

Budget Outturn 2018/19 and Budget Position for 2019/20

Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Committee notes the 2018/19 budget outturn and approves the revised 2019/20 budget.

1. Summary

This report summarises the 2018/19 budget outturn and the 2019/20 budget position.

2. Introduction

At its meeting on 1st November 2017 this committee made the decision to allocate the 2018/19 budget to three key areas; a Waste and Recycling Advisors contract; continued funding of Reuse Credits and the 'Don't let Devon go to waste' campaign work. In addition £6,800 was allocated for use in relation to reducing litter and fly tipping. This report details the budget outturn. At its meeting on 17th October 2018 this committee approved a budget of £182,800 for 2019/20. The report proposes a revision to this budget.

3. Description of key areas of spend in 2018/19

Reuse Credits

Reuse Credits are paid to 14 groups across Devon who repair furniture for re-use, whilst training the long term unemployed to do this work and selling the products to those on lower incomes at a reduced cost. A cap on funding of £49,000 was set for 2018/19. This was based on the underspend that is regularly recorded against this budget line.

The budget of £49,000 was spent in full.

Don't let Devon go to waste

This campaign forms the backbone of waste management communications in Devon and Torbay – it includes social media, a website, road shows, advertising and editorials in local newspapers. All the work is monitored and campaigns targeted and researched to ensure maximum impact. The focus for 2018/19 has been on food waste and has included for example a "Guilty Food Waste Secrets Campaign"; further roll out of food waste bin stickers; and an excellent and well attended Food Waste Conference highlighting new initiatives to value and use or redistribute food that would otherwise have gone to waste.

The budget of £41,000 was underspent by just £278.07.

Waste and Recycling Advisors Contract

This Committee agreed to fund the Waste and Recycling Advisors (WRA) contract for £85,000 a year for two years and it has now been running for 2 years. It is designed primarily to increase recycling participation rates by focussing on doorstepping householders across Devon and Torbay. The contract was won by Resource Futures. A decision was made to extend the contract for a year at the committee meeting held on 17th October 2018.

The budget of £85,000 was spent in full. The spreadsheet at Appendix I shows an overspend of £851.51. An omission was made from the 2018/19 budget to allow for inflation hence the overspend. This will be rectified in the 2019/20 budget and is the subject of the request for approval at paragraph 4.

Clean Devon litter and fly tipping project

An allocation of £6,800 was made in 2018/19 to 'work with partner bodies across the region to develop behavioural change and education initiatives to help reduce litter and fly tipping'.

Preliminary discussions have been held with a number of partners with the aim of forming a collaborative partnership to "Clean Devon", including:

- the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
- the Environment Agency
- Dartmoor and Exmoor National Parks
- Highways England
- the NFU
- The Federation of Small Businesses
- Devon Wildlife Trust
- Forestry England
- Devon Communities Together
- District, Torbay and Devon representatives from Environmental Protection, Trading Standards and Waste Management
- The Devon and Cornwall Police.

All these groups are in favour of a partnership approach. Once a Memorandum of Understanding and some basic protocols have been confirmed the partnership will need to call on resources. The £6,800 was therefore carried forward and will be used in 2019/20 as the project moves forward.

Audit

An audit was not required for 2018/19 which gives an underspend of £1,000.

Carry Forward

A carry forward from 2017/18 of -£7,953.15 and the 2018/19 underspend of - £5,958.40 in 2018/19 result in a sum of £13,911.55 to be carried forward to the 2019/20 budget of which £6,800 was originally allocated for Clean Devon.

4. Budget Position for 2019/20

The budget for 2019/20 was agreed at the October 2018 committee meeting. An amendment is proposed to take account of the need to inflate the WRA contract price in

line with the index price which was previously omitted. The increase for 2018/19 required is £2,599. The increase for 2019/20 required is £5,660. In total, the increase in budget required for the WRA contract is £8,259.

Since this figure will result in overspending the Carry forward it is proposed to reduce the Clean Devon carry forward to £6,000 and reduce the Audit budget to £0 because there is no audit planned for this year. The total budget increase required will be £13,259, against a carry forward of £13,912, leaving £653. The changes are shown in the table below and the detail is shown in Appendix II attached.

Project	2019/20 Budget	Amended budget	Increase/decrease
Reuse Credits	£49,000	£49,000	0
Don't let Devon go to waste	£41,000	£41,000	0
Waste and Recycling Advisors Contract	£85,000	£93,259	+£8,259
Clean Devon	£6,800	£12,800	+£6,000
Audit	£1,000	£0	-£1,000
Total	£182,800	£196,059	£13,259

5. Conclusion

Approval is requested for the 2019/20 budget to be increased by £13,259 and for this sum to be allocated from the remaining 2018/19 underspend.

6. Financial Considerations

Reducing, reusing and recycling and composting bring cost savings for both collection and disposal. Managing an element of the budget via a contract gives more accountable financial control over budget expenditure and allows performance to be driven by measurable targets.

7. Sustainability Considerations

All the DASWC projects result in waste being managed higher up the hierarchy and therefore meet sustainable waste management objectives.

8. Carbon Impact Considerations

Reduced tonnage to landfill and energy from waste means a decrease in carbon emissions.

