

2019/20 REVENUE OUTTURN - MAJOR VARIANCES > £5,000

		Over Spends	Under Spends	Explanation Of Variances
		£	£	
<u>Economy & Planning</u>				
Development Management	Supplies & Services	- 9,634.24		Additional costs for advertising have been required that are linked to the additional income received from planning applications. The underspend reflects an increase of income from planning applications and S106 income due to larger applications and an increase in the number expected. It was recognised at Q3 that there was a possibility that the planning application income would exceed the budget. This was closely monitored throughout the year so that it would offset any identified overspends within the 2019/20 Budget.
	Planning Application Income		107,374.69	
Land Charges	Supplies & Services Income	- 12,942.27	28,341.86	The underspend is due to the reversal of a Provision for Land Charges claims starting in 2013 but no longer required. A reduction in income is due to more searches being done by private search companies rather than the Council.
Housing Services	Employee Costs		7,813.06	The underspend is due to savings made from the vacant Housing Managers post.
Housing Strategy	Other Grants & Contributions	- 18,197.79		Reduced expenditure relating to Rural Housing Enablers in 2019/20 results in a reduction of income required in the year and a larger proportion of income to be rolled forward to 2020/21.
Homelessness	Premises		34,216.77	Underspend on rent bond scheme as invoices are being raised the same time as the loan £22,191 and private sector rents due to reduction in volume. Overspend due to increased number of homeless people being housed by the Council in more expensive accommodation. This relates to the increased income in Housing Benefits subsidy (see below in the Finance Theme).
	Transfer Payments	- 37,052.05		
Private Sector Housing Renewal	Supplies & Services	- 10,998.96		Overspend due to contract spend which is currently being investigated.
Building Control Partnership	Income		11,789.50	Increased income from additional Street Naming and Numbering applications.
Workspace Management	Premises Income	- 10,196.26	30,725.80	Increased repairs required that are funded by the tenants (see below). Increased income from maintenance charges, new tenants and increased refreshment sales at the managed workspaces
Business Grants	Supplies & Services		20,523.02	Underspend due to the Local Enterprise Partnership membership for 2019/20 being funded from North & West Yorkshire Business Rates pool.
		- 99,021.57	240,784.70	
<u>Environment</u>				
Operational Services	Transport		5,279.31	Underspend is due to a full years hire not being required for a new vehicle and a reduction of repairs needed.
	Supplies & Services		15,101.37	Underspend is due to the delay in purchasing a new telematics computer system and its related revenue maintenance costs. The system has not been purchased and is being installed in 2020/21.
Street Cleansing	Transport		15,461.81	Underspend is due to a full years hire not being required for a new vehicle and a reduction of repairs needed.
	Supplies & Services		9,774.82	Underspend relating to fly tipping due to combining the collection of fly tipping with deliveries so not requiring external firms.
Waste Collection	Supplies & Services Income		15,095.23 6,116.29	Underspend due to a contribution to waste partnership not being required this year and reduced spend on the collection of sharps. Additional income due to increased special collections income and schedule 2 income.
Recycling	Transport Income		10,819.97 14,006.98	Underspend due to a reduction of repairs & maintenance required and reduced fuel. Additional income due to increased recycling credits received from NYCC due to additional tonnage from kerbside and green waste.
Pest Control	Income		7,006.69	Additional Income due to increased rodent destruction for domestic properties.
Environmental Health	Employee Costs		6,181.52	Underspend due to a vacant post within the section.
		-	104,843.99	
<u>Finance</u>				
Investment Interest	Income		12,682.48	Increased Interest earned due to higher than anticipated surplus cash available to invest in instant access accounts. Increased Expenditure interest due to repayments of S106 monies to developers which incur an interest charge.
	Expenditure	- 9,598.11		
Non - Distributed Costs	Employee Costs	- 8,103.01		Increased Apprenticeship Levy charges which are linked to the Council's salary costs and can be used on training.
Corporate Management & Support	Employee Costs	- 170,432.62		Amendment of the Pay Policy 2019/20
Revenues & Benefits	Employee Costs	- 5,502.60		Increased training costs to develop skills and knowledge following the restructure of the team.
