

National Park Authority Board Meeting

Agenda Item 9

Management Accounts June 2019



Paper for noting

1. Purpose

- 1.1. To present the management accounts for the 3 months ended 30 June 2019.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. To note the management accounts for the quarter and the areas of risk highlighted. The budget will be revised at the end of quarter 2, with a view to reflecting the updated forecast position and eliminating the budget deficit of £65k

3. Summary

- 3.1. The main areas to note are as follows:

- Although operating income is broadly tracking budget, it is likely that income targets for the full year will not be achievable. These are being analysed and any necessary downward adjustments are being made as part of the Q2 budget review.
- The salary savings target of £200k is achievable, with £80k having been realised at the end of June as a result of vacant positions.
- Project expenditure was low at the end of June. This is in line with profile, however we will monitor this closely to ensure that any project slippage is identified and reported.

4. Operating and Project Analysis

- 4.1. Although income was £60k above the year to date budget as at the end of June, there are risks in relation to achieving the full year targets in certain categories, notably car park income and toilet income.
- 4.2. Salary costs were £98k under budget at the end of the quarter and the budget has £40k year to date savings factored into the profile, therefore the savings target is on track.
- 4.3. Operating spend was in line with the year to date budget at £591k against a budget of £583k. There are some variances across categories. Property costs were over budget by £17k, and the full year property repairs budget will need to be increased at the Q2 review.
- 4.4. Net project expenditure totalled £15k at the end of June, which is in line with profile. However, the spending plans are reviewed as part of the Q2 budget revision.

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5. Balance Sheet

- 5.1. There was £1.73m of cash in the bank at 30 June 2019 which included £813k of ringfenced funds in relation to the development at Cononish.

6. Other

- 6.1. The annual accounts were signed by the CEO, as Accountable Officer, on 7th August 2019 following the revaluation of the pension scheme liability to reflect the impact of the McCloud pension reform court case.
- 6.2. HMRC have confirmed that the Authority is no longer required to complete corporation tax returns.

Appendix 1 – Management Accounts: 3 months to 30 June 2019

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