

First Quarter Financial Update 2021/22

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Part A

Executive Summary & Overview



This report provides members with the financial position as at 30 June 2021, covering activity for both the Council as a whole and this committee's revenue and capital accounts for the first quarter of 2021/22.

Members will be aware of the significant uncertainty in the 2021/22 budget estimates arising from the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, both in relation to demands on the Council to respond and the speed of local economic recovery. Financial support from central government received during 2020/21 continues to support specific activities, and the unringfenced Covid-19 grant of £860,000 will be used to support recovery and renewal activities.

In addition, the Council will shortly be applying for the final round of funding under the government's sales, fees and charges compensation scheme covering income losses between April – June 2021 measured against the 2020/21 income budget. This is expected to be the final allocation of unringfenced Covid-19 funding from central government.

The headlines for Quarter 1 are as follows:

Part B: Revenue budget – Q1 2021/22

- Overall net expenditure at the end of Quarter 1 for the services reporting to ERL is £0.309m, compared to the approved profiled budget of £0.328m, representing an underspend of £0.019m.

Part C: Capital budget – Q1 2021/22

- Capital expenditure at the end of Quarter 1 was £0.543m against a total budget of £4.453m. Forecast spend for the year is £2.563m.

Part B

First Quarter Revenue Budget 2021/22



B2) Revenue Budget

B1.1 The table below provides a detailed summary on the budgeted net income position for ERL services at the end of Quarter 1. The financial figures are presented on an accruals basis (e.g. expenditure for goods and services received, but not yet paid for, is included).

ERL Revenue Budget & Outturn – Quarter 1

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
Cost Centre	Approved Budget for Year £000	Budget to 30 June 2021 £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Forecast 31 March 2022 £000	Forecast Variance 31 March 2022 £000
Cultural Development Arts	12	3	2	1	12	0
Museum	19	-21	-28	6	19	0
Carriage Museum	4	0	1	-1	4	0
Museum-Grant Funded Activities	0	-8	-19	11	0	0
Hazlitt Arts Centre	292	86	72	14	292	0
Festivals and Events	-25	-23	0	-23	-25	0
Lettable Halls	-4	-1	-3	2	-4	0
Community Halls	76	24	17	8	76	0
Leisure Centre	-176	-44	-38	-6	-176	0
Mote Park Adventure Zone	-72	-37	-51	14	-72	0
Cobtree Golf Course	-35	0	0	0	-35	0
Mote Park Cafe	-33	2	-14	16	-33	0
Tourism	18	4	-10	14	18	0
Museum Shop	-21	-5	-1	-5	-21	0
Maintenance of Closed Churchyards	11	3	0	3	11	0
Sandling Road Site	26	7	7	0	26	0
Business Support & Enterprise	5	5	5	0	5	0
Business Terrace	82	53	51	2	82	0
Business Terrace Expansion (Phase 3)	-11	-3	23	-26	-11	0
Market	-41	16	38	-22	-41	0
Economic Dev - Promotion & Marketing	11	10	9	1	11	0
Leisure Services Section	56	26	24	2	56	0
Cultural Services Section	411	103	104	-2	411	0
Visitor Economy Section	117	29	29	0	117	0
Economic Development Section	190	61	54	7	190	0
Market Section	87	22	15	7	87	0
Head of Regeneration and Economic Development	97	25	22	3	97	0
Salary Slippage	-34	-8	0	-8	-34	0
Total	1,064	328	309	19	1,064	0

B1.2 The table shows that at the end of the first quarter overall net expenditure for the services reporting to ERL is £0.309m, compared to the approved profiled budget of £0.328m, representing an underspend of £0.019m.

B1.3 At this stage there are no adverse variances to report for this Committee.

Part C

First Quarter Capital Budget 2021/22



B1) Capital Budget: Economic Regeneration & Leisure Committee (ERL)

B1.1 The position of the 2021/22 ERL element of the Capital Programme at the Quarter 1 stage is presented in Table 3 below. The budget for 2021/22 includes resources brought forward from 2020/21.

ERL Capital Programme 2021/22 (@ Quarter 1)

Capital Programme Heading	Adjusted Estimate 2021/22 £000	Actual to June 2021 £000	Budget Remaining £000	Q2 Profile £000	Q3 Profile £000	Q4 Profile £000	Projected	Projected
							Total Expenditure £000	Slippage to 2022/23 £000
Mote Park Visitor Centre & Estate Services Building	2,776	8	2,768	375	500	500	1,383	1,393
Mote Park Lake - Dam Works	672	25	647	100	50		175	497
Mall Bus Station Redevelopment	1,006	511	495	495			1,006	
Total	4,453	543	3,910	970	550	500	2,563	1,890

B1.2 Comments on the variances in the table above are as follows:

Mote Park Visitor Centre & Estate Services Building – Construction works are now underway, and the new centre will open in 2022.

Mote Park Lake Dam Works – This scheme is now substantially complete, although some works to a sluice gate are yet to be completed. The figures in the appendix for these works are indicative pending an update on the actual costs of these works.