

Agenda



Contact: Candida Mckelvey
Telephone: 07895 213820
Email: candida.mckelvey@southandvale.gov.uk
Date: 13 September 2022
Website: www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk

An informal meeting of **Scrutiny Committee Members** will be held on Thursday, 22 September 2022 at 7.00 pm informal, virtual meeting

The meeting will be live streamed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/SouthandValeCommitteeMeetings>

Members of the Committee:

Councillors:

Nathan Boyd (Chair)	Eric De La Harpe	Patrick O'Leary
Jerry Avery	Hayleigh Gascoigne	Ben Mabbett
Ron Batstone (Vice chair)	David Grant	Max Thompson

Alternative formats of this publication are available on request. These include large print, Braille, audio, email and easy read. For this or any other special requirements (such as access facilities) please contact the officer named on this agenda. Please give as much notice as possible before the meeting.

Patrick Arran
Head of Legal and Democratic

Agenda

Open to the Public including the Press

1. Apologies for absence

To record apologies for absence and the attendance of substitute members.

2. Urgent business and chair's announcements

To receive notification of any matters which the chair determines should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the chair.

3. Declaration of interests

To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registrable interests and non-registrable interests or any conflicts of interest in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

4. Minutes of the last meeting

(Pages 4 - 6)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the Scrutiny Committee notes of the meeting held on 2 August 2022.

5. Work schedule and dates for all Vale and Joint scrutiny meetings

(Pages 7 - 9)

To review the attached scrutiny work schedule. Please note, although the dates are confirmed, the items under consideration are subject to being withdrawn, added to or rearranged without further notice.

6. Public participation

To receive any questions or statements from members of the public that have registered to speak.

REPORTS AND ISSUES FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

7. Financial Outturn report 2021-22

(Pages 10 - 21)

Scrutiny committee is recommended to note the overall outturn position of the council as well as the outturn of individual service areas.

Notes

of an informal meeting of

Scrutiny Committee members

held on Tuesday, 2 August 2022 at 7.00 pm

Virtual meeting

Streamed live on YouTube.

Open to the public, including the press

Present:

Councillors: Nathan Boyd (Chair), Jerry Avery, Paul Barrow, Ron Batstone (Vice-Chair), David Grant, Max Thompson, Eric de la Harpe, Ben Mabbett and Patrick O'Leary

Officers: Vicky Aston (Planning Infrastructure Team Leader) Harry Barrington-Mountford (Head of Policy and Programmes) Candida Mckelvey (Democratic Services Officer) Adrianna Partridge (Deputy Chief Executive – Transformation and Operations)

Guests: Cabinet members: Councillor Andrew Crawford (Finance) Councillor Debby Hallett (Planning Policy) and Councillor Judy Roberts (Development and Infrastructure and Didcot Garden Town)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies from Councillor Hayleigh Gascoigne. Councillor Paul Barrow was in attendance as substitute.

2. Urgent business and chair's announcements

None.

3. Declaration of interests

None.

4. Minutes of the last meeting

Resolved:

The notes of the informal meeting held on 28 June 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

5. Work schedule and dates for all Vale and Joint scrutiny meetings

Committee reviewed the work programme. Committee were asked to let the chair know if there were any additions to the work programme.

The item on Central Abingdon Regeneration Framework would be followed up on with officers regarding the date scrutiny would expect to see the report.

6. Public participation

None.

7. Didcot Garden Town update

Didcot Garden Town was a joint scheme with South Oxfordshire District Council. Cabinet member for Didcot Garden Town introduced the report. The original 2017 delivery plan had been updated to make it more streamlined and therefore more deliverable. Officers had worked on this and had clarified responsibility of stakeholders for project completion. There was a list of projects and progress to date.

The Didcot Town Advisory Board was key to holding stakeholders to account on the progress of the listed projects, as residents now want to see action on these projects.

In discussion, the committee raised the following:

- Regarding Homes England funding, it was explained to committee by Cabinet member that Didcot Garden Town was one of the first garden towns in the scheme, and there had been initial revenue funding, but as the scheme matures, this would likely be stopped over time and the future funding could be in the form of capital funding that could be applied for. Berinsfield and Dalton Barracks were newer garden towns and were still subject to the initial funding.
- Committee discussed the removed projects, with Cabinet member explaining that some projects were removed due to difficulty with engagement and general organising of such projects, for example, work with engaging utility companies, who vary widely in how they work.
- Cabinet member informed that Vale had opted for green spaces projects, and a bid had gone out for Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP). Having such plans was useful for the future of developments – if we had a plan in place, it would show the needs of, for example, new housing developments, and this would be evidence to secure these infrastructures in early stages of development.
- Cabinet member informed that the Business Advisory Board had been helpful for setting up local events and leisure activities.

