## Charter Trustees for the City of Durham

## 20 January 2016

Revenue Outturn for the period ending 31 December 2015 and Projected Outturn to 31 March 2016



## **Report of Jeff Garfoot, Treasurer**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- 1 The purpose of this report is to provide information on the:
  - actual expenditure compared to the profiled budget for the period ending 31 December 2015;
  - forecast of expenditure to 31 March 2016 in comparison to the 2015/16 original budget.

#### COMPARISON OF REVENUE OUTTURN WITH BUDGET

- At 31 December 2015 actual net expenditure was £41,553; an underspend of £5,319 (or 11.35%) against a profiled budget of £46,872.
- It is anticipated that actual expenditure at 31 March 2016 will be slightly lower than the original budget of £60,896 by £4,478 (or 7.35%). The sum required to be drawn from reserves to balance the budget is therefore expected to reduce from £6,883 to £2,405.
- An analysis of the expenditure over subjective budget headings is set out in Appendix 2.
- 5 Explanations regarding the main variances between actual expenditure and the budget are provided below:

#### TRANSPORT

Based upon the current activity levels, it is anticipated that actual expenditure on transport will be £7,875 at the financial year end which is £537 (or 7.32%) more than the original budget. This budget head will continue to be closely monitored up to the end of the year.

#### **SUPPLIES AND SERVICES**

The total expenditure on supplies and services is £1,622 less than the profiled budget to date. Based upon the activity levels to date, the supplies and services outturn figure at 31 March 2016 is expected to be £17,462; an underspend of £1,247 (or 6.67%) in comparison to the annual budget. This is mainly due to a saving on the cost of insurance and an underspend on hospitality due to a lower number of functions attended to date. This budget head will be closely monitored for the remainder of this financial year.

#### **INCOME**

It is anticipated that actual income will be £3,448 at the financial year end which is £3,408 more than the original budget. This is mainly due to the fact the Mayor's civic dinner generated income of £3,390, which had not been included in the original budget.

#### FORECAST OF OUTTURN

The latest forecast of expenditure to 31 March 2016 is £56,418, an underspend of £4,478 (or 7.35%) against the net expenditure budget of £60,896.

### **GENERAL RESERVE**

The general reserve balance at 1 April 2015 was £67,097. With a projected underspend of £4,478, the amount required to be drawn from reserves would be £2,405, rather than the original budget figure of £6,883. Consequently the reserve balance would decrease to £64,692 as at 31 March 2016.

#### **VAT**

As at 31 December 2015 the total VAT paid and reclaimed was £2,241.96

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 12 It is **RECOMMENDED** that the City of Durham Charter Trustees:
  - note the outturn position for the period ended 31 December 2015;
  - note the forecast of outturn to 31 March 2016;

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#### **RISKS AND IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Finance**

The report provides information on the:

- actual expenditure compared to the profiled budget to 31 December 2015
- forecast of expenditure to 31 March 2016 in comparison to the 2015/16 original budget

## **Staffing**

None

## **Equality and Diversity**

None

#### **Accommodation**

None

#### **Crime and Disorder**

None

# **Human Rights**

None

#### Consultation

None

#### **Procurement**

None

# **Disability Discrimination Act**

None

# **Legal Implications**

None

# ACTUAL OUTTURN COMPARED TO THE PROFILED BUDGET TO 31 DECEMBER 2015 AND PROJECTED OUTTURN TO 31 MARCH 2016

Annual Budget 2015/16	Budget Head	Profiled budget to date	Year to date Actual	Projected Outturn	Variance (Projected Outturn v Annual Budget)
£		£	£	£	£
 	Employees				
0	Mayor's Allowance	0	0	0	0
0	Deputy Mayor's Allowance	0	0	0	0
	Premises				
3,398	Town Hall	3,398	3,398	3,398	0
	Tronoport				
7 220	Transport	5 504	E 644	7 075	507
7,338	General transport	5,504	5,644	7,875	537
2,964	Sergeants at Mace/ Bodyguard	2,900	2,900	2,900	-64
	Supplies and Services				
15,758	Mayor's hospitality	11,819	10,222	15,500	-258
406	General office expenses	305	279	380	-26
2,088	Insurance	1,282	1,282	1,282	-806
457	External Audit	300	300	300	-157
	Support Services				
16,263	Administration	12,197	11,976	15,967	-296
12,264	Support Services	9,198	9,000	12,264	0
12,204	Support Services	3,130	3,000	12,204	
 	Income				
0	Mayor's Civic Dinner	0	-3,390	-3,390	-3,390
-40	Investment income	-30	-58	-58	-18
60,896	Net Expenditure	46,872	41,553	56,418	-4,478
-8,064	Council Tax Support Grant	-8,064	-8,064	-8,064	0
-6,883	Transfer to/ -from Reserves	0	0	-2,405	4,478
45,949	Net budget	38,808	33,489	45,949	0