

Report To:	Environment & Regeneration Committee	Date:	5 March 2015
Report By:	Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration and Resources	Report No:	FIN/09/15/MMcC/AP
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Subject:	Environment and Regeneration 201 to 31 December 2014	4/15 Revenu	e Budget – Period 9

1.0 PURPOSE

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1.1 To advise Committee of the 2014/15 Revenue Budget position at period 9 to 31 December 2014.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The revised 2014/15 budget for Environment and Regeneration is £20,682,260 which excludes Earmarked Reserves.
- 2.2 The latest projection, excluding Earmarked Reserves, is an underspend of £63,000, an increase in spend of £78,000 since Period 7 Committee.
- 2.3 The major variances projected at Period 9 are:
 - i. Employee Cost underspends across the Committee of £302,000; £222,000 of which are due to the early achievement of future year's savings. This projection includes costs associated with back dated holiday pay of £75,000.
 - ii. An underrecovery in Special Catering income of £50,000 in line with previous year's outturn, as previously reported.
 - iii. A one off cost of £90,000 to create an Earmarked Reserve to cover the costs of the City Deal project management office for a 3 year period, as approved at the October meeting.
 - iv. An underrecovery in Planning income of £40,000 due to fewer than anticipated planning applications being received.
 - v. An overspend on Surplus property NDR of £39,000 mainly due to bills for empty schools awaiting demolition.
 - vi. An underspend in Roads Client lighting maintenance of £50,000. This underspend takes account of spend to date and projected lighting defects and has been achieved due to efficiencies within the new contract and close performance management with the new contractor.
- 2.4 Earmarked Reserves for 2014/15 total £4,172,000 of which £2,606,000 is projected to be spent in the current financial year. As detailed in Appendix 3 expenditure of £1,557,000 (59.7%) been incurred against planned spend of £2,536,000.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Committee note the current projected underspend for 2014/15 of £63,000 as at 31 December 2014.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Committee of the current position of the 2014/15 budget and to highlight the main issues contributing to the projected underspend.

5.0 2014/15 CURRENT POSITION

5.1 The current projection for 2014/15 is an underspend of £63,000.

5.2 Regeneration & Planning - £95,000 Overspend

The current projected out-turn for Regeneration & Planning is an overspend of £95,000, an increase in spend of £25,000 from Period 7.

The main issues relating to the current projected overspend for Regeneration & Planning are detailed in Appendix 2. The overspend is largely due to the one off allocation of £90,000 to fund 3 year Project Management Office costs relating to the City Deal, as previously reported. The major variances and movement from last period are explained below:

(a) Employee Costs

There is a projected underspend of £63,000, £19,000 less spend than Period 7. This underspend is due to turnover savings and includes the early achievement of a 2015/16 saving (£39,000).

(b) Income

Income is projected to be underrecovered by £42,000, £40,000 less income than previously reported, due to a projected underrecovery in Planning income resulting from fewer than anticipated planning applications being received.

5.3 Property Services - £94,000 Overspend

The current projected out-turn for Property Services is an overspend of £94,000, an increase in spend of £60,000 since last Committee.

The main issues contributing to the current projected overspend for Property Services are detailed in Appendix 2 and these and the movement from last Committee are detailed below:

(a) <u>Property Costs</u>

There is a projected overspend of £53,000 in property costs, not previously reported. This is mainly due to the following:

- i. Movements in utility projections within Office Accommodation, the net increase being £14,000. This is made up of projected overspends in NDR and water charges of £49,000 and £16,000 respectively; offset by projected underspends in electricity and gas of £28,000 and £23,000 respectively.
- ii. An overspend in Surplus Property of £39,000, mainly due to NDR charges for empty schools awaiting demolition.
- (b) Income

As previously reported there remains an underrecovery of Physical Assets income of £30,000.

5.4 Environmental & Commercial Services - £232,000 Underspend

The current projected out-turn for Environmental & Commercial Services is an underspend of £232,000; a reduction in projected spend of £7,000 since last Committee.

