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The attached papers were specified as "to follow" on the Agenda previously distributed relating to the above mentioned meeting.

10. **Quarter 1 Financial Monitoring Report 2026/27 (Pages 3 - 22)**

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Quarter 1 Quarterly Financial Monitoring Report 2026/27

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Wards Affected	All Wards
Ward Councillor(s) consulted	No
Relevant Strategic Purpose(s)	All
Key Decision	
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1. SUMMARY

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to set out the Council's Revenue and Capital quarterly position for April – June of the financial year 2026-27. The quarterly financial monitoring report is a management report that informs members of the current financial forecasts for the year ending 31 March 2027.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

Cabinet is asked to RESOLVE that:

- 2.1. The full year forecast revenue position for 2026/27 is an overspend of £0.021m which will be funded by the General Fund Balance at year end if the position remains as an overspend
- 2.2. The 2026/27 actual capital position at Q1 is £1.953m spend against a total approved programme of £13.692m.
- 2.3. The Ward Budget allocation for 2026/27 of £155,000 had approved allocations at £20,318 as at 30 June 2026.
- 2.4. The General Fund Opening Balance of £11.676m adjusted in year to £11.543m as a result of the overspend and other adjustments.
- 2.5. The balance of Earmarked Reserves as at 30 June 2026 is £14.110m.
- 2.6. There is an updated procurement position set out in Appendix D, with any new items over £200k to be included on the forward plan.

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3. KEY ISSUES

Financial Implications

- 3.1 This report sets out the draft financial forecast revenue and capital performance of the Council for 2026/27 against budget.
- 3.2 The £15.887m full year revenue budget included in the table below is the budget that was approved by Council in February 2026. The budgets will be revised and these will be reported to Cabinet or Council as required.

Revenue Position

- 3.4 The 2026/27 revenue forecast position is a £0.021m overspend as shown in Table 2 below. This early estimated position suggests a minor deterioration to the outturn for 2025/26, although further detailed work will be carried out before Q2 to fully reflect the over/underspends in each service.

A salary capitalisation exercise (Table 1 below) has been completed to identify staffing costs that should be correctly charged to the capital programme. Based on an estimate of potential capitalisation, which has been built into projected spend as part of the quarterly monitoring, the Council will recharge a proportion of time spent (salary) against the capital projects undertaken during the year (reducing revenue spend and increasing charges to the capital programme). In Q1, the following amounts will be capitalised:

Table 1 – Staff Capitalisation

BDC services	2026/27 amount
Business Transformation and Organisational Development	23,762.09
Community and Housing GF Services	12,581.21
Corporate Services	2,462.24
Environmental Services	49,878.64
Legal and Democratic Services	16,952.09
Regeneration & Property Services	83,445.29
Grand Total	189,081.55

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The subsequent Q1 forecast position is as per Table 2 below:

Table 2 Overall 2026/27 Revenue forecast Position

Service Description	2026-27 Approved Budget	YTD to P3 Spend	YTD to P3 Variance	2026-27 Forecast Spend	Full Year Forecast Variance	2025-26 Outturn	Full Year Outturn Variance	Change in variance
Bus Trans and Organisational Dev	2,249,553	489,118	(73,270)	2,070,850	(178,703)	1,825,546	(168,896)	9,808
Community and Housing GF Services	1,703,087	579,905	154,133	1,718,978	15,891	1,170,328	(103,492)	(119,383)
Corporate Services	785,852	314,235	117,772	838,872	53,020	1,196,982	(885,115)	(938,135)
Environmental Services	3,834,596	958,649	(0)	3,834,596	(0)	5,070,184	916,446	916,446
Financial and Customer Services	2,974,623	743,656	0	3,424,623	450,000	3,215,544	868,569	418,569
Legal, Democratic and Elections Services	1,237,839	304,419	(5,041)	1,211,376	(26,463)	1,074,565	(85,976)	(59,513)
Planning and Leisure Services	1,311,519	239,559	(88,320)	1,231,394	(80,125)	1,195,708	186,022	266,148
Regeneration & Property	1,110,444	236,768	(40,843)	897,335	(213,109)	575,156	(65,141)	147,969
Regulatory Client - Commissioning Role	679,646	169,912	0	679,646	0	707,142	54,002	54,002
Grand Total	15,887,159	4,036,221	64,431	15,907,670	20,511	16,031,155	716,420	695,909
Service Description	2026-27 Approved Budget	YTD to P3 Spend	YTD to P3 Variance	2026-27 Forecast Spend	Full Year Forecast Variance	2025-26 Outturn	Full Year Outturn Variance	Change in variance
Corporate Financing	(15,887,159)	(3,971,790)	(0)	(15,887,159)	0	(16,025,675)	(710,940)	(710,940)
Grand Total	(15,887,159)	(3,971,790)	(0)	(15,887,159)	0	(16,025,675)	(710,940)	(710,940)
TOTALS	0	64,431	64,431	20,511	20,511	5,480	5,480	(15,031)

