

Cabinet

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Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring 2021/22 – Financial Update Quarter 1

Report of the Director – Finance and Corporate Services

Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Finance and Customer Access, Councillor G Moore

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. This report presents the budget position for revenue and capital as at 30 June 2021. Details for this report includes the in-year variances along with variances resulting from Covid-19.
- 1.2. Given the current financial climate, particularly relating to the continued impact of Covid, it is imperative that the Council maintains due diligence with regards to its finances and ensures necessary action is taken to ensure a balanced budget is maintained.
- 1.3. The budget was set anticipating an adverse impact of Covid on the Council's finances. A combination of service budget efficiencies, Government funding to help mitigate against the financial impact of Covid income losses and additional Business Rates has led to an anticipated budget efficiency of £0.880m for 2021/22. This position is likely to change as further variances are identified during the year.
- 1.4. There are significant budget risks going forward linked to potential changes to the business rates system and Fairer Funding by central government, government policy in relation to waste collection, the potential impact of the power station closure (now 2024) and the Council's commitment to the Freeport and Development Corporation. Maintaining sufficient reserves to address significant risks remains a key objective of the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy and is good financial practice.
- 1.5. The Capital Programme shows a planned underspend of £2.837m. This is as a result of carry forwards last year for Registered Housing Providers and releasing more Disabled Facilities Grants (due to pent up demand as a result of Covid) and some schemes deferred to 2022/23.

2. Recommendation

It is RECOMMENDED that Cabinet approve the attached report noting:

- a) the expected revenue budget efficiency for the year of £0.880m;
- b) the capital budget efficiencies of £2.837m;
- c) the expected outturn position for Special Expenses of £5k deficit; and

d) the planned use of reserves at paragraph 4.3 (primarily to meet the Collection Fund deficit as a result of business rates reliefs and the grants received in the General Fund to fund the deficit).

3. Reasons for Recommendations

To demonstrate good governance in terms of scrutinising the Council's on-going financial position and compliance with Council Financial Regulations.

4. Supporting Information

Revenue Monitoring

- 4.1 The Revenue Monitoring statement by service area is attached at Appendix A with detailed variance analysis as at 30 June 2021, attached at Appendix B. For this financial year, the overall budget variance including Covid related pressures and in-year efficiencies, is expected to result in an overall budget efficiency of £0.880m. Loss of income and additional costs as a result of Covid (£0.071m) are more than offset by grant income and net efficiencies (£0.394m). One nuance that requires further explanation is Business Rates. In the current year we are anticipating a surplus of £2.338m but a significant proportion of this will need to be appropriated into the Collection Fund Reserves (£1.765m Appendix A) to cover next year's deficit arising as a result of additional Covid related business rates reliefs issued in the year.
- 4.2 Table 1 below summarises the main variations from revenue efficiencies and Covid related pressures.

	Pressure/ (efficiency) 2021/22 (£m)
Covid costs/(savings):-	
Other Government Grants – Contain Outbreak Management Fund (COMF)	(0.050)
Leisure	(0.051)
Enforcement expenditure (COMF)	0.055
Waste Collection (Agency)	0.025
Hire of Facilities (mainly Gamston Comm Hall)	0.028
Rental on Commercial Properties	0.064
Total Covid related budget pressure (A)	0.071
Projected in year costs/(efficiencies):-	
Gresham - Additional All Weather Pitch	(0.044)
Other Services	(0.012)
Interest Payments	(0.045)
Planning Fees	(0.210)
Grant Income	(0.094)
Business Rates at Commercial Properties	(0.026)
General Contingency	(0.085)
Other Income & Contributions	0.044
Other (eg Insurance premiums, staff costs)	0.078

Table 1: Main Items Impacting on the Current Revenue Budget

Total projected in year savings (B)	(0.394)
Net Revenue Efficiencies (A) + (B)	(0.323)
Grant Income	(0.061)
Business Rates	(2.338)
Reserve Commitments	1.842
Total Net Projected Budget Variance	(0.880)

- 4.3 Additional pressures have been identified and these have been taken into account in the overall net anticipated transfer to reserves of £0.860m:
 - a contribution towards a feasibility study into the pedestrianisation of Central Avenue in conjunction with NCC (with the costs being split equally with RBC, capped at £50k);
 - a £1,000 payment (per driver) to refuse HGV drivers totalling £27k given the unusual market conditions and demand for HGV drivers. In the first instance the Council will look to claim from COMF funding.

