

Report to the Warwickshire Public Service Board

22 September 2008

2008/09 Area Based Grant – Projected Outturn as at Quarter 1.

Report of the Accountable Officer

Recommendation

It is recommended that the PSB:

- Notes the 2008/09 Quarter 1 position and the projected 2008/09 Outturn and makes any comments as appropriate.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the PSB of the Quarter 1 position and the 2008/09 projected outturn for the use of Area Based Grant, based on the information known at the end of June 2008.
- 1.2 The report covers the 2008/09 Area Based Grant of £22.151 million plus the additional £1 million made available for 2008/09 only, that was allocated by the County Council on the 18 March 2008. The report does not include Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council's £49,412 Area Based Grant allocation made by the Department of Communities and Local Government for Cohesion.
- 1.3 The report has been compiled on the basis of the returns from each of the Themed Blocks in receipt of pooled grant, in consultation with partners.

2 Spending Compared With Estimates

- 2.1 At this stage, the 2008/09 projected outturn for Area Based Grant and the additional £1 million top-up allocation is an overspend of £2.076 million. This overspend represents 9% of total the total funds monitored. However, £1.9 million of this was known about prior to the start of the financial year and provision to meet this cost is included within the County Council's budget. Therefore, excluding this element, the budget is forecast to be fully spent by the end of the financial year.
- 2.2 At 30 June 2008 a total underspend of £0.291 million or 5% was reported in comparison to the funds allocated at the end of Quarter 1.

2.3 Table 1 shows a summary of the first quarter position and the projected year-end outturn for each of the Themed Blocks in receipt of funding.

Block	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn			
	Grant £	Spend £	Variation £	Variation %	Grant £	Spend £	Variation £	Variation %
Childrens and Young People	2,572,430	2,336,183	(236,247)	-9.2%	10,289,718	10,289,718	0	0.0%
Healthier Communities and Older People	1,965,786	2,241,231	275,445	14.0%	7,863,144	9,939,651	2,076,507	26.4%
Environment and Climate Change	358,074	363,329	5,255	1.5%	1,432,297	1,432,297	0	0.0%
Safer Communities	638,441	433,833	(204,609)	-32.0%	2,553,766	2,553,766	0	0.0%
Stronger Communities	253,034	122,244	(130,790)	-51.7%	1,012,137	1,012,000	(137)	0.0%
Total	5,787,766	5,496,820	(290,946)	-5.0%	23,151,062	25,227,432	2,076,370	9.0%

2.4 The £2.076 million overspend forecast by the end of the year is entirely within the Healthier Communities and Older People Block and is mainly due to a £1.907 million overspend on Preserved Rights. The element of Area Based Grant relating to preserved rights has always been insufficient to meet the costs of the service and therefore there is existing provision to meet this overspend within the County Council's budget (see Appendix A)

2.5 There are two further anticipated overspends, both in the Healthier Communities and Older People Block, on the supporting people administration grant and the learning and disability development fund grant. These overspends will also be met from the County Council's budget (see Appendix A)

2.6 All other Blocks are forecasting expenditure to be on budget.

2.7 Of the additional £1 million made available for 2008/09 by the County Council £800,000 is to be allocated to the Local Strategic Partnerships. Of the £800,000 allocated to the 5 LSPs, for Narrowing the Gap, only the plans for Nuneaton and Bedworth and Stratford LSP have been approved to date. The remaining plans are elsewhere on today's agenda for PSB approval. The figures above assume all the £800,000 will be spent in 2008/09. However, it is expected some of this spend may be deferred until 2009/10. A more accurate forecast of the £800,000 allocation will be available for Quarter 2.

2.8 In terms of actual spending at 30 June 2008, variances were reported across all Blocks. The majority of these variances arose due spending patterns falling equally across each quarter and some delays due to the timing of the final approval of allocations.

