

Agenda

Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

17 March 2021 at 5.45pm

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- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Members to declare any interests in matters to be discussed at the meeting
- 3 Urgent Item of Business - To determine whether there are any additional items of business which, by reason of special circumstances, the Chair decides should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.



- 4 **To confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 9, 18 and 24 February 2021 as a correct record.**
- 5 **Street Cleansing and Litter Collection Update**
To consider an update on the current position of Sandwell's street cleansing and litter collection.
- 6 **Quarter 3 Budget Monitoring 2020/21**
To consider the Council's quarter 3 budget monitoring position for 2020/21.

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Minutes of Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

Tuesday 9 February 2021 at 5.45pm

Present: Councillor L Giles (Chair);
Councillors E M Giles, Moore and Rollins.

In Attendance: Councillors Piper and Preece.

Rt Hon Jacqui Smith (Chair of Sandwell Children's Trust Board);

Frances Craven (Chief Executive, Sandwell Children's Trust);

Tara Malik (Director of Resources, Sandwell Children's Trust).

Officers: David Stevens (Chief Executive), Lesley Hagger (Executive Director of Children's Services), Surjit Tour (Director – Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer), Chris Ward (Director – Education, Employment and Skills), Rebecca Maher (Inteirm S151 Officer and Head of Finance), Melanie Barnett (Group Head – Inclusive Learning Services), Sue Moore (Group Head – Education Support Services), Steve Lilley (Finance Business Partner), Elaine Newsome (Service Manager - Democracy) and Suky Suthi-Nagra (Democratic Services Manager).

9/21 **Apologies for Absence**

No apologies for absence were received.



10/21 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2021 were confirmed as a correct record.

11/21 **Declarations of Interest**

No interests were declared at the meeting.

12/21 **Additional Item of Business**

There were no additional items of business to consider.

13/21 **Exclusion of Public**

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14/21 **Sandwell Children’s Trust Contract Sum 2021/22**

The Board welcomed the Chair, Chief Executive and Director of Resources of Sandwell Children’s Trust to the meeting.

The Scrutiny Management Board was informed that the Sandwell Children’s Trust was established on 1 April 2018 as a new and distinct legal entity to provide children’s social care services in Sandwell on behalf of the Council. The Trust had day-to-day operational independence in the management and delivery of these services and was managed by a board of non-executive and executive directors.



The Council had commissioned Sandwell Children's Trust to deliver statutory children's social care and targeted services and awarded a 10-year contract which commenced in 2018.

The contract specified the process and timelines for agreeing the contract sum. Members were informed that this had been complied with, with open discussions between senior officers of both the Council and the Trust.

The Board was informed that the Department for Education had provided an independent advisor, who had worked with the Trust and the Council, including looking at the impact of COVID-19.

Members sought assurances around the Trust's ongoing plans and activities to reduce the budget deficit. Representatives of the Trust gave further information on aspects of its Medium Term Financial Strategy, which would continue to reduce its budget deficit going forward until a break-even position was reached.

The Board also received an overview of performance of the Trust in relation to several performance indicators.

The Chair thanked the representatives of the Trust for attending the meeting and answering questions from the Board in detail.

15/21

Medium Term Financial Strategy – Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Transport

The Board received further details in relation to Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Transport.

An overview of the Council's responsibilities under the Children and Families Act 2014 was presented to the Board. Reasons for increasing pressure on the service were also discussed, these included:-

- A doubling in the number of SEND pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan (known as EHCP);
- An increase in the number of children requiring transport;



- A higher proportion of pupils with more complex needs requiring more specialised transport;
- A high number of pupils transported out of borough to specialist provision;
- No in-house transport provision;
- Increasing costs for transport providers;
- No increase to core budget allocation for this service.

The Board considered a breakdown of the current expenditure and an overview of how this compared to other local authorities in the region. Members noted that work was being done on a regional and sub-regional level to investigate and implement ways of reducing costs to local authorities whilst ensuring the responsibilities of those authorities were dispensed appropriately.

Agreed:-

- (1) that the Director – Education, Employment and Skills bring a further update on the work around Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Transport to a future meeting of the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board;
- (2) that relevant Cabinet Members be invited to attend future meetings where elements of the Medium Term Financial Strategy are being considered.

Meeting ended at 7.18pm

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Minutes of Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

Thursday 18 February 2021 at 5.45pm

Present: Councillor L Giles (Chair);
Councillors E M Giles and Moore.

In Attendance: Councillors Ali, Piper and Preece.

Officers: David Stevens (Chief Executive), Neil Cox (Director – Prevention and Protection), Rebecca Maher (Interim S151 Officer and Head of Finance), Lisa McNally (Director – Public Health), Surjit Tour (Director – Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer), Charlie Davey (Business Partner – Adults), Steve Lilley (Finance Business Partner), Elaine Newsome (Service Manager - Democracy) and Suky Suthi-Nagra (Democratic Services Manager).

16/21 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Rollins.

17/21 **Declarations of Interest**

No interests were declared at the meeting.

18/21 **Additional Item of Business**

There were no additional items of business to consider.



Budget 2021/22 to 2023/24 – Provisional Settlement

The Cabinet, at its meeting on 10 February 2021, had referred the Budget 2021-22 to 2023-24 Provisional Settlement for consideration by the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board.

Members were informed of the detail of the 2021/22 provisional Local Government Finance Settlement, which had been announced on 17 December 2020. The key headlines included:-

- core spending power for England councils had increased by 4.5%;
- the improved Better Care Fund remained at the same value as 2020/21;
- the Social Care Grant had increased nationally by £300m;
- the introduction of a new Lower Tier Services grant, financed from a reduction in New Homes Bonus;
- the Council Tax referendum cap at 2% with the ability to set an Adult Social Care precept up to 3% over the next two financial years;
- a further tranche of COVID-19 emergency funding;
- funding to cover 75% of irrecoverable Council Tax and Business Rates losses in 2020/21;
- a £670m Local Council Tax Support scheme to allow further support to those residents in financial difficulty;
- the continuation of the Troubled Families programme in 2021/22;
- an extra £125m new burdens funding for local authorities to provide safe accommodation for victims of domestic abuse and their children;
- £15m to help with compliance with the recommendations of the Redmond Review of external audit.



The provisional settlement was broadly in line with the prudent planning assumptions set out in the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy. However, due to COVID-19, actions to address a number of budget pressures had not been possible during 2020/21 and therefore the expenditure budget for 2021/22 onwards had been adjusted to cover these additional costs.

Following comments and questions from members of the Board, the following responses were made and issues highlighted:-

- the Council's financial reserves at the end of 2019/2020 was approximately £42m;
- the Council was able to meet any short term projects in 2021/22 from earmarked balances;
- due to its prudent financial planning, the Council was not required to make any cuts to services during the 2021-22 financial year.

In response to concerns raised regarding the proposed increase in Council Tax by 2.99%, in view of the disruption of a number of services to residents due to COVID-19, the Cabinet Member for Resources and Core Services confirmed that the Cabinet had considered alternative options to the 2.99% increase, however, in order for the Council to avoid cuts to Council services from 2022/23, Council Tax would need to be increased this year. However, Sandwell had sought to avoid the steeper increase of 4.99% as being proposed by neighbouring authorities.

During the pandemic, the Council had still provided essential services, and used agency staff to continue with weekly bin collections, but had made the decision to temporarily cease garden waste collection to meet the backlog of recycling and refuse collection. The Board also acknowledged that whilst staff were off sick, their wages still had to be met by the Council.

It was noted that this was a difficult period for the Council and the Board sought reassurance from the Cabinet that they would do everything possible to avoid the long term disruption to Council services and endeavour to maintain services to the expected level for all Sandwell residents.



Resolved that Cabinet be requested to consider the comments and observations of the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board in relation to Budget 2021/22 to 2023/24 – Provisional Settlement.

20/21

Corporate Plan 2020 - 2025 and Budget

The Cabinet, at its meeting on 10 February 2021, had referred the Corporate Plan - Big Plans for a Great Place 2020-2025 and budget for consideration by the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board.

The Corporate Plan – Big Plans for a Great Place set out what the Council would do to deliver Vision 2030 and Sandwell’s 10 ambitions, over the period 2020 to 2025. The driving theme of the Corporate Plan was One Team: One Council which reflected the culture change that was being delivered through strong leadership in an open, honest and transparent environment.

The Council recognised that it would have to adapt its business structures and focus resources to deliver the strategic priorities through strengthening partnership working and developing strong links with local people and businesses to make sure the strategic priorities became a reality.

However, the pandemic had meant that focus was diverted to the initial response and establishing longer-term support mechanisms as the pandemic has continued into 2021.

The Council had responded to unprecedented challenges and had responded effectively to the emergency of the pandemic as one Council, establishing business continuity rapidly and calmly and had worked alongside partners to support the people of Sandwell.

At the same time, service delivery had continued where possible and had shifted several services to a digital platform where possible.



Following comments and questions from members of the Board, the following responses were made and issues highlighted:-

- the Council had learnt a lot from the pandemic in relation to engaging with partners and delivering front line services;
- front line services were being utilised more than ever, such as parks and green spaces, and it was hoped that this would continue to be the case post restrictions;
- implementing online and digital solutions had been key and would be monitored once restrictions were eased. This included online virtual meetings;
- continuing to listen to the community and develop services in the best way for them;
- the Council must continue to provide the most basic services to ensure residents had a clean and safe place to live and excellent parks and green spaces to use;
- there had been a lot of work taking place behind the scenes to respond to the pandemic that was placing pressure on services. This included paying out of grants to a number of people and contacting vulnerable residents, including an additional 9,000 residents identified this week to be included on the shielding list.

The Chair, on behalf of the Board, thanked Council officers for pulling together over a difficult twelve months and providing key services for vulnerable residents, including the food parcel service.

Resolved that Cabinet be requested to consider the comments and observations of the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board in relation to Corporate Plan 2020 - 2025 and Budget.

Meeting ended at 6.34pm

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Minutes of Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

Wednesday 24 February 2021 at 5.45pm

Present: Councillor L Giles (Chair);
Councillors E M Giles and Rollins.

In Attendance: Councillors Ali, Piper and Preece.

Officers: David Stevens (Chief Executive), Rebecca Maher (Interim S151 Officer and Head of Finance), Tammy Stokes (Interim Director – Regeneration and Planning), Surjit Tour (Director – Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer), Sue Knowles (Head of ICT & Revenues and Benefits), Lee Constable (Strategic Assets and Land), Clare Sandland (Service Manager – Finance), Maria Price (Service Manager – Legal), Charlie Davey (Business Partner – Adults), Charmain Oliver (Social Care Partner Lead Solicitor), Elaine Newsome (Service Manager - Democracy) and Suky Suthi-Nagra (Democratic Services Manager).

