

## Performance and Resources Committee

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Responsible Officer	Jim Godfrey, Finance & Resources Director
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### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. This report compares actual income, and expenditure, for the academic year against the GCRB budget for 2022-23.

### 2. Recommendations

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to note the actual outturn compared with budget for 2022-23.

### 3. GCRB Running Costs 2022-23

3.1. The table below provides a summary of forecast income and expenditure for 2022-23. It provides a comparison of the position at the end of the first quarter.

3.2. The only variance for running costs is the additional expenditure on interim board secretary costs during the first quarter of the year.

	Month ending 31 October 2022		Revised Forecast 2022-23		Original Budget 2022-23	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Income</b>						
Allocated from Regional Grant	124		496		496	
Reallocated from Programme Budget	0		0		0	
<b>Total</b>		<b>124</b>		<b>496</b>		<b>496</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
Staffing	81		322		322	
Board Costs	27		94		94	
Audit	9		35		35	
Other	10		45		45	
<b>Total</b>		<b>127</b>		<b>496</b>		<b>496</b>
Surplus/(Deficit)		<b>(3)</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>

#### 4. GCRB Programme Costs 2022-23

4.1. The regional Programme of Action is part of the Outcome Agreement for 2022-23. The cost of delivering the programme is detailed in the table below:

	Month ending 31 October 2022		Revised Forecast 2022-23		Original Budget 2022-23	
	£'000	£'000			£'000	£'000
<b>Income</b>						
Allocated from Regional Grant	105		419		419	
SFC Strategic Funding	0		0		0	
Brought forward funding	0		19		26	
<b>Total</b>		<b>105</b>		<b>438</b>		<b>445</b>
<b>Expenditure – Strategic Funding</b>						
Gaelic	0		0		0	
Child Poverty	0		0		0	
		0		0		0
<b>Expenditure</b>						
Action for Children	26		105		112	
Young Enterprise Scotland	3		12		12	
ESOL	24		96		96	
Curriculum/Strategic Plan	0		100		100	
Regional Review	5		20		20	
Mental Health	0		5		5	
Climate Change/Sustainability	16		100		100	
<b>Total</b>		<b>74</b>		<b>438</b>		<b>445</b>
Surplus/(Deficit)		<b>31</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>

4.2. The following comments are provided in respect of the Programme of Action budget:

##### Income

- **Scottish Funding Council (SFC) strategic funding** – there is no strategic funding at present, although there is a bid for the Child Poverty project which remains under consideration by SFC.

##### Expenditure

- **SFC strategic funding** – expenditure will be incurred if, and when, projects are approved.
- **Action for Children** – the expanded project is progressing well, with the support of additional external funding from this year.
- **Young Enterprise Scotland** – the core project is now funded directly by the Scottish Government. The additional funding, provided by GCRB, supplements the core project.
- **ESOL** – funding continues to be provided by GCRB as in previous years.

- **Curriculum/Strategic Plan** – this project has not yet commenced but is likely to progress following decisions in respect of the regional review.
- **Regional Review** – an amount of £4,740 was used in September/October 2022 to engage a consultant in conjunction with the Scottish Funding Council.
- **Mental Health** – there has not been any expenditure so far in this financial year.
- **Climate Change/Sustainability** – expenditure has been incurred on staff costs but there has not been any project expenditure in this financial year.

## 5. Risk and Compliance Analysis

- 5.1. There are no specific risks, or legal implications, associated with this report. The delivery of the regional programme of action addresses key elements of the strategic plan and mitigates some of the regional risks.

## 6. Financial and Resource Analysis

- 6.1. The financial implications associated with the financial year 2022-23 are set out in the body of the report.

## 7. Equalities Implications

- 7.1. The regional programme of action provides support many learners access college who are at risk of exclusion.

## 8. Learner Implications

- 8.1. The resources utilised for the purpose of GCRB, and the regional Programme of Action, contribute to the achievement of the agreed learner outcomes in 2022-23.