BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

COYCHURCH CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE

14 SEPTEMBER 2018

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

REVENUE MONITORING STATEMENT 1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE 2018

1. **Purpose of the Report**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Joint Committee of details of income and expenditure for the first quarter of the 2018 -19 financial year, and give a projection of the final outturn.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives and Other Corporate Priorities

2.1 None.

3. Background

3.1 Revenue Estimates for 2018-19 were approved by the Joint Committee at its meeting of 9 March 2018 and the following statement shows the current position.

4. **Current Situation / Proposal**

4.1 Table 1 below shows detail of income and expenditure for April to June 2018 together with the projected outturn for the financial year.

Actual Spend 2017-18 £'000		Budget 2018-19 £'000	* Adjusted Actual 01/04/2018 to 30/06/2018 £'000	Projected Outturn 2018-19 £'000	Projected Over/ (Under) Spend £'000
	Expenditure				
288	Employees	313	74	309	(4)
224	Premises	234	68	238	4
163	Supplies, Services & Transport	135	60	149	14
86	Agency / Contractors	102	24	102	0
34	Administration	35	9	35	0
352	Capital Financing	75	0	70	(5)
1,147	Gross Expenditure	894	315	902	8
	Income				
(1,296)	Fees & Charges	(1,238)	(201)	(1,295)	(57)
(28)	BCBC Contribution	(29)	(7)	(29)	0
(1,324)	Gross Income	(1,267)	(208)	(1,324)	(57)
(177)	Surplus(-)/Deficit	(373)	107	(422)	(49)
(177)	Transfer (to)/from Reserve	(373)	107	(422)	

Table 1 – Crematorium Financial Position 2018-19

*Adjusted to include pro-rata commitments during the year.

An explanation of the variances between the Budget and Projected Outturn is detailed below:

- The Staffing projected outturn underspend of £4,000 is as a result of one Weekend Assistant position being vacant.
- The Premises projected outturn overspend of £4,000 is made up of overspends on Electricity (£2,000), Water (£1,500) and Contract Cleaning (£600).
- The Supplies, Services & Transport projected outturn overspend of £14,000 is made up of an overspend on Equipment Repairs & Maintenance (£15,000) which is offset by an underspend on Insurance (£1,000).
- The projected additional Fees & Charges income of £57,000 is made up of Cremation Fees (£52,000) and the Child Burial Fees Grant from Welsh Government (£5,000).
- 4.2 The Capital Financing budget of £75,000 is broken down in the table below.

2018-19	Budget 2018-19 £ 000	Spend to 30 June £ 000	Projected Outturn 2018-19 £ 000
Organ upgrade	20	0	20
Phase 2, Land Extension Retention	5	0	0
Flat Roof Repairs – Waiting Room	30	0	30
Chapel of Remembrance Repairs	20	0	20
Total	75	0	70

The projected underspend of Capital Works is due to the Phase 2 Land Extension retention being paid at the end of the 2017-18 financial year, and is included in the 2017-18 spend of £352,000.

Annual Return

4.3 The Annual Return for 2017-18 (**Appendix 1**) was submitted to Wales Audit Office at the end of June 2018, showing a surplus of £177,000 for the year, and an accumulated balance of £1,259,000. Wales Audit Office has now written to confirm that the Return has been audited (**Appendix 2**).

There was an error in the 2016-17 comparative figure for total borrowing, which showed a figure of £79,784 instead of £78,784. This figure was for comparison purposes only, and does not affect the 2017-18 figures. As the report has been amended, the return needs to be approved and re-signed by the Committee. A copy of the certified return will be made available at the Crematorium and electronically on the Bridgend CBC website.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework and Procedure Rules

5.1 There is no impact on the Policy Framework and Procedure Rules. .

6. Equalities Impact Assessment

6.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

7 Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 Implications

7.1 This report provides the financial performance against the approved 2018-19 budget. As this is retrospective in nature, there is no requirement for a well-being statement.

8. **Financial Implications**

8.1 The overall projected surplus for 2018-19 has increased from £373,000 to £422,000 after allowing for the above changes. This surplus will be

added to Coychurch Crematorium's accumulated reserves, which totalled £1,259,000 as at 31 March 2018.

9. **Recommendation:**

9.1 The Joint Committee is recommended to note the report, and to approve and re-sign the revised Annual Return for 2017-18.

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Background Papers: Report of the Treasurer Revenue Estimates 2018-19 Coychurch Crematorium Joint Committee 9 March 2018