2.9 No consequences to delivery of outcomes have been identified in the preparation of this report.

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Healthier Communities and Older People 2008/09 Budget Monitoring - Quarter 1

Appendix A

Background / Proposed use of Funding
- Supporting People Administration: This funding pays for the Administration that underpins the Supporting People Programme which provides housing related support to vulnerable and disadvantaged people in Warwickshire
- Adult Social Care Workforce: This funding supports the training, development, and modernisation of the adult social care workforce
- Carers: This funding provides support services to Carers (e.g. relatives, friends, neighbours) who provide unpaid support to service users
- Learning & Disability Development Fund: This fund supports the implementation of the Valuing People white paper (promoting advocacy, person centred support, modernisation of day services, etc)
Mental Capacity Act: This fund awareness raising and training and supports the operation of the Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy Service
Mental Health Act: Support the implementation of the Mental Health (Amendment) Act 2007
Preserved Rights: Funds the costs of the preserved rights of service users who were in residential accommodation in 1993 when Community Care was introduced

Funding Breakdown								
	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn			
	Grant	Spend	Variation	Variation	Grant	Spend	Variation	Variation
	£	£	£	%	£	£	£	%
Supporting People Administration	80,659	82,243	1,584	2.0%	322,635	406,234	83,599	25.9%
Adult Social Care Workforce	305,559	213,029	(92,530)	-30.3%	1,222,237	1,222,237	0	0.0%
Carers	491,924	459,863	(32,061)	-6.5%	1,967,697	1,967,697	0	0.0%
Learning & Disability Development Fund	93,165	77,178	(15,987)	-17.2%	372,658	458,217	85,559	23.0%
Mental Capacity Act & Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy Service	54,255	35,098	(19,157)	-35.3%	217,020	217,020	0	0.0%
Mental Health	297,144	253,902	(43,242)	-14.6%	1,188,574	1,188,574	0	0.0%
Preserved Rights	643,081	1,119,918	476,837	74.1%	2,572,323	4,479,672	1,907,349	74.1%
Total	1,965,786	2,241,231	275,445	14.0%	7,863,144	9,939,651	2,076,507	26.4%

Reasons for Variations

Current Spending Variations as at 30/06/08

The position as at 30/06/08 shows variations because actual spending patterns are variable through the year but the profile they are compared to assumes they are evenly spent through the year.

Forecast Outturn Variations

Supporting People Administration: Forecast overspend due to need to pay for unanticipated audit/inspection fees and the need to employ temporary agency staff to cover sickness absence of the programme manager

Learning & Disability Development Fund: The grant has reduced in 2008/09 whilst need has increased, therefore the Directorate is spending significantly more than the grant and this is a funding pressure that the Directorate has to meet.

Preserved Rights: Preserved Rights grant has declined over the years at a faster rate than the need for the grant has declined. The overspend is a budget pressure funded by the Directorate.

Action Taken or Planned Action

Supporting People Administration: Consider setting up a reserve to fund future inspection costs (these costs do not occur every year).

Learning and Disability Development Fund: Spending is being reduced by not filling vacancies and reducing grants to carers and providers. Any overspend above the grant is a budget pressure that has to be met by the directorate.

Preserved Rights: The spending over the basic grant is funded by the directorate.

Consequences for the Delivery of Planned Outcomes

By spending at these levels services are expected to achieve planned outcomes.

**Children and Young People's Block
2008/09 Budget Monitoring - Quarter 1**

Appendix B

Background / Proposed use of Funding

WCC CYPF Directorate - The various elements of the CYPF Area Based Grant Allocation have many proposed uses. These include meeting existing commitments for established services as well as new services which have been required for new mandatory services. All the proposals for use of the various grant elements were reported in detail to Cabinet on 13th March.

Connexions - CSWP / Connexions delivers a comprehensive service across the sub-region of careers advice and guidance to young persons in line with the aims of the national Connexions framework and as agreed within the LAA.

