

**DEVON AUDIT PARTNERSHIP – BUDGET MONITORING 2017/18 – Month 6**  
**Report of the County Treasurer**

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to confirmation by the Committee before taking effect.

**Recommendation:** that the Committee

1. Note the projected outturn
2. Note variances and reason

**Summary**

The Budget monitoring at month 6 indicates a potential for a slight underspend at the year end. The variance is mainly because of increase income (5.84%) from extra work undertaken by the partnership, but this is offset by the increase in staff (5.08%) to complete the work.

Projected premises (1.32%) shows a slight overspend, which is due to an additional venue hire.

Transport costs (19.15%) are over target; this is due to the increased expenditure in work the partnership has performed with its clients.

Supplies and services (8.61%) show an overspend, this is due to the use of external staff to cover the additional audit work and other small overspends, but this has been offset by a slight decrease in the charges for other communication cost.

Income has grown (5.84%) due to the supply of extra audit services to Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service, Devon County Council (risk management services), EU funded schemes and other local authorities (including Mid Devon District Council).

The table below analyses the under/over spend:

	<b>2017/18 Base Budget</b>	<b>Projected Outturn</b>	<b>Variance</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Employees	1,076,600	1,131,300	54,700
Premises	38,000	38,500	500
Transport	28,200	33,600	5,400
Supplies & Services	75,500	82,000	6,500
Support	21,600	21,600	0
Income	(1,239,900)	(1,312,300)	(72,400)
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(5,300)</b>	<b>(5,300)</b>

**Variances (items over £1,000):**

Employees – Staff Costs £ 54,700;

Transport – Travel Expenses £ 4,700;

Supplies and services – increase for External staff £ 3,900 and IT licences £ 5,700, Other communications costs £ (5,000)

Income – £ (72,400) - due to increased service provision to Fire, DCC, EU funded schemes and other local authorities.

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