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Summary

This report sets out the 2019/20 annual revenue budget for Rough Sleeping and identifies the income streams and costs related to the service. This is summarised in the table below.

| Summary of Rough Sleepers Revenue Budget | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Actual 2018/19 £000 | 2018/19 2019/20 | | Outturn forecast 2019/20 £000 | | | |
| Income | 429 | 718 | 631 | 718 | | | |
| Expenditure | (1,135) | (1,484) | (945) | (1,515) | | | |
| Net Budget | (706) | (766) | (314) | (797) | | | |

The outturn forecast is currently expected to be approximately £31,000 overspent which will be absorbed within the overall Homelessness local risk budget.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the report.

Main Report

Revenue Budget for 2019/20

1. This report sets out the 2019/20 annual revenue budget for Rough Sleeping alongside the 2018/19 actual figures and the amount spent and received in the

seven-month period to the end of October 2019. The budget is broken down into the various income streams (Government grants) and expenditure is explained in terms of major contracts and services in the table below.

| Rough Sleeping Budget 2019/20 to Period 7 | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------|--|--|--|
| | Actual 2018/19 | Budget 2019/20 | Actual to P7 2019/20 | Forecast Outturn 2019/20 | Para | | | |
| | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 | | | | |
| Local Risk | | | | | | | | |
| Employee expenses | (312) | (371) | (187) | (371) | 2 3 | | | |
| Premises-related expenses | (7) | (0) | (10) | (10) | 3 | | | |
| Transport-related expenses | (1) | (5) | (1) | (5) | | | | |
| Supplies and services: | | | | | | | | |
| EASL Mental Health | (11) | (14) | (2) | (14) | | | | |
| Detox/Rehab Pathway | (13) | (40) | (0) | (40) | | | | |
| Outreach contract | (332) | (350) | (350) | (350) | | | | |
| Advice worker | (21) | (35) | (0) | (35) | | | | |
| Security – Parkguard | (25) | (25) | (25) | (25) | | | | |
| Legal costs | (1) | (5) | (0) | (5) | | | | |
| Evaluation report | (1) | (10) | (37) | (37) | | | | |
| Case Worker – St Mungo's | (57) | (60) | (4) | (54) | | | | |
| Consultancy | (2) | (10) | (5) | (10) | | | | |
| Grants including Providence Row and The Lodge | (102) | (56) | (40) | (56) | | | | |
| Winter campaign | (17) | (21) | (28) | (21) | | | | |
| Other supplies and services | <u>(16)</u> | (11) | <u>(9)</u> | <u>(11)</u> | 4 | | | |
| | (598) | (637) | (500) | (658) | 5 | | | |
| Third-party payments: | | | | | | | | |
| Hostel placements from other LAs | (74) | (77) | (0) | (77) | | | | |
| Severe Weather Emergency Protocol | (17) | (15) | (0) | (15) | | | | |
| Accommodation | (123) | (338) | (243) | (338) | | | | |
| Client subsistence and travel | (3) | (41) | <u>(4)</u> | (41) | | | | |
| | (217) | (471) | (247) | (471) | 6 | | | |
| Government grants: | | | | | | | | |
| Rough Sleeping Grant | 170 | 126 | 126 | 126 | 7 | | | |
| Rough Sleeping Initiative | <u>209</u> | <u>367</u> | <u>367</u> | <u>367</u> | 8 | | | |
| - · · | 379 | 493 | 493 | 493 | | | | |
| Other grants | 50 | 225 | 138 | 225 | 9 | | | |
| Total Local Risk | (706) | (766) | (314) | (797) | 10 | | | |

Reasons for significant variations

2. Actuals for 2018/19 were less than the anticipated outturn for the current year due to staff vacancies. The 2019/20 budget includes six full-time staff employed via the Rough Sleeping Grant and the Rough Sleeping Initiative Fund.

- 3. This cost relates to accommodation charges for those staff situated in the Barbican Estate Office. These costs are met from the Rough Sleeping Grant.
- 4. Other Supplies and Services budget includes printing and stationery, IT and other general office expenses.
- This budget includes the contracts for Outreach, Enabling Assessment Service London (EASL) Mental Health, Detox/Rehab pathway, security, grants to Providence Row Housing Association/Providence Row /The Lodge and the Winter campaign.
- Third-party payments include the cost of hostel places, Severe Weather Emergency Protocol (SWEP), accommodation and subsistence for rough sleeping clients. 2019/20 includes a full year cost, whereas the 2018/19 actual was for part of the year only.
- 7. The budget includes £126,000 unspent grant carried forward from 2018/19 in relation to the Rough Sleeping Grant. This grant was given to enable the City to continue to be a Homelessness Prevention Rough Sleeping Grant area, including: commitment to working closely with the Department to improve the homelessness data and evidence base which may include participation in the Complex Needs Evaluation and cost research and working alongside the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to achieve their commitment to halve rough sleeping by 2022 and eliminate it by 2027.
- 8. The budget includes £22,000 unspent Rough Sleeping Initiative grant which was carried forward from 2018/19, along with the current year's allocation of £345,000. This grant is received from the MHCLG and is ring-fenced. The City is required to provide progress reports against outputs, activities, milestones and targets set out in the proposals agreed by the MHCLG.
- 9. Other grant income comprises £200,000 in relation to the Private Rental Scheme Access Fund, which was launched in 2018 to enable better access and sustainment of tenancies for those who are, or at risk of becoming, homeless and rough sleeping, along with £25,000 contribution towards the No First Night Out project.
- 10. The outturn forecast is currently expected to be approximately £31,000 overspent, which will be absorbed within the overall Homelessness local risk budget.

Appendices

None.

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