

2014/15 Capital Outturn

The capital outturn for 2014/15 totals £77.7m, which includes £5.4m spend on Gloucestershire broadband infrastructure which forms part of the Fastershire broadband contract hosted by Herefordshire. The outturn and funding is summarised below.

Table A –Summary outturn and sources of funding 2014/15

	Original Budget £000	December Forecast £000	1415 Outturn £000
Directorate Outturn			
Adults Wellbeing	483	1,798	1,000
Children's Wellbeing	9,048	8,777	9,074
Economy, Communities and Corporate	75,501	80,379	67,645
Contingency	319	95	-
Total	85,351	91,049	77,719
Funding			
Capital Grants	24,905	34,221	32,881
Prudential Borrowing	57,237	47,499	38,679
Capital Receipts	3,209	8,029	3,640
Revenue	-	1,300	2,519
Total	85,351	91,049	77,719

Significant changes since the December forecast are:

- Reduced spend on EnviRecover, energy from waste plant of £4.7m. This loan drawdown will be provided in 2015/16. The plant remains on schedule to open in early 2017.
- Forecast spend on the new link road of £3.8m lower due to forecast land acquisition and compensation sums not falling due during the period.
- Broadband spend of £2.1m lower than anticipated. This is due to later than anticipated delivery of elements of the programme and as a result extensions have been granted to milestone areas 1 and 11 of the contract completion dates to September 2015, to be reviewed in June. All other milestones currently remain with a December 2016 completion date.
- Works at the Ross leisure centre have been delayed following the identification and consideration of a possible sewer diversion requirement resulting in a revised expected completion date of September 2015, £1.6m underspend in year.

Table B - Schemes with an outturn exceeding £500k in 2014/15

Scheme	Total Scheme Budget £000	Original Budget for 2014/15 £000	2014/15 Outturn £000	Comments
Children's Wellbeing				
Leominster Primary School	10,617	5,729	5,230	Scheme complete
Condition property works	1,200	-	850	Annual programme of works at various school sites committed on a highest need first basis, grant funding confirmed post MTFMS
Westfield's SEN school	831	184	715	Grant funded extension work
Colwall School	1,200	-	1,426	Budget vired in year from Condition Property Works and Contingency
Economy, Communities and Corporate				
Corporate accommodation	19,530	6,911	7,287	Works completed at Plough Lane and the new heritage, archive and record centre.
Leisure Centre Improvements	8,670	2,000	3,682	Works at Leominster, Ross and Hereford leisure sites. Work progressing rapidly and budget re-profiled.
Local Transport Plan	10,645	10,645	10,645	Annual programme of capital works to highways, footways and bridges. Additional grant funding received since initial budget was set.
Fastershire Broadband	20,200	7,600	7,993	Investment in broadband infrastructure includes re-profiled budget (grant funded)
Yazor Flood Alleviation	4,876	450	960	Continued improvement works.
Hereford Enterprise Zone	3,434	1,967	2,233	Utilities, access and Skylon Court works to enable plot sales, unit rentals and business rate income
Link Road	27,000	10,708	2,662	Acquisition costs and start of enabling works with construction works starting Spring 2015.
Destination Hereford	3,261	1,054	999	Grant funded cycle improvement schemes
LED Street Lighting	5,655	5,655	752	Phased installation of LED street lighting reducing future energy revenue costs
Masters House, Ledbury	4,025	606	1,496	Completed refurbishment works
Road investment	20,000	15,000	14,613	Investment into the highway infrastructure to reduce revenue repair spend
Pothole Funding	2,606	-	2,606	Additional grant funding received
Weather Repair Fund	2,482	-	2,482	Additional road grant funding received

EnviRecover	40,000	11,000	6,009	Energy from Waste plant construction loan
Wheeled Bins	1,300	-	1,298	Purchase of Wheeled Bins funded by transfer from Waste Reserve to be repaid by contract cost savings
Adults Wellbeing				
Disabled Facilities Grants	702	462	806	Individual grants awarded through an application process, enabling independent living.
Sub Total	188,234	79,971	74,744	
Schemes with an outturn <£500k in 2014/15	-	5,380	2,975	
Total	188,234	85,351	77,719	

Capital Receipts Reserve

The capital receipts reserve totalled £4.3m at 31 March 2015, a net decrease of £1.6m from 1 April 2014, movements in year are summarised in the table below.

	£m
Opening Reserve Balance	5.9
Plus capital receipts;-	
Right to Buy share from Herefordshire Housing	0.5
Westfield's Farm	0.5
Rotherwas Enterprise Zone sites	0.4
Hill End Smallholding	0.3
Woodend Business Park	0.3
Less funding of 2014/15 capital spend	(3.6)
Closing Balance as at 31.03.15	4.3

The carried forward balance will fund approved capital scheme spend in future years.