

<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Finance &amp; Administration</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>16 September 2010</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>2009/10 Financial issues arising from external audit</b>	
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## Summary

1. On 17 June the provisional 2009/10 outturn was reported to this Committee. The results, which were subject to external audit, were as follows:
  - General Fund - a net favourable variance of £1.5 million as compared with the revised budget (£1.8 million compared with original budget)
  - Housing Revenue Account (HRA) - an in year deficit of £62,000, representing a net adverse variance of £48,000
  - Capital Programme – expenditure of £3.5 million, representing a net favourable variance of £0.5 million.
2. As at 3 September the external audit is substantially complete and it is expected that the audit will be concluded in time for the final Statement of Accounts to be reviewed by Performance Select Committee on 21 September and approved by Full Council on 30 September, along with the external auditor's report and an anticipated unqualified opinion.
3. Based on the external audit work completed so far, there are no adjustments that affect the Council's revenue position or the outturn figures reported in June. No adjustments to the Council's reserves are required.
4. A number of presentational adjustments have been made in the Statement of Accounts and these will be reported to Performance Select Committee and Full Council. The most significant adjustments relate to how the Council's assets are presented on the Balance Sheet. None of the adjustments affect the Council's financial position or level of reserves available to spend.
5. Issues may emerge as part of finalising the external audit that require adjustment to the outturn figures and revenue position. A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

## Recommendations

6. The Committee is requested to note this report.

## Financial Implications

7. No financial implications.

## Background Papers

8. The following papers were referred to by the author in the preparation of this report and are available for inspection from the author of the report.

[2009/10 Outturn Report](#) to F&A Committee 17 June

## Impact

Communication/Consultation	None
Community Safety	None
Equalities	None
Health and Safety	None
Human Rights/Legal Implications	None
Sustainability	None
Ward-specific impacts	None
Workforce/Workplace	None

## Risk Analysis

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
Adjustments may still arise from the external audit process	2	2	Close liaison with External Audit

- 1 = Little or no risk or impact  
2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.  
3 = Significant risk or impact – action required  
4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.