

Belfast City Council

Financial Reporting – Quarter 1 2018/19
11 September 2018
Aidan Thatcher, Director of Planning and Building Control
David Orr; Business Manager, Place and Economy Department

Is this report restricted?	Yes 📃 No 🗸
If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?	
After Committee Decision	
After Council Decision	
Some time in the future	
Never	

Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes	\checkmark	No	

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	This report presents the Quarter 1 financial position for the Planning Committee including a
	forecast of the year end outturn. It includes a reporting pack which contains a summary of
	the financial indicators and an executive summary (Appendix 1). It also provides a more
	detailed explanation of each of the relevant indicators and the forecast outturn for the year.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	Members are asked to note the report and the associated financial reporting pack.

3.0	Main report
3.1	Overall Council Financial Position
	The forecast year end position for the Council is an under spend of £1m of the budgeted net expenditure. This was reported to the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting on 17 th August 2018.
3.2	Committee Financial Position 2018/2019
	The Quarter 1 position for the Committee is a net under spend of £322k (73%), with the forecast year end position being an under spend of £200k (11.5%)
	The main reasons for the Committee under spend relate to planning fees received exceeding the anticipated level for the quarter by £174k supplemented by £17k of additional Building Control income. Interim vacancies within the approved Planning Structure have driven a £93k underspend in the employee budget with other small underspends across Building Control expenditure budgets equating to £38k.
3.3	Financial & Resource Implications
	The report sets out the 2018/19 quarter 1 position.
3.4	Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment
	There are no equality implications with this report.
4.0	Appendices
- . .	
4.1	Quarter 1 Performance Report