

WIRRAL COUNCIL

CABINET

13 JUNE 2013

SUBJECT	OUT-TURN 2012/13
WARD/S AFFECTED	ALL
REPORT OF	INTERIM DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES
RESPONSIBLE PORTFOLIO HOLDER	COUNCILLOR PHIL DAVIES
KEY DECISION	YES

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 This report details the Out-turn for 2012/13 and concludes the reporting to Cabinet for the 2012/13 financial year. There are separate Appendices for Revenue (including details of the reserves and provisions), Capital (including the resources used to fund the programme) and the Collection Summary (including debts for which approval to write-off is required). At the time of preparing the report, this remains as work-in-progress and any updates will be advised before the meeting

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Revenue

- a) That the Revenue Out-turn for 2012/13, which shows that balances have increased by £3.6 million due to the out-turn being £2.7 million below the projection at Month 11 and the release of £0.9 million of previously used Capital Reserves to General Fund balances, be noted.
- b) That the creation of the Redundancy Reserve of £5.5 million, previously identified as a cost for 2013/14, be agreed.

2.2 Capital

- a) That the additional slippage of £4.6 million from 2012/13 to 2013/14 be agreed.
- b) That the financing of the programme for 2012/13 be agreed.
- c) That the application of the £2.5 million of capital receipts, to reduce future capital financing costs by £0.2 million per year and to release £0.9 million of previously used Capital Reserves to General Fund balances, be agreed.

2.3 Collection Summary

- a) That the report be noted.
- b) That the debts, as detailed in the Appendix, be written-off.

3.0 BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 Throughout the financial year Cabinet have received updates in respect of Revenue and Capital Monitoring with these reports having been submitted monthly since September (when the Month 3 monitoring reports were considered).
- 3.2 The last monitoring reports were for Month 11 and were considered by Cabinet on 18 April 2013. Since then work has been on-going in order to finalise the accounts for the financial year. The timescales for completion mean that there could potentially be further changes until the meeting of the Cabinet and Members will be advised of any significant changes.
- 3.3 In respect of income collection Cabinet on 23 May 2013 received a number of specific reports in relation to the collection of sundry debt. This included actions to improve cash collection, primarily within the area of Adult Social Services.
- 3.4 The detail contained within the Appendices informs part of the Annual Statement of Accounts for 2012/13. The Statement has to be issued by 30 June 2013. It is then subject to review by the appointed External Auditors (Grant Thornton UK LLP) and has to be published by 30 September 2013.

4.0 RELEVANT RISKS

- 4.1 There are none associated with the summary of the financial position for 2012/13. The position has been monitored throughout the year and has been the subject of monthly reports to Cabinet since September (Month 3).
- 4.2 In respect of the collection of income this was the subject of reports to Cabinet on 23 May 2013 and the inclusion of items which are irrecoverable overstates the potential income which could be collected by the Council.

5.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 No other options were considered. There is a legal requirement to publish the Statement of Accounts and agree the capital spend and financing at the end of the financial year.

6.0 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 This is an end of year report. Consultation takes places as part of the planning and implementation of specific schemes or projects within the Council Budget and Capital Programme.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH GROUPS

- 7.1 There are none arising directly from this report. These would be considered when planning and implementing specific schemes or projects.

8.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 The financial implications are detailed within the Appendices.
- 8.2 There are no staffing, IT or asset implications arising directly from this report.

9.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Local authorities have to produce an Annual Statement of Accounts which demonstrates the financial performance of the Council for the year and the financial position at the end of the period. The Accounts must apply with the Code Of Practice on Local Authority Accounting. There is a legal requirement to publish the Statement of Accounts each year.

10.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 There are no implications arising directly from this report being a report on the overall financial affairs for the financial year just completed.

11.0 CARBON REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 There are no implications arising directly from this report. These are included in reports to Cabinet on individual schemes and in the Carbon Budget report.

12.0 PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 12.1 There are no implications arising directly from this report.

13.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 13.1 Local authorities have to produce an Annual Statement of Accounts which demonstrates the financial performance of the Council for the year and the financial position at the end of the period. The full Statement is approved by Audit & Risk Management Committee on behalf of the Council. This report informs Cabinet of the key elements.
- 13.2 The Collection Summary provides details on income collection performance and any sums which are deemed irrecoverable need to be written off in accord with the authorisation processes set out in the council Constitution.

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APPENDICES

- Appendix 1 Revenue Out-turn 2012/13
- Appendix 2 Capital Out-turn 2012/13
- Appendix 3 Collection Summary 2012/13

REFERENCE MATERIAL

Code Of Practice On Local Authority Accounting In The UK 2012/13 – CIPFA>
Local Government Act 2003 and subsequent amendments.
Local Government (Capital Finance and Accounting) Regulations 2008.
Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011.

SUBJECT HISTORY

Council Meeting	Date
Cabinet – Estimates 2012/13	21 February 2012
Cabinet – Revenue Out-turn 2011/12	21 June 2012
Cabinet – Capital Out-turn 2011/12	21 June 2012
Cabinet – Collection Summary 2011/12	21 June 2012
Cabinet – Revenue Monitoring 2012/13	Monthly reports since
Cabinet – Capital Monitoring 2012/13	September 2013