Shropshire Council Legal and Democratic Services Shirehall Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury SY2 6ND

Date: Tuesday, 6 September 2022

Committee: Performance Management Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 14 September 2022

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting. The Agenda is attached

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

2 Disclosable Interests

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3 Minutes of Last Meeting

To approve the Minutes of the Performance Management Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 13 July 2022, **to follow**

4 Public Question Time

To receive any questions, statements or petitions from the public of which members of the public have given notice. Deadline for notification for this meeting is 5.00 pm on Thursday 8 September 2022

5 Member Question Time

To receive any questions of which members of the Council have given notice. Deadline for notification for this meeting is 5.00 pm on Thursday 8 September 2022.

6 Financial Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2022/23 (Pages 1 - 36)

Report attached

Contact: James Walton, Executive Director of Resources, 01743 258915

7 **Performance Monitoring Report Quarter 1** (Pages 37 - 52)

Report attached

Contact: James Walton, Executive Director of Resources, 01743 258915

8 Financial Strategy Task and Finish Group terms of reference

Report to follow.

Contact: Danial Webb, Overview and Scrutiny Officer, 01743 258509

9 Work Programme

Verbal Report

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Agenda Item 6

Cabinet 7th September 2022; Financial Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2022/23

	Committee and Date	Item
Shropshire	Cabinet 7 th September 2022	
	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee	<u>Public</u>
	14 September 2022	
Financial Mo	nitoring Report Quarter 1	2022/23

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1. Synopsis

The Council's projected financial position presents cause for concern although time remains to correct this. We must manage ongoing demand for social care services and the impact of inflation. While this is a challenging position, this council is not alone in facing these issues.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1. This report estimates the Council's year end position based on information over the period 1^{st} April 2022 to 31^{st} July 2022.
- 2.2. The council continues to face significant uncertainty and this first quarter of this year has presented the Council with significant cost pressures in increased demand in many areas of service. Inflation is increasing, threatening a recessionary period, and is exacerbated by the cost of living crisis. The council is no longer receiving government funding for Covid-19 (£7.6m last year), although many of the impact and associated costs are continuing. For example, the high number of children brought into care during the pandemic remain in care, there is a shortage of carers in the domiciliary care market, and the national changes to the workforce landscape which is presenting recruitment and retention issues across the Council.
- 2.3. The key issues highlighted by this report are that:
 - <u>Revenue</u>: The projected revenue outturn position is estimated (by use of a 'control corridor') to be an overspend of between £4.138m and £17.506m, with a 'best estimate' at this early stage of £9.373m. The lowest overspend shown within the control corridor would leave the General Fund balance as at 31st March 2023 below the recommended level, but still viable.

- Focussed management action across all areas is being taken and will continue over the coming months, to manage the uncertainty and bring the budget closer to overall balance. This includes maximising and accelerating the delivery of planned savings.
- <u>Capital</u>: The projected capital outturn is £121.129m, in line with the current budget with current capital expenditure of £24.234m, (20% of the budget at Quarter 1, with 33% of the year elapsed).
- In 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25, capital receipts are currently projected to be lower than those required for the programme. Urgent action is required to bring to market those assets identified for disposal in both the current and future years.
- 2.4. To promote good financial management of our (more volatile) revenue budgets, financial reporting will be guided by a control corridor as it was last year. This sets out an estimate of the upper (worst case) and lower (best case) limits of our projections. Within this, we will continue to provide a best estimate of our position. This 'best estimate' and the overall corridor parameters will change as we go through the year as new issues emerge, and as management actions take effect.

Control Corridor	Estimated over or (under)spend
Upper Estimate (realistic worst case)	£17.506m
Current 'best estimate'	£9.373m
Lower Estimate (realistic best case)	£4.138m

- 2.5. The current projection makes some key assumptions regarding social care costs. The upper estimate of the estimated overspend within the control corridor takes into account all known risks in the social care budget position.
- 2.6. In relation to adult social care, during the pandemic, Covid-19 grant funding flowed from the Government via the NHS to fund Council packages of care for service users as they were discharged from hospital. This funding has now ceased officially, however the local authority has been successful in negotiations with NHS partners to obtain further funding to cover modelled costs of 'reablement' support for those leaving hospital. The best estimate for Adult Social Care Operations assumes that all resulting 'reablement' costs will be reimbursed by NHS partners, however costs are significant and volatile; the risk of full reimbursement not being achieved is included within the control corridor.
- 2.7. In relation to children's social care, Shropshire's number of looked after children has increased as follows, driving spending increases as a result:
 - 399 (April 2020)

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- 505 (April 2021)
- 610 (April 2022)
- 2.8. The Council's 'Stepping Stones' programme aims to reduce the number of looked after children in residential care, and forecast costs for the year assume that (£1.823m) of current estimated costs will be reduced through this.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1. It is recommended that Members:
 - A. Note that at the end of Quarter 1 (31st July 2021), the full year revenue forecast is a potential overspend of between £4.138m and £17.506m, with best estimates indicating an overall overspend of £9.373m;
 - B. Considers the detrimental impact of this on the Council's General Fund balance and mitigating actions urgently required to avoid this.

REPORT

4. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

4.1 The management of the Council's Budget is a key process in ensuring the strategic risks are mitigated and the Council can carry out the business as intended and planned for within The Shropshire Plan. The current economic climate in the UK presents specific risks including the changes to the bank rate and the pressures from inflation which require active management . The Council is also experiencing locally the nationally reported shift in the labour market which is making recruitment more difficult. Actions are being put in place to ensure that our employment offer is attractive within the market and well publicised.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. This report sets out the financial projections for the Council in the 2022/23 Financial Year. Full details of projected spend in both the revenue and capital budgets are detailed in section 8-12 of this report.

6. Climate Change Appraisal

6.1. The Council's Financial Strategy supports its strategies for Climate Change and Carbon Reduction in a number of ways. A specific climate change revenue budget is held and spend is included in Appendix 1 to this report. The climate change schemes involving the Council's assets or infrastructure are included within the capital programme of which further detail can be found within Appendix 7.

7. Background

- 7.1. Budget monitoring reports are produced quarterly for Cabinet and the budget position is reported monthly to Executive Directors, highlighting the anticipated year end projection.
- 7.2. The monitoring reports track progress against agreed budget decisions, consider any budget changes (including re-profiling on Capital), forecast any significant variances to the budget, and enable corrective action to be taken to ensure a balanced budget at year end.
- 7.3. Council approved the Financial Strategy 2022/23 2026/27 on 24 February 2022 which outlined the revenue and capital budget for 2022/23. Since that date there have been a number of factors that have specifically impacting on the 2022/23 financial year. These include:
 - Increased inflationary pressures
 - Work on short term budget savings
- 7.4. As a result, a review of the Financial Strategy was considered at Cabinet on 20th July 2022. This showed that the inflationary pressures identified for 2022/23 were anticipated to be offset by the short term budget savings identified, and this report builds on these projections, following the first 4 months of transactions in this financial year.

8. Projected Revenue Outturn

8.1. At Quarter 1 (Period 4), the Council is reporting a forecast overspend of £9.373m. Table 1 below summarises the position by directorate (see Appendix 1A and 1B), including latest projections on funding. A breakdown of the projected outturn by portfolio holder is detailed in Appendix 1C.

Directorate	Revised Budget (£'000)	Year to Date (£'000)	Forecast Outturn (£'000)	Under/ Overspend (£'000)
Corporate Budgets	(54,398)	(6,295)	(56,445)	(2,047)
Health and Wellbeing	2,460	4,768	2,321	(139)
People	198,909	97,461	203,514	4,605
Place	71,430	26,238	78,925	7,496
Resources	6,201	23,302#	5,675	(526)
Strategic Management Board	15	511#	(1)	(16)
Total Net Position	224,616	145,984	233,990	9,373
Funded By:				
Council Tax	(180,285)	(73,642)	(180,285)	0
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Business Rates	(36,844)	(15,939)	(36,844)	0
Top Up Grant	(10,031)		(10,031)	0
Revenue Support Grant	(6,450)		(6,450)	0
Collection Fund	8,994	8,994	8,994	0
(Surplus)/Deficit				
Total	0	65,397	9,373	9,373

#internal market charges have not yet been processed, so net expenditure is overinflated for support services.

- 8.2. The majority of the current forecast overspend can be summarised as:
 - £5.0m inflationary budget pressures across the Council, including increased fuel and utility costs and increased contract costs, including the agreed uplift to adult social care provider fees
 - £4.8m unachieved savings, largely relating to Corporate Landlord, Property and Development
 - £2.4m budget pressures in Children's Social Care and Safeguarding.
 - £2.4m underachievement of income budgets, particularly within Place directorate.
 - Offset by (£5.2m) underspends across the Council, principally through vacancy management savings and release of MRP budgets.
- 8.3. The £9.373m overspend that is currently forecast is after the application of £13.110m of additional funding for service delivery in the current year, compared to last year (as agreed by Full Council in February 2022). The key components of that growth were: funding for budget pressures identified during 2021/22 (£3.9m); savings not achievable (£3.8m); and growth applied for Highways budgets (£3.8m).

9. Income

9.1 The revenue budget is funded by £250.7m of income including specific government grants and retained local taxation receipts and £122.2m of income through fees and charges (included in service area net spending). Appendix 2 provides analysis of the current projection of specific government grant income by directorate, including any new allocations, and highlights the current delivery of income through fees and charges charged in services.

10. Savings

10.1. The savings projections for 2022/23 have been RAG rated and are presented in Appendix 3. This includes both savings agreed as part of the 2022/23 budget strategy and additional tactical budget savings. These projections show that 44% of the 2022/23 savings required have been rated as green with a further 33% with plans in place to be delivered (rated amber).