The main issues contributing to the current projected underspend for Environmental & Commercial Services are detailed in Appendix 2 and these and the movement from last period are explained below:

(a) Employee Costs

There is a projected underspend of £252,000 within employee costs, an increase in projected spend of £75,000 from last Committee. Of this underspend £183,000 is the early achievement of future year's savings. The major movements from Period 7 are as follows:

- i. Costs associated with back dated holiday pay for 2014/15 of £73,000. It was agreed at Policy & Resources Committee, 18 November 2014, that these costs would be contained by individual directorates.
- ii. Increased costs for the year of £33,000 resulting from the increased living wage rate; mainly within Facilities Management.
- iii. A further reduction in Ground Maintenance costs of £12,000 due to delays in employing seasonal employees. The projected underspend is £39,000; £25,000 being the early achievement of a 2015/16 saving.
- iv. Further turnover savings within Environmental management of £22,000. Total projected turnover savings within Environmental management being £113,000; £29,000 of which relates to the early achievement of a 2015/16 saving.
- v. An increase in Facilities Management Cleaning costs of £13,000 due to increased sickness and resultant additional hours. The projected outturn being a £5,000 overspend.
- vi. There is an underspend in Street Cleaning of £67,000, a reduction of £8,000 since last Committee, £55,000 is the early achievement of a saving which will be removed as part of the 2015/16 savings exercise.
- vii. There remains a projected underspend in Building Services of £98,000, £58,000 of which is the early achievement of a future saving; a £46,000 overspend in Roads Operational Account mainly due to increased overtime offset by additional income; a £40,000 underspend in Janitors, offset by reduced income; and other turnover savings across the Service amounting to £52,000.

(b) Property Costs

Property Costs are projected to outturn £34,000 under budget, £26,000 less than Period 7. Since Period 7, the material movements have been as follows:

- i. A further reduction in Ground Maintenance skip disposal costs of £10,000; £23,000 total underspend projected. This is offset by a corresponding reduction in Refuse Transfer income.
- ii. A reduction in residual waste disposal costs of £11,000; £22,000 total underspend projected. This underspend is due to a small reduction in projected tonnages.
- (c) Supplies & Services

There is a projected overspend of £1,209,000 within Supplies & Services, a reduction in projected spend of £87,000 since last Committee, mainly due to the following:

i. A reduction in Building Services Sub Contractors costs of £50,000, total underspend being £120,000. There remains a projected overspend on direct purchases of £86,000. These projections are based on the current workload and are offset by a reduction in income.

- ii. An increase in Roads Client Payments to Contractors of £39,000, offset by additional income. The projected overspend is £79,000.
- iii. A reduction in Roads Client Lighting Maintenance of £50,000, not previously reported. This underspend takes account of spend to date and projected lighting defects and has been achieved due to efficiencies within the new contract and close performance management with the new contractor.
- iv. A net reduction in spend on Roads Operational Account subcontractors and materials of £51,000 based on the current work plan. There remains an overspend of £1,222,000 in Roads materials and subcontractors which is more than offset by additional income.
- v. An overspend in Crematorium technical equipment of £27,000 due to essential repairs to the cremators and emissions apparatus.
- vi. There remains an underspend in Catering provisions of £37,000, as previously reported.
- (d) Transportation & Plant

There is a projected overspend of £277,000, a reduction in spend of £48,000 since last Committee, mainly due to a reduction in projected spend on Roads Operational Account external hires of £34,000 based on the current work plan. There remains an overspend of £265,000 in Roads' external hires which is more than offset by additional income.

(e) Administration Costs

There is a projected overspend of £54,000, an increase in spend of £6,000 since Period 7 made up of a number of minor movements, none of which are material.

