

REFERENCE FROM CABINET – 22 JUNE 2011

REVENUE BUDGET OUTTURN FOR 2010/2011 AND FIRST REVENUE REVIEW 2011/2012

Report of the Head of Law and Governance

1. Why has this report come to this Committee?

- 1.1 To set out for advice and consideration of the Committee an aspect of the report on the Revenue Budget Outturn for 2010/2011 and First Revenue Review for 2011/2012 namely requesting the Council to approve the virement of funds. Members' views will contribute to the consultation process.
- 1.2 In accordance with the Management Scrutiny Committee workplan, to advise of progress in implementing savings proposals for 2011/2012.

2. Background and Current Position

- 2.1 The Cabinet, at its meeting on 22 June 2011, gave consideration to a report of the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services. The report gave details of the Revenue Budget Outturn for 2010/2011 and First Revenue Review for 2011/2012.
- 2.2 The Cabinet approved:
- (i) in relation to 2010/2011 the contingency and reserve transfers proposed at Appendix A, budget transfers and virement at Appendix B and the final account decisions as set out in the report.
 - (ii) in relation to 2011/2012 the proposed contingency transfers at Appendix E and budget transfers.
- 2.3 In accordance with the Council's Budget and Policy Framework certain virements are referred to the Management Scrutiny Committee, for advice and consideration on the issues of virement only, prior to seeking Council approval. The attached extract refers to the virement of funds in respect of ;
- £1.0 million to support potential winter maintenance pressures and continued uncertainties arising as a result of the economic downturn for 2011/2012,
 - £1.5m to support initial activities regarding potential commercial and economic development opportunities which will in turn lead to improved outcomes for the city and future revenue cost containment, and

- In accordance with the approval by January Cabinet, transfer the residual sum of £1.958 million to the strategic investment reserve to support one off transitional costs arising from the implementation of budget savings proposals in 2011/2012.

2.4 In addition, and in accordance with the Management Scrutiny Committee workplan, which requested that the Committee be advised of progress in implementing savings proposals for 2011/2012, the full report to Cabinet of 22nd of June is attached for information. Members attention is drawn to paragraph 5.3 of the report which summarises this progress and puts into context the position at outturn for 2010/2011.

3. Conclusion

3.1 The matter at 2.3 is referred to this Committee for advice and consideration. The comments of this Committee will be reported to the Council meeting on 20 July 2011.

4. Recommendation

4.1 The Scrutiny Committee is invited to give advice and consideration to Council on the issues of virement as set out in the attached extract.

5. Background Papers

5.1 Cabinet Agenda, 22 June 2011.

5.2 A copy of the Agenda is available for inspection from the Head of Law and Governance or can be viewed on-line at:-

<http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/committees/cm5/Meetings/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/7215/Committee/1485/Default.aspx>

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Revenue Budget Outturn for 2010/2011 and First Revenue Review 2011/2012

Extract of Report

Cabinet Meeting 22nd June 2011

Virements over £55,000 for the Final Quarter 2010/2011

	Transfer From £000	Transfer To £000
General Balances	4,458	
Reserve for pressures arising in respect of winter maintenance and the economic downturn		1,000
Reserve to support potential commercial and economic development activities		1,500
Transfer to Strategic Investment Reserve to support pressures in respect of Transitional Arrangements		1,958
TOTAL	4,458	4,458