

SUMMARY OF 2021/22 REVENUE OUTTURN

	Approved Budget	Actual Expenditure/ (Income)	Variance from Approved Budget Adverse / (Favourable)
	£'000	£'000	£'000
<u>Operational Costs</u>			
Employee Costs	24,390	23,873	(517)
Premises Costs	2,100	2,125	25
Supplies & Services	2,478	2,462	(16)
Transport Costs	609	567	(42)
Support Services	412	373	(39)
Capital Finance Costs	1,198	1,198	-
Income / Grants	(1,629)	(1,545)	84
Section 31 Grant - Business Rates	(1,403)	(1,791)	(388)
Section 31 Grant - Pension	(1,409)	(1,409)	-
Section 31 Grant - External Audit		(13)	(13)
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<u>Contribution from Reserves</u>			
Collection Fund	(93)	(93)	-
Budget Support Fund	(398)	(398)	-
<u>Contribution to Reserves</u>			
Budget Support Fund	-	475	475
Collection Fund Deficit	-	388	388
Transfer to Budget Support Fund	26,255	26,212	(43)

Details of the revenue outturn variances are summarised below:

Employee costs - there was a 2.11% underspend (**£0.517m**) on the pay budget which reflects a higher than anticipated number of retirements. Four recruits' courses, August and February for whole-time, May and November for retained, stabilised staffing numbers. Clearly this position was operationally challenging, although services to our community were maintained and additional support provided for the Covid response across a range of areas.

Premises Costs - the **£0.025m** overspend is the net result of significant overspends in utilities (£0.035m electricity and £0.047m gas), and underspend on rates (£0.197m) due to a successful rates review backdated over several years, and an overspend (£0.140m) on planned and reactive property maintenance, in part relating to the catchup from Covid.

Supplies and Services - the net underspend (**£0.016m**) relates to new ways of working introduced throughout the Covid response such as reduced stationery and printing, there was a lower take up of occupational health appointments due to Covid restrictions which resulted in a £0.040m underspend on the contract. Offsetting these was an overspend in relation to computing hardware, cyber insurance, and operational equipment.

Transport Costs - the underspend (**£0.042m**) relates to vehicle spare parts and running costs being lower than estimated.

Support Services - the underspend (**£0.039m**) relates to legal support and members allowances, travel, and subsistence.

Income and grants - were below budget **£0.084m** as the Home Office identified a funding error in the FireLink Grant reducing our in-year funds by £0.034m, changes to back office arrangements with our own CFB Risk Management Company CIC £0.027m under budget and generally an under achievement in various income streams (special services, COMAH, room hire etc.) due to the first six months of the year being under Covid restrictions net £0.023m.

Contributions to Reserves - a number of contributions were made in relation to the Budget Support Fund which supports financial resilience.

Commissioned Services to fund expenditure in 2021/22.

Collection Fund deficit to address the impact of Covid on Council Tax and Business Rate income.

Property Reserve to fund schemes deferred from 2020/21.

Transfer to/from Budget Support Fund - a managed contribution of **£0.475m** was made, which will help the Authority manage ongoing financial risks and uncertainty. The net final position (**£0.043m**) will also be transferred to the Budget Support Fund.