Housing Benefits	Supplies & Services	- 34,447.34		Increase in the provision for bad debts to reflect the impact of Covid-19 in collecting overpaid Housing Benefits. Payments of Housing Benefits to claimants increased by £166,889 which is offset by an increase in the subsidy from DWP by £200,115. This is due to an increase in the number of Homeless people being housed by the Council resulting with increased subsidy being received. This relates to the overspend in Homelessness (see above in Economy & Planning Theme)
	Rent Allowance Payments / Subsidy		33,226.08	
Local Tax Collection	Supplies & Services	- 12,357.20		Increased costs of printing and distributing the annual demand notices and leaflets for Council Tax and Business Rates and so ongoing income is not expected. Additional income received relating to the recovery of overpayments of the historic Council Tax Benefit scheme, this scheme ceased in April 2019. Reduced income from Civil Penalties and Court Costs recovered from rate payers due to reduced attendance at court.
	Transfer Payments		10,889.47	
	Income	- 31,006.43		
		- 271,447.31	56,798.03	
<u>Leisure & Communities</u>				
Northallerton Leisure Centre	Employee Costs	- 6,312.34		Overspend due to backdated regrade of staff Increase in income reflects a continued uptake in memberships and swimming instructions since the refurbishment of the gym.
	Income		29,195.35	
Stokesley Leisure Centre	Employee Costs	- 6,848.40		Overspend due to backdated regrade of staff Decrease in income reflects reducing numbers at the leisure centre due to increased competition and the need for improvements.
	Income	- 28,077.43		
Bedale Leisure Centre	Premises	- 6,392.13		Overspend on Repairs and Maintenance due to additional work on pool steps and access for health and safety improvements. Various overspends total the £6,867.81, the largest of £3,047 relates to excess expenditure of an insurance claim for the boiler. Increase in income due to a rise in leisure centre memberships.
	Supplies & Services	- 6,867.81		
	Income		12,972.89	
Thirsk Leisure Centre	Employee Costs		5,878.76	National insurance costs not as much as anticipated Decrease in income due to reduced numbers of casual swimmers and approximately 3 weeks closure of a pool to repair a faulty valve. Higher than budgeted irrecoverable VAT paid to HMRC
	Income	- 12,809.29		
	Supplies & Services	- 12,339.93		
Thirsk All Weather Pitch	Income	- 8,086.77		A reduction of income due to the cancellation of bookings by a number of clubs, a reduced hockey season and the loss of 3 weeks of takings due to COVID-19.
CCTV	Employee Costs	- 9,305.92		Overspend due to staff turnover as the new staff recruited require 4-6 weeks of training through on the job shadowing therefore increasing the staffing costs. During 2019/20 staff have left and 2 people have retired.
Sports Development & Community Recreation	Supplies & Services	- 5,368.86		Overspend due to the initial consultancy costs to investigate the possibilities of running a lottery.
Design & Maintenance	Employee Costs		18,205.74	Underspend due to vacant posts within the section. Underspend due to delays with anticipated work carried out by specialist / consultant companies
	Supplies & Services		12,880.79	
Off Street Parking	Premises	- 43,514.64		Overspend due to an NNDR revaluation of Thirsk Market Place Car park and being backdated for 3 years. Reduced income due to car parks being closed at the end of March as a result of COVID-19
	Income	- 16,105.72		
		- 162,029.24	79,133.53	
<u>Law & Governance</u>				
Personnel	Employee Costs		25,922.93	Underspend due to a reduced number of Corporate Training Courses. Underspend relating to Occupational Health due to a reduction in demand for the consultant and counselling services by members of staff.
	Supplies & Services		6,363.85	
Licensing	Income		26,020.02	Additional income has been received in the year due to an increase in new applications for Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicles and driving licences and also Premises Licences.
		-	58,306.80	
Total Over / Under Spends		- 532,498.12	539,867.05	
Net - Underspend on Variances over £5k			7,368.93	
Net - Underspend on Variances under £5k			13,574.96	
Net Underspend Overall			20,943.89	