

EXECUTIVE

BURNLEY TOWN HALL

Wednesday, 22nd September, 2021 at 6.30 pm

44. Revenue Budget Monitoring 2021/22 Quarter 1

In moving her report Cllr Sue Graham noted that it is usual to have variances at this point in the year, and that at the same period last year the variance was much bigger. Some income across the Council has been reduced and whilst some compensation was received it did not cover all losses. The position would be closely monitored throughout the year.

PURPOSE

- 1. To report the forecast outturn position for the year as at 31 March 2022 based upon actual spending and income to 30 June 2021.
 - 2. Members are asked to note the financial impact of the Coronavirus pandemic as can be seen in paragraph 5. In view of these exceptional times the revenue monitoring position is uncertain.

REASONS FOR DECISION

To give consideration to the level of revenue spending and income in 2021/22 as part of the effective governance of the Council and to ensure that appropriate management action is taken to ensure a balanced financial position.

DECISION

The Executive resolved to:

- a. Note the projected revenue budget forecast position of a net overspend of £195k, as summarised in table 1 and detailed in Appendix 1.
- b. Note that further income compensation is to be received for the period April June 2021. Where these income losses are more than 5% of a council's planned income from sales, fees and charges, the government will cover them for 75p in every pound lost. See paragraph 13 for further details.
- c. Approve the establishment of a new collection fund deficit reserve. See paragraph 6 for further details.

And to seek approval from Full Council for:

- d. The latest revised net budget of £15.419m as shown in Table 1, and
- e. The net transfers from earmarked reserves of £1.816m as shown in Appendix 2.