20/21 **Apologies for Absence**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Moore.

21/21 **Declarations of Interest**

No interests were declared at the meeting.

22/21 **Additional Item of Business**

There were no additional items of business to consider.



23/21

Exclusion of the Public

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24/21

Medium Term Financial Strategy – Property Maintenance Account, Printing Devices and Legal Services

Further to Minute No. 52/20, the Board received an update on the Medium Term Financial Strategy in relation to the following topics, which were areas of budgetary pressure for the Council:-

- Property Maintenance Account
- Printing Services
- Legal Services

The Board noted the following in relation to issues highlighted:-

Property Maintenance Account

- The pressures around the Property Maintenance Account related to the inability to provide preventative maintenance works to help keep assets in good condition as there was a focus on reactive repairs which was compounded due to the aging portfolio of assets.
- There were continuing budget pressures with additional compliance works to be undertaken on council stock.
- there was a disparity between the Property Maintenance budget and the current stock that required maintenance.
- The Transforming Local Services programme was looking at redesigning services to better suit customers' needs via, digital transformation and a new operating model.



Printing Services

- There had been a significant reduction in the use of printing and telephony services due to the COVID-19 pandemic with staff working from home. This had an impact on income normally generated from these services.
- The service was transforming the way it worked, moving to more online platforms to provide agile solutions in the future.
- A rationalised approach to printing was required across the council that represented value for money.
- As more staff were now working from home, consideration was being given to creating collaboration spaces as opposed to a desk per person and office space in various other buildings was being considered as a rental income stream.

Legal Services

- There were historic unachievable income targets built into the Legal Services budget.
- There was continued financial pressure in children's social care, which was partially due to vacancies within the service that had proven difficult to fill. Recruiting Principal Advocate posts to undertake complex advocacy work had been difficult, however, creating career graded posts and growing our own talent had improved recruitment issues with only one vacancy remaining at the time of the meeting.
- There had been a considerable spike in Legal Services work and significant corporate issues that had to be dealt with, with limited resources. The service had to outsource support from local firms and relied on Counsel where necessary to meet the heightened demand.

The Board welcomed the update and thanked officers for all their hard work in continuing to run services during an unprecedented period. The Board also requested that: -

- due to the large number of buildings and the rising costs for maintenance, the Cabinet considers the use of capital borrowing in order to fund both planned and unplanned maintenance works to Council buildings and to enable a more energy efficient solution to be implemented to make the improvements more sustainable in the future;



- awareness be raised of the cost to the Council and consequently the tax payer, related to responding to the significant number of information requests it received.

Resolved that the Cabinet is recommended to:-

- (1) consider the benefits of capital borrowing to enable repairs and maintenance works to be undertaken and to consider alternative green solutions for the Council's property portfolio;
- (2) consider raising awareness of the cost to the Council and consequently the tax payer, related to responding to the significant number of requests received under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Meeting ended at 8.05pm

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Report to Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

17 March 2021

Subject:	Street Cleansing and Litter Collection Update
Director:	Alan Caddick – Director – Housing and Communities
Contact Officer:	Suky Suthi-Nagra Democratic Services Manager

1 Recommendation


- 1.1 That the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board consider an update from representatives of SERCO on the current position in relation to street cleansing and litter collection in Sandwell.

2 Reasons for Recommendations

- 2.1 To ensure that the Board is aware of the current position including the impact of COVID-19 on the delivery of the service.
- 2.2 Members will have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss the information that is presented to determine any potential recommendations the Scrutiny Board may wish to make.



3 How does this deliver objectives of the Corporate Plan?

	<p>People live well and age well Managing street cleansing will ensure that local people live in clean neighbourhoods.</p>
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4 Context and Key Issues

4.1 Background

4.1 Officers will present to the meeting an update on the street cleansing and litter collection service, including an overview of the impact that COVID-19 has had.

5 Alternative Options

5.1 If the Scrutiny Board does not consider the information at the meeting on this matter then the opportunity to identify any recommendations would be lost.

6 Implications

Resources:	There has been staffing issues that have resulted in the delivery of key services.
Legal and Governance:	The contractual arrangements with SERCO must be considered.
Risk:	There are no direct risk implications arising from this report.
Equality:	There are no specific equality implications arising from this report.
Health and Wellbeing:	There are no health and wellbeing associated implications arising from this report.
Social Value	The report has no implications for social value.



7. Appendices

None

8. Background Papers

None.



Report to Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board

17 March 2021

Subject:	Quarter 3 Budget Monitoring 2020/21
Director:	Rebecca Maher – Acting Director of Finance
Contact Officer:	Clare Sandland, Service Manager (Finance) Clare_sandland@sandwell.gov.uk

1 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board considers the 2020/21 Budget Monitoring - Quarter 2 report and identify any recommendations it wishes to make to Cabinet.







2 Reasons for Recommendations

- 2.1 At its meeting on 24 February 2021, the Cabinet received, considered and agreed the 2020/21 Budget Monitoring report for Quarter 3. The Cabinet also referred the report to the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board for consideration and comment.
- 2.2 Any recommendations arising from the consideration of this report will be reported to the Cabinet.

3 How does this deliver objectives of the Corporate Plan?

The Council's financial status helps to underpin the Council's Corporate Plan and associated aspirations.



	Best start in life for children and young people
	People live well and age well
	Strong resilient communities
	Quality homes in thriving neighbourhoods
	A strong and inclusive economy
	A connected and accessible Sandwell

4 Context and Key Issues

4.1 The Scrutiny Management Board has been requested to consider the quarter 3 budget monitoring position to ensure the Council can conduct its business efficiently, act to provide for the security of the assets under its control, and for ensuring that the use of these resources is legal, properly authorised, provides value for money and achieves best value.

5 Alternative Options

5.1 If the Scrutiny Management Board does not consider the information presented the opportunity to make recommendations would be lost.

6 Implications

Resources:	Further details on the financial implications will be presented to the meeting.
Legal and Governance:	The Local Government Act 2003 places a requirement on local authorities to provide Members with regular financial monitoring.
Risk:	This information is contained within the main body of this report.



Equality:	There is no requirement to conduct an Equality Impact Assessment.
Health and Wellbeing:	The financial prosperity of the Council provides a foundation for health and wellbeing across the remit of the Council.
Social Value	Implications for social value and how the proposals are meeting this (for e.g. employment of local traders, young people)

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 Cabinet report and Outturn Summary

Appendix 1A Corporate Management

Appendix 1B Resources

Appendix 1C Adult Social Care

Appendix 1D Regeneration and Growth

Appendix 1E Housing and Communities

Appendix 1F Children's Services

Appendix 1G Public Health

Appendix 2 Central Items

Appendix 3 Virements

Appendix 4 Reserves

Appendix 5 Performance Indicators

Appendix 6 Capital

Appendix 7 Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy

Appendix 8 Housing Revenue Account

Appendix 9 ISB

8. Background Papers

Revenue/capital monitoring returns from directorates.



Report to Cabinet

24 February 2021

Subject:	Quarter 3 Budget Monitoring 2020/21
Cabinet Member:	Cllr Ali – Cabinet Member for Resources and Core Services
Director:	Rebecca Maher – Acting Director of Finance
Key Decision:	Yes
Contact Officer:	Clare Sandland, Service Manager (Finance) Clare_sandland@sandwell.gov.uk

1 Recommendations

1. That the financial monitoring position of individual directorates and the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) as at 31 December 2020 (quarter 3 2020/21) be received and referred to the Budget and Corporate Scrutiny Management Board for consideration and comment.
2. That the current financial position for the Council be noted as follows:



	Appendix	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Corporate Management	1A	(32)	0	0	(32)
Resources	1B	3,520	(2,868)	1,159	(507)
Adult Social Care	1C	(11,143)	3,500	2,269	(9,912)
Regeneration & Growth	1D	3,897	167	2,940	1,124
Housing & Communities	1E	1,300	46	3,295	(1,949)
Children's Services	1F	7,178	(21)	4,305	2,852
TOTAL DIRECTORATES		4,720	824	13,968	(8,424)

3. That the following budget virements above £0.250m be approved:

Virements above £0.250m for approval by Cabinet	(£)	(£)
HOUSING & COMMUNITIES		
Expenditure to reflect increase in income received for Homeslessness Grants	391,000	0
Reflection of additional income for Homelessness Grants	0	391,000
Adult Social Care		
Clinically Extremely Vulnerable Grant	0	472,000
COVID Winter Grant Scheme	0	1,404,600
Infection Control Fund Round 1	0	2,875,900
Infection Control Fund Round 2	0	3,144,400
Management Team	7,896,900	0
Public Health		
Public Health Grant - In year increase in Public Health Grant	0	581,000
Reduction in Public Health savings requirement	581,000	0
TOTAL	8,868,900	8,868,900



4. That a sum of £0.632m be allocated to Sandwell Children's Trust to fund COVID-19 pressures (already reflected within the Children's Services budget monitoring) which is in addition to the £0.391 allocation approved at quarter 1 and £0.433m allocation approved at quarter 2.
5. That a carry forward of £2.000m be approved for Adult Social Care to 2021/22, with the remaining underspend of £7.072m to be released back to Council balances and ringfenced to cover future year budget pressures (the total underspend on Directorates is £8.424m plus £0.648m on central items).
6. That the creation of an earmarked reserve for Elections Services of £0.150m be approved to enable COVID-19 safe elections to be facilitated.
7. That a revenue contribution be approved to capital outlay of £0.600m from the Sandwell Children's Trust earmarked reserve for the purchase of ICT equipment required by Sandwell Children's Trust.
8. That the committed spend against the Land Regeneration Fund be noted as follows:

Land Regeneration Fund Schemes	Spent/Committed £000
Sandwell Regeneration and Inclusive Growth Deal Delivery Plan	150
Brandhall Golf Course Options	50
Lyng Regeneration Phase Two	90
Housing Options Business Case	50
Sandwell Valley Review	55
Lion Farm Playing Fields Feasibility Study	25
West Bromwich Masterplan	200
Housing Delivery Vehicle	230
Brandhall Golf Course Masterplan	250
Land Reaeration Fund - Approved Allocations	1,100
Land Regeneration Fund - Unallocated Budget	222
Land Regeneration Fund Total Budget	1,322



(The Land Regeneration Fund was established as an earmarked balance during financial year 2017/18. It's purpose was to meet the costs of feasibility studies or options analysis (where external funding couldn't be obtained) with the aim that this initial expenditure could lead to development projects in the future.)