Funding Breakdown

	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn			
	Grant £'000	Spend £'000	Variation £'000	Variation %	Grant £'000	Spend £'000	Variation £'000	%
Child & Adolescent Mental Health	151,479	13,123	(138,356)	-91.3%	605,914	605,914	0	0.0%
School Development Grant	253,240	0	(253,240)	-100.0%	1,012,960	1,012,960	0	0.0%
Extended Schools Start-Up Grants	258,996	2,753	(256,242)	-98.9%	1,035,983	1,035,983	0	0.0%
Primary National Strategy - Central Co-ordination	68,321	0	(68,321)	-100.0%	273,285	273,285	0	0.0%
Secondary National Strategy - Central Co-ordination	63,310	0	(63,310)	-100.0%	253,241	253,241	0	0.0%
Attendance	31,450	6,544	(24,906)	-79.2%	125,800	125,800	0	0.0%
School Improvement Partners	62,935	29,685	(33,250)	-52.8%	251,740	251,740	0	0.0%
Education Health Partnerships	26,215	0	(26,215)	-100.0%	104,859	104,859	0	0.0%
School Travel Advisers	17,750	600	(17,150)	-96.6%	71,000	71,000	0	0.0%
Choice Advisers	8,659	0	(8,659)	-100.0%	34,636	34,636	0	0.0%
School Intervention Grant	40,800	0	(40,800)	-100.0%	163,200	163,200	0	0.0%
14 - 19 Flexible Funding Pot	38,252	50,054	11,803	30.9%	153,006	153,006	0	0.0%
Sustainable Travel - General Duty	10,481	35,030	24,549	234.2%	41,924	41,924	0	0.0%
Extended Rights to Free Transport	41,781	11,500	(30,281)	-72.5%	167,122	167,122	0	0.0%
Children's Fund	235,113	63,310	(171,803)	-73.1%	940,453	940,453	0	0.0%
Teenage Pregnancy	46,750	66,750	20,000	42.8%	187,000	187,000	0	0.0%
Children's Social Care Workforce	29,685	50,342	20,657	69.6%	118,739	118,739	0	0.0%
Care Matters White Paper	58,384	64,027	5,643	9.7%	233,534	233,534	0	0.0%
Child Death Review Processes	11,753	588,604	576,852	4908.3%	47,010	47,010	0	0.0%
Young People Substance Misuse Partnership	22,213	258,996	236,783	1066.0%	88,851	88,851	0	0.0%
Connexions	1,055,058	1,055,058	0	0.0%	4,220,230	4,220,230	0	0.0%
Positive Activities for Young People	39,808	39,808	0	0.0%	159,231	159,231	0	0.0%
Total	2,572,430	2,336,183	(236,247)	-9.2%	10,289,718	10,289,718	-	0.0%

Reasons for Variations

WCC CPYF Directorate - 'The forecast outturn shows all grant will be spent by the end of the financial year. Variances in the grant spent to date are due to the fact spending of funds is not always quarterly and the official allocation of the grant to managers was relatively late.

Themed Block/Partner Action

All grants are currently forecast to be spent by the end of the financial year, so no further action is required.

Consequences for the Delivery of the LAA Outcomes

The financial position does not currently have any consequences for delivery of the LAA targets

Analysis by Partner Organisation/Themed Block Outcome

	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn			
	Grant £	Spend £	Variation £	Variation %	Grant £	Spend £	Variation £	Variation %
WCC CYPF Directorate	1,477,564	1,241,317	(236,247)	-16.0%	5,910,257	5,910,257	0	0.0%
Connexions	1,094,866	1,094,866	0	0.0%	4,379,461	4,379,461	0	0.0%
Total	2,572,430	2,336,183	(236,247)	-9.2%	10,289,718	10,289,718	0	0.0%

Environment and Climate Change 2008/09 Budget Monitoring, Quarter 1

Appendix C

Background / Proposed use of Funding

1. Detrunking - the grant is used to maintain the trunk roads that the Directorate now has responsibility for. Trunk roads being the A45 and A423 (formerly maintained by the highways Agency)
2. The Rural Bus Subsidy grant is used to provide financially supported local bus services in those rural communities identified as most in need of assistance.

