

**WRS Board**  
**26<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**WORCESTERSHIRE REGULATORY SERVICES REVENUE MONITORING APRIL – JUNE 2019**

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board:

- 1.1 Note the final financial position for the period April – June 2019
- 1.2 That partner councils are informed of their liabilities for 2019-20 in relation to Bereavements

<b>Council</b>	<b>Apr–June 19 Actual for Bereavements £000</b>
Malvern	1
Worcs City	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>

- 1.3 That partner councils are informed of their liabilities for 2019-20 in relation to three additional Technical Officers

<b>Council</b>	<b>Estimated Projected Outturn 2019/20 Tech Officer Primary Authority £000</b>	<b>Estimated Projected Outturn 2019/20 Tech Officer Animal Activity £000</b>	<b>Estimated Projected Outturn 2019/20 Tech Officer Gull Control £000</b>
Redditch	5	1	
Malvern	4	9	
Worcs City	5	3	15
Bromsgrove	4	6	
Wychavon	6	8	
Wyre Forest	4	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>15</b>

## **Contribution to Priorities**

The robust financial management arrangements ensure the priorities of the service can be delivered effectively.

## **Introduction/Summary**

This report presents the financial position for Worcestershire Regulatory Services for the period April – June 2019.

## **Background**

The financial monitoring reports are presented to this meeting on a quarterly basis.

## **Report**

The following reports are included for Board's Attention:

- Revenue Monitoring April – June 19 – Appendix 1
- Income Breakdown – April – June 19 – Appendix 2

### Revenue Monitoring

The detailed revenue report is attached at Appendix 1. This shows a projected outturn 2019/20 excess of £18k. WRS officers will continue to work on income generation and do their utmost to mitigate this excess as much as possible by the end of the financial year. It is appreciated this is an estimation to the year end based on following assumptions:-

- There is a vacant post in the process of being filled within the service, one person on maternity leave and one recently returned, resulting in a projected savings within salaries. This is offset by the costs associated with additional agency staff being used to cover the vacancy and maternity posts 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. This officer will be funded by partner councils based on the number of animal licences within each council, the income for animal activity licensing will be realised in Councils general licensing income.
- Technical Officer to carry out additional work on Gull Control for Worcester this officer will be recharged to Worcester City only.

These figures have been included in the projected outturn income figure.

- It is anticipated there will be a projected overspend on pest control of £7k. WRS officers will continue to monitor this spend and advise partners of their liability in quarter 2.

These figures have been included in the projected outturn income figure.

- The following is the actual bereavements costs Apr – June 19 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:-

Malvern	£1k
Worcs City	£3k

This income is included in the income projected outturn.

- Appendix 2 shows the detail of the income achieved by WRS April – June 19
- 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

**Contact Points**

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**Background Papers**

Detailed financial business case