

Harbours Committee

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Budget Monitoring Report

For Decision

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Report Status: Public

Recommendation: To note the current budget monitoring figures for 2021/22.

Reason for Recommendation: The Harbours Committee has the responsibility for the harbours' finances including budget setting, budget monitoring and the final out-turn at the year end.

1. Executive Summary

The purpose of the report is to set out the current budget monitoring position for the harbour revenue budgets for Weymouth, Bridport and Lyme Harbours at the end of August 2021 and the predicted position of the Harbour Reserves for 2021/22.

The details are given at the Appendices.

2. Financial Implications

The report covers the harbours' budgets. The summary information is presented under the standard corporate headings.

The types of expenditure included within each heading are as follows:

- Internal charges – this includes the “above the line” service recharges paid to Dorset Council.
- Pay related costs- all costs relating to staffing including basic pay, National Insurance, pension contributions and training.
- Premises related costs– Utilities and rates, refuse, planned maintenance, surveys, response maintenance.
- Transport related costs – fuel, travel and subsistence.
- Supplies and services – Insurance, advertising, equipment, subscriptions, printing and stationery

The income is made up of:

- Commercial activities – income relating to pilotage, annual commercial berths, visiting commercial vessels and visiting fishing vessels.
- Leisure activities – marina berths, visiting yachts, use of slipway and PWC permits.
- Rents and licences – income relating to rental of property, boat and operating licences.
- Recoverable costs – where recharges are made to lease and licence holders for energy. Also includes electricity charged to annual berth holders and visiting vessels.

3. Well-being and Health Implications

The Harbours’ Budgets fund items that have implications for voluntary organisations, community safety and physical activity. Looking after the Harbour infrastructure is vital for the safe and efficient use of the harbour for these purposes. The implications are considered for individual items when funding commitment is being approved.

4. Climate implications

The Harbours’ Budgets fund items that have implications for sustainability, property and assets and climate. These implications are considered for individual items when funding commitment is being approved.

5. Other Implications

Harbour issues are subject to regular consultation with customers, the Harbour Consultative Group and the Harbours Committee.

The harbours’ accounts form part of the Council’s overall Statement of Accounts, which is considered and approved by the Audit Committee.

6. Risk Assessment

Having considered the risks associated with this decision, the level of risk has been identified as:

Current Risk: Medium

Residual Risk: Medium

The Harbours' Budget Monitoring Report helps manage the risks of under or overspending the budget. Many items of expenditure have a link to safety of customers and the general public.

7. Equalities Impact Assessment

There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

8. Appendices

- Appendix 1 Weymouth Budget Monitoring Report
- Appendix 1A Weymouth Budget Monitoring – Financial Summary
- Appendix 2 Bridport Budget Monitoring Report
- Appendix 2A Bridport Budget Monitoring – Financial Summary
- Appendix 3 Lyme Regis Budget Monitoring Report
- Appendix 3A Lyme Regis Budget Monitoring – Financial Summary

9. Background Papers

None

Footnote:

Issues relating to financial, legal, environmental, economic and equalities implications have been considered and any information relevant to the decision is included within the report.