The above along with the $\pounds 1.765$ m business rates results in $\pounds 1.842$ m being used from reserves.

- 4.4 Appendix A shows the original estimate for Grant Income of £2.762m. This largely comprises of government Covid grants such as COMF, Sales Fees and Charges (SFC) income reimbursement scheme, Reopening Highstreets Safely Fund and Homelessness Funding (this has been moved to the Neighbourhoods line in the revised budget column). The table also includes a Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) of £1.074m. This is a provision that the Council is required to make each year to cover the internal borrowing costs for the Arena, Cotgrave Masterplan and Cotgrave Phase II which will be funded by the New Homes Bonus. The MRP includes an element of Voluntary Repayment Provision (VRP). Appendix B gives further explanations of both positive and adverse variances, in addition to those detailed at Table 1.
- 4.5 **Appendix E** shows the Quarter 1 position on the Special Expenses budget. Budgets within the Special Expenses area have been impacted by Covid, particularly on the loss of income from hire of venues and bar sales mainly at Gamston which is currently being used as a vaccination centre. These projections are included in the total Covid related budget pressure of £0.071m. The expected budget deficit for the year is £5k. This deficit is net of a proportion of Covid Government funding. It was agreed by the West Bridgford CIL and Special Expenses Group on 25 September 2020, that the previous year's deficit (£0.087m) would be repaid by way of a loan, due to commence in 2022/23 and will be included as part of the next budget setting cycle (unless other budget efficiencies are identified).

Capital Monitoring

- 4.6 The updated summary of the Capital Programme monitoring statement and funding position is shown at **Appendix C** as at 30 June 2021. **Appendix D** provides further details about the progress of the schemes, any necessary rephasing, and highlights efficiencies. The projected variance at this stage is £2.837m.
- 4.7 The original Capital Programme of £28.158m, plus agreed carry forwards of £6.533m, plus in-year adjustments of £0.911m gives a revised total of

 \pounds 35.602m. The net expenditure efficiency variance of \pounds 2.837m is primarily due to the following:

- a) Support for Registered Housing Providers £0.692m;
- b) Disabled Facilities Grant £0.218m;
- c) Bingham Leisure Centre Improvements £0.100m;
- d) Contingency not yet allocated £0.250m;
- e) Manvers Business Park improvements £0.300m;
- f) CLC changing village and roof £0.450m; and
- g) KLC changing village and roof £0.470m.

The £0.692m Support for Registered Housing Providers represents the uncommitted balance of the provision available for affordable housing in the year. Officers are working on options for the commitment of this and future sums receivable.

4.8 The Council is due to receive capital receipts of £15.2m in the year, primarily from the disposal of surplus operational and investment property: Abbey Road Depot; land at Hollygate Lane; and also, from an overage agreement in place for Sharphill Wood site. Covid impacted on the progress of these schemes last year. The current projected overall variance is likely to mean that any borrowing requirement can be met from internal resources with no recourse to borrow externally this financial year. Savings resulting from interest costs now not anticipated to be incurred are included in the projected overall revenue budget efficiency saving of £0.880m.

