

## ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### PLANNING DIVISION

#### Revenue Budget as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2007

	Annual Revised Budget	Budget To Date	Actual To Date	Variance To Date (overspend)	Actual Including Committed Items
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>					
Employees	993	747	685	62	690
Premises Support	67	0	0	0	0
Hired & Contracted Svcs	80	60	109	(49)	111
Unitary Development Plan	25	19	4	15	10
Supplies & Services	138	101	51	50	219
Transport	16	12	13	(1)	13
Central Support Services	229	0	0	0	0
Departmental Support Services	255	0	0	0	0
Agency	3	2	0	2	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>1,806</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>1,043</b>
<b><u>Income</u></b>					
Planning Fees	-782	-547	-541	(6)	-541
Support Services	-400	0	0	0	0
Planning Delivery Grant	-250	-77	-77	0	-77
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>-1,432</b>	<b>-624</b>	<b>-618</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>-618</b>
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>425</b>

#### **Comments on the above figures:**

In overall terms revenue spending at the end of quarter 3 is below budget.

With regards to expenditure, employees is below budget to date due to staff vacancies within the department. The variance of spend above budget to date relating to hired and contracted services is due to spend funded by Planning Delivery Grant and will be offset by grant by the financial year-end. The variance in supplies and services is mainly due to spend within the Spatial Planning section, however, it is anticipated that the full budget will be spent by the financial year end. The large commitment in this area includes £134k of Mersey Gateway related expenditure for policy work.

In terms of income, an estimated budget of £250k has been identified against the Planning Delivery grant. In fact, the actual allocation for grant has been confirmed at £300,000 all of which has been committed. The first tranche of £77k has been received to date.

At this stage it is anticipated that overall spend will be in line with the Departmental budget by the financial year-end.