The key message was that the updated delivery plan was much more deliverable, having been thoroughly reviewed by officers. There was a newly formed Didcot Garden Town team (who were within the wider Garden Communities team) to assist in the plan's delivery, and the focus was on accountability and ensuring projects are progressed and then completed by the relevant stakeholders.

Resolved:

Committee reviewed the new Didcot Garden Town Delivery Plan and looked forward to receiving future updates on progress of the scheme's projects.

8. A34 diversions update

This was an update report from Vale officers. This had started as a Full Council motion in October 2019, asking scrutiny to look into A34 diversion routes. There was a report to scrutiny in November 2021 with attendance from a National Highways and an Oxfordshire County Council representative.

This report was not informed by National Highways, but was an update from council officers, and chair acknowledged all the work involved for them.

Cabinet Member for Planning Policy introduced the report. Officers had provided some additional detail in the report, based on the questions the committee had asked in the previous meeting

where this was discussed, in November 2021. On 12 July 2022, National Highways had a virtual meeting with officers and indicated that they would have more information in a month's time. Officers had repeatedly asked for further information since the scrutiny meeting. It was recommended in the report that a formal scrutiny recommendation could be made to the Council Leader, to liaise with County Council.

So far, National Highways had responded on two points:

Consideration of contraflow

Strategies in place to minimise disruption

Outstanding points to address were:

Risk assessment of diversions

Appraisal of options

Schedule of road closures over time, suggested the last 5 years.

A copy of review work – indication was that this would be completed in 1 to 3 years.

The committee were welcomed to ask questions. Cabinet member Councillor Andrew Crawford was present as proposer of the original motion. It was noted that no formal recommendations could be made this evening, but chair would flag questions and comments for the Council Leader's attention.

- Officers were hoping to receive further information soon (no named representative given), but it was out of the district council's hands, but they had been persevering. County Council had been helpful also.
- Councillor Crawford, when being asked by the chair to give his views, expressed disappointment in the response given from National Highways. He felt that cost benefit analysis was needed for contraflows, and the response from National Highways that contraflows cost too much, at £200,000, was not justified effectively, due to the lack of analysis of the overall financial setting and benefits.
- A member asked if anything could be done to mitigate diversions at district level, such as temporary lower speed limits.
- Councillor Crawford clarified that residents had more concerns about disruptive scheduled works, and that there was some understanding from residents over accident / emergency diversions that could not be helped. Head of Policy and Programmes added that a conversation was being had about both types.
- A member asked if there had been feedback from the original residents group as to whether things had improved. It was noted that the diversions had been scheduled for years and appear to have gotten worse only recently. Councillor Crawford said he had received contact but only to ask whether National Highways had responded.
- A member added that more detail was needed for contraflow, and that we should express frustration with the lack of response.

Resolved:

Chair of scrutiny will speak to Council Leader and Monitoring Officer regarding next steps.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm

Chair:

Date:

Scrutiny work programme

1 September 2022



Agenda Item 5

Page 6

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	PURPOSE	CABINET MEMBER	CONTACT OFFICER
Scrutiny Committee 22 Sep 2022	financial outturn 2021/22		Councillor Andy Crawford	Simon Hewings simon.hewings@southandvale.gov.uk
Joint Scrutiny Committee 3 Oct 2022 <i>Provisional date tbc</i>	Biffa annual performance report 2021/22		Councillor Catherine Webber	Ian Matten ian.matten@southandvale.gov.uk
Joint Scrutiny Committee 3 Oct 2022 <i>Provisional date tbc</i>	GLL annual performance review 2019 to 2022		Councillor Helen Pighills	James Carpenter james.carpenter@southandvale.gov.uk
Joint Scrutiny Committee 3 Oct 2022 <i>Provisional date tbc</i>	Saba parking contract performance 2021-22		Councillor Andy Crawford	John Backley john.backley@southandvale.gov.uk
Joint Scrutiny Committee 7 Nov 2022	Joint diversity and inclusion strategy		Councillor Bethia Thomas	David Fairall david.fairall@southandvale.gov.uk
Joint Scrutiny Committee 7 Nov 2022	South and Vale Community Safety Partnership performance 2021-22		Councillor Helen Pighills	Diane Foster diane.foster@southandvale.gov.uk

