

**WRS Board**  
**18th June 2020**

**WORCESTERSHIRE REGULATORY SERVICES REVENUE MONITORING APRIL –  
MARCH 2020 & ANNUAL RETURN**

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board:

- 1.1 Note the final financial position for the period April – March 2020
- 1.2 Approve £20k transfer to WRS reserves to purchase dog warden van
- 1.3 Approve the 2019/20 refund of £37k to the participating Councils.

<b>Council</b>	<b>Refund from 2019/20 £'000</b>
Bromsgrove District Council	5
Malvern Hills District Council	5
Redditch Borough Council	6
Worcester City Council	6
Wychavon District Council	9
Wyre Forest District Council	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</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 final financial position for Worcestershire Regulatory Services for the period April – March 2020. In addition a number of financial statements are appended to this report.

## Background

During the financial year quarterly financial reports are presented for consideration by the Partners and the Board.

## Report

The following reports are included for Board's Attention:

- Revenue Monitoring Statement 2019/20 - Appendix 1
- Annual Statement 2019/20 - Appendix 2
- Annual Statement Analysis 2019/20 – Appendix 3
- WRS Income Analysis 2019/20 – Appendix 4
- Reserve Statement – Appendix 5

### Revenue Monitoring

The detailed revenue report is attached at Appendix 1. This shows a final outturn of £57k, this represents 1.9% of the actual budget and is mainly due to:-

- Agency Staff required to cover vacant posts, maternity etc was lower than actual salary savings.
- Any grant funded expenditure is shown separate to the core service costs as this is not funded by the participating Councils.
- WRS managers set themselves an income budget of £490k for 2019/20, unfortunately due to the loss of one of the stray dog contracts, which generated around £60k worth of income, there was an income shortfall of £48k against budget .
- As requested by this Board Appendix 1 details explanations relating to the variances.



- It is proposed that the £57k is allocated as follows:-
  - i. £20k to purchase a dog warden van. An assessment of whether electric vans are preferable requires a period of time post COVID 19 lockdown before a purchase can be made.
  - ii. The remaining £37k, is proposed to be refunded back to partners as per below:-

Bromsgrove District Council	£5,408
Malvern Hills District Council	£4,756
Redditch Borough Council	£6,514
Worcs City Council	£6,243
Wychavon District Council	£8,626
Wyre Forest District Council	£5,699

The refund to partners takes into account the adjustment for the overspend on Pest Control and all other charges to partners.

All partners have been advised of all recharges and refunds for completion of their statement of accounts.

**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

