



# Ryedale District Council

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**REPORT TO:** North Yorkshire Building Control  
Partnership Board

**DATE:** 8 March 2017

**REPORTING OFFICER:** Robert Harper  
Head of Building Control

**SUBJECT:** Financial Performance April 2016 - January 2017

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## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

**1.1** The purpose of this report is to present Members with details of the financial performance of the North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership for the months of April 2016 to January 2017 inclusive.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

**2.1** Members are requested to note the financial performance of the North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 January 2017.

## **3.0 BACKGROUND**

**3.1** This report shows the financial performance of the North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 January 2017.

**3.2** The revised budget for 2016/17, which is the subject of a separate report to this Board, has been profiled to the end of January 2017 based on estimated patterns of expenditure and income streams.

**3.3** This report has been produced using actual income and expenditure figures and taking into account known commitments to 31 January 2017.

## **4.0 POLICY CONTEXT**

- 4.1** The North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership has a duty to exercise effective financial management through the production of regular financial monitoring reports in line with the host council's constitution, including the financial regulations and standing orders.

## **5.0 REPORT**

- 5.1** Annex A summarises the income and expenditure for the chargeable and non-chargeable accounts to 31 January 2017, together with the surplus as at that date.
- 5.2** The overall surplus for the North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 January 2017 is £40,724 against a profiled revised budgeted surplus of £75,090.
- 5.3** The surplus balance on the reserve account as at 31 January 2017 is £14,931 having taken into account redundancy costs, pension contributions due to early retirements and flood work and LABC income.
- 5.4** Using the revised budget submitted to the Board on 8 March 2017, the overall surplus for 2016/17 is projected to be £27,914 with an estimated surplus balance on the reserve account as at 31 March 2017 of £2,121 again having taken account of redundancy costs, pension contributions due to early retirements and flood work and LABC income. The Partners are therefore estimated to have to contribute £7,879 (or £1,576 each) for the 2016/17 financial year to meet the minimum level of reserves requirement of £10,000. This assumes expenditure and income remains in line with the profiled revised budget for the period 1 February 2017 to 31 March 2017.

### Chargeable Account

- 5.6** For the period to 31 January 2017, the chargeable account shows a surplus of £896 against a profiled revised budgeted surplus of £41,410.
- 5.7** The income is showing a reduction of £72,390, with an underspend on expenditure of £31,876.

## Non Chargeable Account

- 5.8** For the period to 31 January 2017, the non-chargeable account shows a surplus of £39,828 against a profiled revised budgeted surplus of £33,680.
- 5.9** There is a shortfall in the non-chargeable income of £891 offset by an underspend of £7,039.

## **6.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1** The Partnership has been actively marketing its services to different target audiences in order to increase market share, whilst maintaining high levels of service delivery and customer satisfaction.

## **7.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1** There are no legal implications resulting from the contents of this report.

## **8.0 RISK ASSESSMENT**

- 8.1** Regular financial monitoring reports provided to the Head of Building Control and the Board will help to inform Members of actions that need to be taken to bring the budget into balance and enable early preventative or remedial action to be taken.
- 8.2** The shortfall in chargeable income for the period to 31 January 2017 is due to the slow recovery within the construction industry following the recession, together with increased competition from the private sector.

## **9.0 CONCLUSION**

- 9.1** For the period 1 April 2016 to 31 January 2017, the revenue account for the North Yorkshire Building Control Partnership is showing a surplus of £40,724.
- 9.2** The financial position of the Partnership will require close monitoring during the remainder of 2016/17.
- 9.3** The Partnership has diversified into new areas of work which is attracting additional income. Further diversification will continue during the next financial year.

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