Covid-19 Update

- 4.9 The country came out of lockdown on 19 July 2021. Whilst the Council budgeted for an adverse impact on the budget, additional government funding and services continuing to perform, the Council budget remains in a relatively healthy position.
- 4.10 The pandemic is far from over, but it is not known whether the lifting of restrictions will be 'irreversible' with no further lockdowns. There is still uncertainty about the future so budget projections may change with time and risk.
- 4.11 The Governments Sales, Fees and Charges reimbursement scheme has been extended to the first quarter of this year. Current projections estimate that the total reimbursement will be £46k which is below budget by £0.124m; however, the reduced claim is reflective of better performance than anticipated on income receipts particularly relating to planning. Part of the total estimated reimbursement has been allocated to the Special Expense fund to support the lost income from closure of facilities in the West Bridgford area (see paragraph 4.5). Table 2 below shows the Covid-related grants for 2021/22. It is not anticipated that there will be any further funding this year.

Table 2 : Covid Related Grants

£'000	Grant
370	Covid Grant funding Tranche 5
300	Lower Tier Services Grant

102	Local Council Tax Support grant
187	Homelessness Funding
102	COMF (Contain)
46	SFC reimbursement Q1 2021/22*
156	Reopening Highstreets safely*
1,263	Total

*Grants estimated but not yet received

- 4.12 The value of the Council's Multi Asset investments fell by £1.238m at the end of 2019/20 but had recovered by £1.143m as at 31 March 2021. There continues to be fluctuations on these funds currently reporting a favourable net variance of £0.070m during the first three months of this financial year. However, this excludes the CCLA property fund which has been one of the hardest hit investments that RBC hold and is reflective of the national trends in commercial property values.
- 4.13 Performance in relation to collection rates of Business Rates and Council Tax will be reported to Corporate Overview Group on 2 November 2021. At the end of the first quarter, collection rates have improved compared to last year. 38.77% of Council Tax has been collected, compared to 37.93% last year (an increase of 0.84%). NNDR was significantly higher than last year (38.45% compared to 33.26% last year) mainly due to several large ratepayers paying in full. This position is likely to be adversely impacted by changes to Retail Relief (and more businesses now paying business rates) going forward, increasing the value due to be collected, in what may be difficult trading conditions.

Conclusion

- 4.14 The financial position in the revenue budget is positive, projecting a budget efficiency of £0.880m. Covid risks could prevail in the future such as further restrictions imposed as we enter the winter period with the financial impact unknown. The Council must ensure it can support any adverse budgetary impact.
- 4.15 The position on capital is currently positive with no major delays anticipated on larger schemes and no need to externally borrow this financial year. Challenges can arise during the year, such as sourcing materials and inflated costs which may still impact on the projected year-end position and the position will continue to be reported throughout the year.
- 4.16 There remain external financial pressures from existing issues such as the uncertainty surrounding Business Rates retention, the Fair Funding and Comprehensive Spending reviews (which have been further delayed) and the longer term impact of BREXIT. Furthermore, there are the Council's own challenges such as meeting its own environmental objectives and upside risks as opportunities present themselves such as the Freeport and Development Corporation. Against such a background, it is imperative that the Council continues to keep a tight control over its expenditure, identifies any impact from changing income streams, maintains progress against its Transformation Strategy and retains a healthy reserves position.

5 Alternative options considered and reasons for rejection

There are no other options proposed for consideration.

6 Risks and Uncertainties

- 6.1 Failure to comply with Financial Regulations in terms of reporting on both revenue and capital budgets could result in criticism from stakeholders, including both Councillors and the Council's external auditors.
- 6.2 Areas such as income can be volatile and are particularly influenced by public confidence and the general economic climate and Government legislation. This has been clearly evidenced by the impact of Covid and highlighted in Table 1.
- 6.3 Business Rates is subject to specific risks given the volatile nature of the tax base with a small number of properties accounting for a disproportionate amount of tax revenue, notably in Rushcliffe, Ratcliffe-on-Soar power station which is due to close in 2024. Furthermore, changes in Central Government policy influences Business Rates received and their timing, for example policy changes on small Business Rates relief. As was experienced in 2020/21, Covid is likely to have a large impact on the Business Rates position (as a result of additional reliefs) as reported above hence the need to appropriate the in-year Business Rates surplus to smooth deficits in later years.
- 6.4 There is a risk that central government policy changes may result in a negative financial impact on the Councils budget. For example, Government are currently considering waste reforms as part of the Environment Bill which could potentially see the Council providing garden waste collections to residents for free, having a significant impact on the Council's income although DEFRA propose the plans would include covering all costs to Councils. The Council continues to assert its position through consultation responses and will continue to lobby Government for a favourable outcome.
- 6.5 The Council needs to be properly insulated against potential risks hence the need to ensure it has a sufficient level of reserves, as well as having the ability to use reserves to support projects where there is 'upside risk' or there is a change in strategic direction. The Covid pandemic has demonstrated how critical our reserve levels were in ensuring the Council could withstand the financial shocks and we continue to ensure we remain financially resilient at this most difficult of times.

