

2008/09 Overspendings on Controllable Budgets For Consideration by Cabinet 28 July 2009

SERVICE	DETAILS		Budget	Actual	Variance	Explanation / Action
Cultural Services	Salt Ayre Mgt & Admin	Electricity	113,800	134,645	20,845	Some additional costs after contract ran out and increase in unit price not reported at Revised Budget time. Plans are underway to reduce consumption - no other specific action recommended. Budget to be reviewed as part of normal annual process.
Cultural Services	Salt Ayre Mgt & Admin	Income	0	10,702	10,702	£8,200 relating to 2007/08 error (reported in PRT); the remainder is unallocated transactions. Service now have comprehensive monitoring in place for 2009/10, no further action recommended.
Cultural Services	Hornby Swimming Pool	Salaries - Basic	46,400	61,758	15,358	Part covered by addition income re private hire and lessons. All pools staffing to be looked at in 2009/10.
Cultural Services	Heysham Swimming Pool	Salaries - Basic	83,300	92,604	9,304	Part offset by additional income. All pools staffing to be looked at in 2009/10.
Cultural Services	Heysham Swimming Pool	Misc. Energy Charges	22,200	44,506	22,306	Unexpectedly high energy account (re Dec 2008) for £22,500, which included reversal of an incorrect credit (£14,500) previously given by energy supplier. Came to light too late for revised budgets.
CC(D)S	Grounds Maintenance	Equipment and Tools	93,400	104,158	10,758	The maintenance of mowing equipment increased by £10k year on year - can be addressed through savings in other CC(D)S areas. No further action recommended.
Legal Services	Legal Services Mgt & Admin	Books & Periodicals	31,200	36,784	5,584	Whilst cutbacks have been made, this is the cost of maintaining the library to required standards - budget to be reviewed in 2009/10.
Revenue Services	Benefits Mgmt & Administration	Postages	10,000	15,018	5,018	Extra weight of envelopes sent out at year end incurring additional costs - offset by other savings on this account. Budget to be reviewed during 2009/10, therefore no further action recommended.
Council Housing (HRA)	Responsive Maintenance	R & M - Buildings	2,387,300	2,574,286	186,986	Works done on all void Properties due to the condition on termination of tenancy and the increased number of voids has resulted in £150,000 additional costs. £87,000 cost of replacing individual boilers due to breakdown outside of Capital replacement programme. Review of Business Plan etc. underway.

All 2008/09 variances will be reviewed as part of the review of the charging policy at all Community Pools - as agreed as part of the last budget process.