

Section A: Revenue Budget Monitor

	<b>Revised Budget</b>	<b>Forecast Outturn</b>	<b>Outturn Variance</b>
<b>P05</b>	<b>£14.2m</b>	<b>£14.2m</b>	<b>£0.0m</b>

<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sept</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>
<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>						

Position by Division

<b>Quarter 2/ Period 5 Budget Monitoring - Summary</b>	<b>Approved Budget</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>	<b>Forecast</b>	<b>Forecast variance at Q1/P2</b>	<b>Forecast variance at P3/P4</b>	<b>Movement in forecast variance at Q2/P5</b>	<b>Forecast variance at Q2/P5</b>	<b>Forecast variance at Q2/P5</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Public Health and Communities</b>								
36 - Communities and Public Health - General Fund	6,471	6,471	6,471	0	0	0	0	0.0%
3B - Communities and Public Health - Other Grants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
34 - Public Health Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
332 – Libraries	4,883	4,883	4,883	0	0	0	0	0.0%
335 – Parks and Green Spaces	2,081	1,934	1,934	0	0	0	0	0.0%
333 – Regulatory Service	925	913	913	0	0	0	0	0.0%
<b>Total Public Health and Communities</b>	<b>14,360</b>	<b>14,201</b>	<b>14,201</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>(0)</b>

Key messages:

Public Health is a statutory function of the council with the purpose of improving the health of the population, preventing disease, and reducing inequalities through the commissioning of services, building health into all policy and working in partnership. Developing networks of active, inclusive, resilient communities and health champions across the city is essential to our ability to achieve this, and a vital part of our work to build a healthy city.

The expansion of the portfolio to include the regulatory function of environmental health and the safer communities' duties reflects a whole council approach to protecting health and wellbeing.

There are two divisional budgets:

- The ring- fenced Public Health Grant (Division 34)
- Public Health and Communities all other income and expenditure (Divisions 36 and 3b)

Public Health (PH) Grant of £36.4 million was awarded for 2024/25 and, at the end of Period 5, Public Health continues forecasting to spend a balanced budget with no variance.

The Public Health Grant is awarded annually to the local authority and is ring fenced for the purposes of public health. The grant enables the Director of Public Health to discharge their statutory duties. Where appropriate, services are joint funded with other bodies and income is received from partners according for this purpose.

An annual return must be provided by the authority to Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID), which is audited against the grant regulations. This return must be authorised by the Director of Public Health and Section 151 Officer.

The table below shows the current budget and forecast for the Public Health Grant, utilising a summarised version of the OHID national coding system against which the grant is measured and audited.

**Table 1 Ring Fenced Public Health Grant**

<b>Ringfenced Public Health Grant by Categories (Division 34)</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Forecast</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>P5</b>	<b>24-25</b>	<b>24-25</b>	<b>24-25</b>
	<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>
Sexual Health Services	9.6	9.6	(0.0)
NHS health Check Programme	0.4	0.4	(0.0)
Health Protection	0.4	0.4	0.0
Public Health Support to ICB	0.3	0.3	0.0
Healthy Weight & Physical Activity	1.8	1.9	0.2
Substance Use	9.9	10.0	0.1
Smoking & Tobacco Control	0.5	0.5	0.0
Children & Young People	14.3	14.4	0.0
Public Mental Health	0.0	0.2	0.1
Community Health Development	1.2	1.2	0.0
Impact Fund & Advice	0.7	0.7	0.1
Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence	1.2	1.2	0.0
Intelligence, Quality & Governance	1.7	1.5	(0.2)
Overheads & Running Costs	1.3	1.2	(0.1)
Public Health Spend Relating to COVID 19	0.1	0.1	0.0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>43.3</b>	<b>43.6</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Public Health Grant Allocation</b>	<b>(36.4)</b>	<b>(36.4)</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Joint Partnership Income</b>	<b>(6.9)</b>	<b>(7.0)</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>
<b>Drawdown from COMF Reserves</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>	<b>(0.0)</b>
<b>PH Grant Drawdown on reserves</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>(43.3)</b>	<b>(43.5)</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>

The Public Health Grant Reserve is subject to the same criteria as the grant. The Public Health Grant Reserve has a remaining balance in the reserve of £4.6 million. £1.0 million of this reserve is committed and the remainder, £3.6 million (10% of grant allocation), is the reserve required to manage future risks

and pressures. The reserve is contingency against inflation and unfunded pay awards, including NHS pay awards.