7 Implications

7.1 **Financial Implications**

Financial implications are covered in the body of the report.

7.2 Legal Implications

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report. It supports the delivery of a balanced budget.

7.3 Equalities Implications

None.

7.4 Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Implications

None.

8 Link to Corporate Priorities

Quality of Life	
Efficient Services	
Sustainable Growth	The budget resources the Corporate Strategy and therefore resources all Corporate Priorities.
The Environment	

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Background papers Available for Inspection:	Council 4 March 2021 – 2021-22 Budget and Financial Strategy Cabinet 7July 2021 – Financial Outturn Report
List of appendices (if any):	 Appendix A – Revenue Outturn Position 2021/22 June 2021 Appendix B – Revenue Variance Explanations Appendix C – Capital Programme 2021/22 – June 2021 Position Appendix D – Capital Variance Explanations Appendix E – Special Expenses Monitoring

Revenue Outturn Position 2021/22 – June 2021

	Original Budget £'000	Recharges Adjustment £'000	Original Budget excluding Recharges £'000	Revised Budget £'000	Projected Outturn £'000	Projected Outturn Variance £'000
Chief Execs	480	1,576	2,055	1,958	1,957	-1
Development and Economic Growth	1,281	-1,275	6	258	119	-139
Finance & Corporate	2,765	1,528	4,292	4,504	4,327	-177
Neighbourhoods	8,747	-1,828	6,919	7,307	7,301	14
Sub Total	13,273	0	13,273	14,027	13,704	-323
Capital Accounting Reversals	-1,768		-1,768	-1,768	-1,768	0
Minimum Revenue Provision	1,074		1,074	1,074	1,074	0
Total Net Service Expenditure	12,579	0	12,579	13,333	13,010	-323
Grant Income	-2,762		-2,762	-2,599	-2,660	-61
Business Rates (including SBRR)	-2,820		-2,820	-2,820	-5,158	-2,338
Council Tax	-7,255		-7,255	-7,255	-7,255	0
Collection Fund Deficit	4,045		4,045	4,045	4,045	0
Total Funding	-8,792	0	-8,792	-8,629	-11,028	-2,399
Net Transfer to/(-)from Reserves	-3,787	0	-3,787	-4,704	-1,982	2,722
Amount Committed from Reserves						
Business Rates Deficit						-1,765
Feasibility Study Central Avenue						-50
Retention HGV Drivers						-27
Net Budget (Deficit)/Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	880

Appendix B

Revenue Variance Explanations (over £15k)

ADVERSE VARIANCES in excess of £15,000	Reason	Projected Outturn Variance £'000
Property Services		
COMMERCIAL RENTS	Rent holidays and vacancies on commercial properties and industrial units	58
Depot & Contracts		
AGENCY STAFF	Extra rounds on refuse collection, social distancing and driver shortage	19
TOOTHILL CONTRIBUTION	Joint Use payments re Bingham Leisure Centre	22
Community Development		
NON SPORTING FACILITY HIRE	In the main Gamston Community Hall - Covid vaccination centre	25
Environmental Health		
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	Expenditure in connection with Contain Outbreak Management	55
Strategic Housing	Rough Sleeping Initiatives (funded by grant)	24
Total Adverse Variances		203
Sum of Minor Variances		225
TOTAL ADVERSE VARIANCE		428

