporting employment, economic activity and sustainable development; tackling climate change; improving accessibility to jobs, education, training, health, and green spaces; and improving the journey experience. Capital investment sources to deliver the Transport Programme were provided by: the third Local Transport Plan (LTP3), the Local Growth Fund; the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Programme, and various grants awarded by the Department for Transport (DfT) including Incentive and the Pothole Challenge fund.
 - (ii) LTP3 funding was spent on delivering a programme of maintenance schemes and integrated transport schemes. The integrated transport programme included: continued design work on the A68 Cockerton Roundabout scheme; the resurfacing of the Town Hall car park, and the four-year programme to replace traffic counter equipment continues. The highway maintenance programme was based upon condition data and included:
 - (1) Structural maintenance schemes such as West Auckland Road; Middleton Lane/Sadberge Road; and Heighington By-pass.

- (2) A programme of assessments continues to be carried out on Darlington's bridges, parapets and other structures and a programme of work was started to address identified issues. This has included the installation of Vehicle Restraint systems to protect bridge parapets in certain locations.
 - (iii) Funding was secured from the Local Growth Fund for the following scheme:
 - (1) In February 2020 funding was awarded to improve the walking and cycling route between Darlington Station and Darlington town centre. This includes addressing concerns about speeding traffic with the introduction a 20mph speed limit and traffic calming features; new traffic signals at the Clifton Road junction to assist pedestrians crossing the road; widened footpaths; the introduction of trees and landscaping; and resurfacing of the back lane and formalisation of parking. This has now been completed and is open to the public.
 - (iv) Funding was secured from the Rural Payments Agency in November 2019 to support a project to upgrade a section of existing bridleway running over the A66 eastwards to Middleton St. George. The funding was used to improve surfacing, drainage and access measures. Due to COVID19 restrictions works were suspended for a time but have now been completed with the final landscaping works being finished in May 2021.
 - (v) In March 2021 funding was secured from the Department for Transport from the Active Travel Fund Tranche 2 to support the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) to provide dedicated cycling infrastructure on Woodland Road/Outram Street/Duke Street. This will provide a route to key destinations including the Town Centre, Darlington Memorial hospital and Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form college. Works have started on Woodlands Road with a completion date of August 2022. The improvements to Duke Street have been delayed due to a Public Enquiry being triggered. The outcome of the enquiry is due to be announced in May 2022.
25. Paragraph 26 shows the movements in the Capital Programme since the approval of the 2021/22 Capital MTFP, some of which have not yet been approved by Members.

26. Adjustment to resources requested by departments:

Virements

Department	Scheme	Value £	Reason for adjustment	Impact on budget
Services	Indigenous Growth Fund	(£2,200,000)	Indigenous Growth funding moved to the Railway Heritage Quarter	Nil Effect
Services	Railway Heritage quarter	£2,200,000	Indigenous Growth funding moved to the Railway Heritage Quarter	Nil Effect
TOTAL		£0		

Adjustments needing approval release

Department	Scheme	Value £	Reason for adjustment	Resource type adjusted
Operations	Green Homes Grant - LA Delivery Phase 1b	£238,978	Match funded grant for energy efficiency as per MTFP	Release
Services	Crown Street Library	£216,876	RCCO Contribution towards Library capital project	Release
Services	Town Hall Car Park	£34,663	RCCO 21/22 Contribution to Town Hall Car Park	Release
Services	Broken Scarr play area	£24,057	S106 15/00513 - 17/00398 Esh Salutation Rd LTD Children's play	Release
Services	Staindrop Road Crossing Point	£25,168	S106 Vistry Partnerships North East 18/00989 - Sustainable Transport	Release
Services	School Aycliffe	£91,098	Miller Homes 17/00283 Sustainable Transport	Release
Services	Station Road Heighington	£43,699	Heighington JV S106 16/00820 Cycle Way & Footpath	Release
Services	Bus Stop improvements West Auckland Road	£3,750	S106 16/01041/FUL Bus Stop improvements (Aldi Stores)	Release

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Services	Bus Stop Improvements Milbank Crescent	£7,475	S106 02/00937 Charles Church bus shelter	Release
Services	Bus Stop Improvements Croft House	£6,000	Yorvik Homes 13/01001 - Sustainable Transport	Release
Services	Bus Stop Improvements Auction Mart	£23,352	D'ton Farmers Mart S106 13/00110 Bus Stop improvement	Release
Services	Bus Stop Improvements Woodburn Nursery	£16,000	S106 15/00513 - 17/00398 Esh Salutation Rd LTD Bus Stops	Release
Services	Bus Stop Improvements Edward Pease Way	£10,136	West Park JV LTD S106 15/00450 Bus Stop Contribution	Release
Services	Bus Stop Improvements Edward Pease Way	£16,020	Bussey & Armstrong S106 15/00450 Bus Stop	Release
Services	Bus stop improvements Heighington Village Hall	£5,015	S106 16/00820 Heighington JV contribution public transport	Release
Services	Bus Stop Improvements Oak Tree Pub	£5,945	S106 16/01256 Mandale Homes North Bus Stop	Release
Services	Bus Stop improvements Acorn Close	£7,000	S106 17/00847 Karbon Homes LTD Bus Stops & Speed Limit	Release
Services	Bus Stop improvements Walworth Road	£5,139	S106 18/00035 Bellway Homes Public Transport	Release
Services	Coachman Hotel	£7,800	S106 Empire Property Holdings The Coachman Hotel	Release
Services	Lingfield Point Sustainability	£109,113	S106 08/00638/OUT Marchday Lingfield Point Sustainability	Release
TOTAL		£901,034		

27. **Appendix 5** details the general fund capital receipts and corporate resources received and brought forward from previous years. These amount to £1.248m of which £0.586m has been utilised to finance capital expenditure as well as £0.267m of earmarked receipts to fund slippage, leaving a balance of £0.395m to carry forward into future years.

Conclusion

28. The total capital spend incurred during 2021/22 was £43.388m. Overall a balanced programme has been achieved with a wide variety of capital improvements undertaken throughout the Borough during 2021/22.

Outcome of Consultation

29. There has been no consultation in the preparation of this report.

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Capital Project Position Statement

Appendix 1

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Ref No	Title	Client	Approved Budget	Outurn Forecast	Planned Completion	Actual Completion	Comment
23	Civic Theatre Refurbishment & Theatre Hullaballoon	Services	£16,069,000	£16,069,000	06-Nov-17	06-Nov-17	Works complete. In defect period. Activity plan elements are still being delivered up to March 2021, working to current approved budget.
25	West Cemetry Development	Services	£6,400,000	£6,400,000	19-Jul-22		Crematorium 06/04/21 to 31/3/22. 17 days delay - expected handover 27th April. Chapel 06/04/21 – 31/03/22 76 days delay - expected handover 19th July.
26	Dolphin Centre Soft Play / Bowling Alley	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£1,784,687	£1,784,687	31-Mar-21	19-Mar-21	Complete.
27	Railway Heritage Quarter	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£35,140,000	£35,140,000	30-Sep-24		The RIBA Stage 4 design, Agreed Maximum Price submission and logistics proposals for the build stage have been submitted are now agreed. Information to extinguish pre-commencement planning conditions has been submitted and is under review by the LPA.
28	Crown Street Library Refurbishment	Services	£3,130,436	£3,241,233	31-Jul-23		Works ongoing
174	RedHall SEND	People	£1,637,998	£1,637,998	19-Mar-21	31-Oct-21	All phases complete - CP4 being drafted. SEND End of defects periods are listed below extension – May 2022. Carpark resurfacing - September 2022 Path resurfacing - October 2022 On budget - awaiting final account from Building Services.
175	Rise Carr SEND	People	£2,516,568	£2,516,568	20-Apr-22		All phases complete - CP4 being drafted. End of defects periods are listed below Condition Window Internal SEND Roofing works – September 2021 works to sport hall – April 2022 replacement – October 2022 remodel - October 2022 new build & externals – October 2022
226	Ingenium Parc Masterplan + Infrastructure	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£4,877,093	£4,877,093	31-Aug-22		Works are to be undertaken in 2 phases. Phase 1 which is the installation of the drainage within the non trapped out areas from Jan 22 - 28th Feb 22 and Phase 2 which is the digging out of the basin and connections within the trapped out areas from May 22 - Aug 22.. Phase 1 is now complete. Work is due to re-commence May 22. Work is presently on programme. The site is presently suffering from ASB. The semi-permant new barrier and Heras fencing is getting vandalised on a daily basis. Due to the existing newt licence this barrier requires repairing/replacing immediately and therefore costs may increase.

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Ref No	Title	Client	Approved Budget	Outurn Forecast	Planned Completion	Actual Completion	Comment
228	Feethams House	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£8,500,000	£8,460,880	15-May-20	15-May-20	Treasury occupying under licence for enabling works. A licence has been issued to GPA/Wates for the site compound. AFL drafted and a few final points to agree before completion. Solicitors have been instructed in relation to a Deed of Release ref the title restriction ref ERDF Funding. This is being handled by Alex Rose at DWF.
233	Hybrid Innovation Centre	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£8,337,854	£8,337,854	31-Aug-22		Construction work is ongoing which includes M & E installation, installation of the roof and internal partitions. Presently on programme.
234	Demolition at Union Street	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£210,000	£210,000	20-Nov-20	14-Aug-20	Demolition has been completed
236	Clarks and Buckton's Yards Improvements	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£500,000	£488,000	30-Nov-21	31-Mar-22	Some works originally identified within Phase 1 are being moved into Phase 2 as they will be post 31st March. Other works have now been completed
237	Central Park Mound Removal and Transformatrion	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£2,650,000	£2,650,000	31-Aug-22		Clearance of Historic materials and obstructions 80% complete. Biodiversity Net Gain to be agreed 'off site' to maximise Development opportunity. Delays with submission of Planning Application whilst BNG locations secured. Grant Funding spend being amximised for financial year 2021/2. Implementation of hard and soft landscaping expected to run until August / September 2022. Followed by Bare root planting. Two new access roads to be started.
239	Station Gateway East	Economic Growth	£12,934,732	£12,934,732	06-May-24		Demolition tender package for first phase of properties to be issued to framework this month. WDC pricing Stage 4 design due early May. NR working to close out outstanding actions to allow Stage 4 design approval.
240	Station Gateway West	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£2,087,533	£1,996,770	15-Apr-24		Design progressing by Fairhurst/Sanderson. Planning approval granted. Currently in RIBA Stage 4.
241	Station Gateway Demolitions	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£1,322,940	£1,322,940	17-Mar-23		GATEWAY EAST; Utility disconnection and an asbestos survey has been undertaken on Profix & Exhaust A Fix. South of Albert Street Completion: 17/06/2022. North of Albert Street Completion: 15/02/2023 (CPO constrained) GATEWAY WEST; Hogans & Pensbury/Victoria road: Utility disconnections complete and party wall agreement process started. Hogans & Pensbury Completion: 17/06/2022. Park Lane/Waverley Completion: 17/03/2023 (CPO & Party Wall constrained)

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Ref No	Title	Client	Approved Budget	Outurn Forecast	Planned Completion	Actual Completion	Comment
242	Station Gateway CPO & Acquisitions	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£8,077,262	£8,077,262	21-Sep-22		Inspector's decision for CPO received 28th February. High Court Challenge period ends 29th April 2022. Inspector's decision for Stopping Up Order received 5th March. High Court Challenge Period ends 31st May 2022. Anticipated completion date (21/09/22) refers to conclusion of CPO and possessions process
320	Salix Low Carbon Works	Services	£413,313	£413,313	28-Jan-22	28-Jan-22	Works Complete
451	East Haven Housing	Operations	£5,402,952	£5,402,952			41 units Design produced, but access arrangements are subject to complex legal agreements so delaying progress. It is likely it won't proceed until late 2022/23, but DBC resources will be fully committed delivering other housing sites
461	Allington Way - Phase 3	Operations	£8,638,250	£8,624,580	31-May-22		56 units A market shortage of bricklayers had pushed the programme back. Other trade shortages pose a threat going forward.
462	Skinnergate Re-development Housing	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£4,950,000	£4,950,000	01-Jun-22		16 units residential units Proposed site layout developed. RIBA Stage 4 design is progressing and services disconnections are in progress. Principle designer now Andrew Bumfrey of Space Architects.
464	IPM Works	Operations	£2,239,000	£2,239,000	31-Mar-22		It has been agreed that the Ipm programme will be on hold for the rest of this financial year and all properties and budget will be slipped to 2022-23
465	Central Heating Programme 2021-22 Housing	Operations	£1,946,719	£1,946,719	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-22	Programme has started to cover the 20/21 and the 21/22 properties. 21/22 properties will commence in February 22.
468	Replacement Door Programme 2021-22 Housing	Operations	£725,638	£725,638	31-Mar-22		Programme has started to cover the 20/21 and the 21/22 properties
469	Windows Replacement Programme 2021-22 Housing	Operations	£1,000,000	£1,000,000	31-Mar-22		Programme has started to cover the 20/21 Haughton & Springfield Areas & the 21/22 Lascelles Programme. To maximise grant funding the windows programmes have been combined alongside additional grant funded properties. This will mean grant eligible properties will be installed first to meet grant tight timescales, with the remaining properties being completed after that.
472	Roof replacement and repointing 2021 22	Operations	£1,000,000	£1,000,000	31-Mar-22		Haughton Scheme has commenced (est £850k). Works planned to re-roof the main roof and the side flat roofs and repoint the whole building. £150k committed to responsive works properties.
473	External works 2021-22	Operations	£414,000	£414,000	31-Mar-22		Works to replace fencing to front and rear gardens (Fencing in Albert Hill c£270k & Redhall c£144k)

