

WYPCC – Briefing Paper

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SUBJECT OF ADVICE: MONITORING OF THE FORCE BUDGET 2013/14 – POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2013

Summary:

The updated 2013/14 Revenue budget is £401.631m. This reflects the budget reduction of £17.225 discussed at the Budget Planning Seminar on 4 September 2013 and increased expenditure of £1.493m approved in the Spending Pressure Paper 3. This funding has been drawn down from the Devolvement Reserve.

As at 30 September 2013, the budget is underspent by £0.877m against the budget profile. The only significant overspend is £201k on police overtime. This is linked to two Mutual Aid operations and the costs are recoverable.

All individual departmental and district savings targets for 2013/14 are on track to be achieved.

The Force will achieve the £10.507m of savings requirement to balance the 2013/14 budget. A further £17.225m of savings is being delivered in year and this has been reflected in the updated Revenue Budget (and movement of funds in reserves). The latest outturn forecast is that a further saving of £2m could be achieved.

The latest Capital budget is £29.714m. This incorporates slippage from 2012/13 and funding for the National Police Air Service (£10m). Expenditure at 30 September 2013 is £2.588m with commitments of £6.621m. Work is currently underway to review the progress of individual schemes and assess the likely outturn position, particularly in relation to the National Police Air Service schemes.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the PCC is assured of the close monitoring of the 2013/14 Revenue and Capital budgets and by confirmation of the progress being made in delivering the 2013/14 savings targets, as part of the force's longer term financial planning strategy.

APPENDICES:



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