3.5 The overall variance of £0.021m results from an underspend against service spending. Against a budget of £15.887m, the service overspend represents a variance of 0.13%.

3.6 The following paragraphs set out the year end variances for each service area against the 2026/27 revenue budget:

Business Transformation & Organisational Development – 2026/27 forecast position £0.179m underspend

Supplementary Table 3.6a

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Capitalisation (Recharges for Q1 shown in Table 1)	-95	Staffing charged to the capital programme as part of full year £0.75m adjustment.
HR	-29	Allocations for apprenticeship not yet made. Expecting correction in Q2.
Restructure	-108	Salary savings due to recruitment challenges, planned to be addressed and utilised in Q2.
Professional fees	-24	Professional fees underutilised in 26/27. To review as part of budget setting.
Efficiency	4	Unmet efficiency target

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Shared service	78	Shared service recharge over original budget, expected to be reduced in Q2.
Other Variances	-4	Other minor variances across the service
2026/27 forecast Position	-179	

Community and Housing Services – 2026/27 forecast position £0.016m overspend

Supplementary Table 3.6b

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Capitalisation (Recharges for Q1 shown in Table 1)	-50	Staffing charged to the capital programme as part of full year £0.75m adjustment.
Homelessness	90	The overspend relates to the housing agency agreement for housing advice and homelessness. This needs to be reviewed as part of the MTFP for 2027/28.
Climate change	-14	Climate change contract awarded below available budget.
Community safety	-4	Vacancy management
Other Variances	-6	Minor savings
2026/27 forecast Position	16	

Corporate Services – 2026/27 forecast position £0.053m overspend

Supplementary Table 3.6c

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Capitalisation (Recharges for Q1 shown in Table 1)	-10	Staffing charged to the capital programme as part of full year £0.75m adjustment.
SMT & S151 officer	66	SMT interim cover & support for S151 Officer
Legal	16	Legal advice costs incurred on WME Pensions.
Grants	31	Additional costs relating to CAB advice grant
Other Variances	-50	Vacancy management savings on salaries
2026/27 forecast Position	53	

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Environmental Services – 2026/27 forecast position to budget

Supplementary Table 3.6d

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Capitalisation (Recharges for Q1 shown in Table 1)	-200	Staffing charged to the capital programme as part of full year £0.75m adjustment.
Other Variances	200	A detailed forecast will be carried out for Q2 to examine over and underspends and report reasons back to CLT.
2026/27 forecast Position	0	

Financial & Customer Services - 2026/27 forecast position £0.450 overspend

Supplementary Table 3.6e

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Other Variances	450	The current budget and spending requirements are not aligned and a structural overspend from 25/26 is still expected in 26/27 until a review is completed. A detailed forecast will be carried out for Q2 to examine over and under spends and identify potential solutions to bring the budget into balance.
2026/27 forecast Position	450	

Legal, Democratic and Election Services – 2026/27 forecast position £0.026 underspend

Supplementary Table 3.6f

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Capitalisation (Recharges for Q1 shown in Table 1)	-68	Staffing charged to the capital programme as part of full year £0.75m adjustment.
Legal	23	Agency cover for vacant post (Litigation Lawyer)
Staffing	10	Staffing overspends on various posts
Various	9	Other minor variances across the services

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2026/27 forecast Position	-26	
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Planning and Leisure Services – 2026/27 forecast position £0.080m underspend

Supplementary Table 3.6g

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Development management	-93	Extra net income in development management of roughly 93k
CMT	13	13k unmet efficiency for service
Local Planning	21	Professional fees ongoing expenses
Parks and Events	-13	Anticipated Unused maintenance budget by year end
Sports Development	-8	Various underspends split across a number of budgets
2026/27 forecast Position	-80	

Regeneration and Property Services – 2026/27 forecast position £0.213m underspend

