

Carry Forward of Controllable Overspends

For Consideration by Cabinet 26 June 2017

Services and Detail of Overspend		Revised Budget £	Actual £	Variance £	Comments
GENERAL FUND REVENUE					
Environmental Services					
Waste Collection / Street Cleaning	Vehicle Repair and Maintenance	390,000	443,078	53,078	Delays in the procurement of replacement vehicles (largely due to longer lead-in times) and keeping vehicles for longer have resulted in higher levels of repairs required in year. Going forward, all new vehicles have been purchased with longer warranties, in addition further work on reviewing the replacement programme is underway, to ensure that decisions take account of VFM / cost benefit analysis. As such no further budgetary action is required at this time.
Waste Collection	Garden Waste Income	(130,300)	(124,896)	5,404	New scheme - take-up rates fell just short of the estimated level of demand resulting in a slight shortfall in income. Initial monitoring of 2017/18 projections indicate a continuing lower level of take-up, but targeted marketing campaigns are currently underway. The position will be monitored and reported through the quarterly corporate monitoring process. As a result, no further budgetary action is required.
Trade Refuse	Trade Refuse Income	(1,322,700)	(1,241,190)	81,510	The trade refuse function outperformed the expected position with the exception of a payment of £100K made to HMRC regarding an outstanding VAT issue. This was a one-off cost, therefore no further budgetary action is required.
White Lund Depot	Materials	3,700	17,708	14,008	Higher levels of stock were written-off in year following termination of the Lancashire Highways Partnership agreement and review of obsolete stock. This was a one-off cost, therefore no further budgetary action is required.
Governance					
City Council Elections	Printing & Stationery / Postages / Misc. Licences	317,900	327,275	9,375	Net additional costs mainly relating to Individual Electoral Registration (IER) legislative changes. This was a one-off cost, therefore no further budgetary action is required.
Health & Housing					
Environmental Protection	Services - Pollution Surveys	1,500	6,663	5,163	Additional costs mainly relating to a complicated planning application concerning acoustics at the Gillows Building. This was a one-off cost, therefore no further budgetary action is required.

Officer Decisions: That no further action be taken as all overspends are offset by other savings. On-going implications are still being reviewed.