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	PURPOSE	CABINET MEMBER	CONTACT OFFICER
Scrutiny Committee 14 Nov 2022	Council Tax Reduction Scheme review		Councillor Andy Crawford	Simon Hewings simon.hewings@southandvale.gov.uk
Scrutiny Committee 14 Nov 2022	Central Abingdon Regeneration Framework (CARF)		Councillor Andy Crawford	James Carpenter james.carpenter@southandvale.gov.uk
Items for future meetings (dates to be determined)				
Joint Scrutiny Committee	Joint Local Plan		Councillor Debby Hallett	Andrew Lane andrew.lane@southandvale.gov.uk
Scrutiny Committee	Future Oxfordshire Partnership		Councillor Emily Smith	Andrew Down andrew.down@southandvale.gov.uk
Scrutiny Committee	Affordable Housing Guidance Note	To receive a progress report	Councillor Debby Hallett	Steve May Stephen.may@douthandvale.gov.uk
Scrutiny Committee	The Beacon future use			James Carpenter james.carpenter@southandvale.gov.uk
Joint Scrutiny Committee	Flooding - partnership roles and responsibilities		Councillor Neil Fawcett	Andrew Down andrew.down@southandvale.gov.uk

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	PURPOSE	CABINET MEMBER	CONTACT OFFICER
Joint Scrutiny Committee	Future waste services		Councillor Sally Povolotsky	William Maxwell william.maxwell@southandvale.gov.uk
Joint Scrutiny Committee	Partnership arrangements - Integrated Care System			

Scrutiny Committee Report



Report of Head of Finance

Author: Richard Spraggett

Telephone: 01235 422505

Textphone: 18001 01235 422505

E-mail: richard.spraggett@southandvale.gov.uk

Wards affected: All

Cabinet member responsible: Andrew Crawford

Tel: 01235 772134

E-mail: Andy.crawford@whitehorsedc.gov.uk

To: Scrutiny Committee

DATE: 22 September 2022

Financial Outturn 2021/22

Recommendation(s)

Scrutiny committee is recommended to note the overall outturn position of the council as well as the outturn of individual service areas.

Note: If committee members wish to raise specific questions please send these in advance if possible, to either the committee clerk or the strategic finance manager (richard.spraggett@southandvale.gov.uk). Please be aware that if questions are not submitted in advance, it may not be possible to answer these in detail at the meeting. In addition, if committee members wish specific heads of service to attend the meeting this should also be raised in advance.

Purpose of Report

1. To report the final year end position for revenue and capital expenditure against budget for the financial year 2021/22.

Strategic Objectives

2. The allocation of financial resources within the revenue and capital budgets needs to match the objectives agreed by the council. The outturn report shows how these resources have been used in the 2021/22 financial year.

Background

- The attached papers contain summarised schedules of revenue and capital expenditure for 2021/22; they also present an explanation of the significant variances against budget. This is presented by service. All the figures in this report are pre-audit and may be subject to change following the conclusion of the audit of the statement of accounts.

Revenue Outturn 2021/22

- In February 2021 the council approved a net expenditure budget of £18.9 million. The budget was set during the third lockdown period caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, a period when there was considerable uncertainty regarding how the pandemic would evolve. This meant that, within the budget, a considerable contingency was included to mitigate against potential negative financial impacts of the pandemic. The budget was amended to include one-off budgets that had been carried forward from the previous financial year. With the inclusion of budget carry forwards and other in-year changes, the working budget for 2021/22 was increased to £20.4 million.
- Against the working budget of £20.4 million, net expenditure at year end was £16.6 million. This equates to a favourable variation of £3.8 million, which has been transferred to the council's reserves. A detailed summary by service is shown in table 1 below.