Supplementary Table 3.6h

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Capitalisation (Recharges for Q1 shown in Table 1)	-333	Staffing charged to the capital programme as part of £0.750m adjustment.
Car parking	171	Car parking income shortfall and VAT adjustment due at year end where transactions are being incorrectly omitted from VAT. Budget not adjusted following introduction of limited free parking.
Minor works	34	Minor works maintenance costs, continuing overspend. Budget bid was put in for this but was rejected.
Multi storey	-40	Multi story saving. Churchfields car park currently unoccupied therefore reducing costs in relation to budget
PCN's	-10	Additional PCN income received from initial first 3 months.
Parkside	-27	Parkside overachievement of income received for room hire

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Sports and leisure	-48	Additional Sports and leisure contact income in relation to budget. Will be addressed in budget setting
Other Variances	40	Other costs, split across services.
2026/27 forecast Position	-213	

Regulatory Client – 2026/27 forecast position to budget

Supplementary Table 3.6i

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Other Variances	0	No major variances identified at Q1, but a detailed forecast will be carried out for Q2 to examine over and underspends and report reasons back to CLT.
2026/27 forecast Position	0	

Corporate Financing – 2026/27 forecast position to budget

Supplementary Table 3.6j

Key Variances	Variance (£'000)	Explanation
Other Variances	0	No major variances identified at Q1, but a detailed forecast will be carried out for Q2 to examine over and underspends and report reasons back to CLT.
2026/27 forecast Position	0	

Capital Position

- 3.7 A detailed review of the Capital Programme is being undertaken over summer 2026 to ensure that all projects are fully funded and the implications on the Council's underlying cash position established in detail. It is likely that this review will require a revised Capital Programme to be brought to Council for approval in the autumn. Nevertheless, a capital programme for 2026/27 of £7.681m was approved by Council in February 2026 and monitoring of the programme over the first quarter of the year is provided in the following section.
- 3.8 Many of these schemes were already in partial delivery in the 2025/26 financial year. Net unspent budget was carried from 2025/26 to supplement the 2026/27 capital programme as shown in table 3 below.

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Table 3 Capital Programme 2025/26 to 2029/30

Year	Original Budget (£)	Carried Forward from previous year (£)	Revised Budget (£)
2025/26	17,351,727	4,524,714	21,876,441
2026/27	7,681,341	6,010,286	13,691,627
2027/28	2,469,459		
2028/29	2,310,531		
2029/30	2,373,749		

- 3.8 Included in this funding the Council have the following Grant Funded Schemes which are to be delivered in 2026/27:

The two Levelling Up schemes – Windsor Street (formerly project titled as ‘Old Fire Station’) and Nailers’ Yard (formerly known as ‘Market Hall’) are funded via £14.5m of Levelling Up funding, UKSPF funding, £2.425m of monies held in trust by Birmingham City Council on behalf of the former Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership (GBSLEP) and up to £2.1m funded by the Council.

- For the Nailers’ Yard Scheme:
 - Construction is progressing on site. The revised completion date is end of September/beginning of October 2026 due to culvert works and delays relating to S278 external works. The cost of the scheme has increased as a result of this.
 - GJS Dillon have received several enquiries for the commercial building. The Council is about to sign a lease for 1.5 floors of office space. The lease is expected to be signed shortly. Bruton Knowles are instructed as property management agents for the commercial building. The operator of the Pavilion building will be Rubicon Leisure Ltd. The service level agreement has been drafted and is expected to be signed by September 2026.
 - During 2026/27, whilst the units are being marketed and occupancy levels established, the Council is expected to incur holding and operating costs. The financial performance of the development will continue to be monitored, and any budget implications will be considered through the Council's normal budget monitoring and reporting processes.
- For the Windsor Street Scheme:
 - Following soft market testing with five RSLs actively seeking to develop residential schemes in Bromsgrove, a report was presented to Cabinet

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including their feedback with recommendations on 17th June 2026. Following Cabinet approval, the next steps will be to progress an outline planning application for the Windsor Street site. The Project Manager is currently preparing a brief to procure a planning consultant to support the preparation, coordination and submission of the application, alongside the commissioning of any necessary surveys and technical reports. Progressing the application at this stage would help to establish the principle and scale of development, reduce planning risk and support the timely disposal of the site in line with the Cabinet resolution. A budget of up to £150,000 was approved by Cabinet to meet the costs of progressing the outline planning application

The final business case for GBS LEP funding was signed off by Birmingham City Council on 20th January 2026. The grant funding agreement for £2.425m is in place and a claim was submitted for 2026/27 funding in July 2026.

