Worcestershire Regulatory Services

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WRS Board 15th November 2018

WORCESTERSHIRE REGULATORY SERVICES REVENUE MONITORING APRIL – SEPTEMBER 2018

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Joint Committee:

- 1.1 Note the final financial position for the period April September 2018
- 1.2 That partner councils are informed of their liabilities for 2018-19 in relation to Bereavements / Pest Control

| Council | Apr–Sept 18 Actual for Bereavements £000 | Estimated 2018/19 for Pest Control £000 |
|-------------|--|--|
| Redditch | 6 | 5 |
| Malvern | 3 | |
| Worcs City | 9 | |
| Bromsgrove | 1 | |
| Wychavon | | 3 |
| Wyre Forest | | 1 |
| Total | 19 | 9 |

1.3 That partner councils are informed of their liabilities for 2018-19 in relation to three additional Technical Officers recruited

| Council | Estimated 2018/19 Tech Officer Primary Authority £000 | Estimated 2018/19 Tech Officer Animal Activity £000 | Estimated 2018/19 Tech Officer Gull Control £000 |
|-------------|--|--|--|
| Redditch | 3 | 1 | |
| Malvern | 3 | 3 | |
| Worcs City | 3 | 1 | 8 |
| Bromsgrove | 3 | 2 | |
| Wychavon | 4 | 3 | |
| Wyre Forest | 3 | 1 | |
| Total | 19 | 11 | 8 |

| Contribution to Priorities | The robust financial management arrangements ensure the priorities of the service can be delivered effectively. | |
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| Introduction/Summary | This report presents the financial position for Worcestershire Regulatory Services for the period April – Sept 2018. | |
| Background | The financial monitoring reports are presented to this meeting on a quarterly basis. | |
| | quarterly basis. The following reports are included for Joint Board's Attention: Revenue Monitoring April – Sept 18 – Appendix 1 Income Breakdown – April – Sept 18 – Appendix 2 Revenue Monitoring The detailed revenue report is attached at Appendix 1. This shows a projected outturn 2018/19 surplus of £16k. It is appreciated this is an estimation to the year end based on current level of expenditure and income. The following assumptions have been made:- There are a number of vacant posts within the service and these together with savings resulting from maternity leave, long term sick etc, result in a projected savings in salaries. This is offset by the costs associated with additional agency staff being used to cover vacancies, sickness and to support the service where staff are working on additional income generation projects. Included in the salary figure is the cost of three Technical Officer's. A Technical Officer recruited July 18 (2 year fixed term contract) to support delivery of additional income generation via Primary Authority. It has been agreed this officer will be funded by partner councils on the current partner percentage basis. A Technical Officer to work on the new licensing laws for animal activities, projected recruitment Dec 18. This | |
| Cabinet – date of meeting | income for animal activity licensing will be realised in Councils general licensing income. 3. Technical Officer to carry out additional work on Gull | |

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| | Control for Worcester City, projected recruitment Dec 18 (2 year fixed term contract) this officer will be recharged to Worcester City only. | | |
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| | These figures have been included in the projected outturn income figure. | | |
| | • If April to Sept 18 spend on pest control continues on the same trend for the rest of year, there will be an overspend on this service of £9k. WRS officers will continue to monitor and analyse this spend and advise of any changes in quarter 3. The projected outturn figure to be funded by partners is:- | | |
| | Redditch £5k Wychavon £3k Wyre Forest £1k | | |
| | This income is included in the income projected outturn. | | |
| | • The following is the actual bereavements costs Apr – Sept 18 to be funded by partners. These costs are charged on an as and when basis. Due to the nature of the charge it is not possible to project a final outturn figure:- | | |
| | Redditch £6k Malvern £3k Worcs City £9k Bromsgrove £1k | | |
| | This income is included in the income projected outturn. | | |
| | Appendix 2 shows the detail of the income achieved by WRS April – Sept 18. Any grant funded expenditure is shown separate to the core service costs as this is not funded by the participating Councils. | | |
| Financial Implications | None other than those stated in the report | | |
| Sustainability | None as a direct result of this report | | |
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| Background Papers | Detailed financial business case | | |
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