

Directorates Variances Summary

Variances and movements greater than £50,000

<u>Directorate</u>	Period 2 Variance £	Period 3 Variance £	Movement	Main Variances Explanation
<u>Resources</u>				
Assets and Property	7,942	(125,661)	(133,603)	The favourable forecast position is mainly related to staff vacancies in the Corporate Property team in addition to increased income from favourable rent reviews in Industrial Estates.
Commercial Services	(112,147)	(182,162)	(70,015)	The forecast position is largely due to higher car park income and the movement from P2 is mainly maternity staffing adjustments and the new G-Live contract.
Finance	107,704	565,718	458,015	The adverse position and movement relates to two areas, Corporate Services for funding recent legal investigations within GBC and also within Finance Specialists where agency costs pushing the spend over the established budget. This area is currently being restructured and following approval is hoped to be implemented later this year.
	3,498	257,895	254,397	
<u>Place</u>				
Communication & Customer Services	64,219	176,172	111,953	The main adverse position is due to a budget shortfall being realised related to IT contracts and necessary changes to the budget position will be reflected in Period 4.
Planning & Development	(48,996)	45,728	94,724	There is forecasted overspend on consultants and additional agency staff for appeals and planning applications which is mainly offset by vacancies and additional Planning Performance Application fees.
Regeneration & Planning Policy	0	0	0	
Regulatory Services	95,518	129,939	34,422	Within the Compliance team, the salaries forecast has been increased following a salary monitoring review.
	110,740	351,839	241,099	
<u>Housing & Environment</u>				
Community Services	(154,167)	56,012	210,179	The Housing Support Fund (HSF) grant expenditure forecast has been added in advance of the actuals not yet recorded in the finance system.
Environmental Services	162,623	162,623	(0)	There is a forecasted overspend from refuse freighter hire due to an aged fleet.
Housing Services	24,194	(9,865)	(34,059)	The forecast has moved favourably due to a number of vacant posts within the Teams.
	32,650	208,771	176,120	
<u>Legal & Democratic Services</u>	(263,886)	(255,242)	8,644	The favourable forecast is related to additional Housing Revenue Account recharges following a recalculation.
<u>Organisational Development</u>	(135,776)	150,488	286,264	The adverse position and movement mainly relates to the staff training budget that has been decentralised and this is now reflected in the variance movement.
Directorates Total	(252,773)	713,752	966,525	
<u>Housing Revenue Account</u>	9,292	(677,858)	(687,150)	The current favourable variance to budget is mainly based on the 2023-24 outturn.