

Appendix D Bristol City Council - Neighbourhoods 2017/18 – Budget Monitor Report

SUMMARY HEADLINES

Latest Financial Position

In summary, the latest full year **Forecast** position now shows a £0.7m underspend. This represents a £0.5m improvement since P3 which is due for the main part to Citizen Services revisiting its Permanent/Agency Staff expenditure forecast to incorporate and reflect underspends in these areas year to date.

The **Savings Delivery** tracker currently reports £0.3m of 17/18's £5.8m planned savings as 'at risk'. The top 3 initiatives driving this risk are Alternative Funding for Private Tenants Complaints(IN08), Temp/Emergency accommodation (FP15) and In-house Enforcement(14). Following review a Temporary Accommodation cross-cutting action plan has been approved which will deliver improvements in the financial position for this service.

The full year budget for **Capital Programme expenditure** has been updated to reflect Cabinet approval for delivery of the Omnichannel project (+£0.6m). The revised full year budget is now £11.2m. Against this budget the latest forecast is £8.9m, representing an underspend of £2.3m. This underspend relates predominantly to slippage in Libraries for the Future, Investment in Parks and Green Spaces and Sports Provision. Parks and Green Spaces are undergoing a full detailed review of forecast/slippage and will be updated for P5.

Regarding **Aged Debt** management, at the end of P4 Neighbourhoods had £4.0m of aged debt (£3.5m P3); £1m (£0.9m P3) of which has been outstanding for more than a year. The majority of this older debt relates to Housing options (Lettings negotiation and Interim Supported Housing). Work will now commence to recover outstanding aged debt.

Risks classified as high and medium total £8.3m at P4. **Opportunities** and mitigating actions to offset these risks include one-off savings and proposed draw downs from specific Grants, Reserves and Settlements. These total £8.3m thereby reducing the net exposure at P4 to £0m.

The accounting treatment of the Waste contract is included here and is forecast to recur in future years. For 17/18 the draw down of £4.9m from settlement and reserves has been planned since contract award in Aug. 2016. In addition, there is a possible risk of up to £1.9m (currently under negotiation). Should this £1.9m materialise (or any part thereof) this will also be offset by the waste management reserve. However, in contrast to 17/18, only £3m contract settlement is available in 18/19 plus what balance remains in the waste management reserve after the current year draw down to offset the ongoing known risk.

1. Overall Position and Movement

Forecast 2017/18 - Under spend £ m												
Revised Budget	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
£ 68.5m	-0.4	-0.2	-0.7									

2. Revenue Position by Div.

Budget Area	Over/(under) spend £m
Housing Options	0.0
Public Health - General Fund	0.0
Women's Commission	0.0
Neighbourhoods & Communities	0.0
Waste	0.0
Citizen Services	-0.7

3. Savings Delivery RAG Status

17/18	Total value of savings (£m)	Value at risk (£m)	Risk (%)
R No - savings are at risk	0.398	0.323	81%
G Yes - savings are safe	5.410	0.000	0%
Grand Total	5.807	0.323	6%

18/19	Total value of savings (£m)	Value at risk (£m)	Risk (%)
R No - no plan in place	0.787	0.787	100%
A Yes - plan in place but still to deliver	3.562	0.061	2%
G Yes - savings can be taken from budget	0.693	0.000	0%
Grand Total	5.042	0.848	17%

Top 4 largest savings at risk in 17/18 (ordered by size of saving at risk)

ID - Name of Proposal	Value at Risk in 17/18 (£m)
IN08 - Alternative funding for responding to private tenant's complaints	0.175
FP15 - Reduce use of temporary/emergency accommodation	0.075
FP14 - In-house enforcement	0.060
FP26 - Hengrove Leisure Centre refinancing	0.013

Top 3 largest savings at risk in 18/19 (ordered by size of saving at risk)

ID - Name of Proposal	Value at Risk in 17/18 (£m)
FP11 - Single city-wide Information, Advice and Guidance Service	0.500
FP14 - In-house enforcement	0.287
FP26 - Hengrove Leisure Centre refinancing	0.061

Capital Programme

Gross expenditure by Programme	Current Year (FY2017)				Performance to budget		Scheme Total for Current Timeframe (FY2016 : FY2021)						Performance to budget		
	Budget	Expenditure to Date	Forecast	Variance	Expenditure to date	Forecast	Budget	Total Expenditure to Date	Commitments	Variance - Total budget vs actual + commitments	Forecast (including prior years actuals)	Variance Total scheme budget vs total scheme forecast	Expenditure to date	Expenditure + committed to date	Forecast
	£000s				%		£000s						%		
Neighbourhoods															
NH01 Libraries for the Future	293	93	131	(162)	32%	45%	906	456	30	(420)	921	14	50%	54%	100%
NH02 Investment in parks and green spaces	2,359	191	591	(1,768)	8%	25%	3,791	1,322	156	(2,313)	2,535	(1,256)	35%	39%	67%
NH03 Cemeteries & Crematoria	500	0	500	0	0%	100%	1,000	0	0	(1,000)	1,000	0	0%	0%	100%
NH04 Third Household Waste Recycling and Re-use Centre	200	0	200	0	0%	100%	4,000	0	0	(4,000)	4,000	0	0%	0%	100%
NH05 Sports provision	300	0	0	(300)	0%	0%	4,500	0	0	(4,500)	4,500	0	0%	0%	100%
NH06 Bristol Operations Centre	3,689	285	3,636	(52)	8%	99%	7,816	4,412	1,061	(2,343)	7,764	(52)	59%	70%	99%
NH07 Housing Solutions	3,167	440	3,167	0	14%	100%	15,495	2,958	0	(12,497)	15,325	(170)	19%	19%	99%
NH08 Omni Channel Contact Centre (ICT System development)	644	0	644	0	0%	100%	644	0	0	(644)	644	0	0%	0%	100%
Total Neighbourhoods	11,151	1,008	8,869	(2,283)	9%	80%	38,152	9,188	1,247	(27,717)	36,688	(1,464)	24%	27%	96%