2 Reasons for Recommendations

- 2.1 The Section 151 Officer is required to report the financial position of the authority to Cabinet on a quarterly basis.
- 2.2 The report sets out the projected year-end variances for each directorate and the reasons for those variances.

THE CURRENT POSITION

FORECAST OUTTURN SUMMARY

- 2.3 At a directorate level, excluding Public Health, Central Items and the HRA, the Council is forecasting a year-end underspend of **£8.424m** which is broken down in the table below:

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Including Public Health and Central Items, the directorate-level forecast outturn position is an underspend of **£10.451m**.

- 2.4 This projection is after utilising £14.754m of reserves and one-off corporate resources that have previously been earmarked for use by those services, and after making Revenue Contributions to Capital Outlay (RCCO) of £4.100m. When this is taken into account, the overall position for the Council is a projected overspend of **£0.203m**. As this is a planned use of earmarked balances, this overspend will not reduce the Council's free balances.
- 2.5 The projection also includes the use of £15.827m of COVID-19 Central Government Emergency Grant Funding.
- 2.6 There are other COVID-19 related pressures that are not included in the projection above. These relate to commercial income and Business Rates and Council Tax losses. However, current projections indicate that the total COVID-19 related pressures for the current financial year can be funded from the Emergency Grant funding of £33.094m. Further detail on these can be found in the COVID-19 and Additional Grants section from paragraph 2.38 onwards.
- 2.7 A breakdown of the directorate variances across service areas is contained in the individual appendices referenced above.
- 2.8 Sandwell Children's Trust operates independently from Sandwell MBC and so does not form part of this budget monitoring report. However, as has previously been noted, the Trust remains the biggest financial risk currently facing the Council with the impact of COVID-19 on children's safeguarding issues. The Trust is routinely monitored, through contract governance arrangements, by the Director of Children's Services.

REASON FOR VARIANCES

Corporate Management (Appendix 1A)

- 2.9 The year-end forecast outturn for Corporate Management is **an underspend of £0.032** due to reduced spend on supplies and services.



Resources (Appendix 1B)

- 2.10 The projected outturn variance against the allocated budget is an overspend of £3.520m. After funding £1.159m of COVID-19 related pressures from the Emergency Grant and applying £2.868m of reserves and earmarked balances, the adjusted outturn variance is an **underspend of £0.507m**. There are a number of notable variances contributing to this net projection.
- 2.11 Finance has a forecast **overspend of £0.042m** due to the additional costs of externally sourced VAT advice.
- 2.12 The projection for Law & Governance is an **overspend of £0.069m** resulting from;
- Legal Services – an **overspend of £1.029m** due to:
 - Vacancies in Children’s/Adult Social Care Legal being covered by temporary staff, the commercial rates for which are higher, and the total costs of which greater than the available budget (0.223m);
 - Lower than budgeted employee hours and office costs (£0.173m);
 - Use of external agencies to support case load within social care (£0.310m);
 - Additional resources for GDPR compliance (£0.168m);
 - External costs relating to Corporate Matters (FOI/SARS/Prosecution & Civil Litigation/Employment) (£0.420m);
 - An historic budget shortfall (£0.081m).
 - Governance Services – an **underspend of £0.202m** due to vacant posts within Democratic and Member Services (£0.162m), savings due to staff working from home and events not being held (£0.064m) offset by an historic budget shortfall (£0.016m), additional costs for member laptops (£0.031m) and additional costs for the Members Portal (£0.018m).



- There is a forecast underspend against Election Services (£0.041m). This is the net of the saving from a fallow year (£0.191m) and the creation of an earmarked reserve (£0.150m) to enable COVID-19 safe elections to be facilitated (included in the recommendation section above). It will be necessary to re-baseline the Election Services budgets to ensure they are fit for purpose post COVID-19.
- Registration Services – **an underspend of £0.758m** due to an increase in income (£1.558m) offset by additional provisions required by the registration services including overtime and additional equipment (£0.723m) and resurfacing work (£0.077m).

2.13 The projection for Revenue and Benefits and ICT is an **underspend of £0.609m**. Areas contributing to this net underspend are:

Savings:

- Vacancies being held within Revenue and Benefits (£0.454m);
- Additional Housing Benefit Overpayment Recovery (£0.400m);
- Additional New Burden's Grant funding (£0.297m);
- Savings due to COVID-19 restrictions in Magistrates Courts and staff working from home (£0.121m);
- ICT additional income for Cyber Security and additional change requests (£0.095m);
- Contract savings in the COLD Invoice system (£0.040m) and other contract savings (£0.070m);
- Delay in cloud computing (£0.100m);
- Decrease in the provision for Housing Benefit Overpayment Arrears (£0.365m);
- Additional income for R&B for administering Business Improvement Districts (£0.021m).

Pressures:

- Income pressures relating to Council Tax and NDR enforcement activity (£0.740m);
- Additional costs for Higher Level Apprentices (£0.085m);



- Forti Analyser - Fireware Monitor (part of public sector network compliance) (£0.085m);
- Additional support from Northgate and Empty Home Review (£0.183m);
- Provisions for/costs of planned leavers (£0.231m);
- Replacement kiosks (£0.030m).

2.14 Human Resources have a forecast **overspend of £0.050m**. There are savings against Learning & Development due to courses moving online (£0.162m), Sandwell Employee Benefit and vacancy savings (£0.227m) being used to fund lower than anticipated SLA uptake from schools (£0.334m), additional spend to support the Electronic documentation system/ICT spend (£0.050m) and costs for Director recruitment (£0.055m).

2.15 Communications & Service Improvement have a forecast **underspend of £0.085** due to an additional budget transfer from Adult Social Care to fund the VSG Manager post (£0.060m), lower use of printing, stationery, landlines and training due to staff working from home (£0.029m) and savings against licence fees (£0.020m), being offset against the additional pressure of an unfunded post (£0.024m).

2.16 Directorate has a forecast **overspend of £0.026m** due to the provision for a planned leaver (£0.086m) being partially offset by salary savings (£0.048m) and lower spend against supplies & services (£0.012m).

Adult Social Care (Appendix 1C)

2.17 The projected outturn variance against the allocated budget is an underspend of £11.143m. After funding £2.269m of COVID-19 related pressures from the central COVID-19 Grants and applying £3.500m of the Better Care Fund to the capital costs of the new health and social facility in Rowley Regis, the adjusted outturn variance is an **underspend of £9.912m**.

2.18 COVID-19 has had a significant impact upon the services and the financial position of the directorate:



- There was a significant reduction in placement numbers earlier in the year, reflecting increased mortality rates and reduced demand for assessments and services.
- The suspension of internal day services enabled staff to be redeployed across the remaining services, reducing the need for and expenditure on agency staff.
- Restricting services to essential activities only, especially during periods of national lockdown has generated underspends throughout the directorate.

2.19 Within the Management Team the service holds a contingency budget of £1.500m, brought forward from the 2018/19 underspend. Having successfully secured additional Better Care Fund resources to protect adult social care, this contingency budget will not be used in this financial year.

2.20 Given the underlying cause of the under spends (COVID-19 related and one-off contingency budgets) this position is not expected to continue in the longer term.

2.21 Initial modelling indicates that the directorate will have a funding gap in 2021/22 and it is proposed that £2.000m of the 2020/21 under spend is carried forward to balance the budget in the short term while the remainder is held within corporate balances.



Regeneration and Growth (Appendix 1D)

- 2.22 The projected outturn variance against the allocated budget is an overspend of £3.897m. After contributions to reserves and the use of central grants for £2.940m of COVID-19 related pressures the adjusted outturn variance is an **overspend of £1.124m**.
- 2.23 The projected overspend is primarily due to pressures of £1.941m within the Property Management Account (PMA) which funds the maintenance of and repairs to the authority's property portfolio. A director led project group has been established to review this area however it will not be possible to achieve a balanced position.
- 2.24 After partially offsetting the PMA overspend with under spends from other services within the directorate it is hoped that the remaining pressure can be managed corporately, including by using the under spend within Housing & Communities.

Housing and Communities (Appendix 1E)

- 2.25 The projected outturn variance against the allocated budget is an overspend of £1.300m. After movements in reserves and the use of central grants for COVID-19 related pressures of £3.295m the adjusted outturn variance is an **underspend £1.949m**.
- 2.26 The projected underspend reflects staffing vacancies, most significantly within the corporate contact centre, additional income from rechargeable fleet activity and reduced purchases within those public facing services which remained closed throughout the period of national restrictions (Libraries, Museums and Events).
- 2.27 As COVID-19 restrictions are eased and services are restarted it is anticipated that directorate's expenditure will more closely match allocated budgets and the under spend will not reoccur in future financial years.



2.28 It is anticipated that the under spend will be used to manage corporate pressures, including the projected overspend within Regeneration & Growth.

Children's Services (Appendix 1F)

2.29 The projected outturn variance against the allocated budget is an overspend of £7.178m. After movements in reserves and the use of the Emergency Grant for COVID-19 pressures the adjusted outturn variance is an **overspend of £2.852m.**

2.30 The annual budget allocated for SEND home to school transport is £2.500m, However, demand for this statutory service means that there is a projected pressure of £3.530m in the current financial year. The budget is being closely monitored with a Director led, officer working group exploring a range of actions to mitigate against this pressure. There are some offsetting vacancies across the Directorate leaving a net unfunded pressure of £2.852m.

Public Health (Appendix 1G)

2.31 The projected outturn variance against the allocated budget is an underspend of £1.089m. After the application of reserves and corporate resources the adjusted outturn variance is an **underspend of £1.379m.**

2.32 The projected underspend is primarily due to:

- Reduced activity within volume-based contracts, linked to restrictions on non-essential face to face contacts
- The use of new COVID-19 grants to partly fund staffing and other costs; this reflects the reprioritisation of directorate activities during the COVID-19 crisis.

2.33 Approximately £5.400m of the Public Health Grant is allocated to activities undertaken by other directorates; the projected outturn anticipates that these resources will be fully distributed during 2020/21.



2.34 The Public Health Grant is a ring-fenced resource and the year-end underspend will be transferred to the Public Health Reserve which is subject to the same ring-fenced restrictions.

CENTRAL ITEMS

2.35 The Council has several budgets that are held centrally and classified as Central Items. This is because the nature of these budgets is not within the control of a specific directorate.

