Board Meeting

17 July 2024



2024/25 Financial Position at 31 May 2024

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The overall position at May 31st was a deficit of £45k against a forecast deficit of £37K. This consisted of a £40k deficit in Regulatory Activity and £5k deficit in Accredited Registers. The planned deficit for Regulatory Activity for 2024/25 is £290k (£290k returned to regulators).
- 1.2 The main drivers for the additional £8k deficit are:
 - Overspend on staff costs.
 - Overspend in S29 legal costs. These have increased due to the increased number of cases and higher legal costs.
 - Delayed implementation costs of the new HR and payroll system.

2. Income and Expenditure Corporate Summary as at 31st May 2024

Table 1

Table I				
	2024/25 Budget	2024/25 Actual YTD	2024/25 Budget YTD	2024/25 Actual/ Budget YTD variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Fees Income	4,869	811	811	0
Operating Income	127	47	21	26
Accredited registers	691	106	115	(9)
Total Income	5,687	964	947	17
Expenditure				
Staff costs	4,022	675	669	(6)
Administration costs	1,671	297	281	(16)
Accredited registers	202	37	34	(3)
Total expenditure	5,895	1,009	984	(25)
Surplus/ (deficit)	(208)	(45)	(37)	(8)

3. Sectoral summary - Regulatory Activity

3.1 Income and expenditure breakdown.

Table 2

Table 2				
Income and expenditure	2024/25 Budget	2024/25 Actual YTD	2024/25 Budget YTD	2024/25 Actual/ Budget YTD variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
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Fee Income from regulators	4,869	811	811	0
Operating Incom	me			<u> </u>
S29 cost	119	39	20	19
recoveries				
Investment interest	8	8	1	7
Conferences	0	0	0	0
income	1.000	252	222	
Total Income	4,996	858	832	26
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Staff costs	3,615	601	602	1
Recruitment costs	15	7	3	(4)
Training and	73	9	12	3
Conferences HR and payroll	14	19	2	(17)
costs				
Staff travel	10	1	2	1
Occupancy costs	324	50	54	4
Audit costs	68	12	11	(1)
IT costs	136	20	23	3
Board appointments	100	8	17	9
Board remuneration/ expenses	145	20	24	4
Depreciation/C apital costs	50	12	8	(4)
Conferences	45	2	8	6
Policy development	75	5	13	8
Public affairs	45	1	8	7

Publications	109	0	18	18
Direct S29	369	110	62	(48)
legal costs				
and case				
review				
Other costs	93	21	16	(5)
Total admin	1,671	297	281	(16)
costs				
Surplus/(defi	(290)	(40)	(51)	11
cit)				

- 3.2 £17k overspend in HR and payroll costs are due to delayed implementation costs for the new payroll and HR system which is live from June 2024.
- 3.3 Board appointments underspend is a timing issue is expected to be spent later in the year.
- 3.4 Conferences, policy development, public affairs and publications underspends are also a timing issue as the costs are usually realised in the second part of the year.
- 3.5 £48k overspend in direct legal costs is due to an increased number of Section 29 appeals and higher legal costs.

4. Sectoral summary – Accredited Registers

Table 3

Income & expenditure	2024/25 Budget	2024/25 Actual YTD	2024/25 Budget YTD	2024/25 Actual/ Budget YTD variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Registers	691	106	115	(9)
Staff costs	407	74	67	(7)
Admin Costs				
Comms costs	43	6	7	1
Overheads	149	29	25	(4)
Other	10	2	2	0
Surplus/(defi	82	(5)	14	19

5. Staff costs

Table 4

Income and expenditure	2024/25 Budget	2024/25 Actual YTD	
	£'000	£'000	
Salaries	3,115	527	
Social security	366	52	
Pension	541	92	
Temp Agency	0	4	
Total staff costs	4,022	675	

6. Capital Table 5

Capital Expenditure	2024/25 Budget	2024/25 Actual YTD	2024/25 Budget YTD	2024/25 Actual/ Budget YTD variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Capital commitments				_
Intangible	0	0	0	0
IT Equipment	40	1	7	6
F&F	10	0	2	2
Total Capital costs	50	1	9	8

7. Statement of Financial Position

Table 6		
	2024/25 Budget	2024/25 Actual
	£'000	£'000
Non-current assets		
Intangible assets	92	84
Property, plant & equipment	68	64
Right of use asset – property lease	475	608
Total	635	756
Current assets		
Trade and other receivables	516	306
Cash and cash equivalents	7,657	7,268
Total assets	8,173	7,574
Trade and other payables	(6,225)	(5,337)
Lease liability	(202)	(202)
Provisions	(23)	(23)
Total	(6,450)	(5,562)
Lease liability	(291)	(458)
Net assets	2,067	2,310
Reserves*		
Unrestricted	889	802
Restricted	1,178	1,508
Total reserves	2,067	2,310

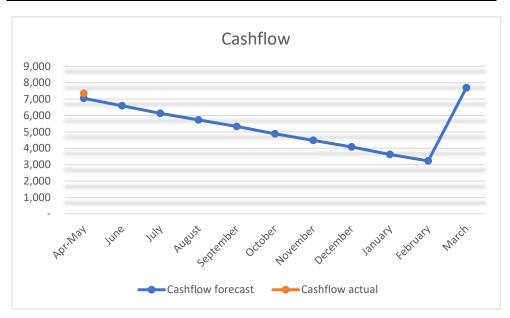
^{*}Required reserves (according to the policy) for 2024/25 are £1.29m (0.86m restricted and 0.43m unrestricted)

8. Cashflow

(movement of money in and out of the organisation)

Table 7

Cash and investments	£'000	£'000
as at 01/04/2024	£ 7,907	£7,907
Income	Projected	Actual
	(Full year)	(Year to date)
Fees income	4,869	0
Accredited registers	691	230
Interest	8	8
Section 29	119	35
Other		0
Total Income	5,687	273
Outgoings		
Payroll	(4,022)	(675)
Administration costs	(1,873)	(146)
Total Outgoings	(5,895)	(821)
	31/3/2025	31/03/2025
Cash and investments	7,699	7,359



The required reserves for 2024/25 are £1.29m (£0.86m restricted and £0.43m unrestricted)