

Finance & General Services Committee
Updated Budget April 2021 - March 2022

	2021-22 GROSS BUDGET	2021-22 ACTUAL SPEND TO DATE	2021-22 COMMITTED SPENDING TO 31 MAR	2021-22 ESTIMATED OUTTURN TO 31 MARCH	2021/22 INCOME/ FUNDING	BALANCE OF BUDGET UNDER / (OVER) SPEND AGAINST BUDGET	PROJECTED 2021-22 UNDER/ (OVER) SPEND	% SPEND TO DATE AGAINST BUDGET
ADMINISTRATION								
EMPLOYEE COSTS								
Staff Salaries	£174,200	£130,687	£19,695	£150,382		£43,513	£23,818	86%
NI - Employer's Contribution	£18,750	£12,952	£1,059	£14,011		£5,798	£4,739	75%
Pension - Employer's Contribution	£37,100	£26,194	£2,248	£28,442		£10,906	£8,658	77%
Mobile Phone/Internet	£950	£678	£45	£723		£272	£227	76%
Payroll Administration Costs	£300	£213	£17	£229		£87	£71	76%
Travel/Subsistence	£300	£146	£0	£146		£154	£154	49%
Staff Training (Inc SLCC Conference)	£3,200	£205	£0	£205		£2,995	£2,995	6%
Subscriptions (Society of Local Council Clerks)	£700	£379	£0	£379		£321	£321	54%
Sub-Total	£235,500	£171,453	£23,064	£194,517	£0	£64,047	£40,983	83%
OFFICE COSTS								
Town Hall - Office Rent	£6,500	£6,500	£0	£6,500		£0	£0	100%
Town Hall - Service Charge	£15,000	£0	£0	£0		£15,000	£15,000	0%
Venue/Room Hire	£750	£534	£60	£594		£216	£156	79%
Telecomms - Office Phone	£630	£624	£0	£624		£6	£6	99%
Telecomms - Business Email (Vodafone)	£350	£190	£100	£290		£160	£60	83%
IT Equipment/Support Services	£750	£590	£0	£590		£160	£160	79%
IT Software & Web Hosting Charges	£2,500	£3,524	£180	£3,704		-£1,024	-£1,204	148%
Website Development	£5,500	£4,467	£0	£4,467		£1,033	£1,033	81%
Photocopier Rental & Insurance	£1,800	£1,838	£0	£1,838		-£38	-£38	102%
Photocopying Charges	£1,200	£816	£170	£986		£384	£214	82%
Postages	£750	£258	£100	£358		£492	£392	48%
Printing & Stationery	£2,400	£2,312	£50	£2,362		£88	£38	98%

Furniture & Equipment	£600	£622	£0	£622		-£22	-£22	104%
Insurances	£6,500	£5,686	£0	£5,686		£814	£814	87%
Sundries (Supplies - Meeting Room etc)	£100	£75	£0	£75		£25	£25	75%
Sub-Total	£45,330	£28,036	£660	£28,696	£0	£17,294	£16,634	63%
FEES & CHARGES								
Audit - Internal	£750	£420	£0	£420		£330	£330	56%
Audit - External	£2,000	£1,600	£0	£1,600		£400	£400	80%
Ashington Crier - Retainer for "Twitter" Account	£300	£0	£300	£300		£300	£0	100%
Ashington Camera Club - Retainer	£300	£0	£0	£0		£300	£300	0%
Data Protection (ICO)	£100	£0	£80	£80		£100	£20	80%
Legal and Professional Fees	£750	£737	£30	£767		£13	-£17	102%
HR Advisory Services & Fees	£500	£0	£0	£0		£500	£500	0%
Election Expenses - Full Council (Provision)	£7,500	£0	£0	£0		£7,500	£7,500	0%
Election Expenses - Casual Vacancies	£7,000	£0	£0	£0		£7,000	£7,000	0%
Subscription - National Association of Local Councils	£4,000	£3,697	£0	£3,697		£303	£303	92%
Subscription - North East Regional Employer's Organisation (NEREO)	£550	£65	£0	£65		£485	£485	12%
Publications	£300	£123	£0	£123		£177	£177	41%
Publicity & Consultation	£2,000	£0	£0	£0		£2,000	£2,000	0%
Sub-Total	£26,050	£6,642	£410	£7,052	£0	£19,408	£18,998	27%
MEMBER EXPENSES								
Councillors Expenses - Printing and Stationery	£6,000	-£42	£0	-£42		£6,042	£6,042	-1%
Councillors Expenses - Mobile Phone Allowance	£720	£0	£720	£720		£720	£0	100%
Councillor Training & Development	£2,000	£1,060	£0	£1,060		£940	£940	53%
Sub-Total	£8,720	£1,018	£720	£1,738	£0	£7,702	£6,982	20%
CIVIC EVENTS								
Town Twinning	£500	£0	£0	£0		£500	£500	0%
Mayoral Expenses	£450	£0	£0	£0		£450	£450	0%
Remembrance Day/Armed Forces/Miners' Memorial	£1,200	£150	£0	£150		£1,050	£1,050	13%
Sub-Total	£2,150	£150	£0	£150	£0	£2,000	£2,000	7%