2.36 The projected outturn against these budgets is an **underspend of £0.648m**. Appendix 2 provides a breakdown of these Central Items. It is recommended that this underspend be released back to Council balances and ringfenced to cover future year budget pressures.

BUDGET VIREMENTS

2.37 Appendix 3 sets out the budget virements which Cabinet are requested to approve.

COVID-19 & ADDITIONAL GRANTS

2.38 The following additional grants have been received by the Council to help assist in addressing the COVID-19 pandemic:

Grant	Allocation (£000)
COVID-19 Emergency Funding	33,094
Income Compensation Scheme	3,696
Test & Trace Funding	2,277
Community Testing Fund	419
Contain Outbreak Management Fund	4,598
Emergency Assistance Grant	521
COVID Winter Grant	1,404
Clinically Extremely Vulnerable	187
Compliance and Enforcement Grant	227
Reopening of High Street Fund	293
Rough sleepers Emergency Fund	8
Small business Grant Fund / Retail Hospitality & Leisure Grant (includes Discretionary Business Grant funding of £3.362m)	73,036



Grant	Allocation (£000)
Council tax hardship fund	4,547
Infection Control Fund	6,020
Grant Support for Business Improvement Districts	34
Test & Trace Support Payments (Self-isolation)	350
Local Restrictions Support Grant – Open	1,192
Local Restrictions Support Grant – Closed	4,532
Additional Restrictions Business Support Grant	6,569
Business Rates Relief (Retail and Nurseries)	811
TOTAL	143,815

2.39 The £33.093m COVID-19 Emergency Funding is the only unringfenced grant that has been allocated for COVID-19 related pressures. All of the other grants in the table above are ringfenced for specific purposes and a significant proportion are being passported onto external organisations or the local community, e.g.

- Infection Control Fund
- Council Tax Hardship Fund
- Small Business Grant/Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant/Discretionary Business Grant Funding
- Test and Trace Support Payments
- Local Restriction Grants/Additional Restrictions Grants

2.40 The Contain Outbreak Management Fund has been allocated for specific purposes, but a significant amount of COVID-19 related activities could be classified as contributing to these purposes. This is a monthly payment for every month that there is a national lockdown, or the borough is under Tier 4 restrictions. A minimum additional payment of £1.300m is therefore expected.

2.41 The COVID-19 Emergency Funding is addressing pressures of £15.827m due to additional expenditure and loss of income in Directorates, Central Items and Public Health. In addition to this, it is also being used to fund budget shortfalls resulting from reduced Business Rates and Council Tax collection, the loss of some commercial income, and delayed delivery of budget savings. Projections currently show that the Council can cover all COVID-19 pressures in 2020/21 from the grants that have been allocated to date.



- 2.42 It should be noted that the loss in Business Rates and Council Tax income will not impact on the Council's budget in the current financial year. This loss will create a deficit on the Council's Collection Fund which then has to be recovered in future years. Usually, the Council would be required to recover the full deficit in the following financial year i.e. 2021/22, but the MHCLG have announced that this must now be spread over 3 years. It is currently estimated that the deficit on the Collection Fund can be funded from the COVID-19 Emergency Funding.
- 2.43 There will also be a reduction in the expected Business Rates and Council Tax income for next financial year and beyond which will impact on Council's Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS). The revised MTFS currently assumes that the reduction in 2021/22 can be funded from COVID-19 Emergency Funding. However, this funding is one-off and can not be used to cover shortfalls in these funding streams in subsequent years.
- 2.44 Work has now started on how to address budget shortfalls from 2022/23 onwards. This will be undertaken by the Leadership Team's Budget Board and further information will be included in future reports to Cabinet as necessary.

SPECIFIC RESERVES

- 2.45 At the end of 2019/20, the Council held **£46.015m** in specific reserves. These are detailed in Appendix 4. It is currently projected that these reserves will reduce by **£12.544m** during 2020/21 leaving a balance of **£33.471m**.

CAPITAL MONITORING

- 2.46 Expenditure on the Council's capital programme is forecast to be **£145.738m** during 2020/21. Appendix 6 provides a detailed breakdown of the programme.
- 2.47 The main changes that have taken place since the Quarter 2 2020/21 monitoring are as follows:



- A decrease of £1.652m in the Resources budget mainly due to the slippage of resources into 2021/22 for the ICT End User Computing 2 scheme (£0.500m) and the Rowley Crematorium scheme (£1.750m), offset by the introduction of a £0.600m budget for ICT End User Computing works for Sandwell Children’s Trust.
- A decrease of £0.509m in the Regeneration & Growth budget mainly as a result of;
 - Slippage of resources into 2021/22 for the Birchley Island scheme (£1.820m) and the Wednesbury High Streets Heritage Action Zone scheme (£0.981m);
Offset by;
 - Additional funding received from the West Midlands Combined Authority Challenge Fund for the Multi Storey Car Park Demolition - Bull Street, West Bromwich (£1.300m);
 - Additional funding received from SALIX in respect of the Street Lighting SOX to LED conversion scheme (£0.500m);
 - Monies advanced forward from 2021/22 in respect of the Work Place Vision scheme (£0.400m).
- A decrease of £32.132m in the Housing & Communities budget mainly in relation to the slippage of resources into 2021/22 for;
 - The Smethwick Hall Pool scheme (£0.342m);
 - The Sandwell Aquatic Centre scheme to ensure works continue successfully next financial year (£32.261m);
Offset by;
 - An increase in the Acquisition of Vehicles budget to reflect the Council’s current vehicle replacement programme (£0.900m).
- An increase of £10.737m in the Children’s Services budget to reflect the use of Basic Need resources to continue various school improvement schemes, mainly in respect of Q3 Academy, Bristnall Hall & West Bromwich Collegiate.
- A decrease of £0.159m in the HRA budget mainly in respect of the re-profile of budget into 2021/22 relating to the replacement of soil stacks in high rise blocks £0.300m, offset by final retention payments made on new build schemes £0.141m.



SECTION 106/COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL)

- 2.48 Section 106 monies are paid by developers towards the cost of providing community and social infrastructure and must be used for specific purposes as set out in the individual legal agreements. The Council currently holds **£2.519m** in Section 106 monies and is forecasting to spend **£0.180m** during 2020/21, leaving a remaining balance of **£2.339m**.
- 2.49 The Community Infrastructure Levy is a charge that local authorities can set on a new development to raise funds to help fund the infrastructure, facilities and services which are needed to support new homes and businesses in the area. The Council currently holds **£1.906m** in the Capital 80% pot for CIL monies and is not forecasting any expenditure against this during 2020/21.
- 2.50 Appendix 7 provides a more detailed breakdown of these monies.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- 2.51 Appendix 5 shows how the Council is performing in terms of various financial performance indicators.

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA)

- 2.52 The projected outturn variance against the allocated budget is an underspend of £4.456m. After making a revenue contribution to the capital programme (RCCO) the adjusted outturn variance is an underspend £3.706m.
- 2.53 The projected variance reflects vacancies and reduced activity on repairs and maintenance as only essential activity was undertaken during periods of COVID-19 related restrictions.
- 2.54 Appendix 8 provides a breakdown of this underspend against the service areas within the HRA.









INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS BUDGETS (ISB)

2.55 The year-end forecast against the Dedicated Schools Grant allocation for 2020/21 is an **overspend of £0.194m** against the High Needs Block. The overspend is predominately due to increases in the number of pupils placed in other local authority mainstream and special schools, and independent special schools. There are also increases in the number of pupils being assessed for Education Health and Care Plans, which has resulted in increased top up funding expenditure. These overspends have been partially offset by a delay in recruiting to new posts that have been created within Support for Inclusion and Special Education Needs Support Services. The High Needs Block outturn for 2019/20 was a deficit of £0.561m; therefore, the projected cumulative balance at the end of 2020/21 is an **overspend of £0.755m**.

3. How does this deliver objectives of the Corporate Plan?

The Council's financial status helps to underpin the Council's Corporate Plan and associated aspirations.

	Best start in life for children and young people
	People live well and age well
	Strong resilient communities
	Quality homes in thriving neighbourhoods
	A strong and inclusive economy
	A connected and accessible Sandwell



4 Context and Key Issues

- 4.1 Recommendations within this report are requested to ensure the Council can conduct its business efficiently, act to provide for the security of the assets under its control, and for ensuring that the use of these resources is legal, properly authorised, provides value for money and achieves best value.
- 4.2 The detailed recommendations are outlined in the summary at the beginning of the report.

5 Alternative Options

- 5.1 The alternative option is to fail to provide a report on the Council's financial status. This would be in contravention of statutory obligations and would place the Council at risk of challenge and poor practice.

6 Implications

Resources:	Resource implications are contained within the main body of the report.
Legal and Governance:	The Local Government Act 2003 places a requirement on local authorities to provide Members with regular financial monitoring.
Risk:	This information is contained within the main body of this report.
Equality:	There is no requirement to conduct an Equality Impact Assessment.
Health and Wellbeing:	The financial prosperity of the Council provides a foundation for health and wellbeing across the remit of the Council.
Social Value	Implications for social value and how the proposals are meeting this (for e.g. employment of local traders, young people)

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 Outturn Summary
Appendix 1A Corporate Management



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- Appendix 1C Adult Social Care
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8. Background Papers

Revenue/capital monitoring returns from directorates.



