

13 June 2013

This record relates to Agenda Item 7

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT
(TBM) PROVISIONAL OUTTURN
2012/13

AUTHOR: JEFF COATES

THE DECISION

That the provisional outturn position for the General Fund, which was an underspend of £4.610m (compared to £4.513m assumed at budget setting time, be noted. This includes £4.201m for the council controlled budgets and £0.409m on the NHS managed S75 budgets.

That the provisional outturn for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA), which is an underspend of £1.963m be noted;

That the provisional outturn for the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) which was an underspend of £1.089m be noted;

That the carry forward requests totalling £4.806m as detailed in Appendix 2 the report be approved;

That the provisional outturn position on the Capital Programme be noted; and

That the following changes to the Capital Programme be approved:

- (i) The budget re-profiling and budget variations as set out in Appendix 4 to the report;
- (ii) The carry forward of slippage into the 2013/14 Capital Programme to meet on-going commitments on these schemes as set out in Appendix 4 to the report; and
- (iii) New schemes as set out in Appendix 5 to the report.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Budget monitoring is a key element of good financial management, which is necessary in order for the council to maintain financial stability and operate effectively.

The capital budget changes are necessary to maintain effective financial management.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The provisional outturn position on council controlled budgets is an underspend of £4.201m. In addition, there is an underspend of £0.409m on the NHS managed S75 budgets which is the element retained by the council under risk sharing arrangements. As mentioned above and subject to approval, underspending will release one-off resources and carry forwards that can be used to help services manage the challenging budget savings required in 2013/14.

Proper Officer:

Date: 14 June 2013

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

Signed:



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This record relates to Agenda Item 8

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: EMPLOYABILITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
IN CARE AND CARE LEAVERS -
UPDATE

AUTHOR: JAMES DOUGAN

THE DECISION

That the Committee agree to 5 ring-fenced apprenticeships for young people in care and young people leaving care within the Brighton & Hove Apprenticeship Scheme.

That the Committee agree to guaranteed interviews for all apprenticeships within the Brighton & Hove Apprenticeship Scheme if the young people meet the necessary criteria.

That the Committee note the assessment and support package for young people in care and leaving care to support entry into employment and training.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To meet Brighton & Hove City Council's responsibilities in respect of children and young people in care and care leavers in assisting them become independent adults with sustainable employment and a good standard of living.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Corporate Parenting responsibilities and duties meet a statutory duty upon Brighton & Hove City Council in respect of children and young people in care and care leavers and as such there are no alternative options.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: RATIONALISATION AND
PROCUREMENT OF THE MECHANICAL
AND ELECTRICAL TERM CONTRACTS

AUTHOR: MARTIN HEDGECOCK

THE DECISION

That the Executive Director for Finance & Resources be granted delegated authority to:

- (i) Rationalise, procure in accordance with OJEU procedures and award the mechanical and electrical term maintenance contracts for a term of 4 years; and
- (ii) Grant a two year extension to any or all of the contracts referred to in (1) above subject to satisfactory performance of the contract(s) in question.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The existing contracts will expire from October 2013 to March 2014 as they are not contemporaneous and the requirement for statutory compliance and better financial management and control would not be fulfilled. It is therefore recommended that the proposal to rationalise and procure the 4 mechanical and electrical contracts is approved.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Do Nothing: This would contravene statutory compliance requirements and increase costs if the contracts lapsed without having alternative contractual arrangements in place.

Renew the Existing Contracts: The opportunity of achieving savings through economies of scale would be lost and the high risk of not being statutorily compliant would remain.

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