

APPENDIX A

General Fund (GF) Revenue Outturn Variance Analysis by Committee as at 30 September 2020

Favourable variances are bracketed and in red - £(0.123)m. Unfavourable variances are in black - £0.123m.

Economic Development - £0.737m	£'m
Heritage & Culture: reduced income, partly offset by reduced expenditure and additional grant income	0.071
Land Charges: reduced income, due to increase use of Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) requests for free search information, partly offset by increasing number of customers	0.043
Growth/Technical Support: vacant post	(0.025)
Development Management: vacant posts and increased income, largely from a large solar farm application	(0.133)
Planning Policy: reduced staffing spend due to a restructure not being implemented	(0.016)
Newark Beacon: reduced income, largely from workshop rents, catering and hire charges, and small increases in staffing and internet spend, partly offset by less spend on refreshments and catering	0.176
Buttermarket: reduced income, largely because of rent reductions for existing tenants and first floor currently unoccupied	0.034
Former M&S Building: non-domestic rates (NDR) payable for the year due to change in budgeted assumptions	0.081
Surface Car Parks Newark: reduced income, slightly offset by reduced costs of rent and security services	0.488
Newark Lorry Park: reduced income, largely from rent allowances and change in budgeted assumptions, largely offset by over-budgeting of NDR payable.	0.010
Other small variances	0.008
Total	0.737

Homes & Communities - £0.002m	£'m
Private Sector Speech Call: increased income partly offset by increased recharge to Housing Revenue Account	(0.014)
Strategic Housing: vacant Business Manager post largely offset by reduced income from recharges to third parties	(0.013)
ICT: recruitment planned soon for new posts created as part of restructure	(0.019)
Customer Services: vacant posts	(0.035)
Licensing: reduced income, largely from licensing of taxi vehicles and drivers	0.035
CCTV: reduced income due to invoice dispute	0.010
Other small variances	0.038
Total	0.002

Leisure & Environment - £0.146m	£'m
Waste & Recycling: greater than expected increase in number of garden waste collection customers, partly offset by increase in purchase of garden waste bins; reduced income from waste disposal, partly offset by reduced payment to Nottinghamshire County Council; and reduced income from trade refuse, partly offset by increased income from recycling	(0.012)
Environmental Health: vacant posts and reduced spend on mileage, partly offset by reduced income such as from licence and registration fees	(0.062)
Arts & Community Development: reduced spend on activities/events and on services delivered by parish councils and voluntary bodies	(0.010)
Newark Livestock Market: reduced income, largely due to financial performance of old tenant in 2019-20 worse than expected and no rent expected for 2020-21 or to be recovered related to previous years	0.320
Vehicle Pool and Workshop: reduced fuel costs largely offset by increased materials costs on older vehicles; and reduced income such as from MOT's, air conditioning and coaches	(0.015)
Health & Community Relations: reduced staffing spend	(0.009)
Waste & Recycling & Street Scene Street Cleansing: miscoded staffing spend between these teams (Leisure & Environment Committee) and the Environmental Services Management & Street Scene Grounds Maintenance teams (Economic Development Committee) following a restructure	(0.044)
Other small variances	(0.022)
Total	0.146

Policy & Finance - £0.011m	£'m
Elections and Democratic Services: reduced spend on canvasser salaries, mileage and chauffeur services	(0.028)
Senior Leadership Team: vacant corporate projects manager and capital projects manager posts, partly offset by reductions in recharges to third parties	(0.058)
Transformation: post being held vacant	(0.011)
Administration Services: vacant posts	(0.045)
Rent Allowances/Rent Rebates: based on mid-year submission to Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)	0.029
Revenues & Benefits: vacancies against substantive posts of employees seconded to Business Rates Property Unit team, additional unbudgeted grant income, partly offset by reduced summons income	(0.073)
Castle House: reduced income, largely from partners for cost of desk hire, partly offset by reduced spend on security, refreshments and catering	0.070
Corporate Property: vacant posts, and surveyors appointed at lower rates than budgeted	(0.115)
Coronavirus Costs: budget for Housing Revenue Account (HRA) bad debt not expected to be required and less than budgeted spend for working from home (WFH) audits	(0.130)
£400,000 saving budgeted for in-year vacancies council-wide (3.5% of total salaries plus oncosts budget)	0.400
Corporate Management: additional audit fees	0.012
Other small variances	(0.040)
Total	0.011

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