2020/21 REVENUE MONITORING SUMMARY

APPENDIX 1

	Appendix	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Corporate Management	1A	(245)	0	(245)	(277)	(32)	0	0	(32)
Resources	1B	16,696	7	16,703	20,223	3,520	(2,868)	1,159	(507)
Adult Social Care	1C	84,509	6,738	91,247	80,104	(11,143)	3,500	2,269	(9,912)
Regeneration & Growth	1D	23,004	0	23,004	26,901	3,897	167	2,940	1,124
Housing & Communities	1E	18,663	554	19,217	20,517	1,300	46	3,295	(1,949)
Children's Services	1F	83,035	0	83,035	90,213	7,178	(21)	4,305	2,852
TOTAL DIRECTORATES		225,662	7,299	232,961	237,681	4,720	824	13,968	(8,424)
Central Items	2	25,635	0	25,635	38,033	12,399	(11,188)	1,859	(648)
TOTAL INCLUDING CENTRAL ITEMS		251,297	7,299	258,596	275,714	17,119	(10,364)	15,827	(9,072)
Public Health (Ringfenced Grant)	1G	97	0	97	(992)	(1,089)	(290)	0	(1,379)
TOTAL INCLUDING PUBLIC HEALTH & CENTRAL ITEMS		251,394	7,299	258,693	274,722	16,030	(10,654)	15,827	(10,451)
Non Service Income & Expenditure		(16,139)	0	(16,139)	(16,139)	0	0	0	0
Levy Payments		13,014	0	13,014	13,014	0	0	0	0
Movements on Reserves & Balances		(5,912)	0	(5,912)	(5,912)	0	0	0	0
RCCO		0	0	0	0	0	(4,100)	0	(4,100)
Use of Specific Reserves		0	0	0	0	0	12,544	0	12,544
Use of Centrally Earmarked Balances		0	0	0	0	0	2,210	0	2,210
Ringfenced Grants to be carried forward		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRAND TOTAL		242,357	7,299	249,656	265,685	16,030	0	15,827	203

Corporate Management

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Chief Executive	285	0	285	253	(32)	0	0	(32)
Corporate Management	(530)	0	(530)	(530)	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	(245)	0	(245)	(277)	(32)	0	0	(32)

Resources

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Directorate	420	7	427	557	130	(104)	0	26
Communications & Service Improvement	1,270	0	1,270	1,218	(52)	0	33	(85)
Finance	3,572	0	3,572	5,000	1,428	(1,386)	0	42
Revenues and Benefits and ICT	7,792	0	7,792	8,997	1,205	(1,175)	639	(609)
Law and Governance	535	0	535	1,041	506	50	487	69
Human Resources	3,107	0	3,107	3,410	303	(253)	0	50
TOTAL	16,696	7	16,703	20,223	3,520	(2,868)	1,159	(507)

Adult Social Care

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£0000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Management Team	(2,798)	6,028	3,230	3,263	33	0	1,625	(1,592)
Business Management	3,897	60	3,957	3,647	(310)	0	0	(310)
Social Work & Therapy	5,303	500	5,803	5,168	(635)	0	0	(635)
External Placements	63,446	0	63,446	57,820	(5,626)	0	372	(5,998)
Integrated Hub	592	0	592	353	(239)	0	0	(239)
Direct Services	6,439	0	6,439	5,775	(664)	0	0	(664)
Commissioning	4,185	0	4,185	3,825	(360)	0	0	(360)
Better Care Fund	0	0	0	(3,500)	(3,500)	3,500	0	0
Regulated Services & Transformation	3,445	150	3,595	3,753	158	0	272	(114)
TOTAL	84,509	6,738	91,247	80,104	(11,143)	3,500	2,269	(9,912)

Regeneration & Growth

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Growth and Spatial Planning Service	1,988	0	1,988	1,937	(51)	(55)	0	(106)
Control Service	484	0	484	919	435	0	431	4
Strategic Assets and Land Service	4,972	0	4,972	7,256	2,284	222	1,190	1,316
Highways Services	14,964	0	14,964	16,282	1,318	0	1,313	5
Management	596	0	596	507	(89)	0	6	(95)
TOTAL	23,004	0	23,004	26,901	3,897	167	2,940	1,124

Housing & Communities

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Housing Management	2,772	0	2,772	2,716	(56)	0	165	(221)
Tourism, Culture & Leisure	10,405	0	10,405	11,208	803	46	1,348	(499)
Commercial Services	4,394	0	4,394	4,217	(177)	0	554	(731)
Business Excellence	1,092	554	1,646	2,376	730	0	1,228	(498)
TOTAL	18,663	554	19,217	20,517	1,300	46	3,295	(1,949)

Children's Services

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Director of Education & Employment	9,434	0	9,434	9,408	(26)	0	0	(26)
Education Support Services	1,862	0	1,862	3,310	1,448	0	1,560	(112)
Learning Improvement	3,310	0	3,310	3,732	422	(21)	616	(215)
Inclusive Learning	3,260	0	3,260	6,616	3,356	0	0	3,356
Director of Children's Services	6,970	0	6,970	7,492	522	0	673	(151)
Sandwell Children's Trust	58,199	0	58,199	59,655	1,456	0	1,456	0
TOTAL	83,035	0	83,035	90,213	7,178	(21)	4,305	2,852

Public Health

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
Communicable Disease	3,018	0	3,018	2,804	(214)	0	0	(214)
Long Term Conditions	2,339	0	2,339	1,562	(777)	0	0	(777)
Childrens	9,900	0	9,900	9,899	(1)	(110)	0	(111)
Substance Misuse & Smoking	3,798	0	3,798	3,555	(243)	0	0	(243)
Wider Determinants	4,009	0	4,009	3,931	(79)	0	0	(79)
Public Health Management	2,243	0	2,243	2,179	(64)	(180)	0	(244)
Public Health Grant	(24,921)	0	(24,921)	(24,921)	0	0	0	0
Public Health Savings Target	(288)	0	(288)	0	288	0	0	288
TOTAL	97	0	97	(992)	(1,089)	(290)	0	(1,379)

CENTRAL ITEMS SUMMARY

APPENDIX 2

Central Item	Annual Target Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources (£000)	COVID-19 Pressures £000)	Projected Outturn Variance (after COVID-19 Funding Applied) (£000)
BSF FM Contribution	400	400	0	0	0	0
Waste Partnership	28,116	26,556	(1,560)	1,560	0	0
Local Authority Subscriptions	104	154	50	0	0	50
Wolverhampton: WMCC and WMRE	45	36	(9)	0	0	(9)
External Audit Fee	144	224	80	0	0	80
New Homes Bonus Grant	(1,606)	(1,606)	0	0	0	0
No Recourse to Public Funds	231	681	450	(250)	0	200
Business Rates Compensation Grant	(15,221)	(16,633)	(1,412)	0	0	(1,412)
Insurance	(395)	(395)	0	0	0	0
Bank Charges	225	275	50	0	0	50
Airport Rent Income	(100)	(100)	0	0	0	0
Apprenticeship Levy	480	453	(27)	0	0	(27)
Combined Authority	1,373	1,360	(13)	0	0	(13)
Past Service Pension Costs	5,478	5,009	(469)	0	0	(469)
Housing Benefits	501	751	250	0	0	250
Local Welfare Provision	0	129	129	(129)	0	0
Pensions General	4,559	4,520	(39)	0	0	(39)
Coroners	346	462	115	0	0	115
Members Allowances	1,418	1,318	(100)	0	0	(100)
Public Law Fees	366	616	250	0	0	250
Special Events	25	25	0	0	0	0
Templink	(429)	(194)	235	0	235	0
Savings Target	(425)	0	425	0	0	425
COVID-19 Emergency Spend	0	902	902	0	902	0
COVID-19 Temporary Facility	0	722	722	0	722	0
COVID-19 Emergency Funding	0	12,369	12,369	(12,369)	0	0
COVID-19 Discretionary Business Grants	0	3,367	3,367	0	0	3,367
COVID-19 Small Business Grants	0	(3,367)	(3,367)	0	0	(3,367)
TOTAL	25,635	38,033	12,399	(11,188)	1,859	(648)

VIREMENTS**APPENDIX 3**

Virements above £0.250m for approval by Cabinet	(£)	(£)
<u>HOUSING & COMMUNITIES</u>		
Expenditure to reflect increase in income received for Homelessness Grants	391,000	0
Reflection of additional income for Homelessness Grants	0	391,000
<u>Adult Social Care</u>		
Clinically Extremely Vulnerable Grant	0	472,000
COVID Winter Grant Scheme	0	1,404,600
Infection Control Fund Round 1	0	2,875,900
Infection Control Fund Round 2	0	3,144,400
Management Team	7,896,900	0
<u>Public Health</u>		
Public Health Grant - In year increase in Public Health Grant	0	581,000
Reduction in Public Health savings requirement	581,000	0
TOTAL	8,868,900	8,868,900

EARMARKED RESERVES**APPENDIX 4**

Earmarked Reserve	Balance as at 31 March 2020 (£000)	Projected Expenditure 2020/21 (£000)	Remaining Balance as at 31 March 2021 (£000)
<u>CORPORATE MANAGEMENT</u>			
Brexit Funding	76	0	76
<u>RESOURCES</u>			
Insurance Reserve	7,060	0	7,060
Grants Irregularities Reserve	1,031	0	1,031
E-Business financial suite	2,184	1,265	919
P.O.C.A. (Proceeds of Crime)	29	0	29
Sandwell Children's Trust	707	632	75
COVID-19 Emergency Funding	12,369	12,369	0
COVID-19 Safe Elections	0	(150)	150
<u>ADULT SOCIAL CARE</u>			
Taxi Licensing Operational	105	0	105
Adult Social Care Reserve	1,047	0	1,047
Integrated Care Record	194	0	194
<u>PUBLIC HEALTH</u>			
Learning for Public Health	317	180	137
Public Health Grant Reserve	4,842	0	4,842
<u>REGENERATION & GROWTH</u>			
West Midlands Regional Research	287	55	232
Sinking Fund RBC building	472	(72)	544
Sinking Fund Central 6th Building	920	(150)	1,070

<u>HOUSING & COMMUNITIES</u>			
Physical Activity Board	24	24	0
Sinking Fund - Portway Lifestyle Centre	586	(70)	656
Private Sector Landlord	142	0	142
Dartmouth Park HLF	318	0	318
Commonwealth Games - UoW	100	0	100
Serco Waste	1,385	(1,560)	2,945
<u>HRA</u>			
Welfare Reform Reserve	4,778	0	4,778
<u>CHILDREN'S SERVICES/ISB</u>			
Regeneration and Economy	111	21	90
BSF FM Sinking Fund	2,701	0	2,701
BSF PFI Sinking Fund	4,230	0	4,230
TOTAL	46,015	12,544	33,471

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

APPENDIX 5

	2020/21	2019/20	Change from 2019/20	Comments
<u>REVENUE COLLECTION PERFORMANCE</u>				
Council Tax Collection Rate	80%	83%	↓	A higher figure is beneficial in improving the Council's cash flow and also reducing administration costs. This figure is as at the end of Quarter 3 and not a projection for the year. Collections reduced across all portfolios due to the council wide stop on recovery during the Corvid-19 pandemic
Business Rates Collection Rate	77%	83%	↓	A higher figure is beneficial in improving the Council's cash flow and also reducing administration costs. This figure is as at the end of Quarter 3 and not a projection for the year. Collections reduced across all portfolios due to the council wide stop on recovery during the Corvid-19 pandemic
<u>General Debtors:</u>				
Collection Rate	91%	86%	↑	A higher figure is beneficial in improving the Council's cash flow and also reducing administration costs.
Average No. of Days to receive payment from customers	92	106	↓	A lower figure is beneficial to the Council in relation to improved cash flow and reduced administration costs.
Credit Notes raised as a % of total customer invoices	8%	9%	↓	A lower figure helps to save time in dealing with customer queries and reduces the cost of administration.
Proportion of Debt > 90 days old from invoice date	54%	55%	↓	A lower figure helps to improve the council's cash flow.
<u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u>				
Proportion of payments made by electronic means (BACS & Bank Transfers)	95%	93%	↑	A higher figure is beneficial in terms of reducing administration costs and improved processes. Suppliers of goods and services receive prompt payment of invoices and therefore improved cash flow.