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Table 2: Savings Delivery in 2022/23

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Directorate	Red (£'000)	Amber (£'000)	Green (£'000)	Total (£'000)
Corporate Budgets	0	0	50	50
Health and Wellbeing	0	25	184	209
People	236	1,711	1,083	3,030
Place	4,426	1,580	2,707	8,713
Resources	172	0	511	683
Strategic Management Board	0	0	9	9
Tactical Budget Savings	0	3,680	4,800	8,480
Total Savings	4,834	6,996	9,344	21,174

11. Reserves

- 11.1 The 2022/23 budget strategy included a contribution of £4.028m to the General Fund balance which would then reach £15.550m, which is a safer level given the current profile of external financial risks. This is shown in the table below, and in appendix 5.
- 11.2 If the current projected overspend is not mitigated by appropriate management action and actually occurs, it would need to be funded from the General Fund balance, resulting in an outturn level of ± 6.177 m.
- 11.3 This is an unsafe level for this balance to remain at, as it would limit the ability of the council to mitigate any further unforeseen shocks such as ongoing inflationary increases, climate events such as flooding and drought, or rapid reductions in available resources due to changed national policy.

General Fund	£′000
Balance as at 1 st April	11,522
Budgeted Contribution in 2022/23	4,028
Resulting Balance	15,550
2022/23 Current Projected Outturn (this report)	(9,373)
Potential General Fund Balance as at 31 st March	6,177

12. Capital

12.1 The current capital programme and actual spend is detailed in Table3 below, including updated projections on financing of the programme. Further detail is provided in Appendix 7.

Directorate	2022/23 Revised Capital Programme (£'000)	2022/23 Actual Spend (£'000)	2022/23 % Budget Spend (£'000)	2023/24 Capital Programme (£'000)	2024/25 Capital Programme (£'000)		
Health and Wellbeing	-	-	-	-	-		
People	27,686	2,112	7.63	14,850	2,000		
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Table 3: Projected Capital Programme Outturn

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Place	75,126	19,936	26.54	93,210	30,932	
Resources	486	26	5.42	1,000	-	
Total General Fund	103,298	22,074	21.37	109,060	32,932	
Housing Revenue Account	17,832	2,160	12.11	20,174	18,995	
Total Capital	121,129	24,234	20.01	129,234	51,927	
Programme						
Financed By:		*				
Borrowing	35,297			30,441	18,862	
Government Grants	36,228			75,911	25,237	
Other Grants	8,155			57	-	
Other Contributions	19,022			8,603	-	
Revenue Contributions	4,776			821	1,000	
to Capital						
Major Repairs Allowance	4,090			4,828	4,828	
Capital Receipts	13,561			8,573	2,000	
Total Financing	121,129			129,234	51,927	

12.2 The current capital programme assumes a level of capital receipts to finance the capital programme. Without these, the council may need to borrow externally, which would be more costly. Appendix 8 summarises the current capital receipt position and highlights both opportunities to secure receipts and the risk of increased revenue costs in future years.

13. Housing Revenue Account (HRA)

13.1 At Quarter 1 (Period 4), the HRA is projecting a minor overspend of $\pm 0.025m$ (0.13% of gross budget) due to reduced projected dwellings rent.

14. Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG)

- 14.1 There is no variance projected against the Central Allocation of Dedicated Schools Grant which is used to fund educational services provided on a Council wide basis to support all schools.
- 14.2 The Early Years Block DSG allocation for 2022-23 has increased to $\pm 17.368m$. At this early stage in the year, forecast expenditure is set to budget.
- 14.3 The High Needs Block DSG allocation for 2022/23 has increased to \pounds 29.443m, which is expected to offset increased expenditure seen through last year. The in-year position is showing nil variance and the cumulative level of DSG surplus is forecast to remain at £0.582m. A clearer picture for the outturn position for 2022-23 will emerge once the level of top-up funding to be distributed to schools and post-16 education providers is confirmed for the start of the new academic year.

15. Financial Management

15.1 Key indicators of financial management can be examined through the management of routine financial transactions that the Council undertakes on a day to day basis. In paying suppliers, the Council has adopted a no Purchase Order, no pay process which ensure that transactions are only processed with a valid, authorised purchase order, thereby ensuring prompt payments to suppliers on receipt of invoice. Another key indicator of financial management is the level of aged debt that the Council is managing. These indicators will be tracked during the course of the financial year to monitor progress and effectiveness. The indicators as at Quarter 1 are detailed in Appendix 9.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

Financial Strategy 2022/23 – 2026/27 Financial Rules

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder) Gwilym Butler – Portfolio Holder – Finance and Corporate Resources

Local Member

Appendices

Appendix 1A – 2022/23 Projected Revenue Outturn by Service Appendix 1B – 2022/23 Detailed Projected Revenue Outturn by Service Appendix 1C – 2022/23 Projected Revenue Outturn by Portfolio Holder Appendix 2 – 2022/23 Income Projections Appendix 3 – Delivery of 2022/23 Savings Proposals Appendix 4 – Reconciliation of Monitoring Projections to Savings Delivery Appendix 5 – Amendments to Original Budget 2022/23 Appendix 6 – Reserves 2022/23 Appendix 7 – Projected Capital Programme Outturn 2022/23 – 2024/25 Appendix 8 – Projected Capital Receipts Appendix 9 – Financial Management Indicators

APPENDIX 1A

2022/23 PROJECTED REVENUE OUTTURN BY SERVICE

Directorate	Last Year	Current Budget	Current Forecas	Current Varianc	Comments
Directorate	Outturn £′000	£'000	t £′000	е £′000	comments
Corporate Budgets	(53,552)	(54,398)	(56,255)	(2,047)	 (£1.517m) MRP requirement reduced due to capital programme slippage. (£0.658m) Net financing costs reduced due to capital programme slippage and changed economic environment. £0.128m additional fees (including external audit)
Health & Wellbeing					
Public Health	189	347	332	(14)	-
Regulatory Services	1,567	2,113	1,988	(124)	 Mainly due to staff vacancies, external secondments and one-off income from grants
Health & Wellbeing Total	1,756	2,460	2,321	(139)	
People					
Children's Social Care and Safeguarding	46,852	49,020	51,457	2,437	 £1.485m overspend on staffing due to use of agency workers £1.255m overspend on disabled children's care packages, care leavers, adoption allowances and internal residential home costs £1.086m overspend on supplies and
					 services and transport budgets (£1.388m) forecast underspend on placements, in anticipation of Stepping Stones project savings in year
Adult Social Care	115,564	119,409	120,750	1,340	 £1.715m forecast overspend on adult social care placements, mostly due to increased provider fees
					 £0.255m forecast overspend in Provider Services £0.138m telecare equipment maintenance
					 budget pressure £0.091m forecast overspend relating to supported living and transport costs
					 (£0.858m) underspend on employee budgets in social work and business support teams, due to vacant posts
Housing Services	3,928	4,528	5,150	623	 £0.740m pressure on temporary accommodation £0.152m unachieved income targets
					(£0.269m) in year savings on employee costs
Learning and Skills	18,350	19,652	19,865	212	 £0.500m estimated fuel inflation pressure in Home to School transport (£0.288m) variance relating to teachers'
					pension compensation payments and other underspends on employee-related costs
Children's Early Help, Partnerships and Commissioning	2,438	3,234	3,151	(82)	 Savings on employee budgets, as a result of delays in recruiting to new posts
Directorate Management	3,460	3,067	3,142	75	Mainly due to a one-off legal cost

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	Last	Current	Current	Current	
	Year	Budget	Forecas	Varianc	
Directorate	Outturn	E'000	t	e	Comments
	£′000	£ 000	£'000	£′000	
People Total	190,592	198,909	203,514	4,605	
	190,592	190,909	203,514	4,005	
Place					
Commercial	3,866	(2,540)	2,447	4,987	 £4.365m unachieved savings
Services			•		£0.639m inflationary pressures across
the second second	11 20 4	11 410	12.200	000	 utilities and maintenance £0.577m variance in Leisure due to
Homes and Communities	11,394	11,416	12,398	982	significant overspends at in-house leisure
Communicies					facilities and increased Serco contract
					costs
					 £0.232m forecast net overspend for Theatre Services
					 £0.163m forecast net overspend for
					Museums
					 £0.125m Shropshire Local pressure (£0.156m) variance in Trading Standards
					and Licensing, due to vacancies
Economy and	4,872	4,979	5,876	897	• £0.506m projected net loss of commercial
Place	7,072	т, <i>э, э</i>	5,070	057	income at Darwin Shopping Centre as
					rents are not increased as fast as planned
					due to changed economic conditions and to ensure that as many units as possible
					are occupied.
					• £0.398m forecast variance in Planning
					Services as a result of reduced income, unachieved savings and increased
					enforcement costs
Infrastructure	49,006	56,869	57,490	622	• £0.788m forecast variance in Environment
					and Transport (£0.197m abortive capital
					works and £0.521m budget pressure on parking income)
					 £0.526m variance in Waste, principally
					because of increased PFI contract
					inflationary costs • (£0.657m) variance in Highways; this
					favourable net position being the result of
					increased Streetworks income
Directorate	892	706	715	8	Minor variances
Management Place Total	70,030	71,430	78,925	7,496	
	70,030	/1,430	78,923	7,490	
Resources					
Finance and	2,258	4,157	3,798	(359)	• (£0.248m) net underspend in Finance and
Technology					Revenues and Benefits, as a result of
					additional grant income and staff vacancies
					• (£0.111m) net underspend in Automation
					and Technology, mainly due to in-year
					savings on salary and supplies and services budgets
Workforce and	(988)	514	443	(71)	 Predominantly employee budget savings
Improvement	()			()	as a result of vacancies in Risk
	1.076	954	904	/E1\	Management and Insurance Predominantly employee savings as a
Legal and Governance	1,076	954	904	(51)	 Predominancy employee savings as a result of vacancies in Audit (£0.038m) and
					Legal Services (£0.028m)
Communication	(87)	679	627	(52)	 In year savings as a result of staff
s and					vacancies
Engagement Treasury &	9	65	68	3	Minor variances
Pensions	9	65	00	5	
Directorate	106	(169)	(164)	4	Minor variances
Management		((-0.)		
Resources	2,374	6,201	5,675	(526)	
Total					