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474	Communal flat entrance door and door entry replacement 2021-22	Operations	£187,144	£187,144	31-Mar-22		Works to replace communal entrance doors and door entry systems is complete (Henry Street & North Road c£140k)
475	Garages 2020-22	Operations	£151,828	£151,828	31-Mar-22		Works to demolish prefab garages and fence off gardens to provide offstreet parking bays at Lascelles
476	Repairs before painting and External Decoration 2021-22	Operations	£60,000	£60,000	31-Mar-22	31-May-22	To complete pre-paint repairs and external decoration in line with the 5 year programme Capital Works - H6234 (£60k) Revenue - 66025 (£240k)
477	Energy Efficiency	Operations	£958,596	£958,596	30-Mar-22	30-Mar-22	LAD1b - Loft insulation work complete. Windows Contractor onsite delivering.LAD2 - E.ON are starting to make contact with tenants SHDF - Awaiting decision
478	LAD 1b funding	Operations	£874,412	£874,412	30-Jun-22		LAD1b - Loft insulation work complete. Windows Contractor onsite delivering. Additional funding agreed by BEIS to extend the programme to end of May 22.
479	Sherborne Close Phase 2	Operations	£2,750,019	£2,750,019	08-Mar-23		22 units Planning approved November 2021. Start on site commenced Jan 22> works to commence properly April 22
480	Neasham Road	Operations	£31,069,000	£31,069,000	02-May-25		ESH handover delays until June 2022, awaiting updated programme.DBC Arch & structural design completed, M&E due shortly. ESH on-site since May 2021 to build out drainage and road layouts. DBC housing programme to begin in quarter 2 2022.
482	LAD2 Funding	Operations	TBC	TBC	31-Dec-22		LAD2 Funding to provide a range of energy efficiency measures across Private Sector and Social Housing(Including Solar, EWI and ASHP)
484	Adaptations Lifts	Operations	£283,732	£283,732	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-22	Ad-hoc requests to carry out Social care adaptations in tenants homes.
485	Lifeline Services	Operations	£96,981	£96,981	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-22	To support infrastructure work required to transition lifeline analogue lines across to digital. This also supports refurbishment works required within schemes.
628	Houghton Road/Tornado Way	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£1,539,433	£1,539,433	31-Mar-20	31-Jul-21	Budget comprises £1,367,433 NPIF + £172,000 LTP match funding

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636	S & D Trackbed	Services	£237,033	£237,033	30-Nov-22		Planning approval was received on 20th August 2019. Scheme complete. Final grant claim submitted and approved. Some remedial works required once weather is warmer. Camera required for monitoring purposes.
639	Victoria Road Access to Station	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£1,025,000	£1,025,000	31-Jul-21		Signed offer letter received from TVCA. Scheme complete awaiting final costs. Stage 3 Safety Audit completed. Signal alterations awaiting sign off. Bollards being installed week commencing 14 March 2022. Delay on landscaping due to order time on planters.
640	A68 Woodland Road	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£1,702,408	£1,702,408	30-Jun-22		Possible increase in costs due to price increase of materials. Meeting scheduled to discuss Early Warnings to date.
642	Walking Cycling Route MSG Yarm Road-Mill Lane	Services	£150,000	£150,000	31-Jul-22		Scheduled for 2021/22. Consultant appointed to carry out AIP. May outurn higher than expected dependant on cost of footway scheme. Drainage design required. Planning application to be submitted in April following receipt of bridge design from Jacobs.
643	Skinnergate & Indoor Market	Services	£120,000	£120,000	31-Jul-22		Ongoing design works complete. Meeting required to discuss Indoor market options. Query whether Planning approval required.
	Eastbourne Sports Pitches & Drainage	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£2,350,000	£2,350,000	24-Mar-23		Pre App - February 2022 Planning Application - May 2022 Start on Site - Spetember 2022 Handover - March 2023
	Demolition of 12-18 King Street	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	TBC	TBC			Utility disconnections and surveys are underway
	Demolition Sports Direct Building	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£300,000	£300,000	30-Jun-22		The demolition contractor has been appointed and will work to Building Services as Principal Contractor. Health and Safety Information is being developed and reviewed to allow works to commence.
	Yards Phase 2	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£1,120,000	£1,120,000	31-Mar-23		The initial properties identified within the project for works are now being re visited for final approval as some initial agreements with the owners are needing to be reviewed. Detailed inspections continue to be carried out on the viability and suitability of the properties for work within the project. A Programme is being formulated to procure and initiate the works when final designs are agreed. Once the Designs are agreed by all sides, the project can progress.
	Darlington Station Enabling Works	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	£546,000	£546,000	05-Sep-22		Final design & off site drainage investigations due over next 2 weeks. Highways awaiting scope for enabling works to commence Planning conditions to discharge before works commence target April.

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Project	CP1 Start Up	CP2 Initiate	CP3 Define	CP4 Constat	CP5 Evaluate	Status Symbol	Status	Client Department	Delivery Department	Internal Project Sponsor	Internal Project Manager	Cost Centre	Original Project Budget (CP1)	Initial Approved Budget	Increase To Initial Approved Budget	Current Approved Project Budget	Project Expected Out Turn Cost	Variance (%)	Variance (Value)	Original Planned Project Completion Date	Revised Approved Project Completion Date	Anticipated Or Actual Completion Date	Schedule Variance (Days)	CDM Notifiable (Yes/No)	Principal Designer	Previously reported progress	Plan Progress	Progress Budget	Progress Issues	Contracts In Place	Contract Type / Form	Contract With	Contract Value
A68 Woodland Road Outramp Street Duke Street						▲	Live	Services	Services	Andy Casey	Sue Dobson	TP240	£460,000	£460,000	£1,242,408	£1,702,408	£1,702,408	%	£0	31/03/2022	30/06/2022	30/06/2022	91	Yes	Noel Wacki	On site 15 November 2021 on Woodland Road. Start site delayed on Duke Street due to planning.	Possible increase in costs due to price increase of materials. Meeting scheduled to discuss Early Warnings to date.	Funding is £1,702,408 from TWACKI	Public inquiry triggered for Duke Street	DBC	Agreed Contract Rates	DBC	TBC
Adaptations Lifts						●	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6230	£283,732	£283,732		£283,732	£283,732	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	Ad-hoc requests to carry out Social care adaptations in tenants' homes.	Ad-hoc requests to carry out Social care adaptations in tenants' homes.	2021 budget slippage £884 + 2122 Approved £20K	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc		
Central Heating Programme 2021-22 Housing						●	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6231	£1,946,719	£1,946,719		£1,946,719	£1,946,719	%	£0	31/03/2021	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	Programme has started to cover the 2021 and the 2122 properties. 2122 properties will commence in February 22.	2122 properties commenced in February 22.	2021 budget slippage £332k + 2122 Approved £1.015m The budget has been adjusted to allow the completion of the programme for both years to be completed this financial year.	The 2nd team was not established in time to complete the programme by end of March 22. This means there will be a roll over of properties into 2023 for completion alongside the 2023 programme.	Main contractor DBC	In spirit of JCT contract	Building Services	£1,947,000
Communal flat and door entry replacement 2021-22						●	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6243	£187,144	£187,144		£187,144	£187,144	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	Works to replace communal entrance doors and door entry systems in complete (Henry Street & North Road c£140k)	Works to replace communal entrance doors and door entry systems in complete (Henry Street & North Road c£140k) & ongoing Balcony works at Church Row (E47N)	2021 budget slippage £87k + 2122 Approved £100k	Secureshield Building Services	In spirit of JCT	Secureshield Building Services	£140,000	
Energy Efficiency						●	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs		£1,000,000	£1,000,000	£41,404	£958,596	£958,596	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	LAD1b - Loft insulation work complete. Windows Contractor onsite delivering LAD2 - E.ON are starting to make contact with tenants SHDF - Awaiting decision	LAD1b - Loft insulation work complete. Windows Contractor onsite delivering LAD2 - E.ON are starting to make contact with tenants SHDF - Awaiting decision	Budget Agreed for match funding £1m which will be supported by Grant Funding LAD1b - £462k LAD2 - £228k. (This is max as the grant is shared with Private Sector Housing and this assumes only LA Social housing properties are completed)	Supporting LAD1b & LAD2 contracts	LAD1b - Argran Novora (110) LAD 2 - E.ON (Via TWACKI)	£958,596		
External works 2021-22						▲	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6237	£414,000	£414,000		£414,000	£414,000	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	30/06/2022	91	Yes	Matthew Plevs	Works to replace fencing to front and rear gardens (Fencing in Albert Hill c£270k & Redhall c£144k)	Works to replace fencing to front and rear gardens (Fencing in Albert Hill c£270k & Redhall c£144k). Works at Albert Hill complete.	2021 budget slippage £214k + 2122 Approved £200k	Deerness	In spirit of JCT	Deerness	£270,000	
Feenhams House						●	Live	Chief Exec and Economic Growth	Services	Ian Williams	Jenny Deon and Jane Sutherland Project Richard Boney Pb. Building delivery	D0161	£246,000	£8,500,000		£8,500,000	£8,460,880	%	£-39,120	30/07/2019	31/05/2020	15/05/2020	-16	Yes	Tim Rairford	Project complete and handed over. Treasury to take lease of whole building for min 3 years. Lease in travelling draft form to be completed shortly.	GPA working under agreement with Wates as contractor for refurbishment works	A licence has been issued to GPW/Arks for the site compound. APL drafted and a few final points to agree before completion. Solicitors have been instructed in relation to a Deed of Release of the site restriction re ERDF Funding. This is being handled by Alex Rose at DWF.	Development agreement with Wates/Deon for Design and Build	MECS ECC Option A	Without Deon Construction		
Garages 2020-22						▲	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6236	£151,828	£151,828		£151,828	£151,828	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	30/09/2022	183	Yes	Matthew Plevs	Works to demolish pre-war garages and fence off gardens to provide off-street parking bays at £480k/86.	Works have been delayed due to further consultation with residents required, which means works will be delayed into 22/23	2021 budget slippage £77k + 2122 Approved £75k	Main contractor DBC	In spirit of JCT	Building Services	£151,828	
Houghton Road Tomado Way						●	Live	Services	Services	Andy Casey	Noel Wacki	TP22	£1,539,433	£1,539,433		£1,539,433	£1,539,433	%	£0	31/03/2020	31/07/2021	487	Yes	Noel Wacki	Scheme to include VR5 on Arnold bridge + extra surfacing on Houghton Road. Scheme complete	Budget comprises £1,367,433 NPf + £172,000 LTP match funding	None	DBC	Agreed Contract Rates	DBC	£1,651,053		
IPM (IPM Planned Maintenance) 2021-22						●	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6242	£2,239,000	£2,239,000		£2,239,000	£2,239,000	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	It has been agreed that the IPM programme will be on hold for the rest of this financial year and all properties and budget will be slipped to 2022-23	2021 budget slippage £549k + 2122 Approved £1,690m	Programme to be moved to 2022-23	Main contractor DBC	In spirit of JCT contract	Building Services	£2,239,000	
LAD1b Housing						▲	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6751	£833,008	£833,008	£41,404	£874,412	£874,412	%	£0	30/09/2021	30/06/2021	30/06/2022	273	Yes	Matthew Plevs	LAD1b - Loft insulation work complete. Windows Contractor onsite delivering. Additional funding agreed by BES to extend the programme to end of May 22.	LAD1b - Loft insulation work complete. Windows Contractor onsite delivering. Additional funding agreed by BES to extend the programme to end of May 22.	Grant Funding LAD1b - £984k which will be supported by matched funding from Energy Efficiency fund £242k Grant also includes Revenue for admin costs which are to be detailed and separated	The contractor will be delivering until the end of April with reporting to be carried out by May. Budget understood to be slipped to cover the remainder of the scheme	LAD1b Argran (Double Glazing) Novora (Loft insulation)	£984,000		
LAD2 Funding						●	Live	Operations / Services	Operations / Services	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6752	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	%	£0	31/12/2022	31/12/2022	31/12/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	LAD2 Funding to provide a range of energy efficiency measures across Private Sector and Social Housing (Including Solar, EVI and ASHP)	LAD2 Funding to provide a range of energy efficiency measures across Private Sector and Social Housing (Including Solar, EVI and ASHP). All properties notified on Social housing	Grant Funding LAD2 - £677k which will be supported by match funding from Energy Efficiency fund £242k Grant also includes Revenue for admin costs which are to be detailed and separated	All properties have been notified on Social housing. Access may become an issue, but alternatives are being provided.	LAD2 EON	Regional Contract with the Tees Valley	EON	£677,000
Lifeline Services						●	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6233	£36,981	£36,981		£36,981	£36,981	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	To support infrastructure work required to transition lifeline analogue lines across to digital. This also supports refurbishment works required within schemes	To support infrastructure work required to transition lifeline analogue lines across to digital. This also supports refurbishment works required within schemes.	2021 budget slippage £47k + 2122 Approved £50k	Vigin are accelerating their digital roll out, which may require us to purchase additional equipment in year. A project plan is being drafted regarding this piece of work.				
Red Hall Send						●	Live	People	People	Tony Murphy	Rebecca Robson	E1888	£1,538,074	£1,572,289	£65,709	£1,637,998	£1,637,998	%	£0	01/09/2020	31/10/2021	31/10/2021	0	Yes	Mike Brown	All phases complete - CP4 being drafted. End of defects periods are listed below SEND extension - May 2022 Carpark resurfacing - September 2022 Path resurfacing - October 2022	All phases complete - CP4 being drafted. End of defects periods are listed below SEND extension - May 2022 Carpark resurfacing - September 2022 Path resurfacing - October 2022	On budget - small final account from Building Services.	None - All works and snagging complete	DLD Delivery	DBC Standard T & C	Internal Building Services	£1,181,136
Repairs before painting and External Decoration 2021-22						▲	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6234/6 6025	£60,000	£60,000		£60,000	£60,000	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/05/2022	61	Yes	Matthew Plevs	To complete pre-paint repairs and external decoration in line with the 5 year programme Capital Works H6234 (£60k) Revenue - £6025 (£240k)	To complete pre-paint repairs and external decoration in line with the 5 year programme Capital Works H6234 (£60k) Revenue - £6025 (£240k). Budget to be slipped for the remainder of the programme.	Budget Agreed	Awaiting final programme for the 2122 delivery. Approx 50% has been completed to date. Budget to be slipped for the remainder of the programme to be completed by end of April/May 22	None	None	£300,000	
Replacement Door Programme 2021-22 Housing						▲	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6240	£725,638	£725,638		£725,638	£725,638	%	£0	31/03/2021	31/03/2022	31/03/2023	365	Yes	Matthew Plevs	Programme has started to cover the 2021 and the 2122 properties.	Programme has started to cover the 2021 and the 2122 properties. Always have been encountered with supply issues	2021 budget slippage £278k + 2122 Approved £450k The budget has been adjusted to allow the completion of the programme for both years to be completed this financial year.	Following a delay to works with the supply chain issues the contractor is off site, suffering from a shortage of materials. Priority is being given to Responsive replacements, when this will be with another contractor where appropriate. Remainder of programme and outstanding responsive replacements will need to be slipped into 2023	Sekura	In spirit of JCT	Sekura	£726,000
Rise Carr Send						●	Live	People	People	Tony Murphy	Rebecca Robson	E1889	£1,559,665	£1,526,920	£989,648	£2,516,568	£2,516,568	%	£0	01/09/2020	22/04/2022	22/04/2022	0	Yes	Mark Mitchell	End of defects periods are listed below Roofing works - September 2021 Condition works to sports hall - April 2022 Window replacement - October 2022 Internal remodel - October 2022 SEND new build & external - October 2022	All phases complete - CP4 being drafted. End of defects periods are listed below Roofing works - September 2021 Condition works to sports hall - April 2022 Window replacement - October 2022 Internal remodel - October 2022 SEND new build & external - October 2022	On budget - draft final account received from Building Services at £2,111,958.16	The following items remain outstanding: Building Control sign off for SEND works at £2,111,958.16 H&B / O&M fees to be handed over. Snagging items within both buildings, externally and the landscaping works. Contractor to finish in the Easter	Perfect Circle for the Design Team DLO for the Contractor Standard DBC T&C with IT Systems for the new ICT equipment - Procurement Board ref: PR2020-00268	JCT	Internal - Building Services	£2,111,926
Roof replacement and repointing 2021-22						●	Live	Operations	Operations	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plevs	H6235	£1,000,000	£1,000,000		£1,000,000	£1,000,000	%	£0	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	0	Yes	Matthew Plevs	Houghton Scheme has commenced (est £820k). Works planned to re-roof the main roof and the side flat roofs and re-roof the whole building £150k committed to responsive works	Houghton Scheme has commenced (est £820k). Works planned to re-roof the main roof and the side flat roofs and re-roof the whole building £150k committed to responsive works	Budget Agreed	None	Engie	In spirit of JCT	Engie	£1,000,000
S & D Tracked						▲	Live	Services	Services	Sue Dobson	Sue Dobson	TP922	£170,000	£170,000	£67,033	£237,033	£237,033	%	£0	30/06/2020	31/03/2021	31/03/2021	0	Yes	Noel Wacki	Planning approval was received on 20th August 2019. Scheme complete. Final grant claim submitted and approved. Some remedial works required once weather is warmer. Camera required for monitoring purposes.	Planning approval was received on 20th August 2019. Scheme complete. Final grant claim submitted and approved. Some remedial works required once weather is warmer. Camera required for monitoring purposes.	Grant awarded November 2019 Funding is £212,833.34 grant from the Rural Payments Agency + £24,090 LTP	Ecology, Tree Survey & Heritage Impact Assessment	Quote	Brambledown Landscapes	£212,934	