CAPITAL MONITORING 2020/2021 - PERIOD 9 DECEMBER

SUMMARY	Original Budget 2020/21 (Main Programme)	Additional Approvals / Adjustments	Re-Profile to Future Years	Revised Budget 2020/21 (Main Programme)	Self Financing	Total Budget 2020/21	2020/21			(Surplus) / Deficit for the Year
							Actual Spend to Date	Remaining Spend	Total Forecast Expenditure	
DECEMBER 2020/21	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Corporate Management	6,000	0	(6,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Resources	765,000	2,600,000	(1,517,000)	1,848,000	0	1,848,000	1,470,252.98	377,747	1,848,000	0
Adults Social Care	10,881,000	3,500,000	(13,210,000)	1,171,000	3,100,000	4,271,000	2,356,187.35	1,914,813	4,271,000	0
Regeneration & Growth	7,571,000	(81,000)	(3,328,000)	4,162,000	12,567,000	16,729,000	9,489,679.33	7,239,321	16,729,000	0
Housing & Communities	29,666,000	1,823,000	(27,831,000)	3,658,000	30,263,000	33,941,000	25,155,930.02	8,785,070	33,941,000	0
Childrens Services	81,000	0	(1,000)	80,000	24,897,000	24,977,000	16,853,509.24	8,123,491	24,977,000	0
Housing Revenue Account (HRA)	103,908,000	(9,324,000)	(30,612,000)	63,972,000	0	63,972,000	32,017,959.33	31,954,520	63,972,479	479
GRAND TOTAL	152,878,000	(1,482,000)	(76,505,000)	74,891,000	70,847,000	145,738,000	87,343,518.25	58,394,961	145,738,479	479

SUMMARY	Original Budget 2020/21 (Main Programme)	Additional Approvals / Adjustments	Re-Profile to Future Years	Revised Budget 2020/21 (Main Programme)	Self Financing	Total Budget 2020/21	2020/21			(Surplus) / Deficit for the Year
							Actual Spend to Date	Remaining Spend	Total Forecast Expenditure	
DECEMBER 2020/21	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Corporate Management	6,000	0	(6,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Thematic Pots										
3rd Floor Providence Place	6,000	0	(6,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Total Corporate Management	6,000	0	(6,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0

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DECEMBER 2020/21	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Resources										
Main Programme										
Sandwell Business Services - Development	28,000	0	0	28,000	0	28,000	2,476.20	25,524	28,000	0
ICT End User Computing 2	670,000	0	300,000	970,000	0	970,000	654,195.72	315,804	970,000	0
Sandwell Valley Catering Facility	2,000	0	(2,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Prudential Borrowing										
Public Realm - Living Landscapes - Dartmouth Park	15,000	0	(15,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Rowley Crematorium	0	2,000,000	(1,750,000)	250,000	0	250,000	213,581.06	36,419	250,000	0
RCCO										
ICT End User Computing 2 - Sandwell Children's Trust	0	600,000	0	600,000	0	600,000	600,000.00	0	600,000	0
Thematic Pot Allocations										
Health & Safety	50,000	0	(50,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Grants / Self Financing										
Public Realm - General	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Total Resources	765,000	2,600,000	(1,517,000)	1,848,000	0	1,848,000	1,470,252.98	377,747	1,848,000	0

SUMMARY	Original Budget 2020/21 (Main Programme)	Additional Approvals / Adjustments	Re-Profile to Future Years	Revised Budget 2020/21 (Main Programme)	Self Financing	Total Budget 2020/21	2020/21			(Surplus) / Deficit for the Year
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DECEMBER 2020/21	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Adult Social Care										
Main Programme										
New Social Care & Health Centre - Rowley Regis	318,000	0	(318,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Vulnerable Home Owners Improvements - HMRA Receipts	373,000	0	(373,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Empty Properties	703,000	0	(603,000)	100,000	0	100,000	7,610.70	92,389	100,000	0
Housing Stock Condition Survey - Private Sector	29,000	0	(29,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Swift Impress System (Earmarked Revenue Balance)	271,000	0	(200,000)	71,000	0	71,000	38,830.80	32,169	71,000	0
New Social Care & Health Centre - Rowley Regis	6,000,000	0	(6,000,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Prudential Borrowing										
New Social Care & Health Centre - Rowley Regis	3,177,000	0	(2,177,000)	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	255,654.64	744,345	1,000,000	0
RCCO										
New Social Care & Health Centre - Rowley Regis	0	3,500,000	(3,500,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Thematic Pot Allocations										
Thematic - Disability Day	9,000	0	(9,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
10 St Michaels Street	1,000	0	(1,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Grants / Self Financing										
AIIS Implementation	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Non Residential Assessments (NRCS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Webrosta Replacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Mobile & Agile Working	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
NHS Number Integration (Upload to SWIFT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Lone Worker Alert & Monitoring	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Information Point	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
ASC System Development	0	0	0	0	63,000	63,000	-	63,000	63,000	0
Mental Health Integration	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
ILC Alterations	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Campus Closure	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
New Social Care & Health Centre - Rowley Regis	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Autism Innovation Fund Capital Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
ASC Community Capacity Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
ASC Capital Grant 2015/16	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Grants: Private Sector (Disabled Facilities Grant) Mandatory	0	0	0	0	3,000,000	3,000,000	2,028,722.83	971,277	3,000,000	0
Contaminated Land - Landfill Gas	0	0	0	0	11,000	11,000	3,255.00	7,745	11,000	0
Air Quality Monitoring	0	0	0	0	0	26,000	22,113.38	3,887	26,000	0

Warm Homes Healthy People	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Vulnerable Home Owners Improvements - Kick Start	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Total Adult Social Care	10,881,000	3,500,000	(13,210,000)	1,171,000	3,100,000	4,271,000	2,356,187.35	1,914,813	4,271,000	0

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	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Regeneration & Growth										
Main Programme										
West Bromwich Car Parking	581,000	(581,000)	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Section 106 Monies - Lyng Lane	2,000	0	0	2,000	0	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	0
Reservoirs Act	42,000	0	0	42,000	0	42,000	4,287.08	37,713	42,000	0
Birchley Island - 10% Local Contribution	2,620,000	0	(2,620,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Wednesbury High Streets - Heritage Action Zone (HAZ)	981,000	0	(981,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
College Relocation of Car Parking Costs	14,000	0	(14,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
West Bromwich Town Square Development	6,000	0	(6,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
SOHO Foundry	21,000	0	(21,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Living Landscapes - Green Bridge P1	16,000	0	(16,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Living Landscapes - Green Bridge P2	15,000	0	(15,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Property Refurbishment - WPV	1,000,000	0	400,000	1,400,000	0	1,400,000	1,167,773.03	232,227	1,400,000	0
Access Fund	340,000	0	0	340,000	0	340,000	114,661.72	225,338	340,000	0
Bear Junction Upgrade (Earmarked balances)	10,000	0	(10,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Brindley II - (Earmarked Reserve)	21,000	0	(21,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Temporary Transit Site - Gypsy (Earmarked Balances 16/17 Outturn Report)	5,000	0	(5,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Smethwick Council House Boiler Replacement (Theme PMA)	4,000	0	(4,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Street Lighting SOX to LED Conversion	417,000	500,000	0	917,000	0	917,000	808,820.21	108,180	917,000	0
RCCO										
Property Refurbishment - WPV	1,461,000	0	0	1,461,000	0	1,461,000	1,461,000.00	0	1,461,000	0
Thematic Pot Allocations										
Idox Public Access & Consultee Access Modules	7,000	0	(7,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
H&S Compliance with Construction	8,000	0	(8,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Grants / Self Financing										
Major Schemes - Salaries Design Land in Advance	0	0	0	0	220,000	220,000	42,342.04	177,658	220,000	0
Major Route Signing	0	0	0	0	60,000	60,000	-	60,000	60,000	0
Local Safety Schemes	0	0	0	0	150,000	150,000	34,471.89	115,528	150,000	0
Local Area Safety Schemes	0	0	0	0	115,000	115,000	3,239.79	111,760	115,000	0
Traffic Initiated Schemes (Traffic Calming)	0	0	0	0	100,000	100,000	100,000.00	0	100,000	0
Measures to encourage Cycling	0	0	0	0	125,000	125,000	42,119.22	82,881	125,000	0
Measures to encourage Walking	0	0	0	0	125,000	125,000	59,381.54	65,618	125,000	0
Child Safety - Safe Routes to School	0	0	0	0	125,000	125,000	2,578.75	122,421	125,000	0
Traffic & Demand Management Measures	0	0	0	0	100,000	100,000	3,776.77	96,223	100,000	0
Major Scheme Contributions	0	0	0	0	356,000	356,000	63,980.40	292,020	356,000	0
Estimated & Provisional	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Structural Maintenance Roads	0	0	0	0	1,936,000	1,936,000	1,936,000.00	0	1,936,000	0
Structural Maintenance Bridges	0	0	0	0	516,000	516,000	179,186.43	336,814	516,000	0
Street Lighting - Maintenance Block	0	0	0	0	130,000	130,000	-	130,000	130,000	0
Incentive Fund	0	0	0	0	538,000	538,000	270,852.15	267,148	538,000	0
Pothole Fund	0	0	0	0	159,000	159,000	114,422.08	44,578	159,000	0
Challenge Fund for Roads & Footways (WMCA)	0	0	0	0	2,100,000	2,100,000	1,727,892.17	372,108	2,100,000	0
Emergency Active Travel Fund (EATF - Tranche 1)	0	0	0	0	241,000	241,000	241,000.00	0	241,000	0
TIF Challenge Fund - Dudley Street Bridge / Scott Bridge Repairs	0	0	0	0	250,000	250,000	-	250,000	250,000	0
Birchley Island - BCLEP Walsall	0	0	0	0	800,000	800,000	310,196.31	489,804	800,000	0
MSCP Demolition - Bull Street (WMCA)	0	0	0	0	1,300,000	1,300,000	426,613.16	873,387	1,300,000	0
Heat Networks	0	0	0	0	91,000	91,000	51,214.90	39,785	91,000	0
Towns Fund - Rowley Regis	0	0	0	0	912,000	912,000	36,995.00	875,005	912,000	0
Towns Fund - Smethwick	0	0	0	0	912,000	912,000	99,325.00	812,675	912,000	0
Towns Fund - West Bromwich	0	0	0	0	912,000	912,000	98,518.80	813,481	912,000	0
Woods Lane Re-Development	0	0	0	0	3,000	3,000	2,943.42	57	3,000	0
Children's Trust Accommodation Works (DFE Funded)	0	0	0	0	49,000	49,000	2,480.00	46,520	49,000	0
BSF Schools for the Future	0	0	0	0	74,000	74,000	74,000.00	0	74,000	0
Mobile Working	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Section 106										
Rowley Lane Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
A41 Expressway / A4031 All Saints Way Junction - Tesco 106	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Carters Green Public Realm	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Construction of homes and sports facilities - Churchfields school	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Affordable Housing	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Spon Lane, West Bromwich - Highways Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
TESCO - Planning / Env. Health Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Sandwell Rd - Public Realm / Highways Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Ashes Road Oldbury Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Upper Church Lane Tipton Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Regional Housing Board Allocations										
General - Carrington Road Shops Demolition	0	0	0	0	112,000	112,000	8,817.04	103,183	112,000	0
School / Carrington Road	0	0	0	0	35,000	35,000	-	35,000	35,000	0
Quetslade Bungalows Demolition	0	0	0	0	6,000	6,000	-	6,000	6,000	0
New Build / Supported Housing	0	0	0	0	15,000	15,000	790.43	14,210	15,000	0
Total Regeneration & Growth	7,571,000	(81,000)	(3,328,000)	4,162,000	12,567,000	16,729,000	9,489,679.33	7,239,321	16,729,000	0

