Committee(s)	Dated:
Community and Children's Services – For Information	11 June 2021
Subject: Revenue Outturn 2020/21 – Community and Children's Services Committee (City Fund)	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	1,2,3,4,8,9,12
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Summary

This report compares the 2020/21 revenue outturn for the non-Housing Revenue Account (HRA) services overseen by your Committee with the final agreed budget for the year. The Director of Community and Children's Services local risk budget was underspent by £347,000 with an overspend on all risks including recharges of £627,000. This is summarised in the table below.

Summary Comparison of 2020/21 Revenue Outturn with Final Agreed Budget – Community & Children's Services Committee						
	Final Agreed Budget £000	Budget Outturn (li				
Local Risk	(12,948)	(12,601)	347			
Central Risk	(1,034)	(1,517)	(483)			
Surveyors R&M	(9)	(2)	7			
Total all Risks	(13,991)	(14,120)	(129)			
Recharges	(2,345)	(2,843)	(498)			
Overall Totals	(16,336)	(16,963)	(627)			

The Director of Community and Children's Services is not proposing to carry forward any of his local risk underspend for purposes of this Committee.

Recommendation

It is recommended that this revenue outturn report for 2020/21 is noted

Main Report

Revenue Outturn for 2020/21

1. Actual net expenditure for your Committee's services during 2020/21 totalled £16,963m. A summary comparison with the final agreed budget for the year of £16,336m is tabulated below. In the tables, figures in brackets indicate expenditure or adverse variance.

Comparison of 2020/21 Revenue Outturn with Final Agreed Budget						
	Original Budget £000	Final Agreed Budget £000	Revenue Outturn £000	Variations to Final Agreed Budget (Increase) / Reduction £000	Paragraph	
Local Risk						
Supervision & Management	(1,468)	(1,451)	(1,605)	(154)	4	
Partnerships & Commissioned	(1,106)	(1,612)	(1,645)	(33)		
Services						
People's Services	(7,852)	(8,770)	(8,165)	605	5	
Housing Services	(595)	(1,115)	(1,186)	(71)		
Total Local Risk	(11,021)	(12,948)	(12,601)	347		
Central Risk	(569)	(1,034)	(1,517)	(483)	3 & 6	
Surveyors R&M	(9)	(9)	(2)	7		
Recharges	(2,052)	(2,345)	(2,843)	(498)	7	
Overall Totals						
	(13,651)	(16,336)	(16,963)	(627)		

- 2. A reconciliation of original local risk budget to the final agreed local risk budget is provided in Appendix A.
- The 2020/21 final approved central risk budget includes significant additional resources due to successful bids from the Priorities Investment Pot along with additional resources in relation to the flexible retirement scheme and supplementary revenue projects.

Reasons for significant variations

4. There were a number of vacancies during the year filled by temporary staff which has cost more than budget.

- 5. The underspend of £605k in People's Services largely relates to less than budgeted spend on social care packages for adults & older people. There were several changes to client circumstances / number of clients during the year which resulted in less demand than expected. This is a volatile budget and a single change in a client's circumstance can have a major effect on the budget. In addition, we received a large one-off grant from the MHCLG which was not budgeted for. This offset pressures within the directorate which would have otherwise been met from local risk
- 6. The Unaccompanied Asylum Seekers central risk budget was under pressure this year due to the number of children turning 18 which results in less funding received from the Home Office. In addition, a number of clients turned 21 during the year which attracts no funding from the Home Office. The City supports these clients until they turn 25.
- 7. The table below shows a breakdown of the Capital and Support Services budgets and expenditure.

	Original Budget	Final Agreed	Revenue Outturn	Variation (Increase)/
	Baagot	Budget	Outturn	Decrease
	£000	£000	£000	£000
CAPITAL & SUPPORT SERVICES				
Capital Charges	(461)	(458)	(458)	0
Support Services, including	(992)	(992)	(1,215)	(223)
Chamberlains, Comptrollers* & Town	, ,	` ,	,	, ,
Clerks				
Surveyors Employee Recharges	(1)	(1)	(1)	0
IS Recharges	(634)	(634)	(913)	(279)
Guildhall Admin Buildings	(285)	(285)	(268)	17
Insurances, including premises &	(54)	(56)	(60)	(4)
Liability				
Other recharges	343	49	40	(9)
Corporate & Democratic Core	32	32	32	0
TOTAL CAPITAL & SUPPORT SERVICES	(2,052)	(2,345)	(2,843)	(498)

^{*}The Comptrollers and City Solicitors department continue to recharge departments for any external legal fees that they have incurred.

The budgets for Community & Children's Services departmental support service costs and IS costs were based on 2019/20 actual attributions whereas the final charges for 2020/21 reflect the most recent time and costs attributions.

Recharges have a corresponding contra entry in their own accounts.

Consequently, these charges have no overall impact on net expenditure for the Corporation as a whole

Local Risk Budget Carry Forward to 2020/21

- 8. Chief Officers can request underspends of up to 10% or £500,000 (whichever is the lesser) of the final agreed local risk budget to be carried forward provided the underspending is not fortuitous and the resources are required for a planned purpose. Such requests are subject to the approval of the Chamberlain in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Resources Allocation Sub Committee.
- 9. The Director of Community and Children's Services' is able to request a total carry forward of £347,000 to 2021/22 for this Committee, in accordance with the budgetary arrangements for local risk resources however has decided not to submit any bids this year.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

Financial implications: None Resource implications: None Legal implications: None

Risk implications: None Equalities implications: None

Climate implications: None Security implications: None

Appendices

 Appendix A – A reconciliation of 2020/21 original local risk budget to the final agreed local risk budget 2020/21

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