
March 2018 Capital Budget Monitoring Outturn Report (Subject to Audit)

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This report relates to a Non Key Decision

Purpose of this report

1. The report sets out the Capital outturn for 2017/18 as at the end of March 2018 (Subject to Audit). It excludes the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) which is subject to a separate report.
2. The outturn position was agreed by the Leader, Deputy Leader, Chief Executive and Director of Resources, under delegated authority from the Executive and this report bring the result into the public domain.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive is asked to:

1. **note that the capital gross provisional outturn position (subject to audit) is a spend of £63.2M (£98.7M in 2017/18) demonstrating the continued significant capital investment made by Central Bedfordshire to support its community;**
2. **approve the net overspends between £150K and £500K as listed at Appendix B;**
3. **note the proposed gross deferred spend of £51.5M (£30.1M net) from 2017/18 to 2018/19 as detailed at Appendix C. This was approved by the Leader, Deputy Leader, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Resources under a delegated authority given by the Executive at its April 2018 meeting due to the accelerated timescale for the accounts closure;**
4. **Recommend to Council to approve the net overspend on:**
 - a) **Library and Leisure Centre renewal in Dunstable £1.596M (see paragraph 43 in appendix A)**
 - b) **Flitwick Leisure Centre Redevelopment £3.037M (para 43)**
 - c) **Woodside Link £1.101M (para 49)**
 - d) **Fleet replacement programme £0.624M (para 49).**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

2. This report is based on the 2017/18 budget approved by Council at its 23 February 2017 meeting. The reported budget also includes deferred spend from 2016/17 which was approved under delegated authority and subsequently approved by the Executive on the 20 June 2017. The reported budget includes a further £8M approved at Council in July 2016 for Strategic Acquisitions. The approved budget excluding HRA and including deferred spend from 2016/17 is £110.7M (gross).

ISSUES: None

FINANCIAL AND OTHER OPTIONS: These are covered in the report

3. Outturn

Principal variances

- The approved budget including deferred spend from 2016/17 is £110.6M (gross).
- Actual gross outturn was £63.2M (£98.7M last year), below budget by £47.4M (£33.9M under budget last year).
- Actual net outturn was £27.2M (£58.0M last year), below budget by £32.1M (£17.7M under budget in March 2017).
- Children's Services gross outturn was £18.6M, above budget £5.4M. Net outturn was £0.2M, below budget by £0.4M.
- Community Services gross outturn was £36.8M, below budget by £30.1M. The net outturn was £24.8M, below budget £17.7M. There are a number of schemes that this relates to, however the most significant schemes are :
 - £8.2M A421- M1 Junction 13
 - £7.8M Strategic Acquisitions
 - £3.4M Depot and Salt Barn - North
 - £2.1M Highways Structural Maintenance
 - £2.1M Luton & Dunstable Busway
 - £1.9M Crematorium
 - The Dunstable Library & Leisure is over by £2.0M in year but within budget over the life of the project (a timing difference).
- Regeneration and Business Support gross outturn was £4.7M, below budget by £15.0M. The net outturn was £1.0M, below budget £8.5M. This primarily relates to the:
 - £4.2M M1/A6 scheme, at present the forecast only reflects the confirmed funding

- £3.6M Market Towns Programme
 - £1.3M SEMLEP BDUK Extension
 - £1.3M Dunstable High Street Regeneration
 - £1.0M Local Broadband Infrastructure
 - £1.0M Flitwick Station Area Car Park Development
 - £0.6M Biggleswade Transport Interchange
- Social Care, Health and Housing gross outturn was £3.2M, below budget by £7.8M. The net outturn was £1.3M, below budget £5.5M. This primarily relates to the:
 - £2.5M MANOP Non HRA Extra Care Schemes
 - £1.9M Review of Accommodation project
 - £1.0M MANOP Care Home Re-provision
 - £0.9M forecast deferred spend for the additional gypsy and traveller sites

A summary of the position is in the table below.

Directorate	Full Year 2017/18			Full Year 2017/18		
	Gross Budget	Gross Forecast	Gross Variance	Net Budget	Net Forecast	Net Variance
	£m	Outturn £m	£m	£m	Outturn £m	£m
CS	13.1	18.6	5.5	0.5	0.2	(0.4)
Community Service	66.9	36.8	(30.1)	42.5	24.8	(17.7)
Chief Executive's	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Resources	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Regeneration	19.6	4.7	(15.0)	9.5	1.0	(8.5)
ASCHH	11.0	3.2	(7.8)	6.8	1.3	(5.5)
Total Exc HRA	110.6	63.2	(47.4)	59.3	27.2	(32.1)

(Note: Any minor rounding differences are due to linking to detailed appendices)

Capital Receipts

The overall budget for Capital receipts is £12.0M.

The outturn was £49.5M gross, cost of sales are forecast as £0.8M, so the net capital receipts outturn was £48.6M (rounded).

As a result, we have not had to borrow in 2017/18 to fund in year capital schemes.

Reasons for decision

4. To complete schemes currently underway and facilitate effective financial management and planning.

Council Priorities

5. Sound financial management contributes to the Council's Value for Money and enables the Council to successfully deliver its priorities. The recommendations will contribute indirectly to all 6 Council priorities.

Corporate Implications

Legal Implications

6. None.

Financial Implications

7. The financial Implications are contained in the report.

Equalities Implications

8. Equality Impact Assessments were undertaken prior to the allocation of the 2017/18 budgets and Members were advised of significant equality implications relating to the budget proposals when setting the Council's Budget in February 2017.

Appendices

Appendix A – Detailed Directorate Commentary

Appendix B – Schemes over budget between £150K and £500K

Appendix C - Capital Slippage Approved under delegated Authority