

Title of Report:	Planning Department Finance Report Period 1-10 Update.
Committee Report Submitted To:	Planning Committee
Date of Meeting:	24 April 2024
For Decision or For Information	For Information
To be discussed In Committee YES/NO	No

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Theme	Improvement and Innovation
Outcome	Council maintains its performance as the most efficient of NI's local authorities
Lead Officer	Head of Planning

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	Remains within budget
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES
Capital/Revenue	both
Code	5301
Staffing Costs	included

Legal Considerations	
Input of Legal Services Required	NO
Legal Opinion Obtained	NO

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	N/A	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:

FOR INFORMATION

1.0 Purpose

1.1 This Report is to provide Members with an update on the financial position of the Planning Department as of end Period 11 of the 2023/24 business year.

2.0 Details

2.1 Planning is showing a variance of over £11k adverse position at end of Period 11 based on draft Management Accounts. This is an increase of over £8k from end of Period 10.

2.2 The adverse position at the end of Period 11 is due largely to the adverse position in relation to salaries and wages of over £134k. The favourable position of income from planning applications and property certificates remains similar to Period 10 at just under £67k (Budget £1,193,106 v Actual £1,259,836).

2.3 The favourable position of income in addition to other expenditure costs of legal and procurement reduces the deficit to just over £11k. The favourable position in the legal expenditure will be reduced in period 12 when payment of legal costs for judicial review cases are paid.

3.0 Recommendation

3.1 **It is recommended** that the Planning Committee considers the content of this report for the Period 1-11 of 2023/24 financial year.