- 3.9 The 2026/27 spend on capital as at 30 June 2026 was £1.953m against a revised capital budget of £13.692m. Details of spend and variances are provided in **Appendix A**. A review of the capital programme in 2026/27 will be completed to ensure the revised programme is fully funded.

Earmarked Reserves

- 3.10 The position as reported to Council in February 2026 as per the 2026/27 – 2027/28 Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) is shown in Appendix B - £14.169m as at 31.03.2026. As part of the MTFP, all reserves were reviewed for their requirement and additional reserves set up for inflationary pressures such as utility increases. At the 30th June 2026 the net position has improved as per Appendix B and the Council holds £14.110m of Earmarked Reserves.

General Fund Balance

- 3.11 The General Fund Balance brought forward as at 1 April 2026 was £11.676m and as at the 30th June 2026 is now £11.543m to accommodate the reported overspend of £20,511 and movement of Building Levy New Burdens Grant funding that was aggregated into General Fund Balance to a separate Building Levy Reserve.

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Table 6 General Fund Balance

GENERAL FUND	£m
Opening Balance	11.676
Movement in Year	
Building Levy	(0.112)
Year End 2026/27 forecast	(0.021)
Closing Balance	11.543

Financial Performance

- 3.12 Council Tax collection rate data for the financial year to June 2026 is set out in the following tables. Overall, collection is 0.34% below target of 28.89% by the end of June, with collections continuing throughout the year.

Reduced in year collection, and limited growth in the taxbase indicated a collection fund deficit of approximately £1m. The deficit on the collection fund is shared amongst precepting authorities in proportion to their precept requirement and reduces budgeted council tax income.

Nationally, Council Tax collection rates have fallen compared to 2024/25 and since their post pandemic high in 2022/23. Average Collection rates nationally were 95.6% and for Shire Districts were 97%.

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Figure 1 Council Tax Collection Rate (April to June 2026)

