

INFORMATION

**RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**REPORT TO HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE**

Agenda Item No 14

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 title: REVENUE OUTTURN 2009/10  
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**1 PURPOSE**

1.1 To report on the outturn for the financial year 2009/10 in respect of the Revenue Budget for this Committee.

1.2 Relevance to the Councils ambitions and priorities:

- In accordance with corporate plan objective 2.3, this report provides members with information to ensure that budget allocation and expenditure is in line with corporate priorities.

**2 FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

2.1 Shown below, by division of service, is a comparison with the revised estimate and actual expenditure for the services under the control of the Health and Housing Committee:

	Revised Estimate £	Actual £	Difference £
<b>Environmental services</b>			
Common land	10,660	9,605	-1,055
Clean air	3,980	3,644	-336
Dog warden and pest control	4,810	4,900	90
Contaminated land	108,750	107,572	-1,178
Clitheroe market	-14,260	-13,738	522
Clitheroe cemetery	49,400	46,788	-2,612
Environmental health	309,930	305,866	-4,064
Grants and subscriptions	2,060	1,785	-275
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>475,330</b>	<b>466,422</b>	<b>-8,908</b>
<b>Benefits</b>			
Council tax benefits	29,850	23,062	-6,788
Housing benefits	64,850	65,571	721
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>94,700</b>	<b>88,633</b>	<b>- 6,067</b>
<b>Housing general fund</b>			
Housing associations	13,290	13,970	680
Housing advances	560	1,349	789

	<b>Revised Estimate £</b>	<b>Actual £</b>	<b>Difference £</b>
Supporting people	5,490	5,240	-250
Joiners Arms	-1,870	-1,906	- 36
Home energy conservation	22,840	21,844	-996
Improvement grants	31,080	23,789	-7,291
Homelessness general	47,510	45,910	-1,600
Homelessness strategy	-11,540	-11,035	505
Non-dwelling rents	-17,910	-15,734	2,176
Housing strategy	54,990	48,626	-6,364
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>144,440</b>	<b>132,053</b>	<b>-12,387</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>714,470</b>	<b>687,108</b>	<b>-27,362</b>

- 2.2 Environmental services show a net under spending of £8,908. The main reasons for the under spending are as a result of a reduction of anticipated recharges from central and service departments. These are recharges from Development Services to Environmental Health of £2,540 and from Grounds Maintenance to the Cemetery of £5,018. The other main cause of the variation has been a reduction of income from internment fees of £2,598 that has been partially offset by an overachievement of licensing income of £1,494.
- 2.3 Net expenditure in relation to Benefits is £6,067 less than budgeted. The reasons for this are due to an under spending of overtime payments of £6,870 which were an addition to the budget during the year and funded from extra grant, there have been several areas of under spending for example printing, publicity and software saving £4,619, central costs are less than expected by £2,270 and the net effect of benefit payments and grant receipts has been an extra cost of £7,040.
- 2.4 For Housing General Fund net expenditure will be £12,387 less than the budget because income from administrative fees for improvement grant work is higher than expected by £5,151 reflecting the increased capital allocation for this work, recharges from central departments is less than anticipated by £6,730, and there has been a reduction of consultancy fees of £1,270.
- 2.5 Overall net expenditure for this Committee will be £27,362 less than anticipated when the budget was revised.
- 2.6 These figures exclude improvement grant deferred charges of £419,546 and the release of grants of £301,911.

### 3 CONCLUSION

- 3.1.1 A more detailed explanation of major variations by division of service is attached at Annex 1 below.

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## Major variations between Revised and Actual expenditure and income

Clitheroe Market	£	£	
Temporary staff		-1,189	Additional costs as a result of the long term sickness of a member of staff
<b>Clitheroe Cemetery</b>			
Grounds maintenance	5,018		The recharge is less than anticipated
Internment fees	-2,598		Income is less than expected
		2,420	
<b>Environmental Health</b>			
Licences income	1,494		Income has been overachieved
Development services	2,540		The recharge is less than anticipated
		4,034	
<b>Housing Benefits</b>			
Salaries overtime	6,870		Not all of the extra money allocated to this budget has been used
Printing and stationery	2,381		Expenditure has been less than expected
Postages	-1,763		Higher volumes because of the effects of the recession
Software maintenance	1,013		Not all of the extra grant income has been used
Publicity	1,225		Expenditure has been less than expected
Rent allowance payments	-71,178		Payments have exceed budget expectations
Grant payments	58,258		Additional grant to cover the extra benefit payments
Central costs	2,270		There has been a reduction in central recharges
		-924	
<b>Home energy</b>			
Printing and stationery		1,011	Printing costs are less than expected
<b>Improvement grants</b>			
Consultants fees	1,270		Expenditure has been less than expected
Strategic housing	1,320		The recharge is less than anticipated
Admin charges	5,151		Administrative fee income from the implementation of improvement grants is higher than expected
		7,741	
<b>Non dwelling rents</b>			
Garage income (50%)		-1,468	Income is less than expected
<b>Housing Strategy</b>			
Housing strategy	1,640		The recharge is less than anticipated
Council Offices	5,090		The anticipated recharge for Council Offices has been allocated to other divisions of service
		6,730	
<b>Homelessness strategy</b>			
Other contact payments	- 6,710		Additional costs funded from contributions and miscellaneous income
Contributions	5,000		Contribution from Pennine Lancashire
Miscellaneous income	1,135		Income higher than expected
		-575	
<b>Council tax</b>			
Rebate payments	- 9,151		Rebate payments have exceeded expectations
Grant payments	15,031		Payment of subsidy is to cover the extra costs
		5,880	
<b>Total</b>		<b>23,660</b>	

