

**EXETER CITY COUNCIL**  
**SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - RESOURCES**  
**21 SEPTEMBER 2011**

**RESOURCES SCRUTINY STEWARDSHIP TO 30 JUNE 2011**

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report advises members of any major differences by management unit to the revised budget.

**2. STEWARDSHIP TO 30 JUNE 2011**

- 2.1 The current forecast suggests that net expenditure for this committee will increase from the revised budget by a total of £418,010. Supplementary budgets of £12,000 are included but the Notional Charges budgets in respect of IAS19 Pension Costs and Capital charges have been deducted to provide the total budget for management accounting purposes.
- 2.2 The budgets for 2011/12 include a provision for a pay award of two hundred and fifty pounds to staff under spinal point 24. The current position is that the Local Government Employers have not offered a pay award in the current year which will produce an overall pay saving of about £24,000 for this Committee.
- 2.3 The main variations by management unit are detailed below:

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<b>2011/2012 REVISED BUDGET</b>	15,646,190
<b>86A1 REVENUE COLLECTION / BENEFITS</b>	388,190
As a result of the reduction in subsidy received in 2010/11 mainly in respect of Non HRA Rent Allowances, it is estimated that there will be a similar reduction in subsidy for 2011/12, which was also not taken into account when the budget for 2011/12 was determined. This therefore shows an outturn forecast of an additional £388,190 which is a variance of 0.87% on the original budget of £44.7m.	
<b>86A5 DEMOCRATIC REPRESENTATION</b>	990
There will be a small overspend on Members' Expenses by the end of the financial year due to the take-up of allowances.	
<b>86A7 UNAPPORTIONABLE OVERHEADS</b>	(2,880)
The actual inflation increase in payments to the pension fund administered by Devon County Council to meet the approved cost of early retirements and redundancies, was less than provided for when setting the budget.	
<b>86A8 CHIEF EXECUTIVE SERVICES</b>	19,850
Additional pay costs have been incurred to cover for maternity and sickness absences.	

<b>86B1</b>	<b>TREASURY SERVICES</b> An agreed reduction in working hours for some staff and vacancies within the service are expected to result in pay savings.	(16,980)
<b>86B3</b>	<b>HUMAN RESOURCES</b> An additional temporary staffing resource within Human Resources was approved by Committee.	17,930
<b>86B4</b>	<b>LEGAL SERVICES</b> There is expected to be a small underspend in pay and operational costs.	(2,610)
<b>86B6</b>	<b>IT SERVICES</b> There is expected to be an overspend on pay costs to provide cover for maternity leave.	13,520
<b>2011/12 EXPECTED FINAL OUTTURN</b>		<u>£16,064,200</u>

### **3. RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 That the Scrutiny Committee – Resources note this report.

HEAD OF TREASURY SERVICES

CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE

**Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended)**

**Background papers used in compiling this report:**

None