(f) Income

There is a projected overrecovery in income of \pounds 1,497,000, a reduction in income of \pounds 74,000 since Period 7, the material movements being as follows:

- i. An increase in Roads Client recoverable income, in line with increased payments to contractors costs of £39,000, per 5.4(c)(ii) above. The total overrecovery projected is £49,000.
- ii. An underrecovery of Burial Grounds interment income of £36,000, not previously reported. This is due to fewer interments taking place than budgeted.
- iii. A reduction in Building Services income of £52,000, offset by reduced employee costs and supplies and services costs. This projection is in line with the current work plan.
- iv. A reduction in Roads Client sales, fees and charges of £58,000 mainly due to £60,000 which had previously been projected not now being expected. This relates to income from Scottish Water for warranty repairs. It is unlikely that the Council will receive the necessary information this financial year with regards the risk of taking on the warranty for the reinstatements. Discussions are ongoing and the projection will be amended if it becomes apparent that the income will be received this year.
- v. A minor reduction of £7,000 in Roads Operational Account income. There remains a projected overrecovery of £1,656,000 due to additional income; mainly from capital. This additional income is partially offset by additional costs with the net projected outturn for the Operational Account being an overrecovery of £75,000.
- vi. An increase in Vehicle Maintenance Drivers' income of £25,000, not previously reported. This is offset by increased spend in Client services.
- vii. A further reduction in Refuse Transfer Station tipping charges income of £10,000; in line with reduced Ground Maintenance spend, per 5.4(b)(i); total underrecovery £23,000.
- viii. An increase in Janitors' recharge income of £11,000, in line with increased employee costs due to backdated holiday pay. This reduces the underrecovery in Janitors income to £30,000, directly offset by reduced employee costs.

ix. There remains an underrecovery in Special Catering income of £50,000.

5.5 Corporate Director - £20,000 Underspend

The Corporate Director budget is projecting £20,000 under budget as a result of recharges to Riverside Inverclyde, as previously reported.

6.0 EARMARKED RESERVES

6.1 There is a planned contribution of £2,416,000 to Earmarked Reserves in the current financial year. Appendix 3 gives an update on the operational Earmarked Reserves, ie excluding strategic funding models such as RI funding, AMP and Vehicle Replacement Programme. Spend to date on these operational Earmarked Reserves is 61% of the phased budget (£979,000 less spend than anticipated). Note that whilst expenditure is behind phased budget, officers will endeavour to minimise slippage by the year end.

7.0 VIREMENTS

7.1 There are no virement requests in this report.

8.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

8.1 All finance implications are discussed in detail within the report above.

Financial Implications:

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report £000	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A					

Legal

8.2 There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

Human Resources

8.3 There are no specific human resources implications arising from this report

Equalities

8.4 There are no equality issues arising from this report.

Repopulation

8.5 There are no repopulation issues within this report.

9.0 CONSULTATIONS

9.1 The report has been jointly prepared by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources and the Chief Financial Officer.

10.0 CONCLUSIONS

10.1 The Committee is currently reporting an underspend of £63,000.

11.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 There are no background papers relating to this report.

ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

PERIOD 9: 1st April 2014 - 31st December 2014

Subjective Heading	Approved Budget 2014/15 £000	Revised Budget 2014/15 £000	Projected Out-turn 2014/15 £000	Projected Over/(Under) Spend	Percentage Variance %
Employee Costs	18,101	18,040	17,738	(302)	(1.67)%
Property Costs	8,066	8,184	8,192	8	0.10%
Supplies & Services	5,395	5,520	6,729	1,209	21.91%
Transport Costs	2,221	2,177	2,454	277	12.70%
Administration Costs	506	526	634	108	20.51%
Payments to Other Bodies	7,206	7,301	7,413	112	1.53%
Income	(18,473)	(18,650)	(20,125)	(1,475)	(7.91)%
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	23,022	23,098	23,035	(63)	(0.27)%
Transfer to Earmarked Reserves *	0	(2,416)	(2,416)	0	0.00%
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE EXCLUDING EARMARKED RESERVES	23,022	20,682	20,619	(63)	(0.30)%

Objective Heading	Approved Budget 2014/15 £000	Revised Budget 2014/15 £000	Projected Out-turn 2014/15 £000	Projected Over/(Under) Spend	Percentage Variance %
Regeneration & Planning	4,840	4,841	4,936	95	1.97%
Property Services	3,777	3,254	3,348	94	2.90%
Environmental & Commercial Services	14,247	14,845	14,613	(232)	(1.56)%
Corporate Director	158	158	138	(20)	(12.48)%
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Transfer to Earmarked Reserves *	0	(2,416)	(2,416)	0	0.00%
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE EXCLUDING EARMARKED RESERVES	23,022	20,682	20,619	(63)	(0.30)%

