

# **Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel**

Agenda Item:

**A.2** 

Meeting Date: 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Portfolio: Finance, Governance and Resources

Key Decision: No

Within Policy and Budget Framework

Public / Private Public

Title: OVERVIEW REPORT AND WORK PROGRAMME

Report of: Overview and Scrutiny Officer

Report Number: OS 17/13

#### **Summary:**

This report provides an overview of matters related to the Resources O&S Panel's work. It also includes the latest version of the work programme.

#### **Recommendations:**

Members are asked to:

- Decide whether the items on the Notice of Key Executive Decisions should be included in the Panel's Work Programme for consideration.
- Note and/or amend the Panel's work programme

#### **Tracking**

Executive:	-
Overview and Scrutiny:	18 July 2013
Council:	-

#### 1. Notice of Key Executive Decisions

The most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions was published on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013. The following issues fall into the remit of this Panel and full details are attached at **Appendix 1**:

KD.010/13 Medium Term Financial Plan (including the Corporate Charging Policy) and the Capital Strategy 2014/15 to 2019/20 – available for scrutiny on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2013

**KD.012/13 Asset Management Plan 2013 to 2018** – available for scrutiny on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2013

KD.017/13 Asset Review Business Plan Reinvestment Property Acquisition – Request for the release of funding, decision to be taken at the Executive on 5 August 2013.

#### 2. References from the Executive

The following references from the Executive from their meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2013 are attached at **Appendix 2**.

- EX.48/13 Provisional General Fund Revenue Outturn 2012-13
- EX.49/13 Provisional Capital Outturn 2012-13 and Revised Capital Programme 2013-14
- EX.50/13 Treasury Management Outturn 2012-13
- EX.51/13 Provisional Outturn for Council Tax and NNDR 2012-13
- EX.52/13 Elected members' Allowances Provisional Outturn 2012-13

The following references from the Executive from their meeting held on 1st July 2013 are attached at **Appendix 3**.

- EX.67/13 Treasury Management Counterparties
- EX.74/13 2012/13 Summary of Service Standards

#### 3. Work Programme

The Panel's current work programme is attached at **Appendix 4** for comment/amendment.

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Appendices 1. Notice of Key Decisions

attached to report: 2. References from the Executive

3. Resources O&S Work Programme 2013/14

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers:

None

**CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS/RISKS: None** 

#### Notice of Key Decisions to be taken by the Executive

The following key decision is to be made on behalf of Carlisle City Council:

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Key Decision Reference:	KD.010/13
Decision Title:	The Medium Term Financial Plan (including the Corporate Charging Policy) and the Capital Strategy 2014/15 to 2019/20
Decision to be taken:	To consider the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan and Corporate Charging Policy, and the Council's Capital Strategy and make recommendations to Council on 10th September 2013.
Date Decision to be considered:	5 August 2013 consultation period to include Overview and Scrutiny as appropriate
Date Decision to be taken:	2 September 2013
Is the Decision Public or Private?:	The decision will be taken in public
Documents submitted for consideration in relation to the Decision:	The report of the Director of Resources will be available five working days before the meeting
Contact Officer for this Decision:	Director of Resources, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG
Relevant Portfolio Area:	Finance, Governance and Resources (Councillor Dr Tickner)
Relevant or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:	Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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#### Items relevant to the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

#### Notice of Key Decisions to be taken by the Executive

The following key decision is to be made on behalf of Carlisle City Council:

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Key Decision Reference:	KD.012/13
Decision Title:	The Asset Management Plan 2013 to 2018
Decision to be taken:	The Executive will be asked to consider the Council's Asset Management and make recommendations to Council on 10 September 2013
Date Decision to be considered:	5 August 2013 consultation period to include Overview and Scrutiny as appropriate
Date Decision to be taken:	2 September 2013
Is the Decision Public or Private?:	The decision will be taken in public
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Key Decision Reference:	KD.017/13
Decision Title:	Asset Review Business Plan Reinvestment Property Acquisition
Decision to be taken:	The Executive will be asked to approve a property acquisition and release the funding required for the purchase
Date Decision to be considered:	
Date Decision to be taken:	5 August 2013
Is the Decision Public or Private?:	The decision will be taken in public and there will also be a private report. The report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as the report contains exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)
Documents submitted for consideration in relation to the Decision:	The report of the Director of Resources will be available five working days before the meeting
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## EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 31 MAY 2013