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	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Housing & Communities										
Main Programme										
Environmental Improvements To Neighbourhoods (Grot Spots)	92,000	0	(50,000)	42,000	0	42,000	-	42,000	42,000	0
Charlemont Community Centre Wignore	37,000	0	(37,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0

Public Access Computers - Libraries	130,000	0	0	130,000	0	130,000	31,762.50	98,238	130,000	0
Libraries Management System	4,000	0	0	4,000	0	4,000	4,000.00	0	4,000	0
Blackheath Library - Fit Out Costs	268,000	0	0	268,000	0	268,000	249,695.72	18,304	268,000	0
Manor House - Phase 2	12,000	0	0	12,000	0	12,000	-	12,000	12,000	0
Sandwell Aquatic's Centre - Main Programme	360,000	0	0	360,000	0	360,000	257,850.66	102,149	360,000	0
Self Service Customer Portal (Corporate £600k / HRA £440k)	298,000	0	0	298,000	0	298,000	212,184.11	85,816	298,000	0
West Smethwick Park (HLF Match Funding)	272,000	581,000	(753,000)	100,000	0	100,000	6,552.00	93,448	100,000	0
Smethwick Hall Park - Pool	0	342,000	(342,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Aquatic Centre - Commonwealth Games 2022 (RTB Receipts)	24,500,000	0	(24,500,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Oak House Museum Roof Repairs (Earmarked Balances 16/17 outturn report)	10,000	0	(10,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Prudential Borrowing										
The Public - conversion to college	341,000	0	(341,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Lightwoods Park	44,000	0	0	44,000	0	44,000	44,000.00	0	44,000	0
Aquatic Centre - Commonwealth Games 2022	1,761,000	0	(1,761,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Acquisition of Vehicles - Prudential	1,500,000	900,000	0	2,400,000	0	2,400,000	1,923,583.61	476,416	2,400,000	0
Thematic Pot Allocations										
Forge Mill Farm	2,000	0	(2,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Lightwoods House Roof Works	35,000	0	(35,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Grants / Self Financing										
Manor House Conservation Plan	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	516.00	484	1,000	0
Dartmouth Park - HLF	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	0
Lightwoods Park	0	0	0	0	20,000	20,000	6,037.03	13,963	20,000	0
West Smethwick Park HLF	0	0	0	0	80,000	80,000	0.00	80,000	80,000	0
Oakhouse Barns Restoration Project	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Youth Centre, Queens Way, Oldbury	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Sandwell Aquatics Centre (DCMS / Birmingham CC)	0	0	0	0	30,000,000	30,000,000	22,397,398.87	7,602,601	30,000,000	0
Sandwell Aquatics Centre (Sport England)	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Sandwell Aquatics Centre (Sandwell Leisure Trust)	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Section 106										
Section 106 Accounts - Cultural	0	0	0	0	180,000	180,000	22,349.52	157,650	180,000	0
Total Housing & Communities	29,666,000	1,823,000	(27,831,000)	3,658,000	30,283,000	33,941,000	25,155,930.02	8,785,070	33,941,000	0

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							Actual Spend to Date	Remaining Spend	Total Forecast Expenditure	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Childrens Services										
Supported Borrowing										
BSP ICT Element	80,000	0	0	80,000	0	80,000	1,643.52	78,356	80,000	0
Thematic Allocations										
Edmond Cottage Extension	1,000	0	(1,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Grants / Self Financing										
Playpathfinder	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Schools Capital Programme Schemes (Basic Need Grant/Maintenance)										
New School Kelvin Way - West Bromwich Collegiate Academy	0	0	0	0	200,000	200,000	200,000.00	0	200,000	0
West Bromwich Collegiate Academy - Phase 2	0	0	0	0	6,278,000	6,278,000	4,198,430.87	2,079,569	6,278,000	0
Q3 Langley Phase 2	0	0	0	0	100,000	100,000	100,000.00	0	100,000	0
Q3 Langley Phase 3	0	0	0	0	7,800,000	7,800,000	5,668,146.16	2,131,854	7,800,000	0
School Condition - LifeCycle property maintenance	0	0	0	0	4,300,000	4,300,000	3,605,339.29	694,661	4,300,000	0
Bristnall Hall Academy	0	0	0	0	2,535,000	2,535,000	2,186,173.31	348,827	2,535,000	0
Contingency 5% on major schemes	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Shireland Collegiate Academy	0	0	0	0	176,000	176,000	125,589.31	50,411	176,000	0
St Matthews CE	0	0	0	0	350,000	350,000	331,706.70	18,293	350,000	0
Feasibility Work Expansion of Secondary	0	0	0	0	19,000	19,000	13,748.97	5,251	19,000	0
New Oldbury Primary - Lightwoods	0	0	0	0	200,000	200,000	28,742.41	171,258	200,000	0
Hargate Primary	0	0	0	0	100,000	100,000	95,377.76	4,622	100,000	0
George Salter Academy	0	0	0	0	50,000	50,000	1,005.18	48,995	50,000	0
Additional Secondary Places 2020	0	0	0	0	92,000	92,000	86,556.24	5,444	92,000	0
Tipton Green Junior School - Flood	0	0	0	0	44,000	44,000	43,896.43	104	44,000	0
Priory Primary Expansion	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	622.42	1,378	2,000	0
Annie Lennard Infant	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	162.81	837	1,000	0
Ormiston Sandwell Community Academy - retention	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
RSA Academy	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Victoria Park Academy	0	0	0	0	11,000	11,000	10,357.08	643	11,000	0
All Saints CE Primary	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Great Bridge Primary	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	477.17	523	1,000	0
Shireland Hall Primary - PCP	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
St Michaels	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Old Park/Wood Green Junior	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Rood End Bulge Class	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
St Gregory's	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Moorlands	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	1,015.00	985	2,000	0
Joseph Turner	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Temporary Expansions	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Perryfields - Purchase Mobile Classrooms - Portakabin	0	0	0	0	12,000	12,000	-	12,000	12,000	0
School Kitchen Repairs	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	277.63	722	1,000	0
Hollies Refurbishment	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Ingestre Hall - Boiler Replacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
SRES Development Plan	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	542.70	457	1,000	0
Shireland High Tech Primary	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	1,565.26	435	2,000	0
Crocketts Community Primary	0	0	0	0	4,000	4,000	3,736.18	264	4,000	0
Shenstone Lodge School	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	18.09	982	1,000	0
Sacred Heart Primary	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	19.09	981	1,000	0
Yew Tree Primary	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	223.07	777	1,000	0
Christ Church CE Primary	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
School Demolition Thorne Road	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	36.18	964	1,000	0
Schools Capital Feasibility Works	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	5.46	995	1,000	0
Blackheath Primary	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Primary Bulge Class - Rowley	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Holy Trinity CE Primary	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Causeway Green Primary Flooding	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
ESFA Shireland Primary Free School	0	0	0	0	15,000	15,000	14,230.85	769	15,000	0
Rowley Hall Primary	0	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	10.30	990	1,000	0
Other Self-Financing schemes										
Devolved Formula Capital	0	0	0	0	1,200,000	1,200,000	-	1,200,000	1,200,000	0

Devolved Formula Capital - School Contribution	0	0	0	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	1,000,000	0
Devolved Formula Capital - PRU's	0	0	0	0	50,000	50,000	-	50,000	50,000	0
BSF Oldbury	0	0	0	0	171,000	171,000	-	171,000	171,000	0
Two Years Old Entitlement - Early Years Capital	0	0	0	0	2,000	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	0
Orchard Building Work/ Primrose Caretaker House	0	0	0	0	17,000	17,000	25.46	16,975	17,000	0
EVOLVE Funding	0	0	0	0	131,000	131,000	130,328.34	672	131,000	0
Healthy Pupils Capital Fund	0	0	0	0	24,000	24,000	3,500.00	20,500	24,000	0
Total Childrens Services	81,000	0	(1,000)	80,000	24,897,000	24,977,000	16,853,509.24	8,123,491	24,977,000	0