Directorate	Last Year Outturn £′000	Current Budget £'000	Current Forecas t £'000	Current Varianc e £'000	Comments
Strategic Management Board					
Chief Executive and PAs	(47)	(0)	(16)	(16)	Minor variances
Programme Management	0	15	15	0	Minor variances
Strategic Management Board Total	(47)	15	(1)	(16)	
TOTAL	211,152	224,616	234,180	9,373	

1B.1 DETAIL BY SERVICE AREA

CORPORATE BUDGETS	Full Year		
	Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £
Total	(54,397,990)	(56,444,759)	(2,046,769)

Corporate Budgets	(54,397,990)	(56,444,759)	(2,0466,769)
Forecast underspend due to s repayable on borrowing from so capital scheme slippage m budgets are expected to deliv is MRP and (£0.517m) is as a	the year after comp eans the MRP budge er in year savings c	oletion of a constr et and capital finar of (£1.517m), of w	ucted asset, and ncing costs hich (£1.000m)
Savings of (£0.513m) are also	expected against	interest payable b	udgets. The

Savings of $(\pounds 0.513m)$ are also expected against interest payable budgets. The interest payable budget does not include any new external borrowing. The interest payable budget includes the current fixed term debt charges only.

The interest receivable budget is expected to deliver additional income of $(\pounds 0.145m)$ due to changes in the Bank of England base rate compared to budget estimates.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING		Full Year	
	Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £
Total	2,459,530	2,320,837	(138,693)

Regulatory Services	2,112,620	1,988,351	(124,269)	
The majority of the forecast underspend of $(\pounds 0.124m)$ relates to vacancies in the Health Protection Team.				
Non Ring Fenced Public				
Health Services	306,990	292,566	(14,424)	
Minor variance from budget at Quarter 1.				
Ring Fenced Public Health				
Services	39,920	39,920	-	
No variance from budget at Qu	arter 1.			

	Full Year			
	Budget	Forecast £	Variance £	
Total	198,909,470	203,514,470	4,605,000	
			1,000,000	
People Directorate				
Management	3 066 750	3,141,687	74 937	
The £0.066m overspend within				
one-offlegal cost.				
Adult Social Care Business				
Support and Development		3,847,359		
• (£0.131m) underspend within	Business Suppor	t mainly due to va	acant posts	
(which are being recruited to).				
Adult Social Care	1 001 110			
Management		925,192		
All underspends are due to staff	2	-		
manager posts vacant. Two are			the short term,	
but recruitment is taking place a		25.		
Services	3,712,730	3,967,437	254,707	
• £0.146m overspend on Preve		5,507,457	234,70	
• £0.065m underachievement o		rome due to a red	uction in the	
numbers of providers supporting				
• £0.044m overspend within the			rc = f(0, 0, 7, 0, m) c	
due to nursing agency cover of				
overachievement in income and		,	Jine	
• Day Services overspend, due	•		£0.086m and	
increased delivery charges of £0				
 Overspends are offset by sta 	•	0.129m).		
Adult Social Care		/		
Operations	110,727,220	112,009,551	1,282,33	
Operations£1.715m overspend across th		<u>112,009,551</u> get. This is due to		
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PEOPLE		Full Year	
	Budget	Forecast	Variance
	£	£	£
Accommodation which will result	in approx. 70 u	nits being bought	into use.
• £0.099m overspend relating to	o carried forward	2020/21 income	generation
savings.			
• (£0.269m) underspend on sta			relates to some
staff being funded from Ukrainia	n grant monies a	and not backfilled.	
Children's Social Care and			
 Safeguarding £2.571m overspend across pa 	49,019,970	1 1	, ,
 levels of activity exceeding budg needs of the children we work w Of this, £1.485m is an oversp to the provision of agency cover vacant is challenging due to the levels. A further £1.086m over 	yet expectations with. end on staffing a for 34 permane need to retain se spend is non-pay	and the complexit cross the social wo nt staff vacancies. ocial worker caselo , arising from high	y of the care ork teams is due (Holding posts oads at safe levels of
activity such as legal fees from and interpreter costs. Some of t preventative work.			
 Other variances: £0.502m overspend in the Dis £0.298m of this overspend relat prevention and support for disable direct payments for disabled chi £0.318m overspend in the Lea this overspend relates to accompaid to care leavers. £0.271m overspend on the Collargely due to additional staff how who have higher care needs that been increased demand for crisis staff. £0.164m overspend in Adoption Allowances, where there has been 	es to bespoke, si oled children. The ldren. modation costs for ouncil's five interr ours/overtime, of n previously anti- s provision and o on Services. £0.0 en an increase in	hort term care pace e remaining £0.20 (excluding staffing or care leavers and hal residential child ten due to childrer cipated. In additio utreach work supp 72m relates to Ad forecast expendit	ckages of 4m relates to 9). £0.241m of d allowances dren's homes, n being placed n, there has also ported by these option ure in 2022/23.
 (£1.388m) underspend relating (£1.823m) underspend relates project will deliver in year saving forecast overspend of £0.435m relatively small increase in the relatively 	s to the assumpti gs. Delivery of t across placemen	on that the Steppi his saving would o ts expenditure, wh	ng Stones Iffset the current
Children's Early Help, Partnerships and Commissioning	3,233,640	3,151,426	(82,214)
(£0.082m) underspend due to		iy stall.	
Learning and Skills	19,652,400		212,131
 £0.500m due home to school (£0.180m) underspend is fore partly as a result of staff work o (£0.108m) underspend is fore payments budget. This is under 	cast against sala n grant-funded p cast against the t	ry budgets and as projects.	

PLACE	Full Year		
	Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £
Total	71,429,690	78,925,464	7,495,774

Director of Place	706,420	714,842	8,422
Minor variance from budget at	Quarter 1.		
Assistant Director Commercial Services	170,270	171,785	1 515
Corporate Landlord,	170,270	1/1,/05	1,515
Property and Development	(3,566,710)	746,475	4,313,185
• £2.865m current underachiev			
revised post-pandemic.			, ,
• £1.473m delay in achievement		vithin administrativ	ve buildings',
which are being revised post-p			
• £0.639m inflationary pressure			
• £0.422m delay to delivery of	identified savings.		
Commercial Services			
Business Development	23,430	142,336	118,906
£0.119m delays in achieving co			
Climate Change	546,700	552,950	6,250
Minor variance from budget at	Quarter 1.		
Shire Services	286,340	833,074	546,734
Shire Catering has a forecast o			
Shire Cleaning has a forecast u	nderspend of (£0.	027m).	
Assistant Director	324,550	327,935	3,385
Economy & Place Minor variance from budget at		527,955	3,305
Minor variance from budget at			
Planning Services	1,867,190	2.265.477	398,287
Development Management:			
this point, amounting to £0.12			
of £0.083m.			
Building Control:- Additional		in dealing with en	forcement
issues and dangerous structure		a af (0,045m aca	
Natural and Historic Environ income generated and tempora			ociated with
	iry starring arrange	ements.	
Economic Growth	1,290,460	1,290,583	123
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Broadband	167,580	167,580	(0)
Planning Policy	908,650	908,738	88
Shrewsbury Shopping			
Centres (Commercial)	(129,140)	276 202	
	(129,140)	376,393	505,533

PLACE		Full Year	
	Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £
Budgeted surplus is not now fo due to adverse trading conditio the recent national economic ch	ns in the retail sec	ctorwhich have be	en worsened by
Advice from the shopping centris enhanced through maximising 98% of trading space has been concessions have been negotiate expected by the council that ov 12-24 months, with a resulting. In the meantime, the local area	g occupancy. This let) but, to achiev ted by clients with rerall market cond improvement in t a continues to ben	has been achieve ve that, some com the managing ag itions will improve he trading position efit from an active	d (currently nmercial ent. It is over the next n of the centre.
offer including many independe through the medium term.	nt traders, and w	ith a positive ecor	IOMIC OUTIOOK
Shrewsbury Shopping Centres (Development)	549,740	539,313	(10,427)
the Council's vision for the town Costs incurred in this area relat of these former shopping centre Riverside development, part of Budgeted cost reflects the plane charges and ongoing utilities co line with estimates, but further	e to enabling wor e sites in line with Shrewsbury's 'Big ned impact of two onnections/use). F	ks to support the the proposed Sm Town Plan'. sites being redev orecast indicates p	redevelopment ithfield and eloped (service
Assistant Director Infrastructure	273,160	237,805	(35,355)
Environment and			
Transport Parking:- Net parking income mainly due to activity not yet h delayed implementation of new Strategic:- Forecast to be £0. associated with town centre rec	is projected to be aving recovered to prices. 197m over budge	o pre-pandemic le t mainly as a resu	t by £0.521m, vels and to
Highwaya	10 7/1 720	12 094 672	
Highways Highways (Streetworks) - Na (£0.712m) greater than budget where work is substandard or or Highways Management - The the assessment and planning/pu Highways Operations - A net (£0.237m) saved as a result of	et income for this is (works permissi verruns). e main variances a rogramming of wo service budget sa	ons and licences, are additional staft orks of £0.223m. aving of (£0.174m	ticipated to be and penalties f resources for
Waste Management	33,571,700	34,097,966	