Project Name	Phase	Status	Type	Category	Manager	Client	Budget	Actual	Variance	Completion %	Start Date	End Date	Duration	Yes	No	Contractor	Contract Type	Value								
Skinnersgate & Indoor Market	Live	Services	Services	Andy Casey	Noel Walecki	TP148	£120,000	£120,000	£120,000	£120,000	%	EO	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/07/2022	120	Yes	Noel Walecki	Ongoing design works complete. Meeting required to discuss indoor market options. Signed offer letter received from TVCA. Scheme complete awaiting final costs. Stage 3 Safety Audit completed. Signal alterations awaiting sign off.	£120,000 from Advanced Design Budget	Project stalled. Revised completion date 31/07/22 however this may slip again dependent on final design.	DBC	Agreed Contract Rates	DBC	£120,000	
Victoria Road Access to Station	Live	Services	Services	Andy Casey	Sue Dobson	TP818	£1,025,000	£1,025,000	£1,025,000	£1,025,000	%	EO	31/03/2020	31/07/2021	31/07/2021	0	Yes	Noel Walecki	Signed offer letter received from TVCA. Scheme complete awaiting final costs. Stage 3 Safety Audit completed. Signal alterations awaiting sign off.	Funding is £875,000 LGF + £300,000 LTP	None	DBC	Agreed Contract Rates	DBC	£589,540	
Walking Cycling Road MSQ Yam Road-Mill Lane	Live	Services	Services	Andy Casey	Sue Dobson	TP241	£150,000	£150,000	£150,000	£150,000	%	EO	31/03/2022	31/03/2022	31/07/2022	120	Yes	Noel Walecki	Scheduled for 2021/22. Consultant appointed to carry out AP. May outline higher than expected dependent on cost of footway scheme. Drainage design required dependent on cost of footway scheme.	LTP	Project required additional drainage and bridge design. completion date revised to be 31/07/22 dependent on final bridge design being received from Jacobs.	DBC	Agreed Contract Rates	DBC		
Windows Replacement Programme 2021-22 housing	Live	Operations	Operators	Cheryl Williams	Matthew Plews	H6241	£1,000,000	£1,000,000	£1,000,000	£1,000,000	%	EO	31/03/2021	31/03/2021	31/03/2023	365	Yes	Matthew Plews	Programme has started to cover the 2021 Haugton & Springfield Areas & the 21/22 Lascelles Programme. To maximise grant funding the windows programmes have been combined alongside additional grant funded properties. This will mean grant eligible properties will be installed first to meet grant tight timescales, with the remaining properties being completed after that.	2021 budget slippage £500k + 21/22 Approved £500k	Due to contractor delivery timescales and grant funding deadlines, programme properties are unlikely to start until May 22. These will be done ahead of 22/23 Single to double upgrade Programme Grant properties completion were extended to end of April 22.	Anglian	In Spirit of JCT	Anglian	£1,000,000	
Yards Phase 2	Live	Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services	Services	Mark Ladyman	Mike Bowron	R0180	£0	£1,120,001	£1,120,000	£1,120,000	%	EO	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-23	0	Yes		N/A - New project		Project is progressing as expected	Main Contract	JCT	DBC Contract Services		
Yards Phase 1	Live	Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services	Services	Mark Ladyman	Michael Bowron	R0176	£350,000	£488,000	£12,000	£500,000	£488,000	-2%	£-12,000	30-Nov-21	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-22	0	Yes	DBC	Works to the Green Wall, Wall A and Welcome Stages from High Flow, although been finalised in design, because of the weather period, are being re-scheduled until the next year to avoid minimal disruption to the businesses. This will have an impact on the spend profile in that money although fully committed but not spend fully until March 2022	Some works originally identified within Phase 1 are being moved into Phase 2 as they will be post 31st March. Other works have now been completed.	Yards Phase One has over all been very successful. Due to the Pandemic, both access and supplier delays have meant that some of the works have needed to be re profiled into Phase 2. The required spend on the project will be achieved for the financial year 2021/22 through the re programming of other works that were able to be brought forward.	Main Contract	JCT	DBC Contract Services	£357,853
West Cemetery Development	Live	Services	Services	Ian Thompson	Brian Robson	R0154	£4,900,000	£4,900,000	£1,500,000	£6,400,000	£6,400,000	%	EO	13-Jun-22	19-Jul-22	19-Jul-22	0	Yes	Tadi Milburn	The programme has since experience another delay, due to having to stop the erection of the steel frame until 10th September until a section 73 to vary a planning condition had been secured. This has pushed back the handover date for the new Chapel from 28th May 2022 to 15th June 2022.	Crematorium 06/04/21 to 31/03/22. 17 days delay - expected handover 27th April. Chapel 06/04/21 - 31/03/22 70 days delay - expected handover 19th July.	We are still waiting for the decision notice for the new burial areas ASD. The Environment Agency did initially object to the proposal however they have now conditioned the need for 13 months worth of ground water monitoring, before burial can take place. The tender process for the drainage works is about to start with the view that the works will be completed in line with the Chapel handover. The Design team are undertaking the relevant surveys to enable a scope of works to be drafted for the post area.	Standard DBC T&C	Align	£500,539	
Sharncliffe Close	Live	Services	Services	Anthony Sandys	Brian Robson	H6748	£4,950,000	£4,950,000	£4,950,000	£4,950,000	%	EO	31-Mar-22	01-Jun-23	01-Jun-23	0	Yes	Andrew Burnley	16 units residential units Proposed site layout developed. Planning permission secured 08/06/21. RIBA Stage 4 design underway and services disconnections are in progress. Principle designer now Andrew Burnley of Space Architects.	16 units residential units Proposed site layout developed. RIBA Stage 4 design in progress and services disconnections are in progress.	1. Initial surveys undertaken, which reveal major issues of structure to heritage building and adjacent property. 2. Historic England opposition to designs are now addressed but significant delays have ensued.	Main Works	Bloom Framwork	Design Services	£368,795	
Salix Low Carbon Works	Live	Operations	Operators	Anthony Sandys	Ben Walsde	H6749	£2,375,962	£2,375,962	£374,057	£2,750,019	£2,750,019	%	EO	08-Mar-23	08-Mar-23	08-Mar-23	0	Yes	Lee Danvil	22 units Planning approved November 2021. Start on site commences properly March 22	22 units Planning approved November 2021. Start on site commences properly April 22	Start on site still delayed due to groundwater management assessment required to discharge planning condition. April 22 target start date, awaiting programme revision from BS	Main Works	Spirit of JCT	Internal	£2,750,019
Railway Heritage Quarter	Live	Services	Services	Ian Thompson	Brian Robson	R0155	£210,000	£20,000,000	£35,140,000	£35,140,000	%	EO	30-Sep-24	30-Sep-24	30-Sep-24	0	Yes	Space Architects	The RIBA Stage 4 design, Against Maximum Price submission and logistics proposals for the build stage have been submitted are under review. A Cabinet paper on the proposals is going to meeting on 8th Feb and then Council on 17th Feb.	The RIBA Stage 4 design, Against Maximum Price submission and logistics proposals for the build stage have been submitted are under review. A Cabinet paper on the proposals is going to meeting on 8th Feb and then Council on 17th Feb.	Issues with land acquisition with Network Rail is nearly resolved	Main Works	Scope	Willmott Dixon	£30,334,766	
Neasham Rd	Live	Operations	Operators	Anthony Sandys	Ben Walsde	H6745	£31,069,000	£31,069,000	£31,069,000	£31,069,000	%	EO	02-May-25	02-May-25	02-May-25	0	Yes	Lee Danvil	150 units Design nearly complete. ESH on-site since May 2021 to build out drainage and road layout. DBC housing programme to begin in quarter 2 2022.	ESH handover delays until June 2022, awaiting updated programme. DBC Arch & structural design complete. M&E due shortly. ESH on-site since May 2021 to build out drainage and road layout. DBC housing programme to begin in quarter 2 2022.	ESH handover delayed. DBC awaiting revised completion programme.		Internal			
Innovation Central	Live	Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services	Services	Anthony Hewitt	Jeanne Wood	R0157	£50,000	£500,000	£8,287,854	£8,337,854	£8,337,854	%	EO	31-Dec-21	31-Aug-22	31-Aug-22	0	Y	Napper Architects	Construction work is ongoing. Completion of the concrete and upper and ground floor slabs. Commencement of the M & E installation. Commencement of the roof installation. Presently on programme.	Construction work is ongoing which includes M & E installation, installation of the roof and internal partitions. Presently on programme.		MEC Engineering & Construction Contract Option A	Willmott Dixon	£7,223,510	
Ingenium Parc Masterplan + Infrastructure	Live	Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services	Services	Anthony Hewitt	Jeanne Wood	R0144	£611,500	£4,265,593	£4,877,093	£4,877,093	%	EO	31-Aug-18	31-Aug-22	31-Aug-22	0	Yes	Noel Walecki	Planning Approval was received on 23rd December 2021 which enabled the Drainage Contract to be fully awarded to Seymour Construction Ltd from 6th January 2022. Vegetation works had been agreed prior and these works had been undertaken. Works are to be undertaken in 2 phases. Phase 1 which is the installation of the drainage within the non trapped out areas from Jan 22 - 28th Feb 22 and Phase 2 which is the digging out of the basin and connections within the trapped out areas from April 22 - Aug 22. Phase 1 is underway. Work is presently on programme.	Works are to be undertaken in 2 phases. Phase 1 which is the installation of the drainage within the non trapped out areas from Jan 22 - 28th Feb 22 and Phase 2 which is the digging out of the basin and connections within the trapped out areas from April 22 - Aug 22. Phase 1 is now complete. Work is due to re-commence May 22. Work is presently on programme. The site is presently suffering from ASB. The semi-permanent new barrier and Haines fencing is getting vandalised a daily basis. Due to the existing new licence the barrier requires repairing/replacing immediately and therefore costs may increase.	The recent storms have caused problematic ground conditions although work has continued additional costs have been realised. Due to the weather conditions it is possible that phase 2 works will go beyond the programme.	Spine Road, Phase 2 Ecological mitigation planting & seeding	Short Term NEC	DBC Highways / Bromborough	£1,169,897	
Eastbourne Sports Pitches & Drainage	Live	Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services	Services	Ian Thompson	Rebecca Robson	L0154	£2,350,000	£2,350,001	£2,350,000	£2,350,000	%	EO	24-Mar-23	24-Mar-23	24-Mar-23	0	Yes	SPACE	Pre App - February 2022 Planning Application - May 2022 Start on site - September 2022 Handover - March 2023	Planning Application - May 2022 Start on site - September 2022 Handover - March 2023	No issues	RIBA Stage 1+3 Design Work	Standard DBC T&C	Space Architects	£21,865	
East Haven Housing	Live	Operations	Operators	Anthony Sandys	Ben Walsde	H6747	£5,402,952	£0	£5,402,952	£5,402,952	£5,402,952	%	EO				Yes	Lee Danvil	41 units Design produced, but access arrangements are subject to complex legal agreements so delaying progress. It is likely it won't commence until Jan 30/31/23.	Complete		In House no contract	In House no contract	In House no contract	£1,731,721	
Dolphin Centre Bowling & Soft Play	Live	Economic Growth & Neighbourhood Services	Services	Ian Thompson	Richard Stovoy	D0174	£1,600,000	£1,600,000	£168,687	£1,768,687	£1,768,687	%	EO	19-Mar-21	19-Mar-21	19-Mar-21	0	Yes	Mike Brown	Complete	Complete	Works now complete	In spirit of JCT Intermediate	In House no contract	In House no contract	£1,731,721