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	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Housing Revenue Account (HRA)										
Prudential Borrowing - New Build (inc. HCA Grant)	12,821,000	(9,461,000)	(3,360,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Moor Lane Extra Care	11,193,000	0	(1,000,000)	10,193,000	0	10,193,000	5,556,430.33	4,636,570	10,193,000	0
Carrisbrooke Close	172,000	0	0	172,000	0	172,000	172,420.26	0	172,420	420
West Road	6,005,000	(5,000,000)	0	1,005,000	0	1,005,000	721,949.40	283,051	1,005,000	0
Strathmore Road	2,705,000	0	0	2,705,000	0	2,705,000	1,615,097.83	1,089,902	2,705,000	0
Reservoir Road	0	3,750,000	(1,300,000)	2,450,000	0	2,450,000	36,522.84	2,413,477	2,450,000	0
Bull Street / Albion Road	0	711,000	0	711,000	0	711,000	53,357.00	657,643	711,000	0
Prudential Borrowing - New Build (1-4-1 Receipts)										
Metis Developments	8,000,000	(8,000,000)	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Kier Housing - Kent Close, Tibbington	25,000	91,000	0	116,000	0	116,000	116,058.60	0	116,059	59
Oxford Road Extra Care - New Build	514,000	0	0	514,000	0	514,000	184,662.19	329,338	514,000	0
Churchvale	3,716,000	0	(3,086,000)	630,000	0	630,000	44,283.40	585,717	630,000	0
Friardale Close Bungalows	1,442,000	0	(742,000)	700,000	0	700,000	625.58	699,374	700,000	0
Britannia	1,203,000	0	(950,000)	253,000	0	253,000	-	253,000	253,000	0
1-4-1 Property Purchases	0	4,550,000	0	4,550,000	0	4,550,000	4,105,872.88	444,127	4,550,000	0
Prudential Borrowing - High Rise										
High Rise	13,788,000	(3,788,000)	(10,000,000)	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
The Crofts	83,000	0	0	83,000	0	83,000	-	83,000	83,000	0
Charlemont Farm	14,000	0	0	14,000	0	14,000	-	14,000	14,000	0
Kynaston House	132,000	0	0	132,000	0	132,000	-	132,000	132,000	0
Lion Farm	37,000	0	0	37,000	0	37,000	6,637.37	30,363	37,000	0
Beaconview	46,000	0	0	46,000	0	46,000	-	46,000	46,000	0
Nelson House	304,000	0	0	304,000	0	304,000	15.45	303,985	304,000	0
Darley House	0	250,000	0	250,000	0	250,000	188,285.15	61,715	250,000	0
Alfred Gunn House	11,823,000	0	(7,823,000)	4,000,000	0	4,000,000	2,708,447.04	1,291,553	4,000,000	0
Emergency Cladding Works	0	38,000	0	38,000	0	38,000	37,976.39	24	38,000	0
Mountford House (Lifts)	51,000	0	0	51,000	0	51,000	12.36	50,988	51,000	0
High Rise General	1,312,000	(1,138,000)	0	174,000	0	174,000	10,374.40	163,626	174,000	0
Soil Stack Replacement	0	750,000	(300,000)	450,000	0	450,000	55,335.70	394,664	450,000	0
Prudential Borrowing - Other										
Internal Refurbishment	2,145,000	(2,145,000)	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Boiler Replacement	4,605,000	0	0	4,605,000	0	4,605,000	2,612,288.52	1,992,711	4,605,000	0
Sandfield House	10,000	0	0	10,000	0	10,000	(179.23)	10,179	10,000	0
ECO Projects	2,250,000	0	0	2,250,000	0	2,250,000	9,810.00	2,240,190	2,250,000	0
Adaptations for Disabled	385,000	3,000,000	0	3,385,000	0	3,385,000	1,504,281.18	1,880,719	3,385,000	0
Estate Improvements	100,000	0	0	100,000	0	100,000	5,086.00	94,914	100,000	0
Property Conversions	0	350,000	0	350,000	0	350,000	346,908.66	3,091	350,000	0
Replacement of CO2 and Smoke Detectors	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
RTB Receipts - 1-4-1 Replacement	2,000,000	(2,000,000)	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Brindley 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Keir Housing - Kent Close, Tibbington	0	50,000	0	50,000	0	50,000	49,739.40	261	50,000	0
Oxford Road Extra Care - New Build	291,000	0	0	291,000	0	291,000	79,140.94	211,859	291,000	0
Churchvale	1,593,000	0	(1,322,000)	271,000	0	271,000	18,978.60	252,021	271,000	0
Friardale Close Bungalows	618,000	0	(318,000)	300,000	0	300,000	268.10	299,732	300,000	0
Britannia	516,000	0	(411,000)	105,000	0	105,000	-	105,000	105,000	0
RTB Buy Backs	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Alfred Gunn House	0	809,000	0	809,000	0	809,000	-	809,000	809,000	0
1-4-1 Property Purchases	0	1,950,000	0	1,950,000	0	1,950,000	1,759,659.81	190,340	1,950,000	0
RCCO - MRA/Ringfenced Approvals										
Internal Refurbishment	12,891,000	2,809,000	0	15,700,000	0	15,700,000	8,481,672.41	7,218,328	15,700,000	0
Single to Double Glazing & Composite Doors	0	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	43,882.45	956,118	1,000,000	0
RCCO - Other										
Applewood Grove Conversion	0	750,000	0	750,000	0	750,000	696,541.63	53,458	750,000	0
Greenwood Avenue Conversion	233,000	0	0	233,000	0	233,000	82,043.69	150,956	233,000	0
Greenford House (additional flats)	97,000	0	0	97,000	0	97,000	55.00	96,945	97,000	0
Kenrick House (additional flats)	38,000	0	0	38,000	0	38,000	123.00	37,877	38,000	0
Ex Neighbourhood Offices New Build - Hilton Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Ex Neighbourhood Offices New Build - Monmouth Drive	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Riverside PFI	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
Workplace Vision	0	850,000	0	850,000	0	850,000	469,455.00	380,545	850,000	0
ICT Strategy Costs	0	500,000	0	500,000	0	500,000	243,840.00	256,160	500,000	0
CCTV Expansions	750,000	0	0	750,000	0	750,000	-	750,000	750,000	0
Total Housing Revenue Account (HRA)	103,908,000	(9,324,000)	(30,612,000)	63,972,000	0	63,972,000	32,017,959.33	31,954,520	63,972,479	479

Section 106					
Section 106 Scheme	Service Area	Description of Project	Balance Available @ 01/04/20 £	Forecast Expenditure for 2020/21 £	Balance Remaining @ 31/03/21 £
Roway Lane Development	Regeneration & Growth	Contribution to improvement works at the Fountain Lane / Bromford Road junction	48,000	0	48,000
Former Churchfields School, All Saints Way, West Bromwich	Regeneration & Growth	Erection of 182 dwellings, 3no 100m x 60m football pitches, changing room facilities together with associated road and sewer.	17,000	0	17,000
Land at Alexandra Road and Upper Church Lane, Tipton	Regeneration & Growth	Affordable Housing	603,000	0	603,000
High St / Dartmouth St West Bromwich (was Laing but now Taylor Wimpy)	Regeneration & Growth	Affordable Housing	12,000	0	12,000
Land at Seymour Road, Oldbury	Regeneration & Growth	Affordable Housing	91,000	0	91,000
Land at Summerton Road, Oldbury	Regeneration & Growth	Affordable Housing	28,000	0	28,000
Rattlechain Oldbury DC/14/57737	Regeneration & Growth	Affordable Housing	210,000	0	210,000
Land off Mill Street Tipton - DC/15/58921	Regeneration & Growth	Affordable Housing	290,000	0	290,000
Land off Spon Lane West Bromwich DC/08/49057	Regeneration & Growth	Highways Contribution	447,000	0	447,000
TESCO - West Bromwich	Regeneration & Growth	Planning / Environmental Health contribution	50,000	0	50,000
Sandwell Road West Bromwich DC/09/51649	Regeneration & Growth	Public Realm / Highways contribution	175,000	0	175,000
Ashes Road Oldbury DC/14/57470	Regeneration & Growth	Ashes Road Oldbury Contribution	336,000	0	336,000
Upper Church lane Tipton DC/09/50926	Regeneration & Growth	Planning Contribution	32,000	0	32,000
Brades Green Open Space DC/05/43995	Housing & Communities	Planting scheme to improve welcoming aspect - Oldbury	5,800	5,800	0
Barnford Park DC/07/48918	Housing & Communities	Treeworks - Oldbury	3,600	3,600	0
Mary MacArthur Gardens	Housing & Communities	Fencing, Steps & Re-Painting of Infrastructure - Rowley	32,300	32,300	0
Jubilee Park DC/04/43090 & DC/06/47114	Housing & Communities	Treeworks - Tipton	8,100	8,100	0
Farley Park DC/08/50253	Housing & Communities	Play Provision improvements - Tipton	4,000	4,000	0
Norman Rd Dams DC/05/45598	Housing & Communities	Play Provision improvements	15,000	15,000	0
Charlemont Playing Fields - DC/14/56717	Housing & Communities	Improvements to Car Parking Facilities & Skate Board Park - West Bromwich	33,000	33,000	0
Redhouse Park - DC/05/45586	Housing & Communities	Scheme being developed including Entrance & Car Parking - West Bromwich	18,000	18,000	0
Yew Tree Estate - DC/13/56577	Housing & Communities	Play Provision improvements - West Bromwich	60,200	60,200	0
Total Section 106			2,519,000	180,000	2,339,000

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)					
CIL Scheme	Service Area	Description of Project	Balance Available @ 01/04/20 £	Forecast Expenditure for 2020/21 £	Balance Remaining @ 31/03/21 £
Balance in CIL fund to date - not allocated to individual projects	Regeneration & Growth		1,906,500	0	1,906,500
Total Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)			1,906,500	0	1,906,500

Housing Revenue Account

Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (£000)
Asset Management & Maintenance	37,867	0	37,867	34,585	(3,282)	0	(3,282)
Business Excellence	3,339	0	3,339	3,266	(73)	0	(73)
Commercial Services	4,377	0	4,377	4,384	7	0	7
Corporate HRA	19,715	0	19,715	19,897	182	0	182
Housing Management	11,853	0	11,853	10,983	(870)	0	(870)
PFI	(644)	0	(644)	(1,544)	(900)	750	(150)
Rents & Other Charges	(113,782)	0	(113,782)	(113,302)	480	0	480
SLA's	7,435	0	7,435	7,435	0	0	0
TOTAL	(29,840)	0	(29,840)	(34,296)	(4,456)	750	(3,706)

Individual Schools Budget

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Service Area	Annual Target Budget (£000)	B/fwd from Previous Year (£000)	Total Budget (£000)	Projected Outturn (£000)	Projected Variance (£000)	(Use of) Reserves/ Corporate Resources/ RCCO (£000)	Projected Outturn Variance (£000)
ISB High Needs	49,610	0	49,610	49,804	194		194
Early Years	24,441	0	24,441	24,355	(86)		(86)
Central Services Services Block	2,020	0	2,020	2,020	0		0
Schools	157,865	0	157,865	157,865	0		0
Dedicated Schools Grant	(233,362)	0	(233,362)	(233,362)	0		0
Other income	(573)	0	(573)	(573)	0		0
TOTAL	0	0	0	108	108	0	108