EX.48/13 PROVISIONAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE OUTTURN 2012/13

(Key Decision – KD.09/13)

**Portfolio** Finance, Governance and Resources

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Resources

#### **Subject Matter**

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder presented report RD.12/13 summarising the provisional outturn for the 2012/13 General Fund Revenue Budget. He informed Members that the outturn position showed that the net underspend for Council services as at 31 March 2013, once committed expenditure totalling £696,400 and £312,697 transfers to / from earmarked reserves were taken into account, was £75,247.

The table at Section 2.1 of the report showed that the Council's revised budget for 2012/13 was a total of £14,577,700. A summary of the expenditure for individual Directorates and an explanation of the major variances in those budgets were provided. Also itemised were the budget headings which had achieved savings and provided increased income.

Turning to the key issues, the Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder reported that the Government's Welfare Reform Agenda, once fully implemented would have a major impact on the benefit system, including a household benefit cap and the introduction of the Universal Credit system which would subsume housing benefit (by 2017). In the medium to longer term the Council would have to significantly reduce staff resources working on benefits administration. Whilst staff redeployment policies would reduce the impact of the changes, there were likely to be voluntary / compulsory redundancies in the Section. He proposed therefore that a Welfare Reform Reserve be established and the unused balance of £200,000 (accrued from underspends on staffing and other savings) be transferred to the Reserve to fund such costs. It was further recommended that management of the Reserve should rest with the Director of Community Engagement with the use of the Reserve requiring Executive approval.

It was also proposed that the Executive make recommendations to Council:

- to release the balance of £1,878 from the Sheepmount Reserve to the General Fund Reserve (as detailed in paragraph 4.1);
- to release the balance of £29,670 from the Job Evaluation Reserve to the General Fund Reserve (as detailed in paragraph 4.2);

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- to write off the accrued deficit on the On Street Parking reserve of £190,000 to General Fund Balances (as outlined in paragraph 4.3);
- to top up the Transformation Reserve with £200,000 from the underspend position (as set out in paragraph 4.4); and
- to approve the establishment of the Municipal Mutual Insurance provision for £175,000 (as outlined in paragraph 4.5)

In terms of recession planning, the Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder explained that the Council's bad debt provision had been increased in respect of housing benefit overpayments and penalty charge notices, but reduced for sundry debtors which had been allocated directly to the services. Further details could be found in Report RD.14/13 elsewhere on the Agenda.

He also circulated details of the carry forward requests which had been submitted by Directorates adding that, if Members were minded to approve the carry forward requests, a recommendation would need to be submitted to the City Council.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder advised that, due to the level of underspend identified within the report after all carry forward requests were approved and transfers to / from earmarked reserves, approximately £75,200 would be returned to the General Fund Reserve. That would replenish the usable revenue balances by 31 March 2015 to the minimum required.

In accordance with revised Capital Finance Regulations, costs associated with asset disposal totalling £62,994 which were included in the revenue outturn, could be funded from the capital receipt generated. That would result in an increase to revenue balances at 31 March 2013.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder pointed out that the information contained within the report was provisional and subject to the formal audit process.

He also wished to place on record thanks to Financial Services Officers for keeping a tight reign on the Council's finances.

In conclusion, the Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder formally moved the recommendations, which were duly seconded by the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder.

