

Council – 2 September 2025
Recommendation from Cabinet
8 July 2025

Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 8 July 2025

Present:

Members:

Councillor G Duggins (Chair)
Councillor A S Khan (Deputy Chair)
Councillor N Akhtar
Councillor R Brown
Councillor K Caan
Councillor P Hetherton
Councillor J O'Boyle
Councillor P Seaman

Non-Voting Deputy
Cabinet Members:

Councillor S Agboola
Councillor P Akhtar
Councillor B Christopher
Councillor G Hayre
Councillor S Nazir
Councillor D Toulson

Non-Voting Opposition
Members:

Councillor J Gardiner
Councillor P Male
Councillor E Reeves

Other Non-Voting
Members:

Councillor R Lakha
Councillor G Lloyd
Councillor J McNicholas

Employees by Directorate):

Chief Executive

J Nugent (Chief Executive)

Care, Health and Housing

P Fahy (Director of Care, Health and Housing), J Crawshaw,
S Hall

Finance and Resources

B Hastie (Director of Finance and Resources), T Pinks

Law and Governance

J Newman (Director of Law and Governance), J Adams,
H Lawson, M Salmon

Apologies:

Councillor F Abbott
Councillor M Ali
Councillor L Bigham
Councillor A Jobbar
Councillor L Kelly
Councillor G Ridley
Councillor R Singh

RECOMMENDATION

Public Business

9. Declarations of Interest

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests.

11. Revenue and Capital Outturn Report 2024/25

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer) that would also be considered at the meeting of the Audit and Procurement Committee on 21st July 2025 and the meeting of Council on 2nd September 2025. The report outlined the final revenue and capital outturn position for 2024/25, and reviewed treasury management activity and 2024/25 Prudential Indicators reported under the Prudential Code for Capital Finance. Appendices to the report provided: a detailed breakdown of Directorate Revenue Variations; Capital Programme Changes and Analysis of Rescheduling; and Prudential Indicators.

The overall financial position included the following headline items:

- An underspend of £1.8m, balanced by a contribution to earmarked reserves.
- Capital Programme expenditure of £128.8m.
- A small increase in the level of available Council revenue reserves from £118m to £119m.

The Council had faced significant pressures within both Adults and Children's Social Care, and City Services. Other overspends were also being reported in Regeneration and Economic Development, Legal and Governance, People, and Organisational Development. These financial pressures were being caused by a combination of continued increases in service demand, complexity of cases and social care market conditions, legacy inflation impacts, income shortfalls due to reduced activity, and slippage in the delivery of some service savings.

The underlying revenue position had improved by £8.8m since Quarter 3 where an overspend of £7.0m was being forecast. The majority of the improved position related to increased one-off income within Contingency and Central budgets which were set out in section 2.1.4 in the report.

Cabinet agreed to:

- 1) Approve the final balanced revenue outturn position after a contribution of £1.8m to reserves.
- 2) Approve the final capital expenditure and resourcing position (section 2.3 and Appendix 2 of the report), incorporating expenditure of £128.8m against a final budget of £144.6m; £16.0m expenditure rescheduled into 2025/26 and £0.2m overspend.
- 3) Approve the outturn Prudential Indicators position in section 2.4.4 and Appendix 3 of the report.
- 4) Recommend that Council approves the contribution to reserves of £1.8m for the purposes described in Section 5.1 of the report.

RESOLVED that Council be recommended to approve the contribution to reserves of £1.8m for the purposes described in Section 5.1 of the report.