9. Equality Considerations

There are no equality considerations relating to the recommendation.

10. Legal Considerations

There are no legal issues arising in relation to this report.

11. Risk Management Considerations

There are no significant risks associated with the Waste Recycling Advisors contract, the Reuse Credits and Don't let Devon go to waste budget allocations. The spending of the funds allocated to the Clean Devon budget will depend on the progress of the partnership but every effort will be made to spend this allocation effectively before the end of the year.

12. Public Health Impact

There are no impacts to public health identified.

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Electoral Divisions: All

Local Government Act 1972: List of Background Papers

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Nil		

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DASWC (Devon Authorities Strategic Waste Committee) - Budget monitoring statement 2018/19								
	2018/19							2018/19
	DASWC Agreed Budget	Carryforward	Total Budget 2018/19	Expenditure to Date	Income to Date	Orders Raised (not yet paid)	Further Planned Spend (what is left to spend)	Outturn
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
2018/19 Allocations (funded by top-slicing) :								
Furniture Re-use Payments	49000		49000.00	49000.00		0.00	0.00	49000.00
Don't let Devon go to waste & Online	41000		41000.00	41154.00	-432.07	0.00	0.00	40721.93
Audit Fee	1000		1000.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Waste and Recycling Advisors Contract	85,000		85000.00	85851.51		0.00	0.00	85851.51
Clean Devon	6,800		6800.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
17/18 invoice received in 18/19	0		0.00	1268.16			0.00	1268.16
Total Funded from Top-Slicing	182,800	0.00	182800.00	177273.67	-432.07	0.00	0.00	176841.60
Funded by :								
Contribution brought forward from 2017/18		-7953.15			-7953.15		0.00	-7953.15
Less approved carry over commitment			0.00				0.00	0.00
Income Received from Recycling Credits Topslice in 2017/18:								
CONTRIBN DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL	(93,450)				-93450.00		0.00	-93450.00
CONTRIBN EAST DEVON DIST COUNCIL	(10,694)				-10694.00		0.00	-10694.00
CONTRIBN EXETER CITY COUNCIL	(9,967)				-9967.00		0.00	-9967.00
CONTRIBN MID DEVON DIST COUNCIL	(7,598)				-7598.00		0.00	-7598.00
CONTRIBN NORTH DEVON DIST COUNCIL	(10,293)				-10293.00		0.00	-10293.00
CONTRIBN SOUTH HAMS DIST COUNCIL	(9,202)				-9202.00		0.00	-9202.00
CONTRIBN TEIGNBRIDGE DIST COUNCIL	(13,086)				-13086.00		0.00	-13086.00
CONTRIBN TORBAY COUNCIL	(16,254)				-16254.00		0.00	-16254.00
CONTRIBN TORRIDGE DIST COUNCIL	(7,351)				-7351.00		0.00	-7351.00
CONTRIBN WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL	(4,905)				-4905.00		0.00	-4905.00
Total Income	(182,800)	-7953.15	0.00	0.00	-190753.15	0.00	0.00	-190753.15
Net Total	0	-7953.15	182800.00	177273.67	-191185.22	0.00	0.00	-13911.55

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	2019/20		Total Budget 2019/20	Expenditure to Date	Income to Date	Orders Raised (not yet paid)	Further Planned Spend (what is left to spend)	2019/20 Outturn
	DASWC	Carryforward						
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
2019/20 Allocations (funded by top-slicing) :								
Furniture Re-use Payments	49000		49000	-16746		18683	47063	49000
Don't let Devon go to waste & Online	41000		41000	-1025	-69	6236	35858	41000
Audit Fee	0		0	0		0	0	0
Waste and Recycling Advisors Contract	93259		93259	0		93259	0	93259
Clean Devon	6800	6000	12800	0		0	12800	12800
Total Funded from Top-Slicing	190059	6000	196059	-17771	-69	118177	95721	196059
Funded by :								
Contribution brought forward from 2018/19		-13912			-13912		0	-13912
Less approved carry over commitment		0	0				0	0
Income Received from Recycling Credits Topslice in 2019/20:								
CONTRIBN DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL	(94,986)						(94,986)	-94986
CONTRIBN EAST DEVON DIST COUNCIL	(10,510)						(10,510)	-10510
CONTRIBN EXETER CITY COUNCIL	(9,795)						(9,795)	-9795
CONTRIBN MID DEVON DIST COUNCIL	(7,468)						(7,468)	-7468
CONTRIBN NORTH DEVON DIST COUNCIL	(10,116)						(10,116)	-10116
CONTRIBN SOUTH HAMS DIST COUNCIL	(9,044)						(9,044)	-9044
CONTRIBN TEIGNBRIDGE DIST COUNCIL	(12,861)						(12,861)	-12861
CONTRIBN TORBAY COUNCIL	(15,975)						(15,975)	-15975
CONTRIBN TORRIDGE DIST COUNCIL	(7,225)						(7,225)	-7225
CONTRIBN WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL	(4,820)						(4,820)	-4820
Total Income	-182800	-13912	0	0	-13912	0	-182800	-196712
Net Total	7259	-7912	196059	-17771	-13981	118177	-87079	-653