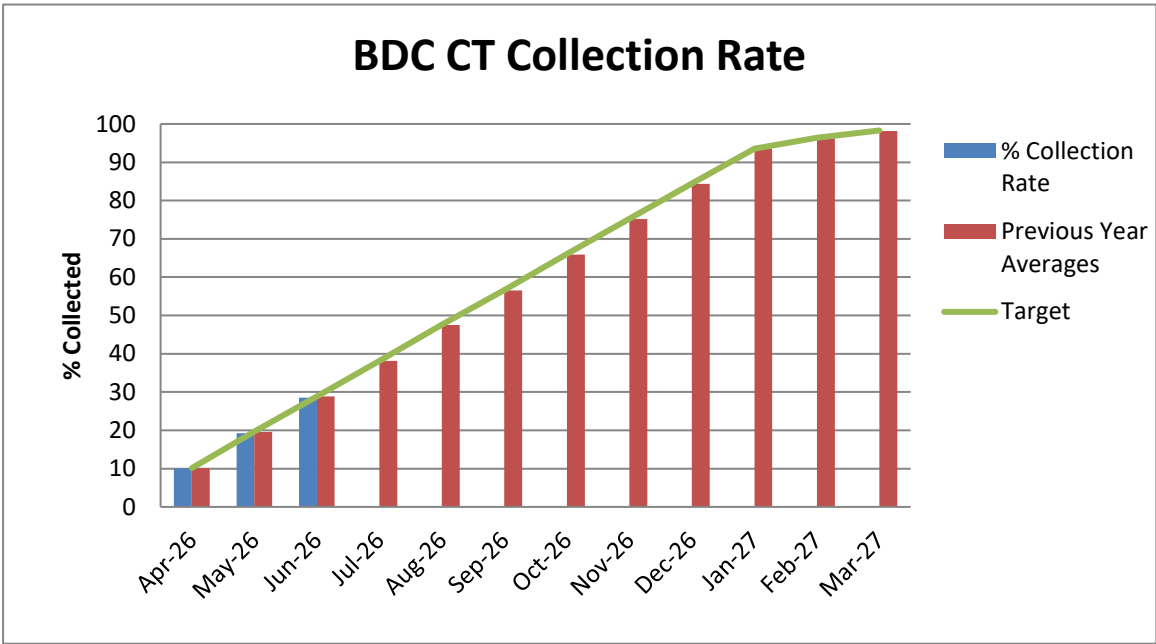
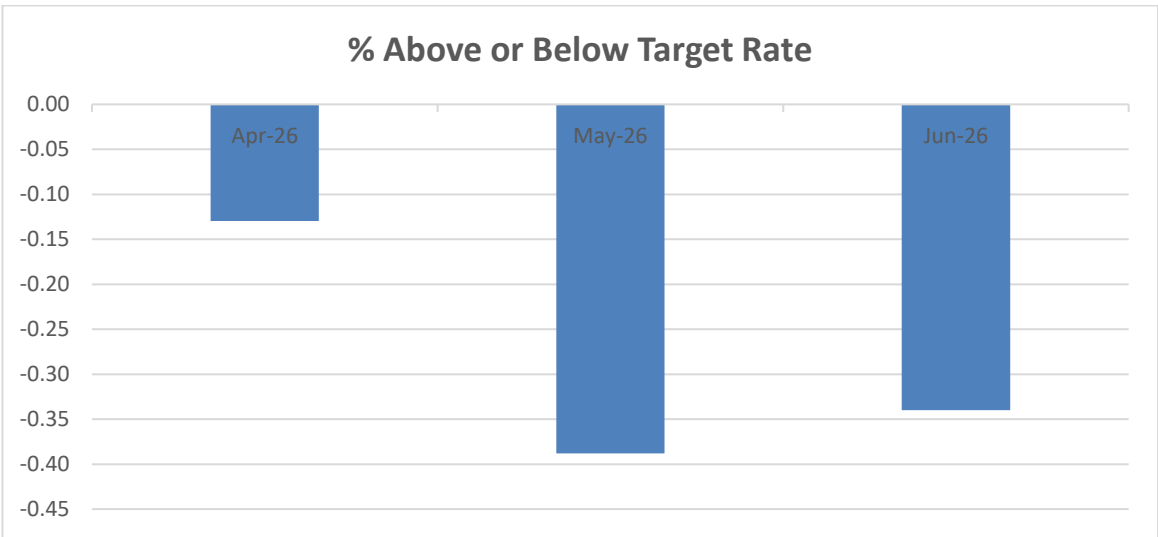


Figure 2 Monthly Council Tax Variance to target (April to June 2026)



3.13 The National Non-Domestic Rates collection rate data for the financial year 2026/27 is set out in the following tables. Overall, collection to date is 1.33% below target.

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Figure 4 Non-Domestic Rates Collection Rate (April to June 2026)

