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Committee: Budget Planning Committee
Date: Thursday 6 April 2017
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor Nicholas Mawer (Chairman)	Councillor Douglas Webb (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor David Anderson	Councillor Ken Atack
Councillor Hugo Brown	Councillor Ian Corkin
Councillor Carmen Griffiths	Councillor Alan MacKenzie-Wintle
Councillor Andrew McHugh	Councillor Barry Richards
Councillor Tom Wallis	Councillor Sean Woodcock

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

4. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman.

5. Exclusion of Press and Public

The following items contain exempt information as defined in the following paragraphs of Part 1, Schedule 12A of Local Government Act 1972.

3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Members are reminded that whilst the following item has been marked as exempt, it is for the meeting to decide whether or not to consider it in private or in public. In making the decision, members should balance the interests of individuals or the Council itself in having access to the information. In considering their discretion members should also be mindful of the advice of Council Officers.

Should Members decide not to make a decision in public, they are recommended to pass the following recommendation:

“That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the ground that, if the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part 1, Paragraph 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.”

6. Solihull Partnership Presentation

Officers from Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council will give a presentation to review the current status and an opportunity for committee to ask questions

7. Solihull Partnership

The Commercial Director will provide a verbal update to the Committee

8. Re-admittance of Press and Public

The Committee to resolve to re-admit the Press and Public.

9. Quarter 3 2016-17 - Update to Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report (Pages 1 - 4)

** Please note that the appendix to this report are to follow as they are currently being reviewed and finalised by the Commercial Director. **

Report of the Chief Finance Officer

Purpose of Report

This report provides an update to the Council's Revenue and Capital position for the first nine months of the financial year 2016-17 and projections for the full year as requested at the meeting of this Committee on 28 February 2017.

Recommendations

- 1.1 To review the update to the projected revenue and capital position at the end of December 2016, which provides additional information relating to significant revenue variances and slippage against the capital programme, and make any comments to Executive.

Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members Room at the end of the meeting.

Information about this Meeting

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence should be notified to democracy@cherwellandsouthnorthants.gov.uk or 01295 221591 prior to the start of the meeting.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item.

Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

Members are reminded that any member who is two months in arrears with Council Tax must declare the fact and may speak but not vote on any decision which involves budget setting, extending or agreeing contracts or incurring expenditure not provided for in the agreed budget for a given year and could affect calculations on the level of Council Tax.

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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Interim Head of Paid Service

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Cherwell District Council

Special Budget Planning Committee

6 April 2017

Quarter 3 2016-17 – Update to Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report

Report of the Chief Finance Officer

This report is public

Purpose of report

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1.0 Recommendations

Budget Planning Committee is recommended:

- 1.1 To review the update to the projected revenue and capital position at the end of December 2016, which provides additional information relating to significant revenue variances and slippage against the capital programme, and make any comments to Executive.

2.0 Introduction

- 2.1 The Council's revenue and capital position to the end of December 2016 was reported to the Budget Planning Committee at its meeting on 28 February 2017. Further information relating to significant variances on revenue budgets and slippage on the capital programme was requested by the committee.

3.0 Report Details

Projected Revenue Outturn 2016-17

- 3.1 Further information was requested in relation to significant variances against revenue budgets, this information is presented at Appendix 1. This appendix will follow as it is being finalised as at the date of the publication of this report.

Projected Capital Outturn 2016-17

3.2 The committee requested additional information relating to projected slippage against the capital programme which mainly relates to the following schemes:

- £2.5m for the NW Bicester Eco Business Centre where a procurement exercise is underway and it is anticipated that the majority of spend will occur in 2017/18.
- £0.15m for the North Oxfordshire Academy Astroturf project which is delayed.
- £0.15m for the Bicester Leisure Centre Extension where feasibility studies have just commenced.
- £0.181m for Wheeled Bin Replacement where delivery has been delayed.

This additional information is presented at Appendix 2. This appendix will follow as it is being finalised as at the date of the publication of this report.

4.0 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendations

4.1 It is recommended that:

- The contents of this report are reviewed.

5.0 Consultation

Cllr Ken Atack – Lead Member
for Financial Management

Cllr Atack is content with the report and
supportive of the recommendations contained
within it.

6.0 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

6.1 The following alternative options have been identified and rejected for the reasons as set out below.

6.2 Option 1: This report provides further detail on the Council's performance against the 2016-17 Financial Targets for Revenue and Capital, as such no further options have been considered. However, members may wish to request that officers provide further additional information.

7.0 Implications

Financial and Resource Implications

- 7.1 These are contained in the body of the report. There are no direct costs or other direct financial implications arising from this report.

Comments checked by:

Sanjay Sharma, Corporate Finance Manager

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Legal Implications

- 7.2 There are no legal implications. Presentation of this report is in line with the CIPFA Code of Practice.

Comments checked by:

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Risk management

- 7.3 The position to date highlights the relevance of maintaining a minimum level of reserves and budget contingency to absorb the financial impact of changes during the year. Any increase in risk will be escalated through the corporate risk register.

Comments checked by:

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Equality and Diversity

- 7.4 Impact assessments were carried out in advance of setting the 2016-17 budget.

Comments checked by:

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8.0 Decision Information

Wards Affected

All

Links to Corporate Plan and Policy Framework

All

Lead Councillor

Councillor Ken Atack – Lead Member for Financial Management

Document Information

Appendix No	Title
Appendix 1	Update on Revenue Expenditure 2016-17 (to follow)
Appendix 2	Update on Capital Expenditure 2016-17 (to follow)
Background Papers	
None	
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