* Per Appendix 3: New funding transferred to earmarked reserves during 2014/15

APPENDIX 2

ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

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MATERIAL VARIANCES

PERIOD 9: 1st April 2014 - 31st December 2014

<u>Out Turn</u> <u>2013/14</u> <u>£000</u>	Budget Heading	Subjective Head	<u>Budget</u> 2014/15 £000	Proportion of Budget	<u>Actual to</u> <u>31-Dec-14</u> <u>£000</u>	Projection <u>2014/15</u> <u>£000</u>	(Under)/Over Budget £000	Percentage Variance <u>%</u>
90 262 99	REGENERATION & PLANNING Cleaner, Greener Building Standards Get Ready for Work	Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs	91 299 96	65 214 78	39 207 71	52 279 86	(20)	(42.86)% (6.69)% (10.42)%
0	Commercial & Industrial - Security	Property Costs	20	15	7	7	(13) (13)	(65.00)%
13	Planning - Local Plan Preparation	Administration	8	0	27	27	19 19	237.50%
0	Payments to Other Bodies - City Deal PMO	РТОВ	0	0	0	90	90 90	
(98) (616)	Getting Ready for Work Contract Income Planning - Income	Income Income	(108) (587)	(91) (440)	(86) (372)	(96) (547)	12 40 52	(11.11)% (6.81)%
0	PROPERTY SERVICES Technical Services - Agency Staff	Administration	0	0	25	30	30 30	
204 37 158 78 86	Office Accommodation - Rates Office Accommodation - Water Office Accommodation - Electricity Office Accommodation - Gas Surplus Property	Property Costs Property Costs Property Costs Property Costs Property Costs	194 27 198 96 51	194 27 131 64 40	242 44 96 35 99	243 43 170 73 90	16 (28)	25.26% 59.26% (14.14)% (23.96)% 76.47%
(11) (1,106)	Physical Assets - Income Technical Services - Income	Income Income	(44) (1,100)	(33) (733)	(2) (733)	(14) (1,130)	30 (30) 0	(68.18)% 2.73%

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<u>Out Turn</u> <u>2013/14</u> <u>£000</u>	Budget Heading	Subjective Head	<u>Budget</u> 2014/15 <u>£000</u>	Proportion of Budget	Actual to <u>31-Dec-14</u> <u>£000</u>	Projection 2014/15 £000	(Under)/Over Budget £000	Percentage Variance <u>%</u>
1,530 947 319 600 2,561 775 1,021 1,730 1,658 863	ENVIRONMENTAL & COMMERCIAL SERVICES Ground Maintenance Street Sweeping Burial Grounds Vehicle Maintenance Management Roads Operational Account Janitors Catering Cleaning Building Services Unit	Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs Employee Costs	1,542 1,043 358 618 2,863 788 1,063 1,677 1,647 929	1,133 745 260 442 2,047 563 760 1,199 1,178 664	1,135 703 245 430 1,951 503 733 967 1,163 660	1,510 979 347 603 2,758 847 1,033 1,687 1,678 835	(64) (11) (15) (105) 59 (30) 10 31	(2.08)% (6.14)% (3.07)% (2.43)% (3.67)% 7.49% (2.82)% 0.60% 1.88% (10.12)%
110 2,306 19 58	Ground Maintenance - Hire of Skips Transfer Station - Waste Disposal Public Conveniences - Repairs & Maintenance Catering - Cleaning Materials	Property Costs Property Costs Property Costs Property Costs	102 2,504 11 45	68 1,686 8 34	44 1,650 21 44	79 2,482 21 55	(22) 10	(22.55)% (0.88)% 90.91% 22.22%
70 271 244 1,876 204 290 927 44	Roads Client - Emergency/Miscellenous Roads Client - Payments to Lighting Contractor Roads Operational Account - Sub-contractors Roads Operational Account - Materials Building Services Unit - Direct Purchases Building Services Unit - Subcontractors Catering - Provisions Crematorium - Technical Equipment	Supplies & Services Supplies & Services Supplies & Services Supplies & Services Supplies & Services Supplies & Services Supplies & Services	25 440 119 810 164 220 930 17	19 330 77 491 123 165 574 12	37 265 216 1,312 136 60 632 14	55 390 321 1,830 250 100 893 44	(50) 202 1,020 86 (120) (37)	120.00% (11.36)% 169.75% 125.93% 52.44% (54.55)% (3.98)%
578 324 386 70	Vehicle Maintenance - Fuel Client Services - Non Routine Maintenance (excludes Roads) Roads Operational Account - External Hires Roads Operational Account - Non-Routine Maintenance	Transport & Plant Transport & Plant Transport & Plant Transport & Plant	566 216 94 26	489 169 61 17	394 198 248 34	535 233 361 54		(5.48)% 7.87% 284.04% 107.69%

