

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Culture and Recreation
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Title:	Culture and Recreation Services – Quarter 2 2012/13 Budget Monitoring
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1. Forecast Position

- 1.1. This report outlines the budget monitoring position as at the end of quarter 2 (30 September 2012).
- 1.2. The projected outturn for 2012/13 is a net overspend of £97,000. The forecast variance by each branch, is as follows:

	Current budget £000	Forecast outturn £000	Forecast variance £000	%
Community (C&R services)	14,416	14,416	-	-
Culture and Heritage	8,662	8,759	97	1.1
Total	23,078	23,175	97	0.4

- 1.3. The services within the Community branch in the Culture and Recreation portfolio are expected to achieve a balanced budget position.
- 1.4. Within the library service, savings will be achieved through vacancy management and installing self-service technology in more libraries.
- 1.5. Within the Culture and Heritage branch, the Countryside service is forecasting to achieve an underspend of £23,300 which partially offsets a £120,000 pressure in the Outdoors Centre service resulting overall in an overspend of £97,000.

- 1.6. The Countryside service is forecasting an increase in income for the year in the areas of grants, filming and catering. The service responded positively to the inclement weather in particular within quarter 1 and visitor related income streams have remained on course to meet or achieve targets.
- 1.7. Within the Outdoors Service a spending pressure has arisen linked to the establishment of the new Runways End outdoors centre. Whilst there is confidence that the long term financial viability of the centre is strong, there have been a number of setbacks impacting on financial performance within the centre's first months of operation including changes to the centre's management and a shortfall in income from some customer groups. Management have agreed actions to mitigating the pressure and it is expected that the position will improve during quarter 3.
- 1.8. A more detailed breakdown on the budget and forecast variations is shown in Appendix 1.

2. Efficiency Savings

- 2.1. The outturn figures presented in this report reflect full achievement of efficiency savings of £1.9m in 2012/13. In a recent review 83% of the savings were considered to be secured and there was high confidence in the delivery of the remaining 17%.
- 2.2. In addition £519,000 of the 2011/12 underspend within CCBS was held for supporting 'cost of change' activity within the Culture and Recreation portfolio to deliver planned and future efficiency savings and income in 2012/13 and beyond. To date services have drawn £417,900 of this to support cost of change projects.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1. Note the forecast position for the revenue budget as at the end of quarter 2.

Appendix 1 - Forecast outturn – Quarter 2**Position as at 30 September 2012 across services**

Description	Current Budget	Quarter 2 forecast variance ¹	
	£000	£000	%
Community (C&R Services)			
Library Service	13,590	-	-
School Library Service	0	-	-
Sport	339	-	-
SHIOW	0	-	-
Community	488	-	-
	14,417	-	-
Culture and Heritage			
Countryside	3,272	(23)	(0.7)
Arts and Museums	3,345	-	-
Milestones	354	-	-
Archives	1,004	-	-
Outdoors Centres	604	120	19.8
Calshot Activities Centre	83	-	-
	8,662	97	1.1
Total	23,079	97	0.4

¹ These figures are forecasts of the 2012/13 year end position, based on actual figures as at 30 June 2012, together with known commitments and the estimated impact of future demand and management actions

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

- 1.1. Equality objectives are not considered to be adversely affected by the proposals in this report.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1. The proposals in this report are not considered to have any direct impact on the prevention of crime.

3. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

There are no proposals within the report which will impact on our carbon footprint/energy consumption

- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

There are no proposals within the report which will impact on our need to adapt to climate change