

**Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (Safer and Stronger Communities)**

**Date: 16<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

**Subject: Financial Health Monitoring – Environment and Neighbourhoods Directorate**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**Summary of main issues**

1. At the request of the Scrutiny Board, the purpose of this report is to inform Members of the financial health of the Environment and Neighbourhoods Directorate after eight months of the financial year 2011/12.
2. The attached information has been provided by the Directorate's Head of Finance for the Board's consideration.
3. The Directorate's Head of Finance has been invited to today's meeting to present the attached information and address any further questions from the Board.
4. A working group of the Scrutiny Board also met with the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods and Head of Finance on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012 to consider the initial 2012/13 budget proposals of the directorate. A report summarising the observations and recommendations of the Scrutiny Board in relation to these budget proposals will be circulated separately and the Board will be asked to agree this summary report during today's meeting.

## **Recommendations**

5. Members are asked to:

- (a) note the projected financial position of the Environment and Neighbourhoods Directorate after eight months of the financial year 2011/12.
- (b) consider and agree the report summarising the Scrutiny Board's observations and recommendations in relation to the initial 2012/13 budget proposals of the Environment and Neighbourhoods directorate

## **Background documents**

6. Report of the Director of Resources to Executive Board. 14<sup>th</sup> December 2011. Initial Budget Proposals.

Report of the Director of Resources to Executive Board. 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012. Financial Health Monitoring 2011/12 – Month 8.