PLACE		Full Year	
	Budget	Forecast	Variance
	£	£	£
In line with the contract, inflation			
although the budget was drafte			c2.5% higher
than anticipated creating budge	et pressure estima	ted as £0.450m.	ſ
Assistant Director Homes			
and Communities	161,230	286,691	125,461
Largely due to the early implem			
to identify separate funding are	_	•	n customer
services operations (see below Housing Development and).	
HRA	79,360	79,360	0
Cornovii Development Limited			
Shrewsbury in May 2022 where			•
homes, and overachieved again			
Limited have also recently secu	•		•
London Road Development in S			
this financial year. CDL are pro	jecting to deliver 2	216 start-on-sites	before April
2023.	1		
Bereavement Services	(213,480)	(234,591)	(21,111)
	CO1 770	(22,420	21.000
	601,770	623,439	21,669
Registrars and Coroners			
Trading Standards and	2 0 2 4 4 6 0	1 969 150	(156 201)
	2,024,460	1,868,159	(156,301)
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Full Year			
Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £	
There is a forecast overspend of £0.163m for Museums at Quarter 1. The majority of the overspend (£0.122m) relates to Acton Scott Working Farm, which is currently closed, resulting in forecast lost income of £0.142m, which is offset slightly by savings on employee and other costs of (£0.020m).			
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RESOURCES	Full Year			
	Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £	
Total	6,200,770	5,674,533	(526,237)	

Resources Directorate			
Management	(168,870)	(164,391)	4,479
Automation and			
Technology	115,020	3,516	(111,504)
A number of minor (favourable) variances from b	oudget.	
Finance	2,528,630	2,280,669	(247,961)
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There are staff vacancies across the accountancy and revenues & benefits teams leading to forecast underspending of $(\pounds 0.092m)$.

Despite these vacancies, the energy rebate scheme has now been largely (89%) completed, with £14.9m paid to eligible households out of the £16.7m total which is anticipated. Delivery of this has been helped by additional grant income of (£0.140m) to support administration costs arising from the energy rebate scheme, used to recruit agency staff, supplemented by existing staff working additional hours.

Longer term, there is recruitment activity in hand focused on 8 apprenticeship posts within the teams. If successful, this will help to create a pool of experienced staff for the future to fill future vacancies and to aid with succession planning.

Housing Benefits	1,513,700	1,513,700	_
	1,515,700	1,515,700	
Business Improvement:			
Data, Analysis and			
Intelligence	229,510	209,390	(20,120)
Human Resources and Organisational		,	
Development	299,780	311,156	11,376
Risk Management and			
Insurance	(15,520)	(77,716)	(62,196)

Savings of $(\pm 0.062m)$ are currently forecast within the Insurance Team, largely due to a vacancy. The post is currently out for recruitment.

RESOURCES		Full Year				
	Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £			
Commissioning						
Development and						
Procurement	164,230	161,613	(2,617)			
	104 090	166 965	(20.115)			
Legal Services	194,980	166,865	(28,115)			
Democratic Services	56,850	73,252	16,402			
Elections	538,500	540,465	1,965			
Information Governance,						
Audit and Scrutiny	(290)	(38,497)	(38,207)			
Minor variance from budget at	Quarter 1.					
Treasury and Pensions	64,780	67,500	2,720			
Communications &						
Engagement	679,470	627,011	(52,459)			
There are expected net savings of (£0.032m) across Customer Services. These						
are as a result of a number of posts held vacant, delivering savings of (£0.198m).						
The operational overlap with Sh	nropshire Local is b	being reviewed.	-			

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT BOARD		Full Year	
	Budget £	Forecast £	Variance £
Total	14,830	(947)	(15,777)

Chief Executive & PAs	(140)	(15,917)	(15,777)
Programme Management	14,970	14,970	-

APPENDIX 1C

2022/23 PROJECTED REVENUE OUTTURN BY PORTFOLIO HOLDER

Portfolio Holder	Revised Budget £'000	Forecast Outturn £'000	Variance £'000
Leader and Portfolio Holder Policy and Strategy, Improvement and Communications	694	626	(68)
Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder Economic Growth, Regeneration and Planning	6,965	7,200	235
Portfolio Holder Adult Social Care and Public Health	129,463	131,362	1,899
Portfolio Holder Climate Change, Natural Assets and the Green Economy	34,170	34,703	533
Portfolio Holder Children and Education	71,906	74,473	2,567
Portfolio Holder Communities, Culture, Leisure and Tourism, Transport	20,248	22,183	1,935
Portfolio Holder Digital, Data and Insight	591	460	(132)
Portfolio Holder Finance and Corporate Resources	(49,221)	(51,610)	(2,389)
Portfolio Holder Physical Infrastructure (Highways and Assets)	9,799	14,593	4,793
TOTAL	224,616	233,990	9,373

2022/23 INCOME PROJECTIONS

Specific Government Grants

The revenue budget for 2022/23 includes specific Government Grants of \pounds 250.760m. The majority of these budgets will be based on known allocations that the Government has announced for Shropshire Council. However during the course of the financial year, the Council will also bid for additional grant funding to support activities and so the value of Government Grants received in the financial year may be different to the budgeted figure. An analysis of specific Government Grants is provided in the table below:

Government Grants	Revised Budget £'000	Forecast Outturn £'000	Variance £'000
Corporate Budgets			
Business Rate Retention Scheme –	(16,647)	(16,647)	0
s31 Grants			
Social Care Support Grant	(12,620)	(12,620)	0
Improved Better Care Fund	(11,863)	(11,863)	0
Rural Service Delivery Grant	(6,941)	(6,941)	0
New Homes Bonus	(4,651)	(4,651)	0
Other Grants	(6,382)	(6,382)	0
Total Corporate Budgets	(59,104)	(59,104)	0
Health and Wellbeing			
Public Health Grant	(12,426)	(12,775)	(349)
Other Grants	(216)	(277)	(61)
Total Health and Wellbeing Grants	(12,642)	(13,053)	(411)
People			
Dedicated Schools Grant	(105,555)	(105,555)	0
Pupil Premium Grant	(3,668)	(3,668)	0
Improved Better Care Fund	(1,967)	(1,967)	0
Independent Living Fund	(1,512)	(1,512)	0
Other Grants**	(3,223)	(7,954)	(4,731)
Total People Grants	(115,925)	(120,656)	(4,731)
Place			
Waste - PFI	(3,186)	(3,186)	0
Other Grants	(1,841)	(2,779)	(938)
Total Place Grants	(5,027)	(5,965)	(938)
Resources			
Mandatory Rent Allowances: Subsidy	(49,000)	(49,000)	0
Rent Rebates: Subsidy	(49,000)	(49,000) (8,047)	0
Other Grants	(1,015)	(3,163)	(2,148)
Total Resources Grants	(58,062)	(60,210)	(2,140)
	(38,002)	(00,210)	(2,140)
Strategic Management Board	0	0	0
TOTAL	(250 760)	(259.007)	(0.227)
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**The additional grants forecast to be received and applied in 2022/23 include an additional £2m for Homes for Ukraine (People directorate), and £2.1m in Household Support Fund (Resources directorate).

Income from Fees and Charges

The forecast income from discretionary sales, fees and charges is showing a projected shortfall, mainly in client contributions within Adult Social Care Operations and trading income within Commercial Services. Some of this reduction in income has been offset by a contribution from earmarked reserves. Further work will be undertaken within these services to generate additional income to offset these projected shortfalls, or expenditure will be reduced accordingly.

Fees and Charges Income	Revised Budget £'000	Forecast Outturn £'000	Variance £'000
Corporate Budgets	(1,301)	(1,126)	174
Lookh and Wallhaing			
Health and Wellbeing	0	0	0
Directorate Management Public Health - Non Ringfenced	0	0	0
-	(251)	(211)	40
Public Health - Ringfenced Health and Wellbeing Total	(5) (256)	(9) (220)	(4) 36
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People			
Directorate Management	0	0	C
Adult Social Care Management	0	0	C
Adult Social Care Business Support & Development	(3,753)	(3,668)	85
Adult Social Care Provider Services	(1,187)	(992)	194
Adult Social Care Operations	(21,915)	(19,637)	2,278
Housing Services	(432)	(294)	138
Children's Social Care and Safeguarding	0	0	C
Children's Early Help, Partnerships and Commissioning	0	(3)	(3)
Learning and Skills	(1,829)	(1,812)	17
People Total	(29,116)	(26,406)	2,708
Place			
Directorate Management	0	0	C
Commercial Services	(17,802)	(13,894)	3,188*
Economy and Place	(8,104)	(7,461)	643
Homes and Communities	(10,192)	(9,700)	491
Infrastructure	(9,642)	(9,930)	(288)
Place Total	(45,020)	(40,985)	4,035
Resources			
Directorate Management	0	0	(
Workforce and Improvement	(620)	(638)	(18)
Finance and Technology	(4,725)	(4,567)	158
Legal and Governance	(177)	(92)	85
Communications and Engagement	(57)	(52)	(
Organisation Performance	(37)	(37)	(
Treasury and Pensions	(26)	(26)	
Resources Total	(5,606)	(5,381)	225
Strategic Management Board	0 (81,358)	0 (74,119)	0 7,239
	(81,358)	-(74,119)	- 7.239

*£2.811m of the Commercial Services figure is within Shire Services, however forecast loss of income overall within the Shire Services is just £0.260m, as income is being forecast on non-discretionary rather than discretionary income budgets. The net position for Shire Services is a forecast overspend of £0.547m, as set out in Appendix 1B.

