

West Wiltshire District Council

Cabinet

20 July 2005

Title: **Financial Monitoring 2005-06**

Portfolio Holder: **Cllr Carbin – Finance Portfolio Holder**

Reporting Officer: **Steve Harding – Management Accountant**

Key Decision: **No**

1 Purpose

To inform members of the Council's financial position for the period ending 31 May 2005.

2 Financial Performance

Capital Expenditure

- The approved Capital Programme for 2005-06 was set at £4.090m gross, but slippage from the previous year has been added together with the following schemes:
 - Community area plan implementation £35k, which will be financed from external contributions
 - Discretionary housing grants £100k to be funded from a virement from disabled facilities grants
 - Beech Grove play area £55k to be funded by £50k contributions and £5k from general play area budget
 - 25% of this years PDG must be on capital and £97k of allocation is on items that can be capitalised
 - Kingsbury Square hostel improvements; £333k previously approved
 - RDA has given £27k for further work on Transforming Trowbridge.

The revised programme, detailed in appendix 1, stands at £6.334m gross reduced to £4.586m net after external funding.

- Estimated slippage to future years is currently at £0.787m
- Gross Spend to 31 May 2005 was £1.037m.

Investment Income

The performance of the Council's investments to 31 May 2005:

- Average Amount Invested £ 2,248,687
- Total Return £ 94,933
- Rate of Return 4.60%
- Average 7 day notice rate 4.68%
- Total investment income received to date is £ 95k. The net investment budget for the year is £305k. Net income for the year will exceed this, because of slippage in the capital programme, and is forecast at £355k.

General Fund Spend to Date

- The base budget for 2005/06 is £12.382
- Expenditure to 31 May for the General Fund is £ 2.010m
- Compared to the profiled budget the underspend is £0.088m.

Projected General Fund Out-turn

The projected out-turn on the General Fund was £12.401m taking into account:

- 'One-off' pressures to be funded from the 2004/05 underspend that was added to the General Fund balance
- Land charges income is below budgeted levels and is not expected to recover giving a shortfall of £100k
- Investment income will be £50k higher because of slippage in the capital programme
- Commercial property has high occupancy levels and should generate and additional rental income of £30k
- Car parking enforcement is generating additional income of £20k.

The main changes are:

Base Budget		£m
		12.382
	£k	
Additional costs:		
'One-off' pressures	171	
Land charges income	100	
Grounds central contract	7	
Environmental health review	<u>14</u>	
		292
Savings:		
Car parks excess charges	(20)	
Investment Interest	(50)	
Commercial property income	(30)	
Contribution from reserves	<u>(171)</u>	(271)
Projected Out-turn		<u>12.401</u>

The position is being closely monitored and regular reports will be presented to Corporate Management Team, Cabinet and Scrutiny. A more detailed review will be carried out at the end of June to address the £19k projected yearend shortfall.

Contingency Fund

The position on the contingency fund is:

	£k	
Base Budget	100	
Allocated		
Leisure contract payment	23	
Balance	<u>77</u>	-

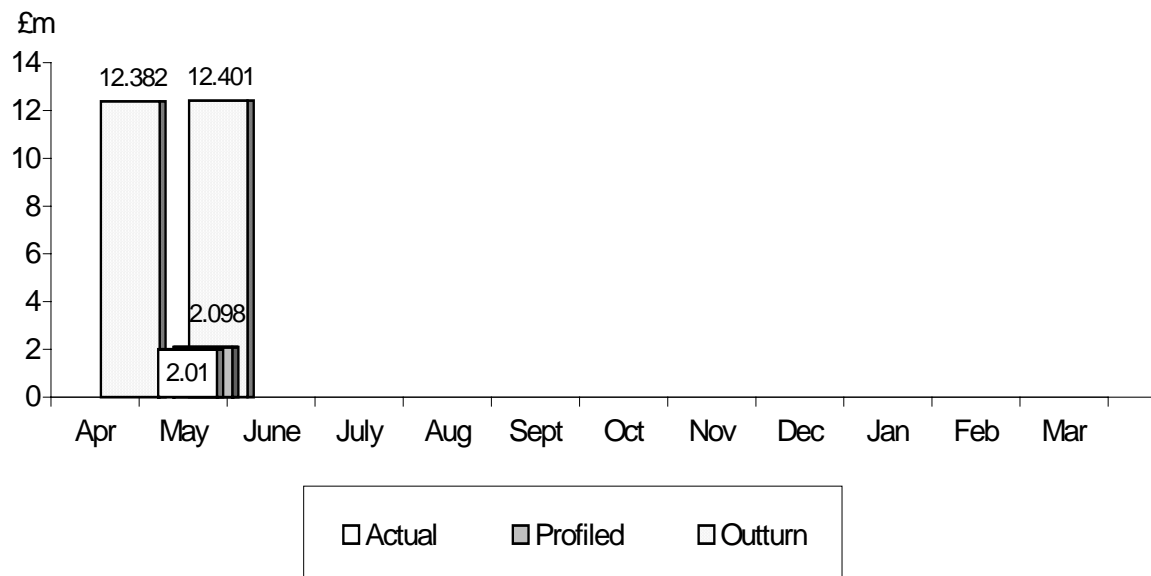
There will be additional payments to the contractor for loss of income when Christie Miller Sports Centre is closed for repairs.

Projected General Fund Out-turn

The projected out-turn on the General Fund is £12.401m.

A graph showing the month by month changes is given below:

General Fund Month by Month Analysis




Legal Implications: There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Human Rights Implications: The Human Rights implications of the actions recommended in this report have been considered and are acceptable and the checklist has been addressed.

3 Recommendations

- I. Members note the report
- II. Council is requested to approve the amended capital programme of £6.334m.

 Plain English guidance given

29 June 2005

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