FAVOURABLE VARIANCES in excess of £15,000	Reason	Projected Outturn Variance £'000
Environmental Health		
OTHER GOVERNMENT GRANTS	Covid Funding - Contain Outbreak Management Fund (COMF)	-50
Community Development		
ALL WEATHER PITCH	Additional income from new pitches	-44
PARKWOOD CONTRACT	Cost savings from renegotiated contract	-51
Financial Services		
INTEREST PAYMENTS	Savings from interest which would have been incurred on external borrowing	-45
General Contingency	Contingency not required	-85
Planning & Growth		
FEES & CHARGES - GENERAL	Planning income	-210
Property Services		
NNDR	Savings on the Arena due to successful appeal	-23
Revenues & Benefits		
OTHER GOVERNMENT GRANTS	Housing Benefits & Housing Benefits Admin Grants	-40
Strategic Housing		
S31 GRANT	Rough Sleepers Initiative grant (offset by additional cost of new initiatives)	-24
Total Favourable Variances		-572

Sum of Minor Variances	-179
TOTAL FAVOURABLE VARIANCE	-751
TOTAL VARIANCE	-323

Capital Programme Summary June 2021

CAPITAL PROGRAMME M	ONITORING	Explanations		
EXPENDITURE SUMMARY	Current	Projected	Projected	
	Budget	Actual	Variance	
	£000	£000	£000	
Development and Economic Growth	27,016	26,552	(464)	
Neighbourhoods	7,726	5,608	(2,118)	Support for RHPs not fully committed, options continue to be explored. Potential underspend on BCF funds as additional allocated in both 20/21 (which was carried forward) and 21/22.
Finance & Corporate Services	610	605	(5)	
Contingency	250	0	(250)	Capital Contingency balance not yet allocated.
	35,602	32,765	(2,837)	
FINANCING ANALYSIS				
Capital Receipts	(14,659)	(13,148)	1,511	
Government Grants	(3,360)	(3,209)	151	To match potential underspend on BCF projects.
Use of Reserves	(837)	(354)	483	
Grants/Contributions	(530)	(530)	-	
Section 106 Monies	(4,716)	(4,024)	692	Support for RHPs not fully committed.
Borrowing	(11,500)	(11,500)	-	
	(35,602)	(32,765)	2,837	
NET EXPENDITURE	-	-	-	

Appendix D

Capital Programme 2021/22 – June 2021 Position

CAPII	AL PRO	GRAMMI		ORING	- JUNE 2	1		
	Original	Current	Budget	Actual		Projected		
	Budget	Budget	YTD	YTD	Variance	Actual	Variance	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£'000	
DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC GROWTH								
Manvers Business Park Surface/Drain		10				10		Work to upgrade an additional section of the drain has been completed £10k.
Energy Efficiency LED Lighting Schemes		103	103	77	(26)	103		Works nearing practical completion. Spend projected at budget.
Colliers BP Enhancements		14				14		Provision to support any emerging enhancements as Colliers BP.
Cotgrave Phase 2	570	1,047	262	83	(179)	1,047		Main contract works to be completed early 21/22. Peripheral works still to be commissioned: car charging points, teen shelters, landscaping, and frontage works.
Bingham Leisure Hub	16,000	18,240	4,560	1,170	(3,390)	18,240		Main contractor has starte on site and works progressing. Costs expected to be within the £20m total provision mad
Manvers Business Park Roof Refurbishment	200	200					(200)	Deferred to 22/23

