

Covid19 Financial Update by Directorate

People Directorate

2020/21 Outturn Review	2020/21 Budget	Covid Financial Pressures		Forecast Over / (Underspend)	2019/20 Outturn
(GROSS Revenue Budget £647.2m)	(NET)	Expenditure	Income		
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Directorate	881			-	883
Children's Social Care	40,190	1,176		1,176	36,995
Education & 14-19 Skills - Revenue	15,068	215	944	1,159	14,471
Education & 14-19 Skills - Capital	-	2,000		2,000	
Prevention & Early Help	8,351	69	35	104	8,221
Adult Social Care - Operations	28,077			-	24,743
Commissioning	88,778	6,674	1,146	7,820	85,121
Public Health	-	78		78	-
Public Sector Transformation	-			-	-
People	181,345	10,212	2,125	12,337	170,434

The most significant element of expenditure incurred by the Council involves financial support to the social care market, and some funding has already been provided to support care providers in dealing with increasing costs linked to demand, staffing shortages and PPE. Current forecasts indicate that total costs in this area could be up to £4m, although this does reflect the risk of potential future outbreaks and further increases in demand.

The other significant area of expenditure is the provision of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), both to external care providers and for the Council's employees. This is estimated to be in the region of c£2m.

The cost of the shielding hub, as shown under Public Health, is estimated to be £78k, in addition to this there are additional staffing resources from across the Council services involved in shielding.

The loss of fees and charges and increased debt from Adult Social Care is expected to be in the region of £1m.

The increased cost of children's social care is £1.176m mainly due to the rise in agency placements. Loss of income from school catering services is estimated to be £0.9m.

Delays in the schools building programme are expected to lead to additional costs in the second part of the year.

Place Directorate

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Appendix 1

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(GROSS Revenue Budget £647.2m)	(NET)	Expenditure	Income		
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Directorate	977			-	654
Environment & Neighbourhood Services	40,744	3,640	1,569	5,209	39,607
Environment & Neighbourhood - Capital	-	255		255	
Growth & Enterprise	20,434	809	3,351	4,160	20,547
Highways & Infrastructure - Revenue	11,909	1,133	4,375	5,508	
Highways & Infrastructure - Capital		4,300		4,300	12,312
Place	74,064	10,137	9,295	19,432	73,120

The Council's wholly owned company ANSA has experienced significant challenges in delivering waste and environmental services throughout this pandemic. The cost of employing additional agency staff, purchasing PPE and the increased tonnage from kerbside collections is estimated to be over £2m.

The bereavement service has incurred additional costs including a contribution to a body storage facility.

The loss of income from fees and charges is significant for the Place directorate, car parking income losses alone is estimated to be over £3m, income from cultural activities such as Tatton Park is expected to be down by £2.4m and income from planning fees is expected to have a shortfall £0.9m.

Additional costs relating to the running of the leisure centres and the loss of income is estimated to be in the region of £1m.

Delays in major highway construction schemes are expected to lead to additional costs in the second part of the year although these may be able to be absorbed within existing contingency budgets for these capital projects.

Corporate Directorate

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(GROSS Revenue Budget £647.2m)	(NET)	Expenditure	Income		
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Directorate	693			-	778
Finance & Customer Services	8,678	1,322	740	2,062	7,550
Governance & Compliance Services	9,984	57	931	988	9,994
Transformation - Revenue	-	558		558	
Transformation - Capital	14,728	2,780		2,780	12,047
Corporate	34,083	4,717	1,671	6,388	30,369

To enable council employees to work from home since the start of the pandemic has required the ICT service to accelerate and extend of deployment of Windows 10 mobile

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devices. An increased number of devices have been purchased and the resources required to deliver this redeployment in a short space of time has placed significant pressure on the service.

ICT has also delivered a number of specific projects specifically to facilitate the remote working environment, these include e-signatures, virtual council meetings, virtual child protection conferences, virtual hearings for both internal and external participants, remote door solution etc.

The registration service is expecting a loss of income from marriage services in the region of £859k.

The loss of Housing Benefit overpayment recoveries and the loss of court cost income for Council Tax and Business Rates is also expected to be in the region of £740k.