

Report

Report to:	Housing and Technical Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	8 November 2023
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) Executive Director (Housing and Technical Resources)

Subject:	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2023/2024 - Housing and Technical Resources - Housing Revenue Account (HRA)
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ provide information on the actual expenditure measured against the revenue budget for the period 1 April to 8 September 2023 for Housing and Technical Resources (HRA)

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the breakeven position on Housing and Technical Resources' (HRA) revenue budget, as detailed in Appendix A of the report, be noted

3. Background

3.1. This is the second revenue budget monitoring report presented to the Housing and Technical Resources Committee for the financial year 2023/2024.

3.2. The report details the financial position for Housing and Technical Resources (HRA) on Appendix A.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. There are no employee implications as a result of this report.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. As at 8 September 2023, there is a breakeven position against the phased budget.

6. Other Implications

6.1. The main risk associated with the Council's revenue budget is that there is an overspend. The risk is managed through 4-weekly Budget Monitoring meetings at which any variance is analysed. In addition, the probable outturn exercise ensures early warning for corrective action to be taken where appropriate.

6.2. Inflationary and budget pressures this year increase the risk of overspend, however, these pressures are assessed and managed within the budget planning exercise for current and future years.

7. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

- 7.1. There are no climate change, sustainability and environmental implications in terms of the information contained within this report.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.
- 8.2. There is also no requirement to undertake any consultation in terms of the information contained in this report.

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Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Stephen Gibson

Executive Director (Housing and Technical Resources)

11 October 2023

Link(s) to Council Values/Priorities/Outcomes

- ◆ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Previous References

- ◆ Executive Committee, 11 October 2023

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Financial ledger and budget monitoring results to 8 September 2023

Contact for Further Information

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact: -

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SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

Revenue Budget Monitoring Report

Housing and Technical Resources Committee: Period Ended 8 September 2023 (No.6)

Housing Revenue Account

Budget Category	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 08/09/23	Actual 08/09/23	Variance 08/09/23		% Variance 08/09/23	Notes
Employee Costs	14,253	14,253	0	5,975	6,033	(58)	over	(1.0%)	
Property Costs	50,929	50,929	0	19,749	20,339	(590)	over	(3.0%)	1
Supplies & Services	433	433	0	95	91	4	under	4.2%	
Transport & Plant	196	196	0	75	58	17	under	22.7%	
Administration Costs	5,570	5,570	0	219	206	13	under	5.9%	
Payments to Other Bodies	2,974	2,974	0	935	998	(63)	over	(6.7%)	
Payments to Contractors	100	100	0	42	42	0	-	0.0%	
Transfer Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Financing Charges	27,162	27,162	0	8,385	8,404	(19)	over	(0.2%)	
Total Controllable Exp.	101,617	101,617	0	35,475	36,171	(696)	over	(2.0%)	
Total Controllable Inc.	(115,940)	(115,940)	0	(42,746)	(42,913)	167	over recovered	0.4%	2
Transfer to/(from) Balance Sheet	(4,907)	(4,907)	0	(2,265)	(2,794)	529	over recovered	23.4%	3
Net Controllable Exp.	(19,230)	(19,230)	0	(9,536)	(9,536)	0	-	0.0%	
Loan Charges	19,230	19,230	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Net Controllable Exp.	0	0	0	(9,536)	(9,536)	0	-	0.0%	

Variance Explanations

1. The net overspend reflects the volume and cost of repairs and maintenance, including additional costs for the internal contractor. There is also an overspend in relation to cleaning charges.
2. The additional income is due to the favourable timing of new build and purchased council housing units being available to rent.
3. The net combined overspend requires for a higher than budgeted level of transfer from reserves at this time.

Virements

No new virements to report.