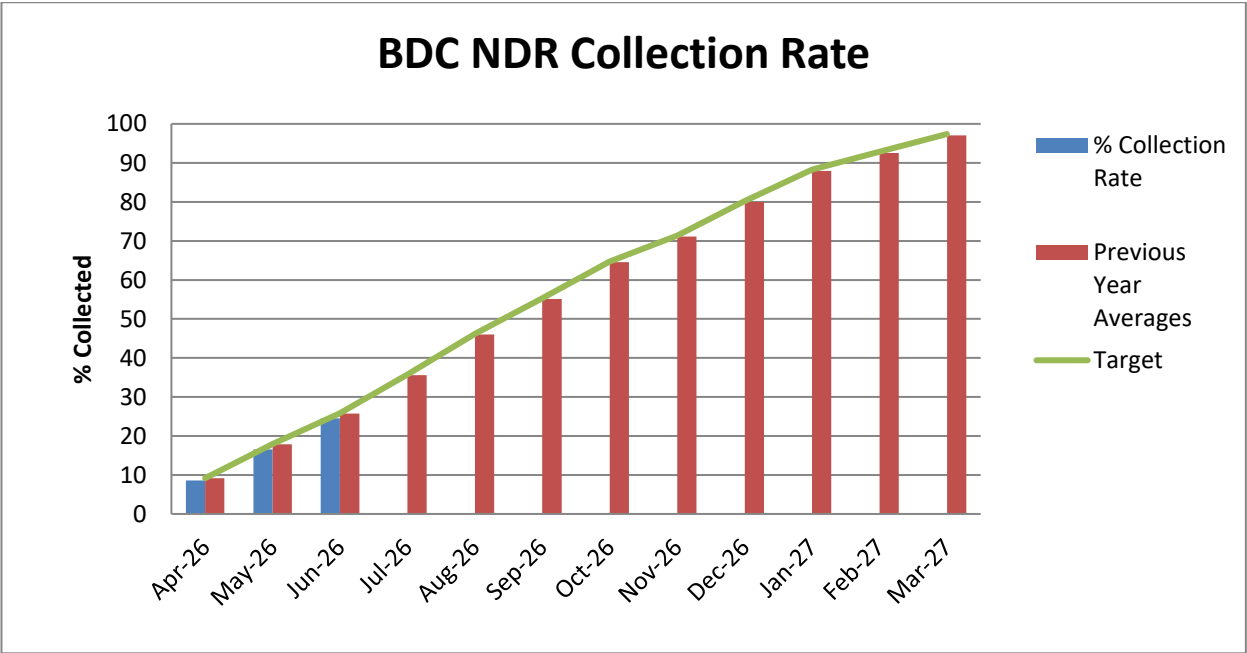
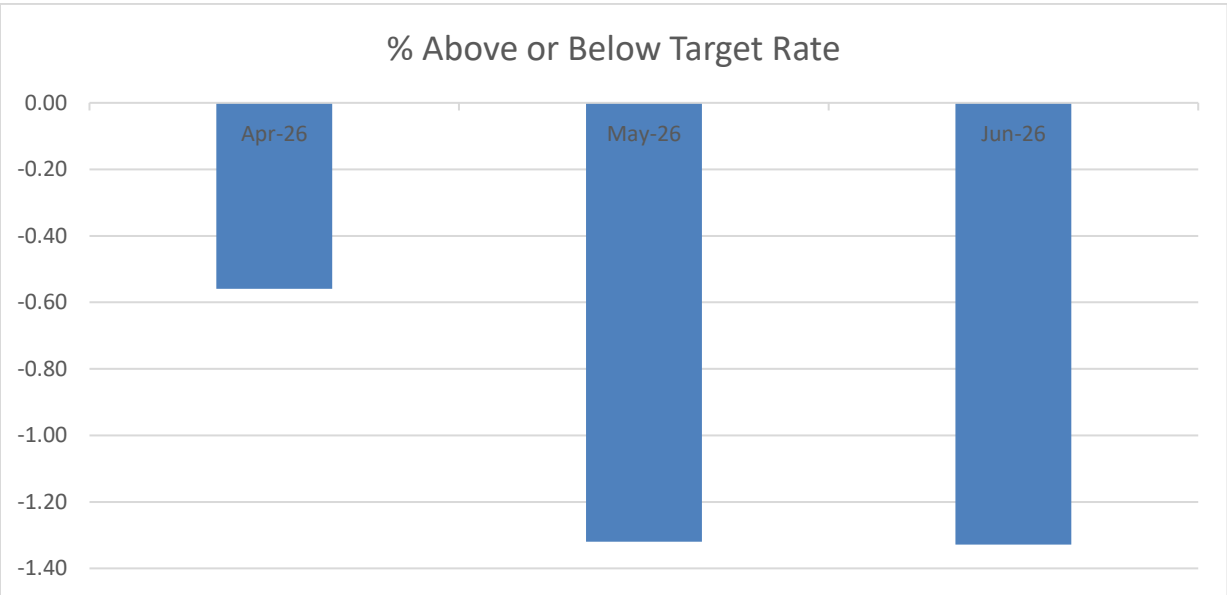


Figure 5 Monthly Non-Domestic Rates Variance to target (April to June 2026)



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4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 No Legal implications have been identified.

5. Strategic Purpose Implications

Relevant Strategic Purpose

- 5.1 The Strategic purposes are included in the Council's corporate plan and guides the Council's approach to budget making ensuring we focus on the issues and what are most important for the borough and our communities. Our Financial monitoring and strategies are integrated within all of our Strategic Purposes.

Climate Change Implications

- 5.2 The green thread runs through the Council plan. The Financial monitoring report has implications on climate change, and these will be addressed and reviewed when relevant by climate change officers to ensure the correct procedures have been followed to ensure any impacts on climate change are fully understood.

Local Government Reorganisation

- 5.3 The level of debt and investments the Council holds will transfer over to the new unitary on vesting day.

6. Other Implications

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 6.1 None as a direct result of this report.