## **Communities and Public Health (Divisions 36 and 3B)**

This division (of the budget) encompasses a range of public health, public protection and community functions and service commissioning and provision within several key areas:

**Environmental Health and Public Protection:** These are mandated regulatory service of the council, funded from general fund and specific grants.

**Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Services:** These are funded by Domestic Abuse Bill Act grant funding and the council general fund contribution alongside public health grant contribution.

**Safer Communities:** This is a key duty on the council which is funded by external grants and the council general fund.

**Communities Development and Resources:** This is an essential function for funded largely through the Public Health Grant with a small general fund contribution and some external grant income.

**Repayments for Hengrove Leisure Centre PFI,** which is funded through a grant and partly a general fund reserve.

This division comprises of £6.5 million General Fund and £16.0 million other external grant investment, including two additional Grants from Department of Health and Social Care issued by the Office of Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID) £0.6 million Substance Use and £0.7 million Stop Smoking Support Services to the Director of Public Health, which are specifically ring fenced and aligned to Public Health Grant expenditure.

## **Communities and Public Health (General Fund)**

Table 2 below provides the breakdown of Public Health General Fund budget and current forecast as at Period 5. At the end of Period 5 both the Public Health Grant and the Communities general fund services are reported to balance against budget – i.e. no outturn variance.

**Table 2 Communities & Public Health Forecast – General Fund**

<b>Service</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Forecast</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Neighbourhoods and Communities	£0.8m	£0.8m	£0.0m
Community Resources	£3.1m	£3.1m	£0.0m
Environmental Health	£1.5m	£1.5m	£0.0m
Domestic Abuse	£0.6m	£0.6m	£0.0m
Leisure Services	£0.5m	£0.5m	£0.0m
Ringfenced Grants	£0.0m	£0.0m	£0.0m
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>£6.5m</b>	<b>£6.5m</b>	<b>£0.0m</b>

## **Growth and Regeneration**

The Growth and Regeneration portion of the Public Health and Communities Committee budget includes:

- The maintenance, restocking and operation of the 27 libraries in Bristol.
- The maintenance and operation of the parks and green spaces around the city.
- The development and operation of licensing, Trading Standards and events and festivals in the city.

Table 2 below shows the net costs of the Libraries and Regulatory Services teams. These lines do include the collection of income but that has not been broken out in this version of the report.

**Table 3 Libraries and Regulatory Services General Fund**

Service	Cost Line	Budget £m	Comments
Libraries	Libraries Customer Service	4.0	Staff costs related to the libraries.
	Libraries Building and Infrastructure	0.4	Building maintenance.
	Libraries Materials Fund	0.5	Annual cost of library stock.
Regulatory Services	Trading Standards	0.7	Net cost of delivering standards.
	Events and Festivals	0.3	Net costs of overseeing events.
	Licensing (Taxis, Premises, Gambling and Street Trading)	(0.1)	Net cost to the Council of licensing.
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5.8</b>	

The Parks and Green Spaces service includes significant income so the annex includes the costs, income and net costs separately.