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Capital 2021-22 Spend Summary - Financing by Department

Line		GF Corporate Resources £M	HRA Capital Receipts £M	Supported Borrowing £M	HRA Borrowing £M	Departmental Borrowing £M	Revenue Contribution £M	Capital Contributions £M	Capital Grants £M	Total £M
	Capital Expenditure									
1	People								3.362	3.362
2	Chief Executive & Economic Growth	1.080				2.084			4.680	7.844
3	Operations	6.411	0.986		8.502		0.015		1.241	17.155
4	Services	0.718				3.775	0.108	0.038	10.089	14.728
5	Department Total	8.209	0.986	-	8.502	5.859	0.123	0.038	19.372	43.089
6	Prudential Borrowing - Leasable Assets (not budgeted)	-	-	-	-	0.299	-	-	-	0.299
7	Total Capital Expenditure	8.209	0.986	-	8.502	6.158	0.123	0.038	19.372	43.388
	Resources									-
8	Approved	79.757	0.986		21.838	5.856	1.455	1.248	90.609	201.749
9	Recommended additional approvals						0.251	0.411	0.239	0.901
10	Leasable Assets					0.299				0.299
11	Total Resources	79.757	0.986	-	21.838	6.155	1.706	1.659	90.848	202.949
12	Approved / (Unapproved) Resources C/F (Line 11 - 7)	71.548	-	-	13.336	(0.003)	1.583	1.621	71.476	159.561

Capital Programme Summary							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Department	Budget 2021/22	Spend as at 31/03/21	Resources Available 2021/22	Spend 2021/22	Expected Outturn	Variance	Resources c/fwd to 2022/23 (before para. 25 adj.) £M
	£M	£M	£M	£M	£M	£M	£M
			(A - B)			(E - A)	(C - D)
Chief Executive & Economic Growth	85.354	35.806	49.548	11.562	81.931	(3.423)	37.986
Operations	104.227	21.498	82.729	17.155	93.408	(10.820)	65.575
People	7.439	2.058	5.381	3.362	7.439	-	2.019
Services	109.630	44.639	64.992	11.010	108.037	(1.593)	53.982
Totals Excluding Leasable assets	306.650	104.001	202.650	43.089	290.815	(15.836)	159.561
Prudential Borrowing Leasable Assets	0.299	-	0.299	0.299	0.299		-
Total Capital Expenditure 2021/22	306.949	104.001	202.949	43.388	291.114	(15.836)	159.561

Total spend 147.089

General Fund Capital Receipts & Corporate Resources		
Line No	Sites	2021/22 £M's
1	Brought Forward from 2020/21	0.662
	Sales Completed	
2	Ingenium	0.185
3	Faverdale	0.338
4	Salutation Road	0.036
5	Springfield	0.006
6	Yarm Road	0.012
7	Aberdeen Road	0.009
	Total	1.248

Capital Receipt Analysis		
8	Brought Forward from 2020/21	0.662
9	Receipts received in 2021/22	0.586
		1.248
10	Less receipts used to finance expenditure	(0.586)
11	Less earmarked receipts	(0.267)
12	Capital Receipts carried forward to 2022/23	0.395

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**ECONOMY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
30 June 2022**

REVENUE OUTTURN 2021/22

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the revenue outturn 2021/22 report.

Summary

2. Attached at **Annex 1** is the revenue outturn 2021/22 report which is due to be considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 5 July 2022

Recommendation

3. It is recommended that Members consider and discuss the revenue outturn 2021/22 report.

**Brett Nielsen
Assistant Director Resources**

Background Papers

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

S17 Crime and Disorder	There are no specific crime and disorder implications in this report.
Health and Well Being	There are no issues relating to health and well being which this report needs to address.
Carbon Impact and Climate Change	There are no specific carbon impact issues in this report.
Diversity	The report does not contain any proposals that impact on diversity issues.
Wards Affected	All wards are affected.
Groups Affected	No specific groups are particularly affected.
Budget and Policy Framework	This decision does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	The report does not require a key decision.
Urgent Decision	The report does not require an urgent decision.
Council Plan	The subject matter of the report, the Councils financial standing and financial management, is critical to delivery of the Council Plan, but this report does not contain new proposals.
Efficiency	The report contains updated information regarding efficiency savings contained in the MTFP.
Impact of Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers

**CABINET
5 JULY 2022**

REVENUE OUTTURN 2021/22

**Responsible Cabinet Member -
Councillor Scott Durham, Resources Portfolio**

**Responsible Director -
Elizabeth Davison, Group Director of Operations**

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To present the 2021/22 revenue outturn (subject to Audit), to allow Members to consider the results in light of the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) and also to consider the Housing Revenue Account outturn.

Summary

2. This is the last revenue budget management report to Cabinet for 2021/22. The year-end projection shows an overall improvement in the 2021/22 financial position of £5.235m. This is an improvement on the 2022/23 MTFP projected opening balance of £0.216m.
3. Details of variances from the original budget along with changes since quarter 3 position are contained within the main report.
4. There are a number of additional carry forward requests totalling £1.638m detailed in paragraphs 24 – 27, which will assist with projected slippage and pressures in the coming year.

Recommendation

5. It is recommended that:-
 - (a) The revenue outturn for 2021/22 be noted.
 - (b) The carry forward of resources referred to in paragraphs 24 -27 be noted and approved.

Reasons

6. The recommendations are supported by the following reasons:
- (a) To continue effective management of resources.
 - (b) To continue to deliver services to agreed levels.

Elizabeth Davison
Group Director of Operations

Background Papers

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MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

7. This is the final revenue budget management report to Cabinet for 2021/22 and provides the 2021/22 revenue outturn position as part of the Council's continuous financial management process.
8. Overall, the projected General Fund reserves position at the 31 March 2022 is £30.161m, which is an improvement of £5.235m on the planned balances in the 2021-25 MTFP. This improvement relates to £2.317m underspend in the Council's 2020/21 financial results, £0.993m of funds returned to reserves from the rebasing exercise, £0.741m projected Group underspends in the 2021/22 financial year and a £1.184m improvement in corporate resources.

COVID - 19

9. The impact of CV19 has had a significant bearing on the Council's services and therefore the financial position for 2021/22. Members will recall that in the 2021/22 MTFP, CV19 pressures were built into the plan to be funded in part by government grant and the Sales, Fees and Charges scheme. Additional CV19 pressures over those included within the MTFP are detailed in **Appendix 4** these pressures are to be offset through the use of the CV19 reserve.
10. The actual expenditure on CV19 is higher than shown in Appendix 4, as the Council has received specific grants from government to fund those areas of expenditure. This expenditure is therefore excluded from this budget monitoring report as it has no direct effect on the Council's reserves. Examples of the specific grants received are Contain Outbreak Management Fund (COMF), and Covid Local Support Grant.
11. As members are aware there has been a significant amount of work across all services to deliver the Council's response to CV19, this has meant that many services continued to allocate expenditure against the COMF grant which has resulted in one off reductions in expenditure within those services.

Departmental Resources

12. Departmental resource projections are summarised in **Appendix 2** and detailed in **Appendices 2(a) to 2(e)**.
13. The **People Group** outturn position is an underspend of £0.321m, after taking into account the impact of CV19 costs of £0.375m and carry forwards into 2022/23 of £0.082m. This is an improvement of £0.877m on the position reported at Q3. The main changes to the previously reported position are detailed below:
 - (a) **Children's Services** are projecting an overspend (excluding Covid 19 costs) of £0.326m after carry forwards, an increase of £0.143m on Q3. The main changes since Q3 include the following:

- (i) Adoption and Placements have overspent by £0.665m which is an increase of £0.377m from the Q3 report. This is mainly due to one complex, high-cost placement of £0.305m and Special Guardianship Orders with a net increase of five placements and higher assessed carer support rates of £0.068m.
 - (ii) Other areas of Children's Services have helped offset this increase with savings following recruitment delays, the utilisation of one off grant and a net reduction of five disabled children accessing demand led services.
 - (b) The **Development & Commissioning** budget has underspent by £0.349m, which is an increase of £0.039m on quarter 3. This is due to a further reduction in demand led services and vacant posts.
 - (c) The **Education** budget has overspent by £0.602m after carry forwards, this is a reduction of £0.061m in the position from the Q3 report. This reduction is from a combination of staff vacancies, lower pension charges and in year running cost savings which have offset the increased cost of school transport services of £0.146m.
 - (d) **Adult Social Care and Health** outturn position is an underspend of £0.844m, an increase of £0.922m on Q3. The main changes since Q3 include the following:
 - (i) External Purchase of Care has an increased underspend of £0.816m (including CV19 costs) on quarter three. This arises from a movement in care activity (including non take up of packages of care) which has led to a reduction in the outturn of £0.112m. Reassessments of care needs, following the lifting of Covid restrictions have identified further savings of £0.679m. This is associated with the challenges of accurately assessing care needs during the pandemic and adjustments are now being made at point of reassessment to ensure packages of support are proportionate to the needs that are identified. In addition, Finance and Adult social care colleagues have undertaken a deep dive on the budgets and forecasting. This identified a number of packages that either did not materialise, and /or became fully funded CHC which resulted in a more positive budget position. £0.097m saving due to attrition and a saving in the transport contract of £0.045m. These additional reductions in expenditure have been offset by a decrease in income, which has reduced by £0.118m.
14. The **Services Group** is projecting an underspend of £0.491m after taking into account the anticipated impact of CV19 of £0.087m, the creation of a reserve for the Rail Heritage Fund and additional carry forward requests of £0.834m. This is an improvement of £0.137m from the position reported at Q3.
15. The projected underspend of £0.491m is broken down into pressures of £0.087m related to CV19 and an operational underspend of £0.578m.
16. The **Services Group** projected position for CV19 related pressures of £0.087m which is an improvement of £0.103m as reported at Q3 and is detailed below:

- (a) Waste disposal impacted by CV19 has improved by £0.078m since the Q3 reported position as high tonnages linked to household waste have begun to fall.
 - (b) Loss in income linked to the sales of plants to other authorities from our nursery service was £0.025m.
 - (c) The consequences of Building Services & Highways operatives needing to self-isolate generated unrecoverable overheads was more than £0.050m, however this was able to be funded from covid related grants.
17. The **Services Group** projected operational position is an underspend of £0.578m after taking into account carry forward requests of £0.834m. This is an improvement of £0.034m since Q3. The headline areas for the improvement are detailed below:
- (a) **Capital Projects, Transport & Highways Planning** the overall projected overspend is £0.408m after taking into account carry forward requests of £0.172m, this is £0.069m worse than Q3. While the overall position has not changed significantly there has been some movement within the service, the main changes are,
 - (i) Highways – there is a projected net pressure of £0.313m within highways which is an increase of £0.164m from Q2. The increase in the net pressure is mainly due to an under projection in staffing costs within the engineering teams.
 - (ii) Concessionary fares – the projected underspend has increased by £0.088m following slippage on introducing a new smart ticketing system across the Tees Valley as well savings made in supplies and services.
 - (b) **Community Services** has an operational underspend of £0.417m after excluding CV19 pressures of £0.045m and carry forward requests of £0.602m. This is an improvement of £0.133m since Q3. While many of the services were impacted by CV19 their recovery has been stronger than anticipated and this is reflected in the operational underspend.
 - (i) The strong recovery of the Council’s Leisure & Cultural facilities has continued over quarter 4. The Dolphin Centre, Hippodrome and other facilities are underspent by £0.362m an improvement of £0.048m since Q3.
 - (ii) Street Scene improved by £0.150m since quarter 3, this is mainly due to further staff savings linked to vacant posts as well as fleet savings derived from deferrals on vehicle replacements as well as savings in vehicle repairs.
 - (c) **Community Safety** overall is expected to be operationally underspent by £0.368m after excluding CV19 pressures of £0.042m and carry forward requests of £0.060m. This is a reduction of £0.055m since Q3. This is mainly from due to additional staff

costs required to cover sickness over the last quarter and the need to replace essential operational equipment.