DELIVERY OF 2022/23 SAVINGS PROPOSALS

2.1 Summary

The savings projections for 2022/23 have been RAG rated in order to establish the deliverability of the savings and any potential impact on the outturn position for the 2022/23 financial year. RAG ratings have been categorised as follows:

Red – Savings are not solved on an ongoing basis, nor have they been achieved in the current financial year. These are reflected as unachieved within this monitoring report.

Amber – Savings have been identified on an ongoing basis in the current financial year, however there is no clear evidence to support the delivery as yet. The projected outturn within this report assumes these savings will be delivered.

Green – Savings have been identified on an ongoing basis in the current financial year, with evidence of delivery. The RAG ratings are updated monthly to determine progress on delivery.

Directorate	Red (£'000)	Amber (£'000)	Green (£'000)	Total (£'000)
Corporate Budgets	0	0	50	50
Health and Wellbeing	0	25	184	209
People	236	1,711	1,083	3,030
Place	4,426	1,580	2,707	8,713
Resources	172	0	511	683
Strategic Management Board	0	0	9	9
Tactical Budget Savings	0	3,680	4,800	8,480
Total Savings	4,834	6,996	9,344	21,174

The table below summarises the position as at 31st July 2022.

The update to the Financial Strategy considered the need to identify tactical budget savings to address the inflationary budget pressures projected for the 2022/23 financial year following the invasion of Ukraine.

The total tactical budget savings identified was \pounds 8.5m and delivery against these savings plans are included in the table above alongside those approved at Council in February 2022.

A breakdown of the savings rated red is provided below.

Ref	Directorate	Service Area	Description	Financial Year Saving Originally Required	2022/23 Saving Value (£'000)	Value Rated Red (£'000)
AS2	People	Adult Social Care Operations	Adult Social Care - Review and implementation of Finance tool	2022/23	58	18
AS12	People	Adult Social Care Operations	Adult Social Care - Review care provider contract arrangements	2022/23	119	119
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Ref	Directorate	Service Area	Description	Financial	2022/23	Value
				Year Saving Originally Required	Saving Value (£'000)	Rated Red (£'000)
2A37R	People	Housing Services	Increased Housing income	2020/21	132	99
P33	Place	Corporate Landlord, Property and Development	Raise additional income from new development	2022/23	27	27
P35	Place	Corporate Landlord, Property and Development	Efficiencies within administrative buildings	2022/23	2,000	1,473
P39	Place	Corporate Landlord, Property and Development	Raise income from investment in assets	2021/22	1,672	865
P39	Place	Corporate Landlord, Property and Development	Raise income from investment in assets	2022/23	2,000	2,000
H16	Place	Trading Standards and Licensing	Increase parking enforcement functions in line with the parking strategy	2020/21	40	40
CW2	Place	Leisure	Increase to fees and charges income	2022/23	22	22
RS8	Resources	Human Resources and Organisational Development	Review of Shropshire HR service level agreements with external clients	2022/23	30	30
RS9	Resources	Human Resources and Organisational Development	Increase Human Resources and Development income generated from commercial activities	2022/23	50	50
CW2	Resources	Risk Management and Insurance	Increase to fees and charges income	2022/23	1	1
CW2	Resources	Finance	Increase to fees and charges income	2022/23	3	3
CW2	Resources	Finance	Increase to fees and charges income	2022/23	12	12
CW2	Resources	Automation and Technology	Increase to fees and charges income	2022/23	49	49
RS34	Resources	Legal Services	Reduce external expenditure on legal services	2022/23	15	15

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Ref	Directorate	Service Area	Description	Financial Year Saving Originally Required	2022/23 Saving Value (£'000)	Value Rated Red (£'000)						
CW2	Resources	Information Governance, Audit and Scrutiny	Increase to fees and charges income	2022/23	1	1						
RS6	Resources	Information Governance, Audit and Scrutiny	Increased income generation within Audit Services	2022/23	12	12						
				TOTAL	6,242	4,834						

RECONCILIATION OF MONITORING PROJECTIONS TO SAVINGS DELIVERY

Directorate	Q1 Forecast £'000	Savings Pressure in 2022/23 (£'000)	Ongoing Pressures Identified * (£'000)	Additional Ongoing Savings Identified (£'000)	One Off Pressures Identified (£'000)	One off Savings Identified (£'000)
Corporate Budgets	(2,047)	0	0	0	125	(2,172)
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Health and Wellbeing						
Public Health	(14)	0	0	0	1,429	(1,443)
Regulatory Services	(124)	0	0	0	61	(185)
Health and Wellbeing Total	(139)	0	0	0	1,489	(1,627)
People						
Directorate Management	75	0	0	0	98	(24)
Adult Social Care	1,340	137	3,248	0	553	(2,596)
Housing Services	623	99	740	0	0	(2,330)
Children's Social Care and Safeguarding	2,437	0	687	0	5,734	(3,983)
Children's Early Help, Partnerships and Commissioning	(82)	0	0	0	110	(192)
Learning and Skills	212	0	500	0	0	(288)
People Total	4,605	236	5,175	0	6,495	(7,300)
Place						
	8	0	0	0	8	0
Directorate Management Commercial Services	4,987	4,365	1,069	0	906	(1,353)
Economy and Place	897	0	1,009	0	1,021	(1,333)
Infrastructure	622	0	450	0	919	(747)
Homes and Communities	982	62	328	0	2,028	(1,435)
Place Total	7,496	4,426	1,846	0	4,883	(3,659)
Resources						
Directorate Management						
-	4	0	0	0	4	0
Workforce and Improvement	(71)	81	0	0	96	(248)
Finance and Technology Legal and Governance	(359)	64	0	0	1,405	(1,828)
-	(51)	28	0	0	18	(97)
Treasury and Pensions Communications and	3	0	0	0	3	0
Engagement	(52)	0	0	0	175	(227)
Resources Total	(526)	172	0	0	1,701	(2,400)
Strategic Management Board						
Chief Executive and PAs	(16)	0	0	0	0	(16)
Programme Management	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strategic Management Board Total	(16)	0	0	0	0	(16)
TOTAL	9,373	4,834	7,022	0	14,693	(17,174)

*Ongoing budget pressures should be mitigated in the first instance within service areas

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AMENDMENTS TO ORIGINAL BUDGET 2022/23

£′000	Total	Corporate	Health & Wellbeing	People	Place	Resources	Strategic Management Board
Original Budget as Agreed by Council	224,616	(54,919)	3,449	198,809	70,934	6,328	15
Structure Changes:							
Quarter 1							
Movement of Emergency Planning from Workforce and Improvement to Regulatory Services	0		28			(28)	
Movement of Women's Refuges from Public Health to Housing Services	0		(1)	1			
Movement of Community Protection and Housing Enforcement from Regulatory Services to Trading Standards and Licensing	0		(1,292)		1,292		
Virements:							
Quarter 1							
Centralisation of MRP budgets not required in year (not a change in policy area spending, always intended to be spent on MRP)	0	521			(521)		
Realignment of budgets between Regulatory Services and Trading Standards and Licensing	0		276		(276)		
Movement of budget for education management system contract from Automation and Technology to Learning and Skills	0			99		(99)	
Quarter 1 Revised Budget	224,616	(54,398)	2,460	198,909	71,430	6,201	15

RESERVES 2022/23

General Fund

The General Fund reserve at 31st March 2022 stood at £11.522m, significantly below its optimum desired balance.

In the 2022/23, a one-off budget contribution to the General Fund is planned of \pounds 4.028m. However, based on the current monitoring position, the General Fund balance is currently projected to reduce significantly by year-end, to just \pounds 6.177m. This is not considered sustainable and therefore as stated earlier in the report, it is necessary for the Council to identify mitigations to reduce the overspend projected in 2022/23.

General Fund	£′000
Balance as at 1 st April	11,522
Budgeted Contribution	4,028
Sub-total – Balance before impact of in-year monitoring	15,550
2022/23 Projected Outturn	(9,373)
Projected General Fund Balance as at 31 st March	6,177

Earmarked Reserves

The Council held balances of £81.447m (excluding School Balances) in Earmarked Reserves as at 1st April 2022. The Financial Strategy for 2022/23 assumed a contribution from earmarked reserves to balance the budget and other transactions are planned from earmarked reserves during the course of the year. The current projections for the year end balance in earmarked reserves is detailed in the table below.

Earmarked Reserves	1 st April 2022 £′000	Forecast Net Contribution to/from Reserve £'000	31 st March 2023 £'000
Sums set aside for major schemes, such as capital developments, or to fund major reorganisations	25,431	(8,021)	17,410
Insurance Reserves	3,754	0	3,754
Reserves of trading and business units	0	0	0
Reserves retained for service departmental use	50,001	(26,661)	23,340
Reserves held for schools	2,261	0	2,261
Total	81,447	(34,682)	46,765

PROJECTED CAPITAL PROGRAMME OUTTURN 2022/23 - 2024/25

The capital budget for 2022/23 is continuously being monitored and changed to reflect the nature of capital projects which can be profiled for delivery over several years. In Quarter 1 there has been a net budget decrease of £24.643m for 2022/23, compared to the position reported at Outturn 2021/22. The tables below summarise the overall movement, between that already approved and changes for Quarter 1.