Funding Breakdown

	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn			
	Grant	Spend	Variation	Variation	Grant	Spend	Variation	
	£	£	£	%	£	£	£	%
Detrunking	97,276	97,276	(0)	0.0%	389,105	389,105	0	0.0%
Rural Bus Subsidy	260,798	266,053	5,255	2.0%	1,043,192	1,043,192	0	0.0%
Total	358,074	363,329	5,255	1.5%	1,432,297	1,432,297	-	0.0%

Safer Communities Block 2008/09 Budget Monitoring - Quarter 1

Background / Proposed use of Funding

Revenue funding totalling £2,553,766 has been allocated to the Safer Communities Block in 2008/09. This funding comes from three sources: (1) £583,664 from the Warwickshire Safer and Stronger Communities revenue allocation, (2) £200,000 from the Warwickshire County Council Virtual Bank as an advance of the LPSA2 reward grant and (3) £1,770,102 from the Warwickshire Road Safety Grant. On the 8th February 2008, the Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership (WSCP) agreed community safety priorities for 2008/09 and how funding should be allocated to address those priorities. The allocations agreed by WSCP were approved by the Public Service Board on the 20th February and by W.C.C. Cabinet on the 18th March.

Funding Stream Breakdown

	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn			
	Grant £'000	Spend £'000	Variation £'000	Variation %	Grant £'000	Spend £'000	Variation £'000	%
Alcohol Treatment Referral	17,500.00	8,875.00	-8,625.00	-49.3%	70,000	70,000	0	0.0%
Alcohol & Drugs	30,758.81	26,384.00	-4,374.81	-14.2%	123,035	123,035	(0)	0.0%
Block Administrative Support	6,500.00	5,959.26	-540.74	-8.3%	26,000	26,000	0	0.0%
Violence Domestic Abuse	2,938.74	0.00	-2,938.74	-100.0%	11,755	11,755	0	0.0%
Road Safety Grant	442,525.50	288,193.00	-154,332.50	-34.9%	1,770,102	1,770,102	0	0.0%
Business Crime	13,000.00	29,730.00	16,730.00	128.7%	52,000	52,000	0	0.0%
Community Safety Analysts	15,750.00	10,568.00	-5,182.00	-32.9%	63,000	63,000	0	0.0%
Prolific and Priority Offenders Scheme	22,500.00	24,980.00	2,480.00	11.0%	90,000	90,000	0	0.0%
Nuneaton and Bedworth CDRP	20,002.74	10,875.00	-9,127.74	-45.6%	80,011	80,011	0	0.0%
North Warwickshire CDRP	13,914.95	10,000.00	-3,914.95	-28.1%	55,660	55,660	0	0.0%
Rugby CDRP	16,524.01	0.00	-16,524.01	-100.0%	66,096	66,096	(0)	0.0%
Stratford CDRP	16,524.01	9,518.47	-7,005.54	-42.4%	66,096	66,096	(0)	0.0%
Warwick CDRP	20,002.74	8,750.00	-11,252.74	-56.3%	80,011	80,011	0	0.0%
Total	638,441.50	433,832.73	-204,608.77	-32.0%	2,553,766	2,553,766	- 0	0.0%

Reasons for Variations

Following the confirmation of allocations by W.C.C. on the 18th March, partners were asked to submit plans detailing how they intended to use their allocations to address local and county targets. Using information supplied by partners, a county spending plan was formulated and approved by WSCP on the 3rd June. Partners were waiting for approval of the county spending plan before committing to a number of interventions. As a result, there was little or no spend in relation to some interventions during quarter 1.

Action Taken / Planned Action

A number of partners are reviewing their action plans in the light of quarter 1 performance data. However, no changes to the current spending plan are being requested at this stage.

General Comments

It is anticipated that all partners will have received their quarter 1 funding allocations before the end of August 2008. The remainder of the 2008/09 funding will be forwarded to partners on a monthly basis.

Analysis by Partner Organisation/Themed Block Outcome

	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn			
	Grant £'000	Spend £'000	Variation £'000	Variation %	Grant £'000	Spend £'000	Variation £'000	%
Warwickshire County Council	£500,223.05	329,411.26	-170,811.79	-34.1%	2,000,892	2,000,892	(0)	0.0%
Warwickshire Police Authority	£51,250.00	65,278.00	14,028.00	27.4%	205,000	205,000	0	0.0%
Nuneaton and Bedworth CDRP	£20,002.74	10,875.00	-9,127.74	-45.6%	80,011	80,011	0	0.0%
North Warwickshire CDRP	£13,914.95	10,000.00	-3,914.95	-28.1%	55,660	55,660	0	0.0%
Rugby CDRP	£16,524.01	0.00	-16,524.01	-100.0%	66,096	66,096	(0)	0.0%
Stratford CDRP	£16,524.01	9,518.47	-7,005.54	-42.4%	66,096	66,096	(0)	0.0%
Warwick CDRP	£20,002.74	8,750.00	-11,252.74	-56.3%	80,011	80,011	0	0.0%
Total	638,441.50	433,832.73	-204,608.77	-32.0%	2,553,766	2,553,766	0	0.0%