- (d) **Building Services** overall is expected to be operationally underspent by £0.170. This is an improvement of £0.025m since Q3.
18. The **Operations Group** overall budget outturn position is an overspend of £0.156m after carry forward requests of £0.590m. This is an improvement of £0.250m on the position reported at Q3.
19. The main changes to the previously reported position are as follows:
- (a) **Head of Strategy, Performance & Communications** has underspent by £0.109m, which is an improvement of £0.183m from the reported position at Q3 after carry forward requests. This reduction in expenditure arises from:
- (i) The team working on the Councils CV19 response which has been charged to COMF grant.
 - (ii) A range of interventions to support young people with securing work which was to be funded by the CV19 reserve has slipped into 2022/23.
 - (iii) The Systems budget whilst overspent by £0.084m, this is a reduction of £0.050m on the projection at Q3. This is due to the team receiving funding through the COMF grant for work on their CV19 response and funding received for one of the systems from the end user.
- (b) **Assistant Director Law & Governance** has overspent by £0.170m, this is a better position from the Q3 reported position by £0.131m. This reduction has mainly arisen due to increased Registrars income of £0.094m from additional ceremonies and savings in staffing and running costs across the division. These savings have been offset by increased costs from the Coroners service of £0.042m.
- (c) **Corporate Landlord** projected overspend linked to energy prices has increased from £0.427m at Q3 to £0.535m at outturn, although this does include a request for a carry forward of £0.400m into 2022/23. While electric and gas prices have risen much of this rise has been offset by savings from lower consumption, particularly at the premises impacted most by the adoption of CV19 social distancing, closures, and the council's policy on continuing home working during 2021/22.
- (d) **Housing general fund** is projecting an underspend of £0.141m. This is an improvement of £0.013m on the Q3 position.
20. The **Chief Executive & Economy Group** is projecting an underspend of £0.085m after carry forward requests of £0.132m. This is an improvement of £0.169m from the position reported at Q3.
21. The **Chief Executive & Economy Group** projected position for CV19 related pressures was £0.060m at Q3 but is now expected to be nil. The improvement is due to the full

recovery of rental income originally expected to be irrecoverable, due to the impact of CV19 on rental income from the estates portfolio and follows the better than expected economic recovery.

22. Based on current expectations the following operational pressures and savings are projected within the group:
- (a) **Property Management and Estates** net pressure is now expected to be £0.058m, which is an improvement of £0.039m from Q3. The improvement follows a reduction in the potential additional cost of for back dated service charges. The estates team is working to resolve this potential cost and it is hoped that these additional charges can be avoided or reduced further.
 - (b) Additional net underspends arising from vacant posts and supplies within the **Economy Group** is delivering further savings of £0.070m which are contributing to the overall net underspend.
23. The School balances and allocations are shown in **Appendix 2(f)**.

Carry Forward Requests

24. There are a number of carry forward requests to 2022/23 amounting to £1.638m from departments as detailed below. The requests are categorised into three areas: slippage, assisting in achieving the conditions of the MTFP and budget pressures. Approval is requested to carry these amounts forward into the new financial year.
25. **Slippage** – There is £0.377m of slippage on planned projects across the Council in the following areas:
- (a) £0.013m Adoption and Placements - To support the advertising campaign to recruit additional Foster Carers.
 - (b) £0.013m Development & Commissioning - To fund a six month Brokerage Officer post as part of the facilitation of timely discharge from Darlington Memorial Hospital.
 - (c) £0.030m Education - To fund the additional costs of data migration work for the implementation of the Early Years data system.
 - (d) £0.057m Street Scene – Planned works to repair the boardwalk at South Park, fencing works at Cockerton and the bulk purchase of wildflower seeds have slipped into 2022/23.
 - (e) £0.032m Winter Maintenance – Following a condition review of the weather stations it was recommended that the equipment required replacement. The programme of replacement would be carried out ahead of the new winter gritting season.

- (f) £0.022m Leisure Services – Works to upgrade Advantage (Xn Leisure), the leisure services software system, was identified in 2021/22 but has slipped into 2022/23. In addition, digital equipment to improve team communications was order in March 2022 but could not be fulfilled until 2022/23.
 - (g) £0.069m Heritage and Culture Fund and Outdoor Events – Committed and planned spend on heritage, cultural and Jubilee activities and events for 2022/23.
 - (h) £0.032m Street Scene – Boardwalk repairs at Maidendale and path works at Wylam Avenue.
 - (i) £0.005m Indoor Bowling Centre – Anticipated backdated service charge costs following upcoming review by provider.
 - (j) £0.015m Dolphin Centre – Purchase of Hopper equipment which is essential for the operation of the locker system at the Dolphin Centre and purchase of outside furniture for the South Park café following its successful launch in 2021/22.
 - (k) £0.035m Single Programme – Agreed support for the marketing campaign for the launch of the Hybrid Innovation Centre at Central Park.
 - (l) £0.020m Licensing – Delays with implementation of new licensing software for both taxi & general licensing.
 - (m) £0.034m Planning Policy – Heritage Action Zone – underspend is allocated for match funding on a Masterplan for Northgate Conservation Area & other works associated with the AZ. BEIS Heat Network Delivery Unit (HNDU) underspend to be carried forward.
26. **Assist in achieving the 3 conditions set out in the MTFP, namely Building Strong Communities, Growing the Economy and Spending Wisely.** The following £0.517m of carry forwards all meet the criteria described above and are as follows:
- (a) £0.019m Youth Offending Service - To provide funding for a short term post within the service.
 - (b) £0.030m Street Scene – There is a lack of adequate storage available at the depot for the equipment and supplies used by Street Scene. It is proposed to purchase and install a storage solution in the Street Scene garage. This will improve efficiency as well as meet any H&S requirements.
 - (c) £0.050m Street Scene -The Council has previously contributed towards the refurbishment of play areas in Corporation Road and Firthmoor in schemes led by private sector organisations with the assistance of volunteers. It is anticipated more schemes of this sort will become available and given the health and wellbeing improvements of such schemes in the community, it is requested £0.050m is carried forward into the futures fund to be used as match and contribution funding to such schemes.

- (d) £0.072m Flood & Water Act – Resource is requested to be carried forward to fund the Council’s contribution to ongoing drainage studies in partnership with Northumbrian Water Group and the Environment Agency to assess the risk of flood in Darlington and identify any potential schemes that may need to be developed to manage that risk.
- (e) £0.020m Dolphin Centre – Surplus on 2021/22 marketing budget requested to be carried forward to support the Dolphin Centre’s 40th Anniversary in 2022/23.
- (f) £0.033m Hippodrome – Following agreement to create an additional self-funded marketing officer post it is requested that funding for 1 year is carried forward to allow this post to become self-sufficient.
- (g) £0.009m Hippodrome – Requested to provide resource to continue the work of the Place for Everyone Fund. This fund aims to support those groups that would find it difficult to access cultural activities otherwise.
- (h) £0.123m Hippodrome – Proposed alterations, equipment upgrades and replacements at the Hippodrome and Hullabaloo to improve operational delivery and efficiency following bedding in period after the completion of the refurbishment of the theatre. This work includes transformation of a technical workshop, replacement of lighting with LED, improvement to sound system.
- (i) £0.030m School Meals – Support transformation of service in 2022/23.
- (j) £0.040m Community Safety – Support for temporary staffing arrangements within Community Safety.
- (k) £0.036m Building Control – Support outcomes arising from service review arising due to difficulties in recruiting officers.
- (l) £0.055m Consolidated Budget - underspend on consolidated budget is asked to be set aside to support the delivery of current and future developments as well as meeting the goals of the economic growth agenda.

27. **Pressures** – there are £0.744m of pressures identified as follows:

- (a) £0.007m Development & Commissioning - To fund pressures in the CAB crisis fund in respect of increased demand due to the cost of living crisis.
- (b) £0.075 Dolphin Centre – Income pressure due to M&E and pool tank works during 2022/23.
- (c) £0.065m Highways – Estimated additional costs of gas and electricity in 2022/23 resulting from increased price rises within the market.
- (d) £0.155m Finance – Additional temporary staffing required to undertake the implementation of the Governments Adult Social Care finance reforms including the Fair Costs of Care Exercise and the payment cap.

- (e) £0.035m Financial Protection – Employment of an additional Financial Assessment Officer to undertake the additional resident assessments, required as a result of the Social Care finance reforms.
- (f) £0.400m Corporate Landlord – Estimated additional costs of gas and electricity in 2022/23 resulting from increased price rises within the market.
- (g) £0.007m Estates – One off rental pressure arising due to leases impacted by CV19.

Council Wide and Corporately Managed Resources

28. The Council Wide and Corporately Managed Resources budgets have an outturn of a £0.722m underspend (excluding CV19 reserve draw down), which is a decrease of £0.007m on the position at Q3 report.

Housing Revenue Account

29. HRA projections are shown in **Appendix 3** with an overall projected balanced budget. There has been an improvement in the working balance of £3.544m from the Q3 projection which is primarily down to a reduction in the Revenue Contribution Capital Outlay of £3.240m due to the slippage of capital schemes into the new year.
30. At the beginning of the year debt levels were anticipated to increase given the pandemic however this has not materialise and therefore the planned increase in bad debt provision of £0.350m has not been required. As reported last quarter there has been an increase in day to day repairs and maintenance with the impact of UK material prices increases feeding through putting pressure on the budget. Projected increases in the costs of gas and electricity have not materialised as actual consumption has decreased with thermostatic control.

Conclusion

31. The Council's projected revenue reserves at the end of 2021/22 are £30.161m, a £5.235m improvement on the initial 2021-25 MTFP position. This improvement in reserves includes a brought forward amount of £2.317m from 2020/21, £0.741m of projected departmental underspends, the rebasing exercise of £0.993m, a £0.722m increase in corporate resources and net £0.462m required from the Covid 19 reserve (a total drawn down from the reserve of £0.932m to fund the departmental covid costs and £0.470m to refund the shortfall in government grant for Sales, Fees and Charges in corporate resources).
32. Of the £30.161m projected reserves, we have a risk reserve balance of £5.350m leaving £24,811 for use in the 2022/23 – 2025-26 MTFP, an improvement of £0.216m on the initial estimated position.

Outcome of Consultation

33. No external consultation has been carried out in preparing this report.

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2021/22

<u>Projected General Fund Reserve at 31st March 2022</u>		2021-25 MTFP (Feb 2021)
Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) :-		£000
MTFP Planned Opening Balance 01/04/2021		21,506
Approved net contribution from balances		3,420
Planned Closing Balance 31/03/2022		24,926
Increase in opening balance from 2020-21 results		2,317
Projected corporate underspends / (overspends) :-		
Public Health rebased savings		285
Community Services rebased savings		308
Adult Services rebase savings		400
Council Wide		37
Management Restructure		39
Financing Costs		366
Joint Venture - Investment Return		(6)
Contingencies		286
Government Grant - SFC		(470)
Transfer in from earmarked reserve - Covid		932
Projected General Fund Reserve (excluding Departmental) 31st March 2022	at	29,420
Planned Balance at 31st March 2022		24,926
Improvement		4,494

<u>Departmental projected year-end balances</u>		Improvement / (decline) compared with 2021-25 MTFP £000
People Group		321
Services Group		491
Operations Group		(156)
Chief Executive		85
TOTAL		741

<u>Summary Comparison with :-</u>		2021-25 MTFP £000
Corporate Resources - increase in opening balance from 20/21 results		2,317
Corporate Resources - additional in-year Improvement/(Decline)		1,184
Quarter 1 budget rebase		993
Departmental - Improvement / (Decline)		741
Improvement / (Decline) compared with MTFP		5,235
Projected General Fund Reserve at 31st March 2022		30,161

GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2021/22

	Budget				Expenditure		Variance
	Original	Approved	Approved	Amended	Projected	C/fwds to	
	2021/22	Adjustments	C/fwds	Approved			
	£000	£000	£000	£000	Outturn	approve	
Departmental Resources							
People Group	61,026	1,573	(2,417)	60,182	59,779	82	(321)
Services Group	18,464	686	(606)	18,544	17,219	834	(491)
Operations Group	15,156	603	(842)	14,917	14,483	590	156
Chief Executive	1,256	211	(257)	1,210	993	132	(85)
Total Departmental Resources	95,902	3,073	(4,122)	94,853	92,474	1,638	(741)
Corporate Resources							
Council Wide	(499)	0	0	(499)	(536)	0	(37)
Financing Costs	823	0	0	823	457	0	(366)
Joint Venture - Investment Return	(1,546)	0	0	(1,546)	(1,540)	0	6
Contingencies Budget							
Apprentice Levy	202	0	0	202	239	0	37
Transformation Fund	200	0	0	200	200	0	0
Risk Contingencies	323	0	0	323	0	0	(323)
Mid-Year Savings							
Public Health Rebase	0	285		285	0	0	(285)
Community Services Rebase	0	308		308	0	0	(308)
Adult Services Rebase	0	400		400	0	0	(400)
Total Corporate Resources	(497)	993	0	496	(1,180)	0	(1,676)
Net Expenditure	95,405	4,066	(4,122)	95,349	91,294	1,638	(2,417)
Contributions To / (From) Reserves							
Planned Contribution to General Fund Reserves (MTFP)	2,420	39	0	2,459	2,420	0	(39)
Departmental Brought Forwards from 2020/21	0	(4,105)	0	(4,105)	(4,105)	0	0
Covid Earmarked reserve	0	0	0	0	(932)	0	(932)
Government Grant - SFC	0	0	0	0	470	0	470
Already approved Carry-forwards	0	0	4,122	4,122	4,122	0	0
General Fund Total	97,825	0	0	97,825	93,269	1,638	(2,918)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2021/22