#### Summary of options rejected None

#### **DECISION**

That the Executive:

(i) Noted the net underspend as at 31 March 2013 of £75,247 after carry forwards as in (ii) below, and net transfers to/from earmarked reserves as noted in (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) below;

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- (ii) Noted the committed expenditure totalling £696,400 to be met in 2013/14 which had been approved by the Director of Resources and under delegated powers, and the release of £677,400 in 2013/14 and £19,000 in 2014/15 from the General Fund Reserve, for recommendation to Council:
- (iii) Recommended that the City Council release the balance of £1,878 from the Sheepmount Reserve to the General Fund Reserve, as detailed in paragraph 4.1,
- (iv) Recommended that the City Council release the balance of £29,670 from the Job Evaluation Reserve to the General Fund Reserve, as detailed in paragraph 4.2;
- (v) Recommended that the City Council write off the accrued deficit on the On Street Parking reserve of £190,000 to General Fund Balances as outlined in paragraph 4.3;
- (vi) Recommended that the City Council top up the Transformation Reserve with £200,000 from the underspend position, as set out in paragraph 4.4;
- (vii) Recommended that the City Council approve the establishment of the Municipal Mutual Insurance provision for £175,000 as outlined in paragraph 4.5; and
- (viii) Recommended that the City Council approve the establishment of the Welfare Reform Reserve, as detailed in paragraph 4.6, noting that £200,000 would be transferred to the reserve as part of the year end process.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

To receive the Report on the Provisional General Fund Revenue Outturn and make recommendations to the City Council

## EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 31 MAY 2013

EX.49/13 PROVISIONAL CAPITAL OUTTURN 2012/13 AND REVISED CAPITAL

PROGRAMME 2013/14 (Key Decision – KD.09/13)

**Portfolio** Finance, Governance and Resources

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Resources

#### **Subject Matter**

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder presented report RD.11/13 summarising the Provisional Outturn for the Council's Capital Budget, together with details of the revised Capital Programme for 2013/14. He informed Members that the outturn showed that the net underspend for Council services as at 31 March 2013 once committed expenditure totalling £1,822,500 was taken into account was £1,596,953. He added that requests had been made for carry forwards for new items of expenditure totalling £6,200, and also the removal of the Asset Management Plan expenditure budgets of £1,546,800 from the capital programme, which would result in a net underspend of £43,953.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder set out the position with regard to carry forward requests on the Capital Programme. He also identified for Members the resources which had been used to fund the 2012/13 Capital Programme and detailed the 5 year Capital Programme for the period 2013/14 to 2017/18. He reported that the programme for 2013/14 totalled £4,760,200 based upon the programme agreed by Council in February 2013 of £9,280,000; the commitments brought forward from 2012/13 of £1,822,500; an additional budget of £6,200 for continuing / new schemes subject to approval by Council, less budget provided of £76,000 in ICT Shared Service for Enterprise Licences, and less land and property acquisitions within the Asset Management Plan to be held in reserves until suitable revenue generating acquisitions became available (£6,272,500).

The 2013/14 programme would be continually reviewed to ensure the Council had the capacity to deliver that level of programme. The main challenge for future years related to the vehicle replacement programme (currently planned to be funded by internal borrowing).

The proposed funding arrangements for the revised 2013/14 programme were also outlined within the report.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder expressed well deserved thanks to the Officers involved.

In conclusion, the Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder moved the recommendations set out in the report, which were duly seconded by the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder.

#### Summary of options rejected None

#### **DECISION**

That the Executive:

- (i) Noted that, subject to all recommendations below being approved, the net underspend would be £43,953.
- (ii) Noted the net underspend as at 31 March 2013 of £1,596,953 included committed expenditure to be met totalling £1,822,500 in 2013/14, which had been approved under delegated powers by the Director of Resources;
- (iii) Recommended that the City Council on 16 July 2013 approves the carry forward requests of £6,200 for new items of expenditure for furniture and equipment at Play Areas as detailed in paragraph 2.5;
- (iv) Recommended that the City Council on 16 July 2013 approves the removal of the Asset Management Plan expenditure budgets from the Council's capital programme (£1,546,800 from 2012/13, £6,272,500 from 2013/14, £1,035,800 from 2014/15 and £4,045,500 from 2015/16) to be released back from reserves on approval by the Executive when revenue generating opportunities for land and property acquisitions became available.
- (v) Noted the use of the Conservation Fund to fund expenditure on Central Plaza and the Asset Management Reserve to fund expenditure on Industrial Estates, Asset Management Plan and Community Resource and Training Centre in 2012/13;
- (vi) Had considered the revised programme for 2013/14 together with the proposed methods of financing, as detailed at paragraph 5.2 and Appendix B, for recommendation to Council on 16 July 2013.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