Table 1: summary of revenue budgets and variance

Summary of revenue budgets and variance	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Notes
Strategic Management Team	1,235	804	(430)	
Corporate Services	2,855	2,529	(325)	
Development & Corporate Landlord	2,845	3,551	707	
Finance	465	350	(115)	(a)
Housing & Environment	5,385	5,377	(8)	
Legal & Democratic	1,378	1,295	(83)	
Partnerships	2,754	1,077	(1,677)	
Planning	395	99	(295)	
Policy & Programmes	2,866	1,894	(973)	
Contingency	241	(363)	(604)	
Service expenditure	20,418	16,614	(3,804)	
Investment income	(558)	(744)	(186)	(b)
Net expenditure	19,860	15,870	(3,990)	

Notes:

- Finance includes housing benefits and rent allowances funded by government grant as shown in table 2 below.
- The council's treasury management outturn report will be considered by Joint Audit and Governance Committee, Cabinet and Council.

Table 2: housing benefits and rent allowances

	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000
Rent allowance payments	20,337	18,425	(1,912)
Government subsidy income	(19,595)	(17,697)	1,898
Rent allowance overpayments	(742)	(819)	(77)
Net Position	0	(91)	(91)

6. Appendix 1 analyses income and expenditure across the service areas. This appendix shows the expenditure budget was £55.1 million compared to an actual spend of £50.8 million resulting in an underspend of £4.3 million. The income budget was £34.7 million compared to actual income of £34.2 million, an adverse variance of £0.5 million.
7. Table 3 below provides a further breakdown of the revenue outturn position.

Table 3: summary of major variances against revenue budget

	Total Variance £000	TRANSFERS		Net Variances after Transfers £000	VARIANCES BREAKDOWN	
		Under- spend c/fwd. to 2021/22 £000	Grant Income transferr ed to reserves £000		Employee Costs £000	Other £000
Strategic Management	(430)	426	0	(4)	(81)	76
Corporate Services	(325)	0	0	(325)	(233)	(93)
Development & Corporate Landlord	707	196	0	903	(148)	1,051
Finance	(115)	0	0	(115)	(30)	(85)
Housing & Environment	(8)	40	0	32	(112)	144
Legal & Democratic	(83)	0	35	(48)	24	(72)
Partnership & Insight	(1,677)	0	0	(1,677)	(103)	(1,573)
Planning	(295)	0	0	(295)	(125)	(170)
Policy & Programmes	(973)	183	188	(602)	(26)	(576)
Contingency	(604)	0	0	(604)	517	(1,122)
Direct service expenditure	(3,804)	845	223	(2,736)	(316)	(2,421)
Investment income	(186)	0	0	(186)	0	(186)
Net expenditure	(3,990)	845	223	(2,922)	(316)	(2,607)
Working budget	20,418				0	
Percentage	(19.5)%					

Budgets carried forward to 2021/22

8. As shown in table 3, of the £3.8 million variance to budget, £0.8 million represents slippage in one-off budgets that have been agreed as budget carry forwards to 2022/23 and £0.2 million of unbudgeted grants transferred to reserves for future expenditure. These carry forwards are shown in Appendix 2.

9. The one-off corporate transformation budget was underspent by £426,000 due to changing management priorities during the year. The full underspend is to be carried forward to 2022/23 and, as agreed in the budget for 2022/23, will be supplemented by a further £250,000 from the overall council underspend at year end. Decisions on how the transformation funding are to be used will be forthcoming in Autumn 2022.
10. Development and Corporate Landlord had several projects that started during the year and have yet to complete, the most significant of which is £57,870 to fund the Central Abingdon Regeneration Framework (CARF) project. The unspent budget of £196,000 on these projects has been carried forward to 2022/23.
11. Projects in Policy and Programmes underspent by £183,000 and will be carried forward to 2022/23. The most significant underspends are on Dalton Barracks Garden Village, which will carry forward £46,600 and the climate change project, which will carry forward £50,000.