	Budget				Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Approved C/fwds £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to March £000	C/fwds to approve £000	Total Projection £000	
	<u>Council Wide</u>							
Airport	27	0	0	27	6	0	6	(21)
Procurement Savings	(23)	0	0	(23)	(39)	0	(39)	(16)
Troubled Families Grant	(503)	0	0	(503)	(503)	0	(503)	0
Pay Award	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	(499)	0	0	(499)	(536)	0	(536)	(37)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2021/22								
	Budget				Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Approved C/fwds £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to March £000	C/fwds to approve £000	Total Projection £000	
<u>People Group</u>								
Group Director of People	176	0	0	176	157	0	157	(19)
<u>Children & Adult Services</u>								
Transformation & Performance	627	144	(121)	650	652	0	652	2
Business Support	1,403	(1)	0	1,402	1,349	0	1,349	(53)
	2,030	143	(121)	2,052	2,001	0	2,001	(51)
<u>Children's Services</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	14	0	14	14
Children's Services Management & Other Services	485	26	0	511	513	0	513	2
Assessment Care Planning & LAC	3,918	46	(53)	3,911	4,200	0	4,200	289
First Response & Early Help	2,831	(60)	0	2,771	2,326	0	2,326	(445)
Youth Offending/ASB	268	0	0	268	249	19	268	0
Adoption & Placements	13,753	0	0	13,753	14,405	13	14,418	665
Disabled Children	1,517	0	0	1,517	1,332	0	1,332	(185)
Quality Assurance & Practice Improvement	609	136	(94)	651	651	0	651	0
	23,381	148	(147)	23,382	23,690	32	23,722	340
<u>Development & Commissioning</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commissioning	2,227	202	(220)	2,209	1,892	20	1,912	(297)
Voluntary Sector	282	15	0	297	247	0	247	(50)
Workforce Development	145	23	0	168	166	0	166	(2)
	2,654	240	(220)	2,674	2,305	20	2,325	(349)
<u>Education</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Education	553	42	(452)	143	628	30	658	515
Schools	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	4
Transport Unit	2,396	(3)	0	2,393	2,476	0	2,476	83
	2,949	39	(452)	2,536	3,108	30	3,138	602
<u>Public Health</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public Health	285	(285)	0	0	0	0	0	0
	285	(285)	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Adult Social Care & Health</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	361	0	361	361
External Purchase of Care	23,674	1,295	(1,477)	23,492	22,649	0	22,649	(843)
Intake & Enablement	595	1	0	596	559	0	559	(37)
Older People Long Term Condition	1,430	0	0	1,430	1,470	0	1,470	40
Physical Disability Long Term Condition	5	0	0	5	3	0	3	(2)
Learning Disability Long Term Condition	1,737	0	0	1,737	1,571	0	1,571	(166)
Mental Health Long Term Condition	1,138	(1)	0	1,137	974	0	974	(163)
Service Development & Integration	972	(7)	0	965	931	0	931	(34)
	29,551	1,288	(1,477)	29,362	28,518	0	28,518	(844)
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	61,026	1,573	(2,417)	60,182	59,779	82	59,861	(321)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2021/22

	Budget				Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original	Approved	Approved	Amended	Expenditure	C/fwds to	Total	
	Budget	Adjustments	C/fwds	Budget				
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	
<u>Services Group</u>								
Group Director of Services	0	125	0	125	126	0	126	1
<u>Capital Projects, Transport & Highways</u>								
<u>Planning</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AD Transport & Capital Projects	129	(32)	0	97	92	0	92	(5)
Building Design Services	20	0	0	20	171	0	171	151
Capital Projects	306	16	(16)	306	214	0	214	(92)
Car Parking R&M	483	0	0	483	477	0	477	(6)
Concessionary Fares	3,434	50	(50)	3,434	3,281	0	3,281	(153)
Flood & Water Act	87	25	(25)	87	15	72	87	0
Highways	3,199	106	(76)	3,229	3,477	65	3,542	313
Highways - DLO	(515)	4	0	(511)	(295)	0	(295)	216
Investment & Funding	(3)	531	(357)	171	136	35	171	0
Sustainable Transport	42	17	(9)	50	34	0	34	(16)
	7,182	717	(533)	7,366	7,602	172	7,774	408
<u>Community Services</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	45	0	45	45
AD Community Services	129	(3)	0	126	124	0	124	(2)
Allotments	11	0	0	11	19	0	19	8
Building Cleaning - DLO	139	0	0	139	131	0	131	(8)
Cemeteries & Crematorium	(897)	1	0	(896)	(903)	0	(903)	(7)
Dolphin Centre	1,793	(1)	0	1,792	1,256	132	1,388	(404)
Eastbourne Complex	39	0	0	39	8	0	8	(31)
Emergency Planning	99	0	0	99	85	0	85	(14)
Head of Steam	275	(1)	0	274	317	0	317	43
Hippodrome	855	(305)	0	550	427	165	592	42
Indoor Bowling Centre	12	0	0	12	7	5	12	0
Libraries	829	(1)	0	828	816	0	816	(12)
Move More	33	0	0	33	33	0	33	0
Outdoor Events	397	80	0	477	474	69	543	66
School Meals - DLO	65	(2)	0	63	70	30	100	37
Strategic Arts	114	7	0	121	116	0	116	(5)
Street Scene	5,368	41	(21)	5,388	5,009	169	5,178	(210)
Transport Unit - Fleet Management	(9)	0	0	(9)	(13)	0	(13)	(4)
Waste Management	3,274	(13)	0	3,261	3,227	0	3,227	(34)
Winter Maintenance	469	1	0	470	556	32	588	118
	12,995	(196)	(21)	12,778	11,804	602	12,406	(372)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2021/22

	Budget				Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Approved C/fwds £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to March £000	C/fwds to approve £000	Total Projection £000	
<u>Services Group</u>								
<u>Community Safety</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	42	0	42	42
CCTV	199	0	0	199	239	0	239	40
Community Safety	592	39	(27)	604	510	40	550	(54)
General Licensing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parking	(2,116)	0	0	(2,116)	(2,516)	0	(2,516)	(400)
Parking Enforcement	5	(1)	0	4	36	0	36	32
Private Sector Housing	78	0	(25)	53	53	0	53	0
Stray Dogs	46	0	0	46	44	0	44	(2)
Taxi Licensing	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	20
Trading Standards	234	0	0	234	230	0	230	(4)
	(962)	38	(52)	(976)	(1,362)	60	(1,302)	(326)
<u>Building Services</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction - DLO	(571)	0	0	(571)	(662)	0	(662)	(91)
Maintenance - DLO	(407)	0	0	(407)	(484)	0	(484)	(77)
Other - DLO	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	(2)
	(978)	2	0	(976)	(1,146)	0	(1,146)	(170)
<u>General Support Services</u>								
Works Property & Other	111	0	0	111	84	0	84	(27)
<u>Joint Levies & Boards</u>								
Environment Agency Levy	116	0	0	116	111	0	111	(5)
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	18,464	686	(606)	18,544	17,219	834	18,053	(491)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2021/22

	Budget				Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Approved C/fwds £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to March £000	C/fwds to approve £000	Total Projection £000	
<u>Operations Group</u>								
Group Director of Operations	183	(50)	0	133	111	0	111	(22)
<u>AD Resources</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AD Resources	0	87	0	87	77	0	77	(10)
Financial Services	1,406	(122)	0	1,284	1,093	155	1,248	(36)
Financial Assessments & Protection	244	0	0	244	234	35	269	25
Xentrall (D&S Partnership)	1,705	10	0	1,715	1,693	0	1,693	(22)
Human Resources	601	186	(253)	534	382	0	382	(152)
Health & Safety	163	(3)	0	160	72	0	72	(88)
	4,119	158	(253)	4,024	3,551	190	3,741	(283)
<u>Head of Strategy Performance & Communications</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Communications & Engagement	854	264	(329)	789	596	0	596	(193)
Systems	791	7	0	798	882	0	882	84
	1,645	271	(329)	1,587	1,478	0	1,478	(109)
<u>AD Law & Governance</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AD Law & Governance	0	120	0	120	127	0	127	7
Complaints & FOI	275	1	0	276	307	0	307	31
Democratic Services	1,227	(1)	0	1,226	1,193	0	1,193	(33)
Registrars	(24)	10	0	(14)	(134)	0	(134)	(120)
Administration	708	(19)	0	689	552	0	552	(137)
Legal & Procurement	1,444	(138)	0	1,306	1,686	0	1,686	380
Coroners	220	0	0	220	262	0	262	42
	3,850	(27)	0	3,823	3,993	0	3,993	170
<u>AD Xentrall Shared Services</u>								
ICT	713	56	0	769	775	0	775	6
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	713	56	0	769	775	0	775	6
<u>Corporate Landlord</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Corporate Landlord	3,272	269	(260)	3,281	3,416	400	3,816	535
	3,272	269	(260)	3,281	3,416	400	3,816	535
<u>AD Housing & Revenues</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Local Taxation	470	(2)	0	468	469	0	469	1
Rent Rebates / Rent Allowances / Council Tax	(132)	0	0	(132)	(224)	0	(224)	(92)
Housing Benefits Administration	227	(21)	0	206	223	0	223	17
Customer Services	307	0	0	307	266	0	266	(41)
Homelessness	323	0	0	323	315	0	315	(8)
Service, Strategy & Regulation and General Services	179	(51)	0	128	110	0	110	(18)
	1,374	(74)	0	1,300	1,159	0	1,159	(141)
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	15,156	603	(842)	14,917	14,483	590	15,073	156

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2021/22

	Budget				Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Approved C/fwds £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to March £000	C/fwds to approve £000	Total Projection £000	
<u>Chief Executive</u>								
Chief Executive	172	22	0	194	197	0	197	3
<u>AD Economic Growth</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AD - Economic Growth	132	0	0	132	128	0	128	(4)
Building Control	142	0	0	142	106	36	142	0
Consolidated Budgets	146	(43)	(48)	55	0	55	55	0
Development Management	(62)	12	(57)	(107)	(109)	0	(109)	(2)
Economy	243	220	(58)	405	371	0	371	(34)
Environmental Health	316	(13)	0	303	221	0	221	(82)
Place Strategy	597	6	(94)	509	435	34	469	(40)
Property Management & Estates	(470)	7	0	(463)	(412)	7	(405)	58
	1,044	189	(257)	976	740	132	872	(104)
<u>Darlington Partnership</u>								
COVID 19 costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Darlington Partnership	40	0	0	40	56	0	56	16
	40	0	0	40	56	0	56	16
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	1,256	211	(257)	1,210	993	132	1,125	(85)

BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2021/22

SCHOOLS PROJECTED BALANCES 2021/22					
School Name	Opening Balance at 1st April 2021	Formula Budget Allocation*	Total Available	Closing Balance at 31st March 2022	Projected Closing Balance as proportion of Formula Budget Allocation
	£000	£000	£000	£000	%
Primary					
Federation of Darlington Nursery Schools	55	764	819	43	6%
Rise Carr College, Clifton House & Eldon House	53	1,382	1,435	133	10%
Red Hall Primary	318	1,347	1,665	338	25%
Whinfield Primary	253	2,349	2,602	354	15%
Harrowgate Hill Primary	214	2,726	2,940	200	7%
Primary Total	893	8,568	9,461	1,068	

*Federation of Darlington Nursery Schools/Rise Carr College original budget. Actual allocation based on attendance.

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT 2021/22

	Budget			Total Projection £000	(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Amended Approved Budget £000		
<u>Housing Revenue Account</u>					
<u>Income</u>					
Rents Of Dwellings (Gross)	(20,602)	0	(20,602)	(20,423)	179
Sundry Rents (Including Garages & Shops)	(490)	0	(490)	(421)	69
Charges For Services & Facilities	(3,024)	0	(3,024)	(3,014)	10
Contribution towards expenditure	(262)	0	(262)	(250)	12
Interest Receivable	(6)	0	(6)	(7)	(1)
Total Income	(24,384)	0	(24,384)	(24,115)	269
<u>Expenditure</u>					
Management	5,950	0	5,950	5,947	(3)
Maintenance	4,157	0	4,157	4,710	553
Capital Financing Costs	3,623	0	3,623	3,176	(447)
Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay	11,742	0	11,742	8,502	(3,240)
Rent Rebate Subsidy Limitation	0	0	0	0	0
Increase in Bad Debt Provision	350	0	350	0	(350)
In year contribution to/(from) balances	(1,438)	0	(1,438)	1,780	3,218
Total Expenditure	24,384	0	24,384	24,115	(269)
(Surplus)/Deficit	0	0	0	0	0

HRA Balances	£000
Opening balance 01/04/2021	25,152
Contribution to/(from) balances	1,780
Closing balance	26,932

<u>Projected Additional Covid-19 costs for 2021/22</u>	
	Total Projection £000's
Children's Services	14
Adult Social Care & Health	361
Community Services/Community Safety	87
Corporate Landlord	0
Strategy Performance & Communications	0
Law & Governance	0
Chief Executive	0
Total Projected Covid-19 costs	462
Less/Plus Additional/Reduced Government Sales Fees and Charges grant above/below MTFP estimate	470
Projected shortfall of resources to be funded from Covid grant.	932

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**ECONOMY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
30 June 2022**

REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2022/23 – QUARTER 1

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the revenue budget monitoring 2022/23 – Quarter 1 report.

Summary

2. Attached at **Annex 1** is the revenue budget monitoring 2022/23 – Quarter 1 report which is due to be considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 5 July 2021

Recommendation

3. It is recommended that Members consider and discuss the revenue budget monitoring 2022/23 – Quarter 1 report.

**Brett Nielsen
Assistant Director Resources**

Background Papers

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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Health and Well Being	There are no issues relating to health and well being which this report needs to address.
Carbon Impact and Climate Change	There are no specific carbon impact issues in this report.
Diversity	The report does not contain any proposals that impact on diversity issues.
Wards Affected	All wards are affected.
Groups Affected	No specific groups are particularly affected.
Budget and Policy Framework	This decision does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	The report does not require a key decision.
Urgent Decision	The report does not require an urgent decision.
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Efficiency	The report contains updated information regarding efficiency savings contained in the MTFP.
Impact of Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers

CABINET
5 JULY 2022

REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2022/23 – QUARTER 1

**Responsible Cabinet Member -
Councillor Scott Durham, Resources Portfolio**

**Responsible Director -
Elizabeth Davison, Group Director of Operations**

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide an early forecast of the 2022/23 revenue budget outturn as part of the Council's continuous financial management process.

Summary

2. This is the first revenue budget management report to Cabinet for 2022/23. The latest projections show an overall improvement of £0.206m on the 2022-26 Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP). This is due to £0.216m of additional balances following the 2021/22 outturn, £0.513m of projected departmental overspends in 2022/23 and a £0.503m increase in corporate resources.

Recommendation

3. It is recommended that:-
 - (a) The forecast revenue outturn for 2022/23 be noted.
 - (b) Further regular reports be made to monitor progress and take prompt action if necessary.

Reasons

4. The recommendations are supported by the following reasons:
 - (a) To continue effective management of resources.
 - (b) To continue to deliver services to agreed levels.