Operational Implications

- 6.2 Managers meet with finance officers to consider the current financial position and to ensure actions are in place to mitigate any overspends.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 7.1 Items identified in the Financial 2026/27 forecast report for 2026/27 link to several Corporate Risks as listed below. Many of the Council's Corporate Risks have an indirect link to the council's financial position. The mitigations to these risks are set out in the Risk Report, of which the Quarter 1 Report was reported to Audit, Standards and Governance Committee on 13 July 2026:

- COR002 - Financial Resilience of the Council and ability to manage financial shocks
- COR026 - Risk of Cash Flow Strain

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- 7.2 In future monitoring reports, financial risk will be reviewed with regular reporting against direct and indirect financial risk drivers.

8. APPENDICES

Appendix A – Capital Spend 2026/27

Appendix B – Reserves Position

Appendix C – Ward Budgets

Appendix D – Procurement Pipeline

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Appendix A - 2026/27 Capital*

Description	2026/27 Total (Original) £	2026/27 Total (Incl C/F's) £	26/27 Spend £
Large Schemes			
Levelling Up Fund			
- Nailers Yard	0	1,513,349	1,014,689
- Windsor Street	0	0	129,111
UK Shared Prosperity Fund			
CCTV Digital Upgrade (UKSPF)	0	33,668	
UKSPF Funding BDC 2025/26	0	884,395	
Other Schemes			
Corporate			
Salary Capitalisation	750,000	750,000	
Environmental			
Battery Charging & Storage Unit	12,000	12,000	
Battery Equipment	15,000	15,000	
Bereavement Services Bins	3,000	3,000	
Bereavement Services Signage	7,000	7,000	
Fleet Replacement cost	0	24,400	
Fleet Replacemnet new line	820,000	1,715,013	16,877
Food Waste Collection - fund for Vechicles and containers	120,000	819,229	77,184
Housing			
Disabled Facilities Grant	800,000	1,227,840	633,674
Discretionary Home Repairs	50,000	265,602	
Energy Efficiency Installation	100,000	306,065	
ICT			
Cisco Network Update	50,000	84,877	
Cyber Security Updates	25,000	25,000	
Laptop Refresh	30,000	45,986	6,607
Laptops for new Starters	25,000	50,000	
New Finance Enterprise system	20,000	60,000	
New ongoing Cyber securty budget	25,000	75,000	
Server Replacement	60,000	108,773	
Parks and Play Areas			
Allotments	125,000	125,000	
Café Design Options	50,000	50,000	
Café Improvements	120,000	120,000	
Car Park Improvements	30,000	30,000	
Enhancements to Skate Park	250,000	250,000	
Footpaths	75,000	31,209	74,670
Initial Play Audit Requirements		451,000	
Pathway Improvements	150,000	150,000	
Planting of Reed Beds - Water Voles	15,000	15,000	
Play Area, POS and Sport improvements at Lickey End Recreation Ground i		30,582	
Play Areas	305,000	305,000	
Skate Park Improvements and Play Area MUGA	250,000	250,000	
Sports Improvements	30,000	30,000	
Updated Play Audit Requirements	159,841	326,083	
Wild Flower Machinery		62,000	
Wildlife Survey and Management Regime	5,000	5,000	
Regeneration			
Artrix - Landlord Obligations	20,000	42,414	
Buildings	100,000	359,481	
Bus Shelters	18,000	52,345	
Parkside - Requirement for a firewall		9,750	
Parkside Roof Replacement	80,000	80,000	
Public-I	161,000	161,000	
Replacement Parking Machines	100,000	189,134	
Sweetpool Lane	225,500	225,500	
GRAND TOTALS	5,181,341.00	11,376,695.60	1,952,812.00

* The Council are currently undertaking a review of the Capital Programme, budgets and financing and will bring a revised, fully funded capital programme to Council for approval later in the year.

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Appendix B - Earmarked Reserves