## Savings Delivery

Public Health and Communities					
BRAG	No. of Items	Plan £'000	Forecast £'000	Of Which Verified £'000	Variance £'000
Blue	-	108	108	108	-
Green	-	353	353	-	-
Amber	-	-	-	-	-
Red	-	152	-	-	(152)
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>613</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>(152)</b>

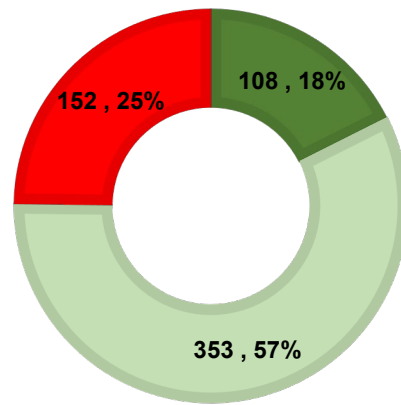
## FORECAST POSITION – VERIFIED, UNVERIFIED AND FORECAST UNDER-DELIVERY

£'000s

**Savings not forecast to deliver**

Verified forecast savings

Unverified forecast savings



### List of forecast undelivered savings

Saving Name	Variation Explanation / Commentary	Sum of Savings Forecast Variation to Plan 24/25 £000
<b>Maximise commercial opportunities for catering outlets within parks</b>	Income from catering did not meet historic target and has been unable to meet this additional target.	(50)
<b>Standardise all allotment fees</b>	Proposal has not been approved at Committee.	(55)
<b>Strategic Business Review of Fees and Charges – Venues &amp; Events</b>	Prices have been increased but there is a risk that income target will not be met.	(47)
		<b>(152)</b>

### Section B – Risks and Opportunities

				TOTAL NET RISK / (OPPORTUNITY)		288
Division	Committee	Risk or Opportunity	Description	Risk / (Opportunity) £'000	Likelihood	Net Risk / Opportunity £'000
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Risk	This is the additional income target for Cemeteries and Crematoria agreed in the Cabinet Report in December 2023 following an Ernst and Young report.	213	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	160

Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Risk	Events income shortfall.	106	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	80
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Risk	Ongoing Parks other service pressures.	215	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	161
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Risk	Ongoing deficit in Parks income.	50	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	38
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Risk	This is the additional income target for Parks agreed in the Cabinet Report in December 2023 following a Ernst and Young report.	47	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	35
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Risk	Licensing income shortfall.	3	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	2
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Opportunity	Parks Mitigation - Capitalise cost of café equipment.	(29)	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	(22)
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Opportunity	Parks Mitigation - Capitalise play equipment.	(50)	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	(38)
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Opportunity	Parks Mitigation - Capitalise rockface work.	(50)	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	(38)
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Opportunity	Trading Standards vacancy savings.	(98)	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	(74)
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Opportunity	Planned capitalisation of book purchasing.	(337)	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	(253)
Management of Place	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Opportunity	Parks Mitigation - Capitalise Cemeteries & Crematoria maintenance.	(110)	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	(83)
Adults and Communities	<b>Public Health and Communities</b>	Risk	<b>Hengrove Leisure PFI Costs</b> - forecast assumes balanced budget. Risk of £454k pressure as reserve is now depleted.	424	High Likelihood - Risk is very likely to come to bear, mitigations are being reviewed but not yet clear.	318

## Section C – Capital

<b>Approved Budget</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>	<b>Expenditure to Date</b>	<b>Forecast Outturn</b>	<b>Outturn Variance</b>
<b>£11.5m</b>	<b>£13.0m</b>	<b>£1.9m</b>	<b>£11.3m</b>	<b>(£1.7m)</b>
		14% of Budget	87% of Budget	

### Gross Expenditure by Programme

Ref	Scheme	Current Year (FY2024) - Period 5				Performance to budget	
		Budget	Expenditure to Date	Forecast	Variance	Expenditure to date	Forecast
£000s						%	
<b>Public Health &amp; Communities</b>							
CRF1	Covid Recovery Fund – Community Improvements	1,871	1,018	1,871	0	54%	100%
NH02	Investment in parks and green spaces	2,818	764	2,815	(3)	27%	100%
NH02A	Invest in Parks Sports Outdoor Equipment & Facility Improvements	1,800	4	1,493	(307)	0%	83%
NH03	Cemeteries & Crematoria investment	2,446	74	1,060	(1,387)	3%	43%
NH05	Leisure Centres Operational Contract – Capital Investment	4,030	0	4,030	0	0%	100%
<b>Total Public Health &amp; Communities</b>		<b>12,966</b>	<b>1,861</b>	<b>11,269</b>	<b>(1,697)</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>87%</b>

The table below shows progress on the capital projects within the remit of the Public Health and Communities Committee. The significant variances include:

- Invest in parks sports outdoor equipment and facility improvements where we are currently forecasting a £0.3 million underspend to allow time for designs to be completed, with this to be spent early next financial year. This includes the Hengrove Play Park project, Oldbury Court play area and Victoria Park infrastructure works.
- Cemeteries and Crematoria investment which is delayed due to the new administration seeking assurance on the cost and scope of the project.