Elizabeth Davison
Group Director Operations

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MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

5. This is the first revenue budget management report to Cabinet for 2022/23 and provides an early forecast of the 2022/23 revenue position as part of the Council's continuous financial management process.
6. To enable timely information to be presented and in accordance with the report publication requirements, this report has been completed before the end of the first quarter. As the Council operates frequent, regular and predictive budget management processes, including quarterly reports to Cabinet, changes in projected outturn, which are inevitable in a large and complex organisation, will be reported to future meetings.
7. The information in this report has been taken from the financial records for April and managers' projections for the remainder of the year, using their knowledge of events affecting the services they manage.
8. Overall, the projected General Fund reserves position as at the 31 March 2023 is £24.219m, which is an improvement of £0.206m on the planned balances in the 2022-26 MTFP. This improvement relates to £0.216m additional underspend in the Council's 2021/22 financial results, £0.513m projected departmental overspends in the 2022/23 financial year and a £0.503m improvement in corporate resources.
9. The 2022/23 MTFP assumed a pay award of 3%, however at the time of writing no agreement has been made regarding this year's pay award. Due to the increase in the cost of living there is likely to be a pressure on the pay increase included within the budget, therefore any agreed pay award over 3% will add a pressure to the budget, which is not included within this report.
10. Carry forward requests have been made within the 2021/22 revenue budget outturn to assist with pressures arising from utility costs in 2022/23, it is assumed that these have been approved within the projected quarter 1 outturn, included within this report.

Departmental Resources

11. Departmental resource projections are summarised in **Appendix 2** and detailed in **Appendices 2(a) to 2(e)**. It is difficult to predict year end positions at this early stage and therefore management projections indicate budgets to be online, except for those stated in the following paragraphs.
12. The **People Group** budget is projected to be overspent by £0.381m at the end of the financial year. The main changes to the MTFP position are detailed below:
 - (a) **Children's Services** are projecting an overspend of £0.706m at year end from within Adoption and Placements Budgets. This is mainly due to one complex high needs case (£0.461m) and the ongoing increase in Special Guardianship Orders from 2021/22 (£0.245m). There are four additional residential placements, which could increase the pressure further if these remain in place throughout the year, however these placements are offset by expected savings within fostering budgets based upon the 2021/22 outturn.

- (b) The **Education** budget is projected to be on budget overall. The School Transport budget is projected to be overspend at the yearend by £0.060m due to increased contract hire costs in relation to fuel and staffing. This is offset by departmental costs budgets which are projected to be underspent at the year-end by £0.060m from reduced pension costs based on the 2021/22 outturn position.
- (c) **Adult Social Care and Health** is projected to be underspent by £0.325m at the year end. This is predominantly from estimated savings in the External Purchase of Care budget, which are a continuation of 2021/22 resulting from changes in assessed care needs. In previous years this underspend would have been clawed back into reserves, however given the position in children's services budgets, this has not been undertaken as the saving assists in reducing the overall pressure across the People Group.

13. The **Services Group** is projecting an underspend of £0.003m. The headline areas are detailed below:

(a) **Capital Projects, Transport & Highways Planning** the overall projected overspend is £0.020m. The main elements of this movement are broken down into:

- (i) Highways DLO – there is a projected shortfall in the surplus for the DLO, due to lower than expected turnover, following slippage on a number of major schemes of £0.080m.
- (ii) Concessionary fares – the projected underspend of £0.200m follows a review of the concessionary scheme by TVCA which reflects the taper-down arrangements proposed by the DfT.
- (iii) Building Design Services expects fee levels to be £0.140m lower than budget on some major capital schemes.

(b) **Community Services** is expected to be underspent by £0.028m as detailed below:

- (i) Street Scene is expected to be overspent by £0.070m due to the rising cost of fuel. Last year saw fuel rise by over 42% from the prices paid in April 2021 and this trend is expected to continue into 2022/23. The cumulative increase in fuel was 15% and it is anticipated that prices will increase by a minimum of 10% during 2022/23.
- (ii) The Waste Disposal position is overall expected to be better than budget by £0.098m which is made up of a projected inflationary pressure of £0.070m being offset by an improved position of £0.168m linked to lower household waste tonnages that were anticipated to be higher due to the continued impact of CV19 and the subsequent increase in homeworking.

14. The **Operations Group** is projecting a year end budget overspend of £0.135m. The main changes to the MTFP position are detailed below:

(a) **Assistant Director Law & Governance** is projecting an overspend of £0.135m. This includes:

- (i) Increased costs of the Coroners Service of £0.035m, based upon the 2021/22 outturn.
- (ii) Legal costs of £0.100m, based on recurring pressures seen in the 2021/22 outturn report regarding specialist legal advice and counsel for children's care proceedings and specialist professional fees.

15. The **Chief Executive & Economy Group** is on target and not projecting any over/underspend.
16. The School balances and allocations are shown in **Appendix 2(f)**.

Council Wide and Corporately Managed Resources

17. The Council Wide and Corporately Managed Resources budgets are projected to be £0.503m underspent at year end, which is due the Government extending the Strengthening Families grant again in 2022/23. As we had budgeted for the loss of this grant, the funding received will be transferred into reserves.

Housing Revenue Account

18. HRA projections are shown in **Appendix 3** with an overall projected balanced budget. Void work is higher than the budget figure at this time, and there have been more right to buys than anticipated in the budget, resulting in £0.222m pressure in rental income. Garage income has reduced due to programmed work to reduce the number of garages, which was not included within the budget. These reduced incomes are offset by increased income in the main from furnished tenancies, where the number of tenancies has continued to be higher than projected.

Conclusion

19. The Council's projected revenue reserves at the end of 2022/23 are £24.219m, a £0.206m improvement on the initial 2022-26 MTFP position. This reduction in reserves includes a brought forward amount of £0.216m from 2021/22, £0.513m of projected departmental overspends and a £0.503m increase in corporate resources.
20. Of the £24.219 projected reserves, we have a commitment to use £22.490m to support years 2 – 4 of the current MTFP, which leaves £1.729m of unallocated reserves.

Outcome of Consultation

21. No external consultation has been carried out in preparing this report.

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REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2022/23

<u>Projected General Fund Reserve at 31st March 2023</u>		2022-26 MTFP (Feb 2022)
Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) :-		£000
MTFP Planned Opening Balance 01/04/2022		24,595
Approved net contribution from balances		(582)
Planned Closing Balance 31/03/2023		24,013
Increase in opening balance from 2021-22 results		216
Projected corporate underspends / (overspends) :-		
Council Wide		503
Projected General Fund Reserve (excluding Departmental) 31st March 2023	at	24,732
Planned Balance at 31st March 2023		24,013
Improvement		719

<u>Departmental projected year-end balances</u>		Improvement / (decline) compared with 2022-26 MTFP £000
People Group		(381)
Services Group		3
Operations Group		(135)
Chief Executive		0
TOTAL		(513)

<u>Summary Comparison with :-</u>		2022-26 MTFP £000
Corporate Resources - increase in opening balance from 21/22 results		216
Corporate Resources - additional in-year Improvement/(Decline)		503
Departmental - Improvement / (Decline)		(513)
Improvement / (Decline) compared with MTFP		206
Projected General Fund Reserve at 31st March 2023		24,219

GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2022/23

	Budget			Expenditure	Variance
	Original 2022/23	Approved Adjustments	Amended Approved Budget	Projected Outturn	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	
Departmental Resources					
People Group	66,018	167	66,185	66,566	381
Services Group	18,126	154	18,280	18,277	(3)
Operations Group	16,341	30	16,371	16,506	135
Chief Executive	1,288	22	1,310	1,310	0
Total Departmental Resources	101,773	373	102,146	102,659	513
Corporate Resources					
Council Wide	1,037	(373)	664	161	(503)
Financing Costs	637	0	637	637	0
Joint Venture - Investment Return	(1,864)	0	(1,864)	(1,864)	0
Contingencies Budget					
Apprentice Levy	202	0	202	202	0
Risk Contingencies	323	0	323	323	0
Total Corporate Resources	335	(373)	(38)	(541)	(503)
Net Expenditure	102,108	0	102,108	102,118	10
Contributions To / (From) Reserves					
Planned Contribution to General Fund Reserves (MFTP)	468		468	468	0
Departmental Brought Forwards from 2021/22	0	0	0		0
General Fund Total	102,576	0	102,576	102,586	10

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2022/23

	<i>Budget</i>			<i>Expenditure</i>			<i>(Under)/ Over Spend £000</i>
	<i>Original Budget £000</i>	<i>Approved Adjustments £000</i>	<i>Amended Approved Budget £000</i>	<i>Expenditure to April £000</i>	<i>Projected Spend £000</i>	<i>Total Projection £000</i>	
	<u>Council Wide</u>						
Airport	27	0	27	0	27	27	0
Council Wide Savings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
National Insurance Increase	373	(373)	0	0	0	0	0
Procurement Savings	(19)	0	(19)	(5)	(14)	(19)	0
Strengthening Families Grant	0	0	0	0	(503)	(503)	(503)
Pay Award	656	0	656	0	656	656	0
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	1,037	(373)	664	(5)	166	161	(503)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2022/23							
	Budget			Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to April £000	Projected Spend £000	Total Projection £000	
<u>People Group</u>							
Group Director of People	638	0	638	50	588	638	0
<u>Children & Adult Services</u>							
Transformation & Performance	631	0	631	66	565	631	0
Business Support	1,392	0	1,392	107	1,285	1,392	0
	2,023	0	2,023	173	1,850	2,023	0
<u>Children's Services</u>							
Children's Services Management & Other Services	480	0	480	(40)	520	480	0
Assessment Care Planning & LAC	4,009	101	4,110	246	3,864	4,110	0
First Response & Early Help	3,529	25	3,554	(21)	3,575	3,554	0
Youth Offending/ASB	277	0	277	55	222	277	0
Adoption & Placements	13,999	0	13,999	377	14,328	14,705	706
Disabled Children	1,584	0	1,584	(84)	1,668	1,584	0
Quality Assurance & Practice Improvement	138	0	138	(161)	299	138	0
	24,016	126	24,142	372	24,476	24,848	706
<u>Development & Commissioning</u>							
Commissioning	2,267	0	2,267	(331)	2,598	2,267	0
Voluntary Sector	273	0	273	163	110	273	0
Workforce Development	149	0	149	42	107	149	0
	2,689	0	2,689	455	2,234	2,689	0
<u>Education</u>							
Education	608	0	608	(120)	668	548	(60)
Schools	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport Unit	2,443	0	2,443	(53)	2,556	2,503	60
	3,051	0	3,051	(173)	3,224	3,051	0
<u>Public Health</u>							
Public Health	0	0	0	1,465	(1,465)	0	0
	0	0	0	1,466	(1,466)	0	0
<u>Adult Social Care & Health</u>							
External Purchase of Care	27,507	0	27,507	(2,329)	29,482	27,153	(354)
Intake & Enablement	632	0	632	75	557	632	0
Older People Long Term Condition	1,506	0	1,506	61	1,461	1,522	16
Physical Disability Long Term Condition	5	0	5	36	(18)	18	13
Learning Disability Long Term Condition	1,711	0	1,711	131	1,580	1,711	0
Mental Health Long Term Condition	1,182	0	1,182	39	1,143	1,182	0
Service Development & Integration	1,058	41	1,099	(247)	1,346	1,099	0
	33,601	41	33,642	(2,742)	36,059	33,317	(325)
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	66,018	167	66,185	(399)	66,965	66,566	381

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2022/23

	Budget			Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to April £000	Projected Spend £000	Total Projection £000	
	Services Group						
Group Director of Services	160	1	161	14	147	161	0
Capital Projects, Transport & Highways							
Planning							
AD Transport & Capital Projects	131	1	132	10	122	132	0
Building Design Services	20	4	24	26	138	164	140
Capital Projects	309	4	313	40	273	313	0
Car Parking R&M	497	52	549	13	536	549	0
Concessionary Fares	3,436	0	3,436	(32)	3,268	3,236	(200)
Flood & Water Act	89	0	89	(221)	310	89	0
Highways	3,762	10	3,772	34	3,738	3,772	0
Highways - DLO	(520)	97	(423)	476	(819)	(343)	80
Investment & Funding	4	1	5	9	(4)	5	0
Sustainable Transport	42	0	42	(230)	272	42	0
	7,770	169	7,939	125	7,834	7,959	20
Community Services							
AD Community Services	143	1	144	12	132	144	0
Allotments	11	1	12	(8)	20	12	0
Building Cleaning - DLO	144	1	145	42	103	145	0
Cemeteries & Crematorium	(941)	(22)	(963)	139	(1,102)	(963)	0
Dolphin Centre	877	11	888	(193)	1,081	888	0
Eastbourne Complex	(7)	0	(7)	(11)	4	(7)	0
Emergency Planning	101	0	101	0	101	101	0
Head of Steam	266	1	267	(26)	293	267	0
Hippodrome	195	8	203	(941)	1,144	203	0
Indoor Bowling Centre	18	0	18	(3)	21	18	0
Libraries	824	3	827	48	779	827	0
Move More	35	1	36	(183)	219	36	0
Outdoor Events	428	1	429	(3)	432	429	0
School Meals - DLO	55	1	56	51	5	56	0
Strategic Arts	115	0	115	6	109	115	0
Street Scene	5,559	23	5,582	(493)	6,145	5,652	70
Transport Unit - Fleet Management	(9)	3	(6)	(18)	12	(6)	0
Waste Management	3,452	0	3,452	(22)	3,376	3,354	(98)
Winter Maintenance	547	0	547	64	483	547	0
	11,813	33	11,846	(1,539)	13,357	11,818	(28)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2022/23