	Balance at 31/3/26	Transfers in 2026/27	Transfers out 2026/27	Balance at 31/3/27	Transfers in 2027/28	Transfers out 2027/28	Balance at 31/3/28	Transfers in 2028/29	Transfers out 2028/29	Balance at 31/3/29
General Fund Reserve	11,676		(133)	11,543			11,543			11,543
General Fund Earmarked Reserves:										
Artrix Holding Trust	39			39			39			39
Building Control Partnerships	82			82			82			82
Building Levy	0	112		112			112			112
Community Investment Fund	1,250		(93)	1,157			1,157			1,157
Community Services - CAB	124			124			124			124
Community Services - Climate Change	196			196			196			196
Council Tax Hardship Fund	158			158			158			158
DCLG Homeless Grant	267			267			267			267
Disabled Facilities Grant	30			30			30			30
DWP Grant (Benefits)	128			128			128			128
Economic Growth Development	911			911			911			911
Election Services	85			85			85			85
ELF funding	138			138			138			138
Environmental Vehicles	27			27			27			27
EPR Funding Allocation	2,577			2,577			2,577			2,577
ERP Systems	116			116			116			116
Finance Contingency	330			330			330			330
Financial Services - Business Rate Retention	1,000			1,000			1,000			1,000
Housing Welfare Reform	112			112			112			112
ICT Refresh Reserve	81			81			81			81
Innovation	60			60			60			60
Leisure/Community Safety	115			115			115			115
LGR Reserve	1,000			1,000			1,000			1,000
Local Neighbourhood Partnerships	16			16			16			16
Local Plan Enquiry	570			570			570			570
Localising Council Tax	107			107			107			107
Particulate Monitoring	102			102			102			102
Pension Reserve	200			200			200			200
Planning & Regeneration	535			535			535			535
Regeneration & Property	124			124			124			124
Regulatory Services (Partner Share)	90			90			90			90
Risk and Resilience Reserve	2,500			2,500			2,500			2,500
Rubery Local Fund	100			100			100			100
Shopmobility Donations	1			1			1			1
Social Prescribing	57			57			57			57
Ukrainian Support	785			785			785			785
Ward Budget Initiative	156	93	(171)	78			78			78
Total General Fund	14,169	205	(264)	14,110	0	0	14,110	0	0	14,110

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Appendix C - Ward Budgets

Activity	Spend	Balance
Cllr Alan Bailes		5,000.00
Cllr Ruth Lambert		5,000.00
Cllr Sam Ammar	3,000.00	2,000.00
Cllr Ester Gray		5,000.00
Cllr Peter McDonald	1,000.00	4,000.00
Cllr Harrison Warren-Clarke	2,000.00	3,000.00
Cllr Anita Dale		5,000.00
Cllr Webb		5,000.00
Cllr Hunter		5,000.00
Cllr Rachel Bailes	3,500.00	1,500.00
Cllr Sue Baxter		5,000.00
Cllr JClarke		5,000.00
Cllr Stephen Colella		5,000.00
Cllr JElledge	375.00	4,625.00
Cllr Derek Forsythe	3,000.00	2,000.00
Cllr D Hopkins		5,000.00
Cllr Charlie Hotham		5,000.00
Cllr Helen Jones		5,000.00
Cllr B Kumar	1,500.00	3,500.00
Cllr M Marshall	1,000.00	4,000.00
Cllr Karen May		5,000.00
Cllr Bernard McElDowney		5,000.00
Cllr D Nicholl	1,000.00	4,000.00
Cllr Simon Nock		5,000.00
Cllr SPeters		5,000.00
Cllr JRobinson		5,000.00
Cllr S Robinson		5,000.00
Cllr JStanley		5,000.00
Cllr Kit Taylor	419.99	4,580.01
Cllr Peter Whittaker		5,000.00
Cllr SEvans	3,523.47	1,476.53
TOTALS	20,318.46	134,681.54

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Cabinet

16th September 2026

The Wards budget was approved by Council for three years from 2026/27 (£2,000 per ward (£62,000) in total) plus £16,000 per annum administration costs = £78,000 per year and therefore £234,000 to 2027/28). The Reserve available at 1 April 2026 is £156,000 (£78,000 for 2026/27 and the same for 2027/28).

For 2026/27 only, an additional allocation of £93,000 has been made available, funded from the Community Investment Fund Reserve, providing an overall budget for 2026/27 of £171,000.

Total costs charged to the Wards Reserve for 2026/27 are assumed at Q1 to be the full allocation for 2026/27 of £171,000.

Appendix D - Procurement Pipeline

Title	Council	Contract Description	Department	Current Contract Expiry Date	Procurement Start Date	Contract Commencement Date	Contract Length	Extension	Contract Value (anticipated Lifetime Value)
Lift maintenance Contract 2026-2029	Joint	Service and Inspection of Lifts for Redditch , including Housings and Rubicon Sites and Bromsgrove Council	Property and regeneration		26/06/2026	01/09/2026	3	Yes	225,000.00

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