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PERIOD 9: 1st April 2014 - 31st December 2014

<u>Out Turn</u> 2013/14 <u>£000</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>Heading</u>	Subjective Head	<u>Budget</u> 2014/15 <u>£000</u>	Proportion of Budget	<u>Actual to</u> <u>31-Dec-14</u> <u>£000</u>	Projection 2014/15 £000	<u>(Under)/Over</u> <u>Budget</u> <u>£000</u>	Percentage Variance <u>%</u>
24 11	Refuse Collection - Agency staff Building Services Unit - Agency staff	Administration Administration	20 0	11 0	47 11	50 16		150.00%
101	Waste Strategy - Composting	Pay. Other Bodies	88	77	97	108	20 20	22.73%
(132) (583) (451) (459) (289) (56) (124) (3,004) (798) (133) (435) (1,131) (777) (28) (38) (1,143)	Burial Grounds - Interments Vehicle Maintenance - Fuel Income Vehicle Maintenance - Non Routine Maintenance Income Vehicle Maintenance - Drivers Recharges Refuse Transfer Station - Sales Fees & Charges Roads Client - Sales, Fees and Charges Roads Olient - Advertising Income Roads Operational Account - Capital Roads Operational Account - Capital Roads Operational Account - Non Client Involvement Building Services - Work Won in Tender Building Services - Internal Public Building Repairs Building Services - External Income/Other Income Catering - Special Catering Income Janitors - Recharge Income Corporate Director - Recovery from Riverside Inverclyde	Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income Income	(170) (566) (278) (389) (256) (123) (115) (1,666) (700) 0 (488) (900) (145) (25) (90) (1,180)	(124) (489) (186) (292) (192) (92) (86) (995) (418) 0 (366) (675) (109) (19) (67) (901)	(88) (394) (261) (304) (15) (54) (63) (2,153) (441) (61) (72) (473) (34) (6) (9) (845)	(85) (127) (3,185) (762) (455) (935) (110) (8) (400) (1,150)	31 (27) (25) 23 38 (12) (1,519) (62) (75) 33 (35) 33 (35) 33 (35) 33 (35) 30 (1,462) (20) (20)	(21.18)% (5.48)% 9.71% 6.43% (8.98)% (30.89)% 10.43% 91.18% 8.86% 0.00% (6.76)% 3.89% (24.14)% (68.00)% (55.56)% (2.54)%
Total Material	Variances						(22)	

