Corporate and Communities Scrutiny Panel

28 March 2023

Forecast Outturn 2022/23 as at Period 9 (December)



P9 (Quarter 3) Forecast Financial Position – COACH & CEU

COACH & CEU	2022-23 Gross Budget Q3	2022-23 Net Budget Q3	2022-23 Forecast Outturn Q3	2022-23 Forecast Variance Q3	2022-23 Forecast Variance Q1	2022-23 Forecast Variance Q2
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
COACH - Management	577	220	203	-17	0	-56
Legal and Democratic Services	8,267	5,250	5,307	57	55	38
Commercial Management	3,027	842	726	-116	0	-37
Property Services	9,189	429	95	-334	-55	-44
Digital, IT and Customer Services	9,838	952	744	-208	0	-58
Transformation & Change Team	1,863	-7	-7	0	0	0
TOTAL COMMERCIAL & CHANGE	32,761	7,686	7,068	-618	0	-157
Engagement & Communications	1,199	365	319	-46	0	-4
Health & Safety	366	24	31	7	0	19
HR-Core	4,952	658	601	-57	0	-39
Financial Services	7,837	1,948	1,710	-238	0	-102
Chief Executive	387	387	423	36	-3	-3
TOTAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE UNIT	14,741	3,382	3,084	-298	-3	-129

Key Headlines COACH & CEU

The P9 forecast position for **COACH** is an improving position with a forecast underspend of £0.6m, with the most significant variances from budget being:

- A forecast £0.4m overspend in Legal and Democratic Services due to a significant increase in child-care cases which require pre-proceedings and court support. The overspend is planned to be offset in year by the use of the COVID grant reserve
- £0.3m forecast surplus within Property Services due to additional income receivable
- £0.2m underspend in ICT due to savings made on contracts
- £0.1m underspend due to vacant posts within executive support

COACH have contributed £0.4m towards the £5.1m target for corporate savings

CEU is also forecasting an improved position comprising a £0.2m staffing saving within Finance, as well as identifying c£150k of savings within HR and c£185k within Finance to contribute to the corporate savings target.

P9 (Quarter 3) Forecast Financial Position – Communities

Communities Revenue Forecast	2022-23 Gross Budget Q3 £'000	2022-23 Net Budget Q3 £'000	2022-23 Forecast Outturn Q3 £'000	2022-23 Forecast Variance Q3 £'000	2022-23 Forecast Variance Q1 £'000	2022-23 Forecast Variance Q2 £'000
Strategic Libraries	11,425	4,057	4,099	42	120	
Museum Services	776	658	677	19	-!	5 0
Archives & Archaeology	3,659	1,573	1,573	0		0
Greenspace & Gypsy Services	2,159	196	159	-37		2
Community Services Leadership Team	351	326	-44	-370	-110	-215
Registration & Coroner	2,260	710	810	100		-5
Public Analyst	69	2	2	0		0
Trading Standards	879	122	122	0		0
Communities and Partnerships	14,646	2,957	2,856	-101		-4
TOTAL COMMUNITIES	36,224	10,601	10,254	-347		-101



Key Headlines Communities

As at P9, the year end forecast for Communities is also improved with a forecast underspend of £0.3m

The underspend is due to additional income generation within Registration Services, reduction in required spend on building maintenance and additional grant funding which has been able to be used to offset base budget expenditure

There is a reduction in income due to the vacant space within county libraires, as well as increases in utility costs, however these have been mitigated by additional income generation elsewhere within the directorate