ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2005/06

ITEM 4

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Summary: Although SAP currently projects an overspend of £1.16m, given the corrective actions in progress, a realistic estimate of the overspend by year end is £800k. This variance is mainly due to structural repairs that has to be carried out on Peckham Pulse.

	Gross Expenditure			Gross Income			Net Exp/Income			
			Forecast						Forecast	Variance
	Full Year	Full Year	less	Full Year	Full Year	Forecast	Full Year	Full Year	less	as % of
	Budget	Forecast	Budget	Budget	Forecast	less Budget	Budget	Forecast	Budget	budget
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
STREET SCENE & PUBLIC	20.052	20.424	04	42.022	42.004		40.004	40.052	99	00/
PROTECTION	29,053	29,134	81	-13,022	-13,081	-59	16,031	16,053	22	0%
BUSINESS SUPPORT	8,919	8,919	0	-1,182	-1,182	0	7,737	7,737	0	0%
WASTE MGT & TRANSPORT	29,326	28,516	-810	-8,156	-7,355	801	21,170	21,161	-9	0%
Libraries	6,188	6,156	-32	-916	-805	111	5,272	5,351	79	1%
Culture	2,287	2,211	-76	-937	-752	185	1,350	1,459	109	8%
Adult Education	2,054	2,100	46	-2,047	-2,077	-30	7	23	16	0%
LIBRARIES & CULTURE	10,529	10,467	-62	-3,900	-3,634	266	6,629	6,833	204	3%
PARKS & SPORTS	15,949	16,885	936	-3,794	-3,787	7	12,155	13,098	943	8%
ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE DEPT	93,776	93,921	145	-30,054	-29,039	1,015	63,722	64,882	1,160	2%

Division	Explanation of Variance			
Parks & Sports	for capital repairs. The revenue costs are £350k for compensation to Fusion for lost income and £300k for specialist project management. Once potential liability for the structural faults has been established the Council will consider litigation for recovery of costs. Solicitors have already been appointed to advise us on this matter and review it as the facts emerge. Forecast overspend also includes £150k of leisure centre condition surveys to support the leisure management contract review. The remaining overspend of £140k relates to budget adjustments not yet reflected in SAP.			
Libraries & Culture	The overspend of £109k relates to funding gap inherited on transfer of the unit to the department. Following a detailed budget review, a number of measures are being put together to narrow the gap. The outstanding budget adjustment should clear the overspend of £95k currently projected in SAP for Libraries and Adult Learning.			
Other Divisions	No major variance reported this month			

Additional Risk Appraisal							
Division	Level of Risks	Risks Identified					
DIVISION	KISKS	risks identified					
Streetscene and Public Protection	Medium	Highways: £854k dispute with TfL for work carried out on trunk roads. This has been outstanding for two years and further meetings being arranged to resolve this. A provision for bad debts has been set up for 60% of the debt.					
Parks & Sports	Medium to	Delays in the start of the new leisure contracts (including Surrey Docks) will expose LBS to Health and Safety risks due to lack of maintenance of leisure centres. The latest estimate for these emergency works is £200k. Capital funds allocated for 2005/06 will help to take these projects forward.					
IParks & Shorts and Libraries	Medium to low risk	Asbestos removal from libraries and leisure centres to comply with H&S regulations £200k. This is currently being pursued with Regen for central funding or capitalisation.					