Unbudgeted grant income transferred to reserves

12. Unbudgeted grant income received in the financial year was £0.2 million, which has been transferred to reserves to be set against 2022/23 expenditure. This is shown in table 4 below:

Cost centre	£
Dalton Barracks garden village	180,000
Diabetes UK	8,056
Domestic violence support	35,167
TOTAL	223,223

Employee costs

13. Employee costs show an underspend for the year of £316,000, which is net of the managed vacancy factor set at the beginning of the year.
14. In Corporate Services the main underspend in employment costs relates to vacancies in customer services and front of house of £82,000. This was a result of staff being seconded to other services and the vacancies remaining unfilled. As the office was closed to the public, the teams could absorb these vacancies.
15. The Beacon remained closed for much of the year and officers were seconded to other posts within the council. This resulted in a £175,000 underspend in employee costs in Development and Corporate Landlord.
16. In Planning, employment costs were underspent by £147,000 due to difficulties experienced in recruiting staff. This was offset by agency staff costs of £22,000 to cover some of the vacancies, giving an overall favourable variance of £125,000. This variance was due to vacancies that could not be recruited that could not be covered by agency staff which, notwithstanding increased workloads, resulted in lower performance on minor and other applications and delayed responses on consultations.
17. The Partnerships underspend of £103,000 was made up of a £57,000 underspend in Science Vale and a £57,000 underspend in Enterprise Zone.

The saving in Enterprise Zone was due to a part time officer working in a full-time post. This post now has a full-time officer, so this underspend will not be replicated in 2022/23.

18. The Science Vale budget had been carried forward from 2020/21 but is no longer required, creating an in-year underspend.

Service department variances over £50,000

19. Excluding the carry forwards to 2022/23, grant income transferred to reserves and employee cost variances, net revenue expenditure was £2.4 million underspent against budget. Of this total, as identified above, £250,000 has been carried forward to 2022/23 to provide additional funding for the transformation work. In addition, £337,500 has been carried forward to fund Planning Policy work in respect of the Joint Local Plan.
20. The significant variations from budget are shown in table 3 and are explained below.

Development & Corporate Landlord

21. General property rental income was £100,000 below budget. The shortfall in rents primarily relates to properties at Bury Street Precinct. The income from these properties, which are managed by a property company, is dependent on the level of occupancy. An over accrual of income from Bury Street in 2021/22 from the previous year contributed a further £225,000 adverse variance on income.
22. As identified above, The Beacon was closed for much of the year because of the coronavirus pandemic. Excluding the staff cost saving identified above, this resulted in less income being collected and a £243,000 overspend.
23. Facilities Management was overspent by £105,000. This was mainly a result of utilities costs that were higher than budget. Budgets were reviewed for 2022/23 and are more accurate, however it is expected that the increase in fuel costs will result in an adverse year end variance.
24. Car parking income was down against budget by £216,000. Usage of car parks did not return to pre-pandemic levels in 2021/22. However now that we are beginning to return to pre-pandemic activity levels income should start to increase.
25. The public realm team's budget, which includes grounds maintenance and public conveniences was overspent by £88,000. A water leak in public conveniences, which has been resolved, contributed £39,000 and the hire of vehicles pending purchase of our own fleet made up the remaining overspend of £49,000

Housing and environment

26. The waste service came in over budget by £112,000. Due to actual indexation being lower than anticipated when the budget was set, and an increase in recycling credits achieved in year, an underspend of £228,000 occurred on the waste and recycling collection service
27. The garden waste service overspent by £340,000. During the year there was a national problem with sourcing drivers able to operate heavy goods vehicles, which impacted waste collection. This, along with sickness due to the Covid-19 pandemic resulted in the garden waste service being suspended for several weeks. Customers

were given a three-month extension to their service. There was also a suspension of taking on new customers for six months after the exchequer service came back in house. The above resulted in a loss of income for the year.

Partnership and insight

28. The Five Councils' Partnership Client Team budget was underspent by £786,000. We have reviewed contract payments made to date in light of services recently returned in house. Following discussions with council partners, we have reprofiled partner contributions across the life of the contract and made accruals for adjusted sums now due.
29. Enterprise Zone costs which were budgeted to be funded from retained business rates receipts were £587,000 underspent. Agreement to fund the council's costs from business rates receipts was reached this year and the underspend reflect the costs incurred over a three-year period.

Planning

30. Planning received more income than forecast by £182,500. In general this income was generated by increased householder applications, but due to recruitment challenges, limited supply of agency staff and increased workload, performance dipped.

Policy and programmes

31. Delays in the joint local plan resulted in an underspend of £360,000. Budgeting arrangements for this service has been amended for 2022/23 and, as noted above, £337,500 has been earmarked to support future work on the joint local plan.