	Directorate	Initial Budget 2022/23 £	Slippage & Budget Changes To Outturn 2021/22 £	Virements Quarter 1 £	Revised Budget 2022/23 £	Actual Spend £	Spend to Budget Variance £	% Budget Spend	Outturn Projection £	Outturn Projection Variance £	2023/24 Revised Budget £	2024/25 Revised Budget £
	General Fund											
												-
	Health & Wellbeing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0
τ	People	17,795,052	11,228,667	(1,337,724)	27,685,995	2,111,613	25,574,382	7.63%	27,685,995	0	14,850,000	2,000,000
0.	Place	90,657,149	7,773,783	(23,304,871)	75,126,061	19,936,328	55,189,733	26.54%	75,126,061	0	93,209,626	30,932,000
	Resources	350,766	134,783	0	485,549	26,327	459,222	5.42%	485,549	0	1,000,000	0
Q												
ወ	Total General Fund	108,802,967	19,137,233	(24,642,595)	103,297,605	22,074,268	81,223,337	21.37%	103,297,605	0	109,059,626	32,932,000
ω	Housing Revenue Account	16,510,712	1,320,913	0	17,831,625	2,159,765	15,671,860	12.11%	17,831,625	0	20,174,507	18,994,630
-												
	Total Approved Budget	125,313,679	20,458,146	(24,642,595)	121,129,230	24,234,033	96,895,197	20.01%	121,129,230	0	129,234,133	51,926,630

Shropshire Council - Capital Programme 2022/23 - 2024/25 Capital Programme Summary - Quarter 1 2022/23

The main reason for the budget decrease of £24.643m in 2022/23 is the re-profiling to 2023/24 of £35.000m Department of Transport (DfT) Large Local Majors funding in relation to the North-West Relief Road (NWRR) scheme to reflect the anticipated delivery plan and confirmation of DfT Pothole Action Fund grant of £9.155m per annum from 2022/23 to 2024/25.

Inclusion of the NWRR scheme in the current capital programme is based on the outline business case and funded purely from the DfT awarded funding of £54.406m. Delivery of the NWRR scheme is critically impacted by the planning decision which is anticipated in September 2022 and completion of the final business case currently estimated for June 2023. Within the current DfT grant requirements, the current profile for expenditure of the £54.406m is required to be expended by March 2024.

The actual capital expenditure at Quarter 1 is £24.234mm, which represents 20.01% of the revised capital budget at Quarter 1, 33% of the year as Quarter 1 exceptionally covers periods 1 to 4 for 2022/23. This is slightly low in comparison to the total budget, but in line with the average expenditure percentage at this period in previous years. All budgets are fully allocated to projects and will be monitored for levels of spend throughout the remainder of the year. Based on recent years, the capital programme has out turned at

around 85% of the outturn budget, which on average has been around 20% lower than the budget at this point in the year, due to further re-profiling later in the year.

The level of spend is slightly low across the programme in some areas, but equal to the level of spend in the previous year at this period. In terms of the major areas the spend position is as follows: People 7.63% (budget ± 27.686 m), Place 26.54% (budget ± 75.126 m), Resources 2.42% (budget ± 0.485 m), HRA Major Repairs & New Build Programme 12.11% (budget ± 17.832 m).

Shropshire Council - Capital Programme Portfolio Holder Summary Quarter 1 2022/23

Portfollo	o Holder	Initial Budget 2022/23 £	Slippage & Budget Changes To Outturn 2021/22 £	Virements Quarter 1 £	Revised Budget 2022/23 £	Actual Spend £	Spend to Budget Variance £	% Budget Spend	Outturn Projection £	Outturn Projection Variance £	2023/24 Revised Budget £	2024/25 Revised Budget £
General F	Fund											
Portfol Io Health	Holder Adult Social Care and Public	6,612,500	9,044,486	(1,964,139)	13,692,847	1,344,032	12,348,815	9.82%	13,692,847	o	5,150,000	٥
	eader and Portfolio Holder Economic Regeneration and Planning	4,124,960	1,731,681	50,708	5,907,349	2,769,718	3,137,631	46.89%	5,907,349	o	1,285,177	c
	Holder Climate Change, Natural Assets Green Economy	32 5,00 0	(4,395)	2,607,471	2,928,076	1,051,963	1,876,113	35.93%	2,928,076	o	325,000	c
	Holder Children and Education	11,182,552	2,184,181	626,415	13,993,148	767,581	13,225,567	5.49%	13,993,148	0	9,700,000	2,000,000
	Holder Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	(
	Holder Communities, Culture, Leisure rism, Transport	30,000	36,838	o	66,838	9,193	57,645	13.75%	66,838	o	200,000	200,000
Portfolio	Holder Digital, Data and Insight	5,330,711	429,919	(2,000,000)	3,760,630	193,752	3,566,878	5.15%	3,760,630	0	5,000,000	(
Portfolio	Holder Physical Infrastructure (Highways, using, Assets) (General Fund)	81,197,244	7,035,436	(23,963,050)	62,948,717	15,938,030	47,010,687	25.32%	62,948,717	o	87,399,449	30,732,00
Leader an	nd Portfolio Holder Strategy	0	-		0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	(
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	neral Fund	108,802,967	20,458,146	(24,642,595)	103,297,605	22,074,268	81,223,337	21.37%	103,297,605	0	109,059,626	32,932,00
Housing	Revenue Account											
) Holder Physical Infrastructure (Highways, using, Assets) (HRA)	16,510,712	O	O	17,831,625	2,159,765	15,671,860	12.11%	17,831,625	o	20,174,507	18,994,63
Total App	proved Budget	125,313,679	20,458,146	(24,642,595)	121,129,230	24,234,033	96,895,197	20.01%	121,129,230	0	129,234,133	51,926,63

Shropshire Council - Capital Budget Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2022/23

Directorate ervice Area	Initial Budget 2022/23	Slippage & Budget Changes To Outturn 2021/22	Virements Quarter 1	Revised Budget 2022/23	Actual Spend £	Spend to Budget Variance	% Budget Spend	Outturn Projection	Outturn Projection Variance	2023/24 Revised Budget	2024/25 Revised Budg
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General Fund											
lealth & Wellbeing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
ublic Health Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	
legulatory Services Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	
eople	17,795,052	11,228,667	(1,337,724)	27,685,995	2,111,613	25,574,382	1	27,685,995	0	14,850,000	2,000,0
dult Social Care Contracts & Provider Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	
dult Social Care Operations Capital	3,332,500	412,911	(1,000,000)	2,745,411	335,852	2,409,559	12.23%	2,745,411	0	2,150,000	
hildren's Residential Care Capital	300,000	365,363	0	665,363	146,483	518,880	22.02%	665,363	0	0	
lousing Services Capital	3,280,000	8,631,575	(964,139)	10,947,436	1,008,180	9,939,256	9.21%	10,947,436	0	3,000,000	
Ion Maintained Schools Capital	3,055,855	542,237	9,061	3,607,153	186,486	3,420,667	5.17%	3,607,153	0	4,500,000	
rimary School Capital	4,967,048	1,074,421	1,273,412	7,314,881	362,860	6,952,021	4.96%	7,314,881	0	0	
econdary School Capital	250,000	220,655	49,849	520,504	29,446	491,058	5.66%	520,504	0	0	
pecial Schools Capital	0	70,067	7,733	77,800	42,086	35,714	54.10%	77,800	0	0	
Inallocated School Capital	2,609,649	-88,562	(713,640)	1,807,447	220	1,807,227	0.01%	1,807,447	0	5,200,000	2,000,0
lace Capital - Commercial Services	14,714,402	2,685,090	1,383,379	18,782,871	5,241,427	13,541,444	0	18,782,871	0	11,561,855	5,000,0
orporate Landlord Capital	14,714,402	2,685,090	1,383,379	18,782,871	5,241,427	13,541,444	27.91%	18,782,871	0	11,561,855	5,000,0
ace Capital - Economic Growth	9,104,905	2,026,817	(1,949,292)	9,182,430	2,937,142	6,245,288	1	9,182,430	0	5,285,177	
roadband Capital	4,979,945	295,136	(2,000,000)	3,275,081	167,424	3,107,657	5.11%	3,275,081	0	4,000,000	
evelopment Management Capital	758,248	169,076	0	927,324	53,342	873,982	5.75%	927,324	0	215,634	
conomic Growth Capital	2,940,753	1,049,605	50,708	4,041,066	2,100,723	1,940,343	51.98%	4,041,066	0	1,069,543	
lanning Policy Capital	425,959	513,000	0	938,959	615,652	323,307	65.57%	938,959	0	0	
lace Capital - Homes & Communities	30,000	36,838	0	66,838	9,193	57,645	1	66,838	0	200,000	200,0
eisure Capital	30,000	26,127	0	56,127	0	56,127	0.00%	56,127	0	0	
Outdoor Partnerships Capital	0	10,711	0	10,711	9,103	1,608	84.99%	10,711	0	200,000	200,0
isitor Economy Capital	0	0	0	0	90	-90	0.00%	0	0	0	
Place Capital - Infrastructure	66,807,842	3,025,038	(22,738,958)	47,093,922	11,748,565	35,345,357	1	47,093,922	0	76,162,594	25,732,0
nvironment & Transport Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	
lighways Capital	66,482,842	3,029,433	(25,346,429)	44,165,846	10,696,602	33,469,244	24.22%	44,165,846	0	75,837,594	25,732,0
Vaste Capital	325,000	-4,395	2,607,471	2,928,076	1,051,963	1,876,113	35.93%	2,928,076	0	325,000	
lesources	350,766	134,783	0	485,549	26,327	459,222	1	485,549	0	1,000,000	
CT Digital Transformation - CRM Capital	0	25,463	0	25,463	21,917	3,546	86.08%	25,463	0	0	
CT Digital Transformation - ERP Capital	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	
CT Digital Transformation - Infrastructure & Archit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	
CT Digital Transformation - Social Care Capital	0	60,688	0	60,688	4,410	56,278	7.27%	60,688	0	0	
CT Digital Transformation - Unallocated Capital	350,766	48,632	0	399,398	0	399,398	0.00%	399,398	0	1,000,000	
otal General Fund	108,802,967	19,137,233	(24,642,595)	103,297,605	22,074,268	81,223,337	5	103,297,605	0	109,059,626	32,932,
		1.000		47.004.000							
lousing Revenue Account	16,510,712	1,320,913	0	17,831,625	2,159,765	15,671,860	0	17,831,625	0	20,174,507	18,994,
IRA Dwellings Capital	16,510,712	1,320,913	0	17,831,625	2,159,765	15,671,860	12.11%	17,831,625	0	20,174,507	18,994,6
otal Approved Budget	125,313,679	20,458,146	(24,642,595)	121,129,230	24,234,033	96,895,197	20.01%	121,129,230	0	129,234,133	51,926,0

APPENDIX 8

PROJECTED CAPITAL RECEIPTS

The current capital programme is heavily reliant on the Council generating capital receipts to finance the capital programme. There is a high level of risk in these projections as they are subject to changes in property and land values, the actions of potential buyers and being granted planning permission on sites. The table below summarises the current allocated and projected capital receipt position across 2022/23 to 2025/26. A RAG analysis has been included for capital receipts projected, based on the current likelihood of generating them by the end of each financial year. Disposals rated marked "Green" are highly likely to be completed by the end of the financial year, those rated "Amber" are achievable but challenging and thus there is a risk of slippage, and those rated "Red" are highly unlikely to complete in year and thus there is a high risk of slippage. However, no receipts are guaranteed to complete in any financial year as there may be delays between exchanging contracts and completing.

