

## SUMMARY OF GENERAL FUND MAJOR VARIANCES (Qtr 3 2010/11)

(Not included elsewhere in the report - excluding salaries for example)

FACTORS INFLUENCING VARIANCES	Variance to Date £	Current Year Projection £	Future Years Projection £
1. One-off windfalls & unforeseeable savings	+32,700	+13,000	+0
2. Demand led variances	(53,200)	+4,100	+27,000
3. Efficiency savings	(27,000)	(27,000)	(27,000)
4. Service changes and reductions	(12,200)	(34,700)	+0
5. Budget setting issues/errors	(9,800)	(9,800)	+0
6. Other variances	+73,300	+78,300	+0
<b>TOTAL VARIANCES</b>	<b>+3,800</b>	<b>+23,900</b>	<b>+0</b>

Service	Variance Type	Service Area	Variance to Date	Current Year Projection	Future Years Projection	Reason for Variance & Action being taken
			£	£	£	
<b>+ = Adverse ( ) = Favourable</b>						
VARIANCES REPORTED THROUGH PRT PROCESS (SERVICE HEAD COMMENTS)						
Community Engagement	5	Climate Change - Vehicle Telematics system	(9,800)	(9,800)	+0	Awaiting work to be carried out by Environmental Services. Carry forward request will be submitted at year end.
Environmental Services	1	Trade Refuse - Income and Disposal Costs	+39,000	+19,000	+0	Current income shortfall £39k. £20k still to be invoiced. Needs to be taken in context. Our last forecast was that at year end trade refuse would make a £179K contribution to the GF. The current projection is that this contribution will be reduced to £160K. Trade refuse is subject to both demand, which is obviously impacted on by the economy and stiff competition. Situation will continue to be monitored.
	2	Waste Collection - Replacement Bins & Boxes	+4,400	+27,000	+27,000	High levels of requests to replace bins and boxes are currently being received. Difficult to control without introduction of charging.
	3	Waste Collection - Printing & Distribution	(27,000)	(27,000)	(27,000)	Distribution of material and equipment to support the food waste scheme was undertaken using existing resources and therefore savings were attainable.
	2	Nursery - Income from the Sale of Plants	+6,000	+6,000	+0	Reduction in demand. Perhaps a reflection of the economy and the weather.
Financial Services	6	Benefit Grants	(5,000)	+0	+0	DWP Grant for Atlas project to fund new software and training - will need to be carried forward to 2011/12
Health & Housing	2	Private Rented Sector - HMO License Fees	(6,500)	(7,000)	+0	Lancaster University had an undersupply of housing at the beginning of this academic year (September), meaning they have had to bring new properties into use, and increase the occupancy of some existing properties. This has brought more properties than anticipated under the remit of HMO licensing.
Governance Services	1	Gambling Act Income	(6,300)	(6,000)	+0	Additional income from new establishments
Property Services	4	Palatine Hall	(12,200)	(34,700)	+0	New agreement to let building following closure. Rental income of £15k plus savings on current budgets.
	2	Morecambe Town Hall - electricity	(10,900)	(10,000)	+0	At PRT QRT 2 the Flexible contract with npower likely to produce savings comparable with 2009/10.
	2	Residents Parking Contracts	+10,200	+10,000	+0	Additional income from the new residents parking schemes could be lower than originally estimated but the account is administered on behalf of the County Council.
Regeneration & Policy	2	Planning Application Fee Income	(20,700)	(35,000)	+0	Uncontrollable income - demand led. Unexpected major application submitted in Q3 with associated large fee.
	2	Miscellaneous Advertising	+5,800	+7,000	+0	Advertising of planning applications. Type and number determines size and cost of advert. Measures have been taken to minimise cost by reducing size.
	2	Building Control Application Fee Income	+31,000	+55,000	+0	Reduced applications partially through economy and through increased competition due to staff leaving to work for competition.
	2	Morecambe Area Action Plan	(12,500)	(15,000)	+0	Anticipated underspend on Plan.
	2	Coast Protection & Land Drainage Team	(7,400)	(7,000)	+0	Additional fees earned by team
	6	Luneside East Regeneration - debtor	+78,300	+78,300	+0	Status of the debtor is that it is for expenditure in previous financial year. The claim has been submitted to the NWDA but withheld pending further progress on the project. There is a risk, given the status of the NWDA and indeed the HCA, that the funding might be withheld indefinitely. The withheld 'contingency' funding also covers costs on the Luneside capital codes. Written confirmation that the funds are still available is being sought.
	2	Public Realm Repair & Maintenance	(52,600)	(26,900)	+0	Reactive maintenance to artwork less than anticipated.
<b>TOTAL VARIANCES</b>			<b>+3,800</b>	<b>+23,900</b>	<b>+0</b>	

## VARIANCES NOT REPORTED THROUGH PRT PROCESS

Service	Variance Type	Service Area	Variance to Date	Current Year Projection	Future Years Projection	Reason for Variance & Action being taken
<b>TOTAL VARIANCES</b>			<b>+0</b>	<b>+0</b>	<b>+0</b>	
<b>OVERALL VARIANCES</b>			<b>+3,800</b>	<b>+23,900</b>	<b>+0</b>	