NNDR and council tax

32. Vale achieved over £4 million more NNDR income than anticipated in the 2021/22 budget. The budget assumed that the council would achieve £2.3 million. Following review between external advisors and finance staff, the provisions for business rates appeals, which had been build up over 10 years and were increased in response to the pandemic, were deemed to have been overly prudent and were significantly reduced. This, along with a prudent reduction in bad debt provision, added a one-off credit of £2.4 million to 2021/22 income.
33. In addition, the council commissioned external advisors to undertake a review of business rates premises in the district to identify any premises that should be paying business rates but were not on the rating list. This exercise identified an additional £3 million business rates, including backdated amounts, owed to the council by businesses. The council's share of this £3 million is estimated in 2021/22 to be in excess of £600,000, of which £200,000 is expected to be an ongoing increase.
34. This additional, primarily one-off income also generated an additional £0.9 million credit from the Oxfordshire councils' business rates pooling distribution group.

Comparison to previous year revenue outturn

35. A comparison of the 2020/21 outturn to the 2021/22 revenue outturn is shown in table 5 below:

Table 5: 2020/21 and 2021/22 revenue outturn

	2020/21 Total £000	2021/22 Total £000
Income	(2,921)	488
Expenditure	2,420	(4,293)
Net position before carried forward budgets	(501)	(3,804)
Carried forward budgets	1,449	845
Amounts earmarked for transformation and joint local plan	0	588
Net position after carried forward budgets	948	(2,371)

36. Although clearly unforeseeable at the time, the level of prudent provision for the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic in 2021/22, and the extent to which that contribution was required, contributed to the significant underspend in 2021/22.

Capital

35. The original capital budget for 2021/22 including growth was agreed in February 2021 at £8.4 million. Details of the changes to the capital programme in year are summarised in table 6 below:

Table 6: movement on capital programme

	Approved
Original capital budget 1 April 2021	8,351
Roll forward from prior years	9,914
Additions in year (externally funded)	1,460
Additions in year (other)	46
Schemes deleted	0
Slippage into future years	(1,703)
Working budget 31 March 2022	18,068

37. Capital expenditure for 2021/22 was £4.6 million. Detail of the variance of spend against the capital programme working budget is shown in appendix 3 to this report. Capital projects can span several years and any underspends are rolled over into the new financial year.
38. During the year, budget holders review their projects and identify those where delays mean that the current working budget will not be spent in year. The budget profile is then moved to reflect the new spend profile and budgets are slipped into future years if applicable. Slipped budgets remain committed for use in future years. During the

year £1.7 million was slipped in this way. A list of slipped schemes is shown in appendix 4.

Financial, legal and any other implications

39. The financial implications are as set out in the body of the report. There are no other implications of this report.

Conclusion

40. Following the trends of recent years, the council has underspent on both revenue and capital, and the nature and reasons for these variances are detailed within this report and the appendices.

Appendices:

1. Revenue outturn – expenditure and income variance
2. Revenue carry forward 2021/22 requests
3. Capital outturn – summary and commentary
4. Capital outturn - slippage

Background papers

- Budget papers for 2021/22

Vale of White Horse DC variance by income and expenditure 2021/22

Service Team	Expenditure			Income			Total			Notes
	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	
Strategic Management	1,456	1,034	(422)	(221)	(230)	(8)	1,235	804	(430)	(a)
Corporate Services	3,091	2,966	(125)	(236)	(436)	(200)	2,855	2,529	(325)	
Development & Regeneration	6,994	6,952	(42)	(4,150)	(3,401)	749	2,845	3,551	707	
Finance	22,035	20,365	(1,670)	(21,570)	(20,015)	1,555	465	350	(115)	
Housing & Environment	9,429	9,412	(17)	(4,044)	(4,035)	9	5,385	5,377	(8)	
Legal & Democratic	2,375	2,472	97	(997)	(1,177)	(180)	1,378	1,295	(83)	
Partnerships	2,919	1,804	(1,115)	(165)	(727)	(562)	2,754	1,077	(1,677)	
Planning	2,947	2,731	(217)	(2,553)	(2,631)	(79)	395	99	(295)	
Policy & Programmes	3,643	3,102	(541)	(777)	(1,208)	(431)	2,866	1,894	(973)	
Contingency	241	0	(241)	0	(363)	(363)	241	(363)	(604)	
Service Expenditure	55,131	50,838	(4,293)	(34,713)	(34,225)	488	20,418	16,614	(3,804)	
Investment Income				(558)	(744)	(186)	(558)	(744)	(186)	(b)
Net Expenditure	55,131	50,838	(4,293)	(35,271)	(34,969)	302	19,860	15,870	(3,990)	

