

**WRS Board**  
**21<sup>st</sup> November 2024**

**WORCESTERSHIRE REGULATORY SERVICES REVENUE MONITORING April – Sept 2024**

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board:

- 1.1 Note the final financial position for the period April – Sept 2024
- 1.2 That partner councils are informed of their liabilities for Apr – Sept 24 in relation to Bereavements

<b>Council</b>	<b>Apr–Sept 24 Actual for Bereavements £000</b>
Bromsgrove District Council	3
Malvern Hills District Council	4
Redditch Borough Council	6
Worcester City Council	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>



1.3 That partner councils are informed of their liabilities for 2024-25 in relation to additional Technical Officers

<b>Council</b>	<b>Estimated Projected Outturn 2024/25 Envirocrime &amp; Planning Enforcement £000</b>	<b>Estimated Projected Outturn 2024/25 Tech Officer Animal Activity £000</b>	<b>Estimated Projected Outturn 2024/25 Gull Control £000</b>
Bromsgrove District Council	304	9	
Malvern Hills District Council		7	
Redditch Borough Council	171	2	
Worcester City Council		3	35
Wychavon District Council		15	
Wyre Forest District Council		9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>35</b>

1.4 Approve the additional partner liabilities for 2024/25 in relation to the additional increase in pay award and recommend the increase to individual partner councils:-

<b>Council</b>	<b>£000</b>
Bromsgrove District Council	3
Malvern Hills District Council	3
Redditch Borough Council	4
Worcester City Council	3
Wychavon District Council	5
Wyre Forest District Council	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</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 – Sept 2024.

## Background

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

## Report

The following reports are included for Joint Board's Attention:

- Revenue Monitoring - April – Sept 24 – Appendix 1
- Income Breakdown - April – Sept 24 – Appendix 2

### Revenue Monitoring

The detailed revenue report is attached at Appendix 1. This shows a projected outturn 2024/25 of £5k surplus. It is appreciated this is an estimation to the year-end based on following assumptions:

- A 3% pay award has been added to the projected outturn figures, as per the original budget. We have received a final agreement for the 24-25 pay award of £1,290 per annum on all pay points below spinal points 43. The agreement was received after the completion of quarter 2 revenue monitoring, therefore the impact will reflect in quarter 3 revenue monitoring.
- If April to Sept 24 spend on pest control continues on the same trend for the rest of year, there will be a overspend on this service of £13k. WRS officers will continue to monitor and analyse this spend and advise of any changes in the projected outturn figure at quarter 3. The projected outturn figure to be funded by partners is:-

Redditch Borough Council	£7k
Wychavon District Council	£6k

- The following is the actual bereavements costs Apr – Sept 24 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:

Bromsgrove District Council	£3k
Malvern Hills District Council	£4k
Redditch Borough Council	£6k
Worcester City Council	£1k



This income is included in the income projected outturn.

- Appendix 2 shows the detail of the income achieved by WRS April – Sept 24
- Any grant funded expenditure is shown separate to the core service costs as this is not funded by the participating Councils.
- WRS budgeted for a 3% pay award in 2024-25. The current pay award of £1,290 per annum on all pay points (pro rata for part time work) as now been accepted by employers and unions, the additional pressure on WRS salaries will be £21,405. WRS are unable to cover this increase, therefore an increase to partner funding will be required of:-

<b>Council</b>	<b>2024/25</b>
	<b>£'000</b>
Bromsgrove District Council	3
Malvern Hills District Council	3
Redditch Borough Council	4
Worcester City Council	3
Wychavon District Council	5
Wyre Forest District Council	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>

**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