To receive the report on the Provisional Capital Outturn for 2012/13 and make recommendations to the City Council on the 2013/14 Capital Programme

# EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 31 MAY 2013

EX.50/13 TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN 2012/13

(Key Decision – KD.09/13)

**Portfolio** Finance, Governance and Resources

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Resources

#### **Subject Matter**

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder presented report RD.13/13 providing the annual report on Treasury Management, as required under both the Financial Procedure Rules and the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management. He also submitted the regular report on Treasury Transactions for the period 1 January 2013 to 31 March 2013. Members' attention was further drawn to developments in the Money Markets over the previous twelve months and their effect on the Council's investments, together with the various performance statistics included within the report.

The City Council had only one substantial long term loan (the £15m stock issue) which was likely to remain on the books for some time yet as the cost of making a premature repayment would be very prohibitive in the present climate, particularly with interest rates being at such depressed levels. There were no plans to undertake any prudential or other borrowing during the current financial year. The focus of the authority's treasury management activities remained therefore very much on the investment aspect of the function.

He added that although investment conditions were, in one sense, as exceptional in 2012/13 as had been the case during the previous year, they were very different as investors coped with some of the lowest interest rates ever seen in the world economy. Although the effect on the City Council's investment interest was slightly down on the previous year, the performance achieved was significantly better than bank base rate levels. For this authority, as indeed for most others, the reduction in investment income posed a very significant financial challenge.

Although the outlook for interest rates in the UK remained uncertain, there was a general expectation that rates would not start to rise again until well into 2015.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder commented that Officers were managing particularly well. He then moved the recommendation, which was duly seconded by the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder.

#### **APPENDIX 2**

#### Summary of options rejected None

#### **DECISION**

That Report RD.13/13 providing the Annual Report on Treasury Management be received and recommended to the City Council for approval.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

To receive the annual report on Treasury Management

## EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 31 MAY 2013

EX.51/13 PROVISIONAL OUTTURN FOR COUNCIL TAX AND NATIONAL NON

**DOMESTIC RATES 2012/13** (Key Decision – KD.09/13)

**Portfolio** Finance, Governance and Resources

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Resources

#### **Subject Matter**

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder presented report RD.14/13 setting out the 2012/13 provisional outturn and performance position for Council Tax and National Non Domestic Rates.

He informed Members that the estimated outturn of 97.8% suggested that overall liability raised and Council Tax collected would again exceed the budgeted projections of 98.5% (if the collection pattern for recovering 2012/13 arrears followed that of previous years). The impact of increased collection performance was an overall surplus on collection fund of £492,315, the City Council's share of the surplus being £64,929.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder pointed out that the Council had maintained collection performance so that for the third year running Carlisle was in the 3rd quartile when compared to districts nationally. Whilst that was the Council's best ever performance, the Council would never be in a position to move into the higher collection quartiles for the reasons set out at Section 3.1 of the report.

He added that year-end arrears of £934,895 equating to 1.42% of the 'in year' debit collectable was an improved performance when compared to 2011/12 of £1,410,689.95 (2.2%).

In accordance with the Director of Resources' delegated authority for the write-off of outstanding debts (without limit), the Executive was asked to note that debts totalling £174,115.19 had been written off for the period 1 January 2013 to 31 March 2013. The total amount written off in 2012/13 of £527,001 compared to total write-offs in 2011/12 of £422,616.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder said that Officers were tracking the position extremely well, and he thanked the members of staff involved. Accordingly he moved the recommendations, which were duly seconded by the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder.

