



Update Summary Report

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Monitoring of the Force Budget 2013/14 – Position as at 30 September 13

SUMMARY

Revenue Budget – The updated budget for 2013/14 is £401.631m. This reflects the budget decrease of £17.225m as approved at the budget seminar on 4th September 2013 and the increase of £1.493m approved in the Spending Pressure Paper 3. Of the £ 17.225m reduction, £6.900m has been removed from the budget to diminish the need to draw down from General Balances and £10.325m has been transferred to three earmarked reserves as follows; Organisational Change Fund £ 4m; Insurance Reserve £ 2.4m; Capital Financing Reserve £ 3.925m As at 30 September 2013 budget was underspent by £0.877m (0.45%) against profiled budgets.

Capital Budget – The updated budget for 2013/14 is £29.714m. This includes a budget increase in the month of £219k all due to contributions from revenue, £190k to fund the confidential network at PND sites, £15k granted in Spending Pressure Paper 3 as additional budget for the FOI team IT system and £13k to fund the purchase of capture cars for the Leeds District. Expenditure as at 30 September 2013 was £2.588m with commitments of £6.621m.

Significant Revenue Under / Overspending Areas

As at 30 September 13 the main areas of saving are; £225k in the forensic submissions budget, £163k in Travel & Subsistence due to minor savings across many divisions and departments in the Force, £149k in Computers and Communications mainly due to NPAS credits into the Airwave budget within Operations Support and £143k in Staff Overtime mainly due to savings in Bank Holiday Overtime within Divisions. The only significant overspending area as at 30 September 13 is £201k in Police Overtime due to overspending mutual aid projects such as Op Sponsor and Op Solentina within Operations Support.

Savings Targets

As at 30 September 2013 all individual departmental and district savings targets are on track to be achieved.

Budget Pressures

During the month Spending Pressure Paper 3 has been added to the budget which increased the Force budget by £1.493m. This brings a total of £3.875m being utilised from the devolvement reserve which totalled £4.000m at the start of the financial year.

Revenue Outturn Forecast

The Force has planned savings of £17.225m which are on track to be delivered. However there are further additional forecast savings in the region of £2.000m. Some of these savings are one off and some are recurrent. The details around the savings is still being firmed up and is predominantly made up of the following; £300k in ops vehicle fleet, £ 350k in the Forensic budget, £ 300k cleaning budget, £ 300k additional IT savings, £ 200k rents, £ 200k LGC income and £ 150k operational meals .

Looking Forward Beyond 2013/14

The latest forecast is that £68m of further savings during the three years 2014/15 to 2016/17 will be required. The latest information on leavers in that 897 Police Officers and 254 net police staff (excluding PCSOs) will leave the organisation between 2013/14 and 2016/17. Police recruitment of 70 officers per annum has been assumed for the years 2014/15 to 2016/17. These plans ensure that the budget is balanced over the period of the Medium Term Financial Forecast.