Notes:

- a) Finance includes housing benefits and rent allowances funded by government grant
- b) The councils's treasury management outturn report will be considered by joint Audit and Governance Committee and cabinet and council

Appendix 2 VALE revenue carry forwards for revenue expenditure 2021/22 - requests			
Budget code	New carry forward from 2021/22	Total carried forward to C/F £	Reason carry forward needed
Strategic Management Board			
4400 SB11	426,059	426,059	One off budget not spent for transformation activities
	426,059	426,059	
Development and Regeneration			
4655/PS41	37,700	37,700	Concerto Upgrade project. Funded by virement from transformation budget, most of the work anticipated on this project was due to take place in 21/22 but is now taking place in 22/23 and the budget carry forward is required to support this.
4655/PS41	34,631	34,631	Corporate Landlord Model design phase project. Funded by virement from transformation budget, most of the work anticipated on this project was due to take place in 21/22 but is now taking place in 22/23 and the budget carry forward is required to support this.
4655/PS41	57,870	57,870	Fund CARF Project Carter Jonas Fees - the project programme was delayed so most of the work we anticipated to be completed in 21/22 has moved back into 22/23. There is no additional budget required for this work so one was not previously allocated for the 22/23 financial year. The carry forward will be sufficient to cover the remaining spend.
4655/SR21	37,500	37,500	One off budget to review and develop an active communities strategy
4660/HP01	27,956	27,956	Delays in moving Council Delivery Vehicle project forward - growth budget source allocated in October 2020
	195,657	195,657	
Housing & Environment			
4400/CL51	30,000	30,000	This relates to the one-off growth bid approved last year for additional resource to support the project team that is reviewing the waste contract and considering options for future service delivery. As part of the project, work is also underway to secure a depot, this funding is required to progress this project.
5130/HE51	10,074	10,074	One off post for Custom Build Officer recruited part way through the year. Unspent budget to be carried forward to fund the post to the end of contract.
	40,074	40,074	
Policy & Programmes			
4020/HT11	35,281	35,281	Climate corporate planning
4655/DB11	46,648	46,648	Dalton Barracks Garden Village
4706/CG11	50,000	50,000	Climate change grant scheme
4055/DP01	51,145	51,145	Developing Oxon Plan
	183,074	183,074	
TOTAL TO C/F	844,864	844,864	

Appendix 3

Vale of White Horse DC 2021/22 capital budget monitoring

	Budget	Outturn	Outturn variance
	£000	£000	£000
Corporate services	85	17	(68)
Development & corporate landlord	3,495	387	(3,108)
Finance	741	27	(714)
Housing & Environment	12,967	4,139	(8,828)
Policy & Programmes	100	5	(95)
	17,388	4,575	(12,813)
Percentage			-74%
Capital contingency (unspent)	680		
Total working budget	18,068		

Note: Budget is the full year working budget, Percentage is the total variance excluding contingency as a ratio of the budget

Explanation of significant variances

Development & Regeneration

Several leisure centre projects did not progress during the year as a result of the covid pandemic earlier in the year and procurement taking longer than anticipated. Total underspend on leisure projects was £2.7m. The budgets have been slipped to 2022/23.

Finance

CIL payments to the CCG amounting £688,000 were not claimed in 2021/22. The budget has been slipped to 2022/23.

Housing & Environment

Procurement for CCTV has taken longer than anticipated. The underspend of £184,000 has been slipped to 2022/23.

Affordable Homes Delivery did not progress as quickly as anticipated, resulting in an underspend of £8m. The council is reliant on the developer starting the build to pay the money over. This budget has been slipped to 2022/23.

Appendix 4

Vale of White Horse DC slippage of capital schemes from 2021/22 to later years

Development & Corporate Landlord	£000
Car park lighting improvements	63
Changes to Rye Farm car aprk	45
Renovation Charter car park	100
Rye Farm commercial car park resurfacing	40
EC refurbishment	150
Sewage works	17
Grounds team equipment	109
Abbey Meadow outdoor pool	32
	556

Housing & Environment	£000
Disabled Facilities Grants	1,131
Particulate Monitor	16
	1,147

Total	1,703
--------------	--------------