Detail	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
	£	£	£	£
Corporate Resources Allocated in Capital Programme	13,560,642	8,572,501	2,000,000	-
Capital Receipts used to finance redundancy costs	1,000,000			
To be allocated from Ring Fenced Receipts	12,564,885	7,659,873	4,000,000	14,422,844
Total Commitments	27,125,527	16,232,374	6,000,000	14,422,844
Capital Receipts in hand/projected:				
Brought Forward in hand	18,273,484	(5,024,811)	(21,192,185)	(27,192,185)
Generated 2021/22YTD	1,110,106	-	-	-
Projected - 'Green'	2,717,126	65,000	-	495,000
Total in hand/projected	22,100,715	(4,959,811)	(21,192,185)	(26,697,185)
Shortfall to be financed from Prudential Borrowing /	5,024,811	21,192,185	27,192,185	41,120,029
(Surplus) to carry forward				
Further Assets Being Considered for Disposal	21,142,409	21,929,023	4,749,464	7,300,000

Capital receipts of £18.273m were brought forward from 2021/22 and £1.110m has been generated to date in 2022/23. A further £2.717m is currently projected as 'Green' for 2022/23, of which £1.603m relates to the sale of small holdings, £0.601m to the sale of Economic Development assets, £0.489m to the sale of HRA properties under the Right to Buy scheme. Based on the current programme and capital receipts in hand and projected as Green, there are currently insufficient receipts projected to be generated to finance the capital programme for 2022/23; there being a projected shortfall of £5.025m. However, in 2022/23 assets currently being considered for disposal total £21.142m and of these £5.180m are RAG rated amber. Consequently, the currently projected shortfall of capital receipts in 2022/23 could be resolved by progressing the amber and red RAG rated disposals.

In 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2024/25 there are currently projected cumulative shortfalls of capital receipts of £21.192m, £27.192m and £41.120m, which may need to be financed from Prudential Borrowing if they cannot be addressed by progressing the disposals programmed for future years and will incur future year revenue costs that are not budgeted for in the revenue financial strategy.

Assets currently being considered for disposal total ± 55.121 m which if realised would resolve the currently projected shortfall in capital receipts peaking at ± 41.120 m in 2025/26. However, the vast majority (± 46.114 m) of these disposals are currently RAG rated "Red", meaning that they are highly unlikely to complete within the relevant financial years.

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There is a significant and urgent pressure, therefore, to progress the disposals programmed for future years, to ensure that they are realised, together with realising the revenue running cost savings from some of the properties. Considerable work is required to realise these receipts, with generally a lead in time of at least 12 to 18 months on larger disposals.

APPENDIX 9

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INDICATORS

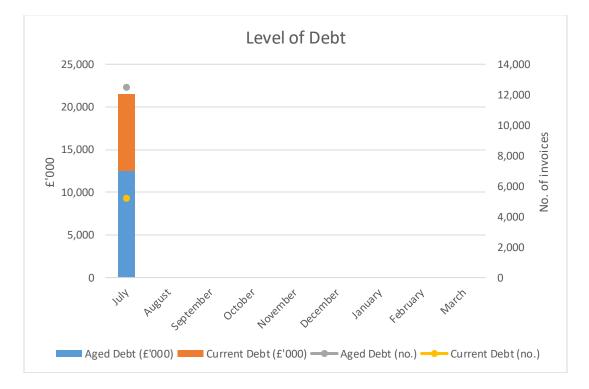
The two financial indicators detailed below will be tracked during the course of the financial year to provide assurance on the Council's financial management processes.

Payment of Invoices

April – July 2022	% of Invoices	No. of invoices
Paid within 30 days	92.79%	135,108
Invoices not paid within 30 days	7.21%	10,494
Total	100%	145,602

Aged debt

As at 31 st July 2022	Value (£'000)	No. of invoices
Aged Debt	12,446	12,466
Current Debt	9,037	5,195
Total	21,483	17,661



The payment of invoices indicator demonstrates that the Council is promptly paying invoices to suppliers with almost 93% of invoices being paid within 30 days.

The level of aged debt does however remain significant and the effects of the COVID pandemic are still impacting on the level of debt held. Focussed action will be made across the authority to improve recovery of debt in a more timely fashion.

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Agenda Item 7

Cabinet 7th September 2022; Performance Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2022.23



Committee and Date

Cabinet 7th September 2022

Performance Management Scrutiny Committee 14th September 2022 <u>Item</u>

<u>Public</u>

Performance Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2022/23

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1. Synopsis

The Q1 performance report, shows progress against the Shropshire Plan outcomes: Healthy People, Healthy Economy, Healthy Environment, and a Healthy Organisation.

2. Executive Summary

- Appendix 1 reports those measures where new data are available.
- The performance portal provides performance comments and trend information -<u>https://shropshireperformance.inphase.com/</u>
- Progress of 8 key deliverables is reported in appendix 1 and 20 key performance measures
- 7 key deliverables are reported as green, and 1 as red
- 6 measures show an improvement in performance
- 7 measures remain at the same level
- 1 measure shows a decline

6 measures are not appropriate to report direction of travel – e.g., seasonal variance

3. Recommendations

- 3.1. Consider and endorse, with the appropriate comment, the performance to date
- 3.2. Consider the emerging issues as highlighted in paragraph 9.3

REPORT

4. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

- 4.1. Poor performance could have implications for the county, potentially harming the environment, infrastructure, businesses, or people who are supported by Council services. In turn, there may be significant financial, legal, and reputational risk to the Council, Schools (and Academies), and partners from across the public and voluntary and independent care sectors.
- 4.2. Effective monitoring and follow-up against key measures of success provides the opportunity to manage risks and ensure that desirable outcomes are achieved.
- 4.3. The new corporate plan (Shropshire plan) will include an emerging range of deliverables, measures, and targets to further manage potential risks and exploit new opportunities.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. This report does not have any direct financial implications. It presents performance information from which financial risks may occur. These risks are managed by accountable officers and senior managers within the relevant service area and reported in the quarterly financial reports. Information in this report should be used to support decision making and to inform actions or interventions for improving service performance and managing financial risks.

6. Climate Change Appraisal

6.1. This report does not have any direct climate change implications and instead presents information from which climate and environmental considerations can be made. These risks are managed by accountable officers and senior managers within the relevant service area. Some direct measures, for example solar energy generation and carbon savings by the Council, are reported within the performance portal.

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- 6.2. The Shropshire Plan will be supported by the development of a new Performance Management Framework which is currently in progress. This emerging framework will contain new measures to reflect the ambitions of the climate action plan more effectively.
- 6.3. Information in this report should be used to support decision making and to inform actions or interventions for improving service performance and managing climate risks

7. Background

- 7.1. This quarterly corporate report continues the transition to new styles of performance reporting. The Shropshire Plan and further development of the associated service delivery plans will see the reporting and progress of more key deliverables, which in turn should impact on the key measures and targets
- 7.2. Appendix 1 begins to report key deliverables. The development of new service plans during the current financial year will inform the future structure of the corporate performance framework.
- 7.3. When fully developed the framework will be reported via an interactive reporting tool (PowerBi). This will enable members and the public to access the relevant performance data, benchmarking information and commentary.
- 7.4. Additionally, development of service themed interactive reports will provide a balanced view of performance through the inclusion of performance, demand, finance, and customer measures.

8. Additional Information

Healthy People

8.1. Shropshire HAF (Holiday Activities & Food) Programme:

HAF allows children and young people aged 4 to 16, who are eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM) to access free activity, during the Easter, Summer and Winter holidays. There are currently 6,380 Children and Young People in Shropshire eligible for FSM, a number which is increasing.

HAF aims to improve outcomes for children, including healthier eating and increased activity during the school holidays, participation in enriching activities which support school-readiness, increased safety and social inclusion, greater nutritional knowledge, engaging families in nutritional education and further engagement with schools and other services.

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8.2. Quarter 1 - Easter 2022:

- Shropshire Council commissioned 34 organisations from the private, voluntary, and public sectors, to run the programme.
- 1,233 Children and Young People aged 4 to 16, participated.
- Over four days and 182 sessions, children engaged in a range of activities, which occurred at 47 venues. Activities included sports, music, arts, cooking, gardening, forest schools, child led play and trips to cultural venues. Activities on offer responded to local need and engaged with the wider community.
- 98% of the participants in the programme reported wanting to attend more holiday clubs in the future.