#### Summary of options rejected None

#### **DECISION**

That the provisional outturn position at 31 March 2013 for Council Tax (which evidenced the best ever collection performance since Council Tax was introduced) and National Non Domestic Rates; together with the position with regard to write offs and bad debt trends be noted.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

To advise the Executive of Council Tax and Business Rates Collection Performance

## EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 31 MAY 2013

EX.52/13 ELECTED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES – PROVISIONAL OUTTURN

FOR 2012/13

(Key Decision – KD.09/13)

**Portfolio** Finance, Governance and Resources

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Resources

**Subject Matter** 

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder presented report RD.15/13 setting out the amount of allowances paid to Members as part of the Elected Members' Allowances Scheme for 2012/13. He informed Members that £343,088 had been paid in allowances to individual Members which represented an underspend of £24,012.

The Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder then moved the recommendation, which was duly seconded by the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder.

Summary of options rejected None

#### **DECISION**

That Report RD.15/13 be received and the overall underspend of £24,012 on Elected Members' Allowances for 2012/13 be noted.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

To receive details of the 2012/13 Provisional Outturn in respect of Members' Allowances

## EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 1 JULY 2013

EX.067/13 \*\*TREASURY MANAGEMENT COUNTERPARTIES

(Key Decision – KD.013/13)

(In accordance with Paragraph 15(i) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, the Mayor had agreed that call-in procedures should not be applied to this item)

**Portfolio** Finance, Governance and Resources

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Resources

#### **Subject Matter**

Pursuant to Minute EX.42/13, the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder submitted report RD.08/13 concerning Treasury Management Counterparties.

The Portfolio Holder reminded Members that the Treasury Management Strategy for 2013/14 had been approved by Council on 5 February 2013. However, since that date average investment balances had increased as a result of asset sales, in addition to which there had been significant changes to investment return interest rates.

As a result of the above the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder outlined a proposal to amend the limits which could be invested with different counterparties. He further summarised the revised limits and investment criteria (as set out at Appendix A), namely:

Lloyds Group / RBS £8 million

HSBC £6 million (split £4 million long term, £2

million less than 1 month)

Other Credit Rated Banks/institutions £4 million

Non Credit Rated Banks/Building Societies £2 million

He added that a further review of counterparty limits would be undertaken later in the year to ensure limits continued to best meet the investment needs. Officers had attended a Treasury Seminar on 25 April 2013 where alternative investments instruments were discussed such as corporate bonds; all alternatives would continue to be reviewed.

The Director of Resources had, under delegated powers, re-tendered and awarded the contract for Treasury Management Advisory Services for a two year period, with an option to extend for a further two years.

The Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel had, on 6 June 2013, considered the matter and resolved that the report be noted.

A copy of Minute Excerpt ROSP.38/13 had been circulated.

In conclusion the Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder moved the recommendations which were duly seconded by Culture, Health, Leisure and Young People Portfolio Holder.

#### Summary of options rejected None

#### **DECISION**

That the Executive:

- 1. Had considered the response provided by the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel with regard to changes to the counterparty limits (as detailed in Minute ROSP.38/13).
- 2. Approved the investment counterparty limits as outlined at Appendix A and set out in paragraph 2.7 of Report RD.08/13 for recommendation to Council.
- 3. Noted that the contract for Treasury Management Advisory Services had been re-tendered and awarded under powers delegated to the Director of Resources.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

To ensure that the Council's investments are in line with appropriate policies, including the Treasury Management Strategy Statement

## EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 1 JULY 2013

#### EX.074/13 \*\*2012/13 SUMMARY OF SERVICE STANDARDS

(Non Key Decision)

(In accordance with Paragraph 15(i) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, the Mayor had agreed that call-in procedures should not be applied to this item)

**Portfolio** Finance, Governance and Resources

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Community, Environment and

Economy; and Resources

#### **Subject Matter**

The Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder submitted report PC.10/13 presenting the end of year performance report against the 2012/13 Service Standards which helped measure the City Council's performance and customer satisfaction.