EARMARKED RESERVES POSITION STATEMENT

COMMITTEE: Regeneration & Environment

<u>Project</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Funding</u> 2014/15	Phased Budget <u>To Period 9</u> 2014/15	<u>Actual</u> <u>To Period 9</u> 2014/15	<u>Projected</u> <u>Spend</u> 2014/15	Amount to be Earmarked for 2015/16 & Beyond	Lead Officer Update
	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	
Youth Employment	702	493	396	612	90	Continuing to Support the Employability programme including MA's.
Business Support Initiative	219	162	93	202	17	Invoices have started to come in for the work carried out on West Station shops.
Birkmyre Park, Port Glasgow	181	175	154	171	10	Ground works and play area elements of the project are complete, but due to the lateness of the season seeding will not be done until next spring, April 2015, £10k of costs will be slipped to next year.
Investment Fund for Council Owned Bowling Clubs	77	65	0	0	77	Work completed for Wellington, Hillend, Gourock Park and Parklea. Tenders returned for Rankin Park are well in excess of funds available, Circa £50,000 against budget availability of £25,000. The situation is similar to Lady Alice. Report in preparation for CMT outlining options for the two Bowling Clubs.
Whinhill Golf Club	145	145	63	145		Flospan building in final stages of construction and thereafter the smaller trolley store will be erected. Contractor has failed to meet deadlines and is being pressed to complete the projects. Once both building are complete the car park will be resurfaced and lined. Still intended to be complete this financial year.
Lower Clyde River Valley Projects	15	15	15	15	0	Project briefs developed. Spend complete.
Flooding Strategy	44	0	0	0	44	The funding is for Legal costs associated with the Eastern line of Falls and is unlikely to be spent before period 12 2014/15.
Local Environment Improvement Fund	40	25	40	40	0	Complete.
Greenock Town Centre Parking Strategy	109	84	84	84	25	Funding is for implementation of the Greenock Town Centre Parking Strategy and Decriminalised Parking Enforcement. The original schemes are now complete, however demand for variation orders and additional signs continue. Includes £25k additional funding for residents parking options appraisal.
Roads - Additional revenue investment	55	55	43	43	12	£43k of carry over funding for pot hole repairs and patching works is complete. It is now intended that the £12k of carry forward funding for the RAMP Survey be used as a contribution to the survey work required to identify and assess the condition of the Council's sea walls and coastal protection along Inverclyde's coastline. This will now be addressed in 2015/16.

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COMMITTEE: Regeneration & Environment

Project	<u>Total</u> <u>Funding</u> 2014/15	<u>Phased Budget</u> <u>To Period 9</u> 2014/15	<u>Actual</u> <u>To Period 9</u> 2014/15	<u>Projected</u> <u>Spend</u> 2014/15	Amount to be Earmarked for 2015/16 & Beyond	Lead Officer Update
	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	<u>£000</u>	
Greenock Town Centre - Extra Police	36	36	34	36	0	Future updates would go to the Education & Communities Committee. Annual invoice received and processed in P5.
Repopulating/Promoting Inverclyde	886	270	143	261	625	All workstreams proceeding well with the exception of the external graduate placement scheme. Proposals to amend the criteria being developed.
Increased Officer Capacity - External Funding Officer	99	41	23	23	76	Post recently vacated and will not be back filled. Surplus funds will be returned back to general fund reserves.
Employability Initiatives	525	294	6	400	125	Contracts with ICDT are in place. Projected spend is still online.
Greenock Municipal Buildings Tourism Initiative	150	142	2	3	147	Design commenced for Victoria Tower however will be delayed due to decision to combine with refurbishment of the District Court and apply for Heritage Lottery Fund funding. Rot survey of District Court confirms no rot present. Design to be taken to stage C to allow for grant application to be made but there will then be a delay until funding application considered. Fire Engineer commissioned to undertake a Fire Risk Assessment of Victoria Tower. Projected spend for 2014/14 reflects external Fees.
Shop Front Improvements Grants	50	50	50	50	0	Work completed and spend achieved.
Commonwealth Flotilla Event	250	250	166	217	33	Approved funding towards a major sailing event to showcase Inverclyde, its sailing opportunities, its maritime history and to celebrate the Commonwealth games. RYAS delivered their element of the event £33k under budget, which is proposed will be directed towards the legacy element that is to be carried out in due course.
Roads Defects and Drainage works	500	145	156	215	285	Jetpaching works and 1st and 2nd external contracts for pothole patching completed, with the 2nd external contract substantially completed and processing invoice; 3rd external contract award on hold. Drainage works identified and are being designed, programmed and implemented - proposed to defer £35k to 2015/16.
Street Lighting Surveys	28	28	28	28	0	Surveys are complete.
Coastal Communities	40	40	40	40	0	EMR to cover Employee costs of Modern Apprentices taken on under Coastal Communities scheme. Any additional costs will be covered by Employability initiative EMR above.

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Miscellaneous Planning & Economic	21	21	21	21	0	Reserve made up of Heritage Development Officer, Employability Review and Local Plan Preparation. Full spend achieved.
Total	4,172	2,536	1,557	2,606	1,566	