9. Conclusions

9.1. Performance reporting for Quarter 1 of 2022/23 starts to show the journey of performance through the reporting of progress of key deliverables.

Quarter 1 has presented challenges, especially to the housing and education services who have responded to housing and schooling our visitors from Ukraine.

Post pandemic distribution issues and Ukraine crisis have also affected global markets with escalating fuel and commodity costs. This will impact on future construction costs and will particularly affect transport costs when delivering services within a rural authority.

- 9.2. Despite these challenges there continues to be many areas of good performance.
 - The percentage of people in receipt of long-term care services who are able to remain at home continues its gradual improvement
 - The Stepping Stones project is well on course to preventing more children entering care and to help children step down their care needs.

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9.3. The production of the homelessness strategy continues to be delayed. Whilst the delay does not affect day-to-day operations a strategic direction is required to identify how services will be developed to meet current demands and needs.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder) Rob Gittins

Local Member

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Corporate Performance Report

Corporate Performance Portal - <u>https://shropshireperformance.inphase.com/</u>

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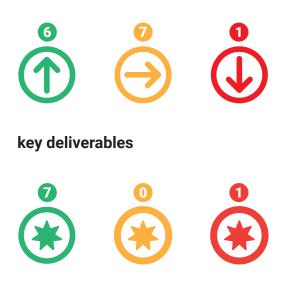


Corporate Performance Report

Appendix 1 – Cabinet 7th September 2022

Executive summary Q1 2022/23 Corporate Performance Report

Performance Measures – direction of travel





Q1 2022/23 Corporate Performance Report

This report should be used in conjunction with the performance portal where trend information and additional commentary can be found

https://shropshireperformance.inphase.com/

•20 measures and 8 deliverables have been updated in the performance portal for this quarter.

- •6 measures show an improvement in performance
- •7 measures remain at the same level
- •1 measures show a decline
- •6 measures are not appropriate to report direction of travel e.g. seasonal variance
- •7 deliverables remain on course for delivery
- •1 deliverable is significantly delayed

The performance summary tables below report on those measures where updates are available since the last quarter. For performance comments please visit the public performance portal https://shropshireperformance.inphase.com/



Negative direction of travel of more than 2%

Direction of travel may be shown as either up or down depending on the type of measure. For some measures, bigger is better, for example, more employment. In other measures, smaller is better, for example, less unemployment.

Against Target		Milestones	
	On or better than target	۲	Complete or on track
?	0.1% to 2% lower than target	۲	Requires some improvement
8	2% or more lower than target		Delays or withdrawn



Healthy People

- Tackle inequalities
- Partnerships
- Early intervention
- Self responsibility

Key Deliverables	Service Area
Publish the public health inequalities plan	Public Health
Opening of the Chelmaren residential hub - Stepping Stones Programme	Children's Social Care
Develop Carers Strategy	Adult Social Care
Develop the homelessness strategy	Housing

Publish the public health inequalities plan

The plan will identify and set out how the Council and its partners will tackle health inequality, enabling children, young people and adults to achieve their full potential

Due: December 2022

Current Status :

X

Q1 – benchmarking exercise complete and draft plan in development. Next milestone – draft plan presented to cabinet and scrutiny Q3 22/23

Opening of the Chelmaren residential hub

The Stepping Stones programme aims to reduce the number of children requiring high-cost residential placements. It provides early interventions to prevent children becoming looked after and supports children to be able to safely return to live with their family or a foster family.

Due: Q1 (Apr – Jun 2023)

Current Status :

Q1 – Works identified for building conversions to meet the needs of Stepping Stones Next Milestone - Commission, specification and procurement of building works – by Dec 22

Develop All Age Carers Strategy

The strategy will recognise the diverse needs of carers of all ages and will provide a framework for support to enable a balance between carers own needs and of their caring responsibilities

Due: April 2023



Q1 – 1st draft of the plan started

Next milestone – to incorporate results from the national carers survey into the strategy – by September 2022

Homelessness Strategy

The Homelessness Strategy for Shropshire will provide a framework indicating how the Council intends to support the homeless and those at risk of homelessness

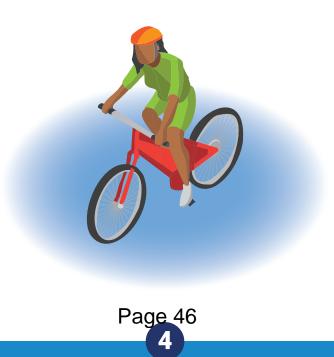
Due: Revised June 2022



Consultation on the draft Homelessness Strategy has been further delayed. The production of the strategy has been beset with problems, which have all caused delay. Floods, Covid, and now the response to those seeking safety from the Ukraine war have all resulted in resource being redirected to cope with extra demand on the service.

An officer is now in place to work on the project. A scope of requirements has been written. Work is now taking place to identify a suitable provider to work with us to conduct the housing review.

The service reiterates that it is committed to supporting the homeless and the needs of households at risk of homelessness. Whilst the delays are unfortunate it does not impact on the day-to-day support delivered to those requiring the service.



Measure	Previous Performance	Current Performance	Direction of Travel	Target
Healthy life expectancy at birth - female	64.9 (2017-19)	67.1 (2018-20)	1	
Healthy life expectancy at birth - male	64.6 (2017-19)	62.8 (2018-20)		
Number of children Stepping Stones Project prevented becoming Looked After	n/a	4 (Jun 22)		5 (Mar 23)
Number of children Stepping Stones Project have helped step down in their care need	n/a	3 (Jun 22)		5 (Mar 23)
Savings achieved by Stepping Stones Project	n/a	£929,869 (Jun 22)		£2,328,000 (Mar 23)
Number of looked After Children	608 (Mar 22)	619 (Jun 22)	\ominus	n/a
% of people in receipt of long term services living ndependently at home	66.4% (Mar 22)	67.5% (Jun 22)	\ominus	68% (Mar 23)
Rate of admissions (aged 65+) to nursing/residential care per 100,000 people	139 Q1 21/22	87.4 Q1 22/23	٩	500 (Mar 23)





Healthy Environment

•Climate change strategy and actions

- Natural environment
- Safe communities

Key Deliverables	Service Area
Delivery of new crematorium for Shrewsbury	Bereavement
Roll out of new recycling bins	Waste Management

New Crematorium for Shrewsbury			
Additional crematorium capacity is required to meet future needs for the people of Shrewsbury and the surrounds The initial phase of the deliverable is to identify a suitable site and obtain the necessary planning permissions.			
Due: December 2025 Current Status : 🛞			
Q1 – Establish a project board . Next milestone – Develop draft business case by Dec 22			

Roll Out of Recycling Bins			
As part of the plans to improve and simplify household recycling services the new recycling bin scheme is being implemented. This should also reduce accidental littering from the existing boxes during windy weather.			
Due: Dec 2022	Current Status : 🛞		
Q1 – Roll out of bins in progress. 50% of phas Next milestones – complete phase 1 rollout b	e 1 bins now delivered y September 22 and phase 2 by December 22		

Measure	Previous Performance	Current Performance	Direction of Travel	Target
% of household waste collections recycle, reused, composted	53.8% (Mar 22)	53.1% (Jun 22)	\bigcirc	
Kwh of Solar Energy generated	128,421Kwh)	309,837 Kwh	N/A due to seasonal variance	
Number of Green Flag Award sites	2 (2021)	2 (2022)	\ominus	2



Healthy Economy

- Skills and employment
- Connectivity and infrastructure
- Safe, strong, and vibrant destination
- Housing

Key Deliverables	Service Area
Economic Growth deliverable – awaiting confirmation	Economic Growth

Publish the Economic Growth Strategy

The new economic growth strategy for Shropshire will set out the vision to support businesses within Shropshire, provide infrastructure to encourage business investment and encourage the connectivity, housing and employment opportunities for our communities.

Due: December 2022

Current Status : 🙀

Q1 - Draft strategy published for consultation

Next milestones - Q2 complete the consultation and evaluate the responses

Measure	Previous Performance	Current Performance	Direction of Travel	Target
Number of premises on Council Tax Register	148,365 (Mar 22)	148,735 (Jul 22)	\ominus	
Claimant count aged 16 - 64	5,170 (Mar 22)	4,560 (Jun 22)		
Claimant count aged 18 - 24	745 (Mar 22)	625 (Jun 22)	٩	
% of superfast and fibre coverage	98.4 (Mar 22)	98.4 (Jun 22)	\ominus	98.8 Mar 23 99.4 Mar 24 100 Mar 25
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Coverage and Speed Test Statistics for Shropshire (thinkbroadband.com)

Healthy Organisation

- Best workforce
- Communicate well
- Absorb, Adapt, Anticipate
- Align our resources
- Strong councillors



Key Deliverables	Service Area
Financial Strategy 2023/24 – 2027/28	Finance

Financial Strategy 2023/34 – 2027/28

The development and delivery of the Council's Financial Strategy is the key process in managing many of the Council's strategic risks. The opportunities and risks arising are assessed each time the document is refreshed for Cabinet consideration.

Due: February 2023	Current Status : 🛞

Q1 – review of the Medium-Term Financial Strategy prepared and presented to cabinet 20th July 22

Next milestone – Quarter 2 prepare the first draft of pressures and savings for consideration in September.

Measure	Previous Performance	Current Performance	Direction of Travel	Target
Number of complaints	291	252		
Number of compliments	109	113		
% of Council tax collected		29.3% (Jun 22)	N/a reset in April	
% of business rates collected	99.1% (Mar 22)	41.2% (Jun 22)	N/a reset in April	March 23 97%
Number of FTE Staff	2818 (Mar 22)	2781 (Jun 22)	\ominus	



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