## Annex - Parks and Green Spaces Costs, Income and Net Costs

All lines are as budgeted on 1 April 2024 and do not include forecast income or costs for 2024/25.

Parks and Green Spaces	Cost	Income	Net Cost	Comments
10147 - Allotments	273,881	(262,517)	11,364	Management and maintenance of the Allotment service, including staff costs, repairs & maintenance, utility costs etc. To note, the income target for Allotments will increase by £53k to £315,517 in 2025/26, following the expiry of the current Budget Amendment meaning the Council will be subsidising this service by c. £64k.
10276 - Canford Crematorium	512,739	(1,403,640)	(890,901)	Management and maintenance of the Crematorium, including staff costs, repairs & maintenance, utility costs etc.
10282 - Cemeteries	952,569	(1,071,130)	(118,561)	Management and maintenance of cemeteries, including staff costs, repairs & maintenance, plant and machinery utility costs etc.
10283 - Grounds Maintenance	6,415,663	(3,640,729)	2,774,934	Management and maintenance of parks and green spaces, housing land, highway verges and other Council green assets, including staff costs, repairs & maintenance, plant & machinery etc.
10359 - Downs	393,040	(360,400)	32,640	Management and maintenance of the Downs, including staff costs, repairs & maintenance, plant & machinery, events etc.
10399 - Golf	89,449	(148,400)	(58,952)	Provision of Golf, Disc Golf and Footgolf commercial activity at Ashton Court Estate.
10408 - Catering - Café & Kiosks	1,516,186	(1,703,828)	(187,642)	Provision of the parks commercial catering service across various sites, include Ashton Court Estate, Blaise, Canford Park etc.
10493 - Tree Planting	81,875	0	81,875	Grant funding costs or draw down from Section 106 towards tree planting and ongoing tree maintenance.
10584 - Landscapes & Projects	351,433	(135,520)	215,913	Delivery of the park's capital programme, for equipped play, parks improvements, infrastructure works etc.
10746 - Blaise Nursery	981,237	(1,073,310)	(92,073)	Commercial plant nursery, serving internal and external wholesale clients as well as operating a retail shop at Blaise Plant Nursery.



10967 - South Bristol Crematorium	647,794	(1,754,970)	(1,107,176)	Management and maintenance of the Crematorium, including staff costs, repairs & maintenance, utility costs etc.
11051 - Tree Management	646,287	(200,910)	445,377	Management of the Council's trees across parks, highways, housing, and other BCC sites.
14633 - Small Projects	12,038	0	12,038	Salary costs for project management which relates to Avonmouth Tree Planting project which is funded through Section 106 (Hinkley Point).
14897 - Childrens Play Budget	552,395	(21,040)	531,355	Day to day management of children's play across the city, including repairs and maintenance and safety inspections.
15612 - Parks Commercialisation	269,999	(254,350)	15,649	Management and delivery of parks commercial services concessions covering; commercial concessions, sponsorship etc. As well as staffing costs for the commercial development team.
15613 - Parks & Green Spaces Management	960,978	0	960,978	Management of the parks and green spaces service, including asset management, repairs and maintenance, policy, and strategy etc.
15614 - Horticulture Externally Funded Projects	104,106	(88,940)	15,166	Salary costs and material costs related to Parks Volunteering programme.
15615 - Ashton Court Estate	75,800	(570,800)	(495,000)	Management costs and income for Ashton Court Estate.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14,837,468</b>	<b>(12,690,484)</b>	<b>2,146,984</b>	