Stronger Communities 2008/09 Budget Monitoring, Quarter 1

Background / Proposed use of Funding

WCC P&D

LINks funding provided by Department of Health for Warwickshire County Council to procure a Host Organisation to support and help the local community and represent organisations/agencies to set up a Local Involvement Network in Warwickshire

Statford LSP

Statford District Council are acting as the responsible body in administering the agreed spends over four projects as outlined below.

1. CVS Volunteer Gardening Project - the aim of this project is to reduce the fear of crime through environmental improvement of residential areas targeting vulnerable rented housing. The funding of £22,000 will be used for a vehicle, project manager and running costs.
2. CVS Parish Plan - Stratford CVS/VC will provide support, advice and information to parishes across Stratford District to assist in addressing local issues including their action plans. The funding of £20,000 to be used to build capacity within local parishes to participate in community led plans and influence their outcome, to be act recruitment and training of volunteers locally.
3. Act.com -A community led project to improve healthy eating in the target community of Alcester. The funding of £10,000 to be used for research, training and equipment to provide sessions in nutrition, managing food costs and weight.
4. Young people not in positive destinations (NEETS) will be run through Stratford College.
The funding for this project is £48,000 (details to follow).

Nuneaton LSP -

Narrowing the Gap Projects agreed by the Public Service Board 15.05.08.

Category	Organisation	Total
Health	Nuneaton & Bedworth Healthy Living Network	£59,600
Health	Warwickshire Primary Care Trust	£15,000
Health	Warwickshire County Council	£34,900
Employment and Skills	Warwickshire County Council	£20,000
Employment and Skills	Connexions	£18,500
Employment and Skills	Warwickshire County Council	£60,000
Crime and Disorder	Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council	£60,000
Crime and Disorder	Nuneaton and Bedworth Leisure Trust	£26,000
Crime and Disorder	Warwickshire Police	£20,000
Crime and Disorder	Warwickshire County Council	£10,000
Community Cohesion	Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council	£49,000
Public Relations	Pride in Camp Hill	£27,000
		£400,000

Funding Breakdown	Position as at 30/06/08				Forecast Outturn		
	Grant	Spend	Variation	Variation	Grant	Spend	Variation
	£	£	£	%	£	£	£
Local Involvement Networks	53,034	107,344	54,310	102.4%	212,137	212,000	(137)
Stratford-on-Avon LSP	25,000	0	(25,000)	-100.0%	100,000	100,000	0
Nuneaton and Bedworth LSP	100,000	14,900	(85,100)	-85.1%	400,000	400,000	0
Warwick LSP	25,000	0	(25,000)	-100.0%	100,000	100,000	0
Rugby LSP	25,000	0	(25,000)	-100.0%	100,000	100,000	0
North Warwickshire LSP	25,000	0	(25,000)	-100.0%	100,000	100,000	0
Total	253,034	122,244	(130,790)	-51.7%	1,012,137	1,012,000	(137)

Reasons for Variations

WCC P&D - Warwickshire Local Involvement Network received a one off payment of £79039 paid into a separate bank account held by HAP for LINKs r consultations, meetings and any other activities they agree to do. The rest of the budget of £120961 is paid to the HOST (HAP) in 12 month equal paym a one off payment on award of contract to provide support to the Warwickshire. £6048.05 of this is retained subject to them achieving Key Performance be paid at a 6 months and 12 months review.

Stratford LSP - The variation in Quarter one is due to the funding not being received until mid August.

Nuneaton LSP - Financial support will be paid quarterly in arrears to partner organisations on submission of an invoice and supporting performance info £41,000 had been paid by the end of July.

Action Taken / Planned Action

WCC P&D - No Action taken

Stratford LSP - Funding is now being released to the four groups in line with the instalments received. Copies of invoices have been requested as back being claimed.

Appendix E

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