Manvers Business Park Roller Shutters	100	100					(100)	Deferred to 22/23
Water Course Improvements	210	61					(61)	Deferred to 22/23
The Point	150	150		1	1	50	(100)	Balcony waterproofing deferred to 2022/23
Bingham Market Place Improvements		68				68		Tender documentation being prepared for remedial works to the Buttercross.
Bridgford Hall Enhancements		11				8	(3)	Provision for roofing enhancements. Works have been instructed: contractors on site over the next 4 weeks to expedite. Projected spend £8k.
The Crematorium	6,500	7,012	250	39	(211)	7,012		Total provision including purchase of the land £8.5m. Design works undertaken, out to tender with a view to commence build Sept 21. Cost pressures for materials and skilled labour will be assessed following tender returns mid August. Projected actual to be refined from project management cash flow.
	23,730	27,016	5,175	1,370	(3,805)	26,552	(464)	
NEIGHBOURHOODS								
Vehicle Replacement	730	730				730		Potential to be fully committed to acquire 3 Refuse Vehicles and 2 box vans. Research is being

								undertaken to source electric box vans.
Support for Registered Housing Providers	500	1,112				420	(692)	Commitments comprise: £160k for 10 units of affordable housing on Garage Sites Ph 2; £53k for accommodation Next Steps Rough Sleepers; and 207k to provide a 3 bedroomed adapted bungalow to meet a local housing need. RBC is due up to £3.8m for land north of Bingham. £2.3m already received and the balance in May 22. The future capital programme will be adjusted to reflect these additional resources.
Assistive Technology	16	16	4		(4)	40	24	Proposal to purchase Smart Hubs. Can be contained in the BCF allocation.
Discretionary Top Ups	57	57	14		(14)	100	43	Proposal to increase Discretionary threshold from £10k to £20k. Can be contained in BCF allocation
Disabled Facilities Grants	515	858	214	159	(55)	640	(218)	Additional BCF funds awarded in 21/22. Grant releases are picking up following Covid delays. A second grant officer has been recruited to help deal with the increase in

								allocation and expected demand in the system held over during the pandemic. Potential underspend.
Hound Lodge Access Control System		25					(25)	Scheme deferred pending outcome of asset review.
Bowls Hall Replacement Furniture	15							Cabinet 13.07.21 approved £15k virement to Bowls Hall Conversion scheme.
Arena Enhancements		80	19	2	(17)	25	(55)	Addition height barrier installed and chemical store tanking/overflow works planned.
Car Park Resurfacing		215				215		Scope of works being determined.
CLC Changing Village Enhancements	300	310					(310)	Deferred to 22/23 as life of space extended due to closure during Covid
CLC Refurbish Roofs to Sports and Pool Halls	150	150					(150)	Deferred to 22/23
KLC Refurbish Pool Hall and Changing Village	250	250					(250)	Deferred to 22/23
Bowls Centre Conversion/Enhancements	75	90				30	(60)	Cabinet 13.07.21 approved £15k virement from Bowls Hall Replacement Furniture and committed £60k for conversion of Bowls Hall to multi-functional space. Parkwood have now agreed to fund the conversion. Reception and corridor floor upgrade still required.

BLC Improvements		104				4	(100)	Roofing works to be carried out by the end of June £4k.
KLC Refurb Pitched/Flat Roof Areas	220	220					(220)	Deferred to 22/23
RBC EV Network		13				13		Committed, awaiting completion and sign off to release this payment. This scheme is fully funded by Government Grant.
Gresham Sports Park Redevelopment		1,258	306	16	(290)	1,258		Design works undertaken, main contractor started on site early 21-22. Scheme funded by S106 Developer Contributions and Football Foundation (FF) Grant. First claim for payment by main contractor £114k and first grant claim submitted to the FF for £64k.
Gamston Community Centre Enhancements	115	115				115		Scope of works being determined; a scheme of works will be planned for site delivery in the Autumn. The vaccination centre to be decommissioned and will close at the end of October.
Lutterell Hall Enhancements Special Exps	225	275				275		Tender documentation being prepared: site delivery dependent upon securing of listed building consent - application won't be determined before Sept;

