

SURREY POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER 2019/20 END
OF YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT****7 February 2020****SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this report is to inform the Police & Crime Panel of the OPCC's financial performance at Month 8 for the 2019/20 financial year. The report compares the expenditure and income, incurred and received by the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner up to the 30th November 2019, against the financial budget approved by the PCC in January 2019.

1. Introduction

In terms of budgetary performance up to the end of November (Month 8), spending is generally what would be expected at this stage of the financial year, with certain agreed grants such as funding for the Police Cadet Service and various Community Safety Fund grants being paid early in the year. The Victim Services budget also incur a lot of expenditure in the early part of the year, with the majority of this being reimbursed through the Ministry of Justice Victim Services Grant, which will be received during the course of the year. The Memberships budget is also nearly all spent by the end of November, as the APCC, APACE and PACCTS annual subscriptions all fall due at the beginning of the financial year.

2. Individual Significant Budget Variances

A). Staff Costs – The rate of spend on staff costs has been slightly below that expected by this time of the year due to staff vacancies, but the staff have now been recruited and the rate of spending will increase over the remaining months of the year.

B). PCC Roles – Seventy-five percent of the budget has been spent by the end of November, but this is mainly because the majority of Community Safety Fund grants are made in the early part of the year. This budget is expected to be in balance by the year-end.

D). Memberships – Most membership payments have to be paid at the beginning of the financial-year, but by the end of the year this budget will be in balance.

E). Office Running Costs – Rent, Rates, Gas, Electric, Property Maintenance costs are paid on the 1st of each quarter, so these budgets show as being seventy-two percent spent by the end of November. Again this budget is expected to be in balance by the year-end.

F). Audit Costs – Only 25% of this budget has been expended by the end of November, which relates to late billing and a reduction in the cost of external audit.

G). Victim Services – Is grant funded by the Ministry of Justice and expenditure usually matches the level of income received each year. However, I increased the Victim Services budget by £27,500 this year, as a result of achieving efficiencies elsewhere within the total OPCC budget, so that additional support could be provided to the victims of crime in Surrey.

The detail of spending against individual budgets is shown at Appendix A to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Police & Crime Panel is invited to comment and note the financial performance of the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for Surrey for the eight-month period ending 30th November 2019.

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EQUALITIES & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:

None arising.

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