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<u>Services Group</u>							
<u>Community Safety</u>							
CCTV	202	4	206	12	199	211	5
Community Safety	641	4	645	(571)	1,216	645	0
General Licensing	5	0	5	(26)	31	5	0
Parking	(2,111)	(44)	(2,155)	(67)	(2,088)	(2,155)	0
Parking Enforcement	9	0	9	(15)	24	9	0
Private Sector Housing	86	1	87	(42)	129	87	0
Stray Dogs	46	1	47	3	44	47	0
Taxi Licensing	45	1	46	(18)	64	46	0
Trading Standards	237	2	239	18	221	239	0
	(840)	(31)	(871)	(706)	(160)	(866)	5
<u>Building Services</u>							
Construction - DLO	(592)	42	(550)	(2,709)	2,159	(550)	0
Maintenance - DLO	(412)	(67)	(479)	4,339	(4,818)	(479)	0
Other - DLO	0	7	7	419	(412)	7	0
	(1,004)	(18)	(1,022)	2,049	(3,071)	(1,022)	0
<u>General Support Services</u>							
Works Property & Other	112	0	112	0	112	112	0
<u>Joint Levies & Boards</u>							
Environment Agency Levy	115	0	115	115	0	115	0
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	18,126	154	18,280	58	18,219	18,277	(3)

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2022/23

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	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to April £000	Projected Spend £000	Total Projection £000	
<u>Operations Group</u>							
Group Director of Operations	208	0	208	4	204	208	0
<u>AD Resources</u>							
AD Resources	109	43	152	9	143	152	0
Financial Services	1,396	0	1,396	595	801	1,396	0
Financial Assessments & Protection	249	0	249	24	225	249	0
Xentrall (D&S Partnership)	1,766	0	1,766	(1,024)	2,790	1,766	0
Human Resources	605	0	605	70	535	605	0
Health & Safety	170	0	170	18	152	170	0
	4,295	43	4,338	(308)	4,646	4,338	0
<u>Head of Strategy Performance & Communications</u>							
Communications & Engagement	902	0	902	107	795	902	0
Systems	905	0	905	388	517	905	0
	1,807	0	1,807	495	1,312	1,807	0
<u>AD Law & Governance</u>							
AD Law & Governance	130	0	130	10	120	130	0
Complaints & FOI	281	0	281	(57)	338	281	0
Democratic Services	1,262	0	1,262	69	1,193	1,262	0
Registrars	(33)	0	(33)	(149)	116	(33)	0
Administration	608	0	608	36	572	608	0
Legal Services	1,195	0	1,195	624	671	1,295	100
Procurement	169	0	169	18	151	169	0
Coroners	225	0	225	(266)	526	260	35
	3,837	0	3,837	285	3,687	3,972	135
<u>AD Xentrall Shared Services</u>							
ICT	723	0	723	0	723	723	0
	723	0	723	0	723	723	0
<u>Corporate Landlord</u>							
Corporate Landlord	4,138	(24)	4,114	(565)	4,679	4,114	0
	4,138	(24)	4,114	(565)	4,679	4,114	0
<u>AD Housing & Revenues</u>							
Local Taxation	481	4	485	156	329	485	0
Rent Rebates / Rent Allowances / Council Tax	(132)	0	(132)	1,452	(1,584)	(132)	0
Housing Benefits Administration	214	4	218	137	81	218	0
Customer Services	291	2	293	82	211	293	0
Homelessness	326	1	327	(815)	1,142	327	0
Service, Strategy & Regulation and General Services	153	0	153	3,586	(3,433)	153	0
	1,333	11	1,344	4,598	(3,254)	1,344	0
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	16,341	30	16,371	4,509	11,997	16,506	135

REVENUE BUDGET MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2022/23

	Budget			Expenditure			(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Amended Approved Budget £000	Expenditure to April £000	Projected Spend £000	Total Projection £000	
<u>Chief Executive</u>							
Chief Executive	203	1	204	17	187	204	0
<u>AD Economic Growth</u>							
AD - Economic Growth	134	1	135	10	125	135	0
Building Control	148	2	150	19	131	150	0
Consolidated Budgets	146	0	146	0	146	146	0
Development Management	(25)	4	(21)	(83)	62	(21)	0
Economy	253	2	255	(397)	652	255	0
Environmental Health	306	3	309	25	284	309	0
Place Strategy	579	5	584	(580)	1,164	584	0
Property Management & Estates	(521)	3	(518)	(329)	(189)	(518)	0
	1,020	20	1,040	(1,335)	2,375	1,040	0
<u>Darlington Partnership</u>							
Darlington Partnership	65	1	66	(52)	118	66	0
	65	1	66	(52)	118	66	0
In Year Over/(Under) Spend	1,288	22	1,310	(1,370)	2,680	1,310	0

BUDGET MANAGEMENT 2022/23

SCHOOLS PROJECTED BALANCES 2022/23					
School Name	Opening Balance at 1st April 2022	Formula Budget Allocation*	Total Available	Closing Balance at 31st March 2023	Projected Closing Balance as proportion of Formula Budget Allocation
	£000	£000	£000	£000	%
Primary					
Federation of Darlington Nursery Schools	43	833	876	11	1%
Rise Carr College, Clifton House & Eldon House	133	1,341	1,474	163	12%
Red Hall Primary	338	1,332	1,670	175	13%
Whinfield Primary	354	2,307	2,661	295	13%
Harrowgate Hill Primary	200	2,611	2,811	164	6%
Primary Total	1,068	8,424	9,492	808	

*Federation of Darlington Nursery Schools/Rise Carr College original budget. Actual allocation based on attendance.

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT 2022/23

	Budget			Total Projection £000	(Under)/ Over Spend £000
	Original Budget £000	Approved Adjustments £000	Amended Approved Budget £000		
<u>Housing Revenue Account</u>					
<u>Income</u>					
Rents Of Dwellings (Gross)	(21,150)	0	(21,150)	(20,928)	222
Sundry Rents (Including Garages & Shops)	(475)	0	(475)	(386)	89
Charges For Services & Facilities	(3,029)	0	(3,029)	(3,114)	(85)
Contribution towards expenditure	(275)	0	(275)	(275)	0
Interest Receivable	(6)	0	(6)	(6)	0
Total Income	(24,935)	0	(24,935)	(24,709)	226
<u>Expenditure</u>					
Management	6,090	0	6,090	6,131	41
Maintenance	4,334	0	4,334	4,334	0
Capital Financing Costs	3,688	0	3,688	3,688	0
Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay	17,618	0	17,618	17,618	0
Rent Rebate Subsidy Limitation	0	0	0	0	0
Increase in Bad Debt Provision	350	0	350	350	0
In year contribution to/(from) balances	(7,145)	0	(7,145)	(7,412)	(267)
Total Expenditure	24,935	0	24,935	24,709	(226)
(Surplus)/Deficit	0	0	0	0	0

HRA Balances	£000
Opening balance 01/04/2022	26,932
Contribution to/(from) balances	(7,412)
Closing balance	19,520

**ECONOMY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
30 JUNE 2022**

WORK PROGRAMME

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the work programme items scheduled to be considered by this Scrutiny Committee during the 2022/23 Municipal Year and to consider any additional areas which Members would like to suggest should be included.

Summary

2. Members are requested to consider the attached draft work programme (**Appendix 1**) for the next Municipal Year which has been prepared based on Officers recommendations and recommendations previously agreed by this Scrutiny Committee in the last Municipal Year.
3. Once the work programme has been approved by this Scrutiny Committee, any additional areas of work which Members wish to add to the agreed work programme will require the completion of a quad of aims in accordance with the previously approved procedure

Recommendation

4. Members are requested to consider and approve the attached draft work programme as the agreed work programme for the Municipal year 2022/23 and consider any additional items which they might wish to include.

**Luke Swinhoe
Assistant Director Law and Governance**

Background Papers

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for Crime and Disorder
Health and Wellbeing	This report has no direct implications to the Health and Well Being of residents of Darlington.
Carbon Impact and Climate Change	There are no issues which this report needs to address.
Diversity	There are no issues relating to diversity which this report needs to address
Wards Affected	The impact of the report on any individual Ward is considered to be minimal.
Groups Affected	The impact of the report on any individual Group is considered to be minimal.
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	This is not a key decision.
Urgent Decision	This is not an urgent decision
Council Plan	The report contributes to the Council Plan in a number of ways through the involvement of Members in contributing to the delivery of the Plan.
Efficiency	The Work Programmes are integral to scrutinising and monitoring services efficiently (and effectively), however this report does not identify specific efficiency savings.
Impact on Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers.

MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

5. The format of the proposed work programme has been reviewed to enable Members of this Scrutiny Committee to provide a rigorous and informed challenge to the areas for discussion.
6. The Council Plan sets the vision and strategic direction for the Council through to May 2023, with its overarching focus being 'Delivering success for Darlington'.
7. In approving the Council Plan, Members have agreed to a vision for Darlington which is a place where people want to live and businesses want to locate, where the economy continues to grow, where people are happy and proud of the borough and where everyone has the opportunity to maximise their potential.

8. **The vision for the Economy Portfolio is :-**

'a borough where economic growth is high and the benefits are enjoyed by all residents'

by delivering

- More sustainable and well paid jobs
- More businesses
- More homes

9. **The Vision for the Resources Portfolio is :-**

'a Council that is financially stable and delivering much needed services and support for the Borough

Forward Plan and Additional Items

10. Once the Work Programme has been agreed by this Scrutiny Committee, any Member seeking to add a new item to the work programme will need to complete a quad of aims.
11. A copy of the Forward Plan has been attached at **Appendix 2** for information.

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	Topic	Timescale	Lead Officer	Scrutiny's Role
RESOURCES				
	Performance Management Framework	Work to be undertaken to look at relevant PI's. Informal meeting to be arranged	Relevant Assistant Directors	To understand/monitor and challenge the indicators
	Sickness Absence Year-end turn out	To be circulated to Members of the Scrutiny Committee as a briefing note	Brett Nielsen	N/A
	Health and Safety Year-end turn out	To be circulated to Members of the Scrutiny Committee as a briefing note	Brett Nielsen	N/A
	Medium-Term Financial Plan - Monitoring	Quarterly monitoring reports to be submitted to meetings of this Scrutiny Committee	Brett Nielsen	To contribute and challenge the Medium-Term Financial Plan and assist with the implementation and development of the required savings
	Medium-Term Financial Plan	December – February 2022/23	Brett Nielsen	To provide a response to Cabinet on the proposals in relation to the Medium-Term Financial Plan

	Capital Programme and project Position Statement	Quarterly monitoring reports to be submitted to meetings of this Scrutiny Committee	Anthony Hewitt	To look at the position
	Complaints, Compliments and Comments - Annual Report 2019/20	1 September 2022	Lee Downey	To look at the position
	Complaints Made to Local Government Ombudsman	1 September 2022	Lee Downey	To consider the outcome of cases which have been determined by the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (LGSCO) and the Housing Ombudsman (HO) and forward any view to Cabinet
	Investment Fund	1 September 2022	Brett Nielsen	To consider progress against the agreed investments being funded through the Investment Fund.
	Council Tax Support Scheme	3 November 2022	Anthony Sandys	To provide comment to Cabinet on the proposed scheme
	Customer Services and Digital Strategy	3 November 2022	Anthony Sandys	To brief Members on the work being undertaken
ECONOMY				
106	Economic Strategy	1 September 2022	David Hand	To scrutinise progress of the Strategy Action Plan against outcomes and understand relationship with Tees Valley SEP and Local Plan.

114	Housing Strategy	1 September 2022	David Hand	To scrutinise progress of the Strategy Action Plan against outcomes.
209	Climate Change	On-going	Cabinet Member	To update on the work of the Review Group
	Levelling Up	3 November 2022	Mark Ladyman	
	Business Week 2022	Presentation to be arranged October 2022	Mark Ladyman	To update Scrutiny
	Markets Update	Presentation to be arranged November 2022	Mark Ladyman	To update Scrutiny on compliance with the contract
	Towns Fund	Presentation to be arranged November 2022	Mark Ladyman	To update Scrutiny

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APPENDIX 2



**FORWARD PLAN
FOR THE PERIOD: 1 JUNE 2022 - 31 OCTOBER 2022**

Title	Decision Maker and Date
CCTV Replacement Camera Programme	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Darlington Station Improvement Project - Proceed to Delivery	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) 2022/23	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Housing Management Policy	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Land at Blackwell - Proposed Development and Parkland	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Proposed Hump Speed Table Objection - Newton Lane	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Public Space Protection Order – Darlington Town Centre	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Representation on Other Bodies 2022/23	Cabinet 22 Jun 2022
Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Climate Change - Progress	Council 14 Jul 2022 Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Collection of Council Tax, Business Rates and Rent 2021-22	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Council Chamber Refurbishment	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Council Plan Performance Report 2021/22 – Quarters 3 and 4	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Dolphin Centre Mechanical and Electrical Replacement – Release of Capital	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Improvements to Coniscliffe Road - Encouraging Footfall in the Town Centre	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Ingenium Parc – Proposal to market and dispose of land for development	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Land at Faverdale - Burtree Garden Village Development	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Objections to Traffic Regulations on Duke Street	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring Outturn 21/22	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Revenue Budget Outturn 2020/21	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Revenue Budget Monitoring 2022/23 - Quarter 1	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Schedule of Transactions - July 2022	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPD) Design Code - Burtree Garden Village	Council 14 Jul 2022 Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Xentrall Shared Services Annual Report	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
West Cemetery Drainage	Cabinet 5 Jul 2022
Annual Review of the Investment Fund	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Annual Audit Letter 2020/21	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Complaints Made to Local Government Ombudsman	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022

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Complaints, Compliments and Comments Annual Reports 2021/22	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Housing Services Anti-Social Behaviour Policy	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Museum Accreditation Policies	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Project Position Statement and Capital Programme Monitoring 2022/23 - Quarter 1	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Regulatory Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA)	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Restoration of Locomotion No 1 Replica	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
School Term Dates 2024/25	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
The Treatment of War Pensions in the Calculation of Housing Benefit	Cabinet 6 Sep 2022
Treasury Management Annual and Outturn Prudential Indicators 2022/23	Cabinet 11 Oct 2022