								revised site delivery programme being reviewed.
LAD2 Green Energy Grants		635	64		(64)	635		Newly emerge spending opportunity, fully funded by Government Grant. Scheme to facilitate external wall insulation, solar PV panels, and loft insulation in homes of non- standard construction. To be delivered in partnership with EON.
Gresham Sports Pavilion	125	125		1	1	125		Provision comprises: £100k refurbishment, and £25k plant upgrade. Majority of enhancement works have been instructed and are targeted for completion end August/early September.
RCP Front Footpath Improvements	15	15				15		Aim to procure this work at the same time as substantive development.
RCP Visitor Centre	285	344				344		Consultation event with Friends of RCP. Final design sent to members. Current consultation with planning and NCC as landowners regarding footpath diversion.
Extnal Door/Window Upgrades Various Sites	50	50				50		
Covid Memorial Garden		20				15	(5)	Cabinet 8 June 2021 refers.

Capital Grant Funding		40	10	10	35	(5)	£10k committed, £10k provisionally awarded; and £15k earmarked for a pending application. Potential saving of £5k.
RCP Vehicle Access Controls	15	15			15		Scope of works being finalised: tender preparation to follow alongside main works.
Play Areas - Special Expense	50	110			150	40	Planned upgrade work to the structure and equipment at Abbey Park and Alford Rd. Pre-tender estimate for Abbey Park £75k and Alford Rd £75k. To twin track both schemes will require an acceleration of £40k from 22-23 capital programme provision (£50k). Abbey park scheme sent via the ward councillor to the community association for consultation, awaiting feedback
Boundary Rd Cycle Track Special Expense		78			78		Contractor appointed, awaiting discharge of planning condition and confirmation of start on site date. (Still waiting on discharge and programme's start date)

RCP Skatepark		144	144	136	(8)	144		ROSPA Safety report signed off and final contract payment processed. Potential for a small cost towards fencing improvement to the swale (awaiting quotes for this work)
West Park Public Toilet Upgrade		20					(20)	Deferred to 22/23
West Park Julien Cahn Pavilion	115	115					(115)	Scheme to be reveiwed, deferred to 22/23 capital programme.
Skateboard Parks		112				112		£72k committed for RCP Skatepark; £40k earmarked for Keyworth. (Keyworth have submitted some grant bids in an effort to get match funding and established a go fund me page).
Warm Homes on Prescription	25	25	6		(6)	25		
	3,848	7,726	781	324	(457)	5,608	(2,118)	
FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES								
Information Systems Strategy	330	460	45	20	(25)	505	45	£20k expenditure to date with a potential further commitment of £485k will lead to an overspend of £45k. This sum will need to be accelerated from the 22/23 provision.

Streetwise Loan 20/21	150	150				100	(50)	Streetwise unlikely to need full amount of this loan.
	480	610	45	20	(25)	605	(5)	
CONTINGENCY								
Contingency	100	250					(250)	No allocation requests to date.
	100	250					(250)	
TOTAL	28,158	35,602	6,001	1,714	(4,287)	32,765	(2,837)	

Appendix E

Budget Monitoring for Special	Expense Area	as - Quarter	1	Appendix
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	2021/22 Original	Forecast P3	Forecast Variance	Reasons for variance
	£	£	£	
West Bridgford				
Parks & Playing Fields	413,600	418,400	4,800	Play Area Repairs
West Bridgford Town Centre	91,400	91,400	0	
Community Halls	56,900	76,700	19,800	Gamston Community Hall - loss of income due to being used as a Covid Vaccination Centre
Annuity Charges	80,700	80,700	0	
RCCO	50,000	50,000	0	
Sinking Fund (The Hook)	20,000	20,000	0	
Total	712,600	737,200	24,600	
Government Covid Grant	0	0	-19,900	
Net	712,600	737,200	4,700	Deficit net of government grant
Keyworth				
Cemetery	7,900	7,900	0	
Annuity Charge	1,300	1,300	0	
Total	9,200	9,200	0	
Ruddington				
Cemetery & Annuity Charges	11,100	11,100	0	
Total	11,100	11,100	0	
	700.000	767 600	4 700	
TOTAL SPECIAL EXPENSES	732,900	757,500	4,700	