COMMUNITY EVENTS								
Community Fayre Day	£8,000	£1,000	£0	£1,000		£7,000	£7,000	13%
Northumberland Miners Picnic (Vired to Woodhorn Museum Access Play Area)	£0	£0	£0	£0		£0	£0	
Ashington Hirst Celebratory Cup - Bowls Competition	£500	£400	£0	£400		£100	£100	80%
Christmas Lighting Switch-On	£2,500	£0	£0	£0		£2,500	£2,500	0%
Sub-Total	£11,000	£1,400	£0	£1,400	£0	£9,600	£9,600	13%
GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS								
Annual Subsidies - Infrastructure Organisations	£42,000	£40,000	£0	£40,000		£2,000	£2,000	95%
Annual Sponsorships - Sports Clubs	£9,000	£9,000	£0	£9,000		£0	£0	100%
Ashington & District Male Voice Choir	£250	£250	£0	£250		£0	£0	100%
Ashington Colliery Band	£250	£250	£0	£250		£0	£0	100%
Small Grants & Donations Fund	£7,500	£6,424	£0	£6,424		£1,076	£1,076	86%
Citizen's Awards Scheme	£500	£0	£0	£0		£500	£500	0%
Sub-Total	£59,500	£55,924	£0	£55,924	£0	£3,576	£3,576	94%
DIRECT SERVICE PROVISION								
(i) Neighbourhood Services Officer:								
Vehicle Leasing Costs	£2,500	£1,987	£400	£2,387		£513	£113	95%
Vehicle Fuel & Maintenance Costs	£3,000	£1,160	£420	£1,580		£1,840	£1,420	53%
Protective Clothing Allowance	£380	£0	£0	£0		£380	£380	0%
Materials	£3,500	£3,507	£0	£3,507		-£7	-£7	100%
Storage Unit - Green Lane Workshops	£3,000	£2,500	£0	£2,500		£500	£500	83%
Sub-Total (i)	£12,380	£9,153	£820	£9,973	£0	£3,227	£2,407	81%
(ii) Town Council Services:								
Allotments	£55,000	£32,384	£8,060	£40,444	£124	£22,740	£14,680	74%
Hirst Park Renewal Project (MOU Agreement)	£0	-£125	£0	-£125		£125	£125	
CCTV Provision (Equipment Lease)	£6,000	£5,247	£477	£5,724		£753	£276	95%
Highways Interactive Speed Signs	£2,500	£0	£0	£0		£2,500	£2,500	0%
Seasonal Lighting	£27,500	£18,974	£0	£18,974		£8,526	£8,526	69%
Gardens Competition	£850	£720	£0	£720		£130	£130	85%
Memorials	£1,000	£20	£500	£520		£980	£480	52%
Bus Shelters	£20,000	£2,240	£0	£2,240		£17,760	£17,760	11%

Provision of Litter Bins	£8,000	£6,535	£0	£6,535		£1,465	£1,465	82%
Public Seats	£800	£510	£0	£510		£290	£290	64%
Play Areas	£27,000	£15,001	£2,449	£17,450	£2,154	£14,153	£11,703	65%
Sub-Total (ii)	£148,650	£81,506	£11,486	£92,992	£2,278	£69,422	£57,936	63%
(iii) Neighbourhood Services Group								
NCC/ATC Neighbourhood Services Partnership	£220,000	£128,027	£54,230	£182,257		£91,973	£37,743	83%
Environmental Enhancement Schemes - Floral Presentations	£87,000	£45,244	£3,800	£49,044		£41,756	£37,956	56%
Climate Change Projects & Initiatives	£30,000	£0	£0	£0		£30,000	£30,000	0%
Environmental Enforcement Officer (NCC - SLA)	£21,100	£21,175	£0	£21,175		-£75	-£75	100%
Sub-Total (iii)	£358,100	£194,447	£58,030	£252,477	£0	£163,653	£105,623	71%
DIRECT SERVICE PROVISION - TOTAL (i)+(ii)+(iii)	£519,130	£285,106	£70,336	£355,442	£2,278	£236,302	£165,966	68%
FURTHER AGREED USE OF RESERVES								
COVID-19 / Support Fund	£7,500	£0	£0	£0		£7,500	£7,500	0%
Jack Charlton Statue Project (b/fwd £18,980 + £24,000 agreed Full Council 21/9)	£42,980	£41,400	£580	£41,980	£25,257	£26,837	£26,257	98%
Charlton Brothers Commemoration Project (NCC Led)	£2,500	£0	£2,500	£2,500		£2,500	£0	100%
Memorial Garden Wall Renewal (Insurance)	£0	£0	£0	£0		£0	£0	
Northumbria Police - Acquisition of Electric Bikes	£5,400	-£5,400	£5,400	£0		£10,800	£5,400	0%
Woodhorn Museum Accessible Play Area (Vired from Miners' Picnic)	£10,000	£10,000	£0	£10,000		£0	£0	100%
Storm Damage Emergency Fund (Virement from Hirst Park SLA)	£23,680	£19,300	£4,216	£23,516		£4,380	£164	99%
Sub-Total	£92,060	£65,300	£12,696	£77,996	£25,257	£52,017	£39,321	
TOTALS	£999,440	£615,028	£107,886	£722,914	£27,535	£411,946	£304,060	72%
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