Members' attention was drawn to Appendix 1 which provided details of each service standard. The table illustrated the cumulative end of year figure; a month by month breakdown of performance; and, where possible, an actual service standard baseline which had been established either locally or nationally.

The Community; Environment and Economy; and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panels had considered the matter at their respective meetings held on 30 May, 6 June and 13 June 2013.

Copies of Minute Excerpts COSP.40/13, ROSP.44/13 and EEOSP.37/13 had been circulated.

The Chairman of the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel informed the Executive that benefit claims standard was the only standard which fell within the remit of the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel. The Panel had been pleased to see the improvement in the number of days in which new benefit claims were being processed but felt that more narrative on how the standards supported the Council's priorities would make more effective scrutiny.

#### **APPENDIX 3**

In conclusion the Deputy Leader and economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder moved the recommendation which was seconded by the Culture, Health, Leisure and Young People Portfolio Holder.

#### Summary of options rejected None

#### **DECISION**

That the Executive had considered the performance of the City Council presented in report PC.10/13 with a view to seeking continuous improvement in the manner by which the Council delivered its priorities.

#### **Reasons for Decision**

To seek Executive approval of the End of Year Performance Report.

### RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL WORK PROGRAME 2013/14



Date last revised: 05 July 2013

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Issue	Performance Management	Notice of Key Decision /Referred from Executive		Scrutiny of Partnershin/	External Agency	Budget	Monitoring	Comments/Current Status	6 Jun 13	18 Jul 13	29 Aug 13	10 Oct	28 Nov 13	6 Jan 14	20 Feb 14	3 Apr 14		
			Τ					Current Meeting						l				
Organisational	1						<b>√</b>	To consider review of Plan		<b>√</b>			<b>✓</b>		1			
Development Plan							•	July - monitor performance in Nov & Feb							•			
2012/13 End of Year	,							To consider the authority's										
Sickness Absence	<b>√</b>						<b>✓</b>	sickness absence levels for		✓								
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### RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL WORK PROGRAME 2013/14 Date last revised: 05 July 2013



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Corporate Programme Board						✓	Quarterly monitoring of significant projects	<b>√</b>		✓		✓		<b>√</b>			
Budget					<b>✓</b>		Budget setting 2014/15- 2018/19					✓	<b>✓</b>				
Asset Management		<b>✓</b>				<b>✓</b>	Monitor disposal and investment programme Review of Plan currently being undertaken - date TBC by Executive										
Medium Term Financial Plan					<b>✓</b>					<b>√</b>							
Budget Monitoring 13–14					<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Monitoring of budget			$\checkmark$		<b>✓</b>		✓		ı	
Corporate Risk Register						✓	Quarterly Monitoring				✓				<b>✓</b>		
Transformation Board						✓	To receive six monthly				✓				<b>√</b>		

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### RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL WORK PROGRAME 2013/14 Date last revised: 05 July 2013



Type of Scrutiny **Meeting Dates** Scrutiny of Partnership/ /Referred from Executive Notice of Key Decision **Comments/Current** Issue Policy Review or External Agency **Status** Development Management Monitoring Budget 6 18 29 10 28 6 20 Nov Jun Jul Aug Oct Jan Feb Apr 13 13 13 13 13 14 14 14 updates To inform Members of ? **Employee Opinion Survey** feedback and action plan Draft report for comment Scrutiny Annual Report before Chairs Group **COMPLETED ITEMS** Continued scrutiny of Carlisle Leisure Ltd contract monitoring - Audit Report and update Scrutinise report Treasury Management recommending Counterparties amendments to Treasury Management Outturn reports and

recommendations on carry

forward requests to Council

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2012/13 Provisional

**Outturn Reports** 

### RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL WORK PROGRAME 2013/14



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