









Planning and Licensing Committees

Quarterly Finance Report

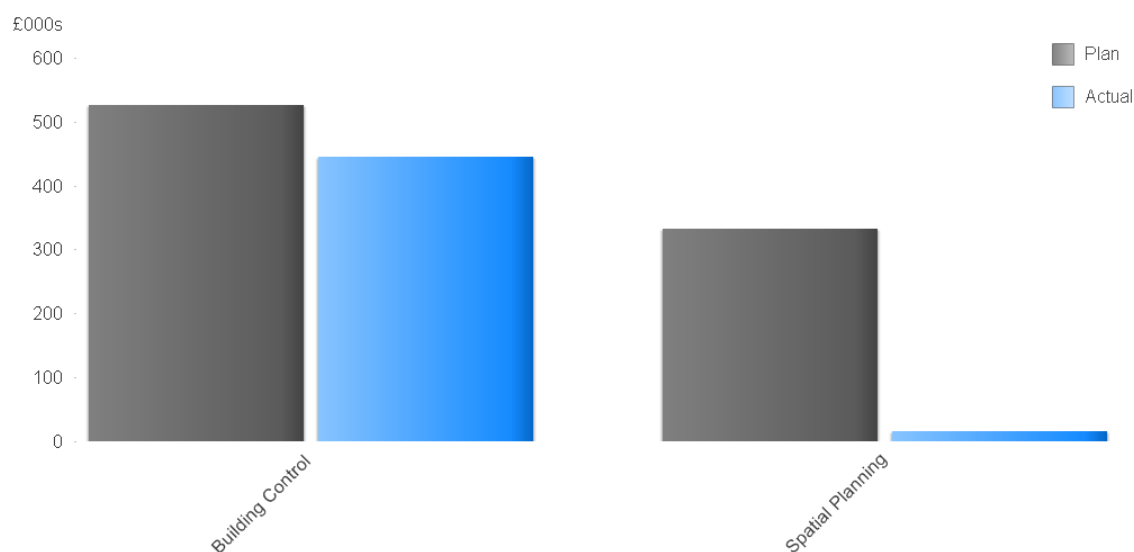
Report Period: Quarter 2, 2015-2016

Dashboard

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Revenue Section							Page
Committee	YTD	YTD Var £000s	Var %	Forecast	Forecast Var £000s	Var %	3,4
Building Control		(81)	(15.3)%		0	0.0%	
Spatial Planning		(318)	(95.1)%		(209)	(26.9)%	
Total		(397)	(46.2)%		(209)	(12.4)%	

Committee Net Revenue Expenditure: Year to Date Position



Planning and Licensing Committees overall position at the end of Quarter 2 is an under spend of £397k

The **Belfast Planning Service** operates on annual estimated expenditure of £2.3m which is offset by estimated annual fee income of £1.5m.

Planning fees are paid in full on application and apportioned as income at various stages of completion, the allocation being calculated by a facility within the portal.

At the end of Quarter 2 the actual expenditure of £1,086k was £32k below the budgeted amount of £1,119k. This was due primarily to an underspend in employee costs.

In addition the estimated fee income of £786k for Quarter 2 was understated by £284K as the total amount allocated for work completed in the first quarter was £1,070K

The underspend in employee costs and additional income gives a net underspend in Planning of £316,486 for Quarter 2

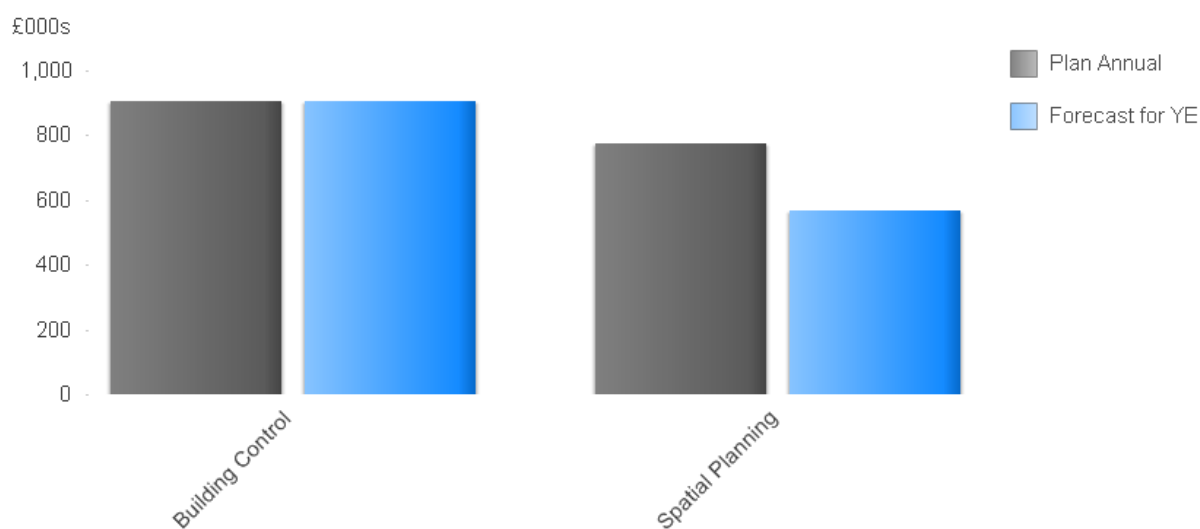
The **Building Control Service** operates on annual estimated expenditure of £3.9m which is offset by estimated annual fee income of £3m.

At the end of Quarter 2 the actual expenditure of £2,013k was £28k overspent which was due mainly to additional funds required for dangerous structures.

However, the estimated fee income of £1,458k for Quarter 2 was understated by £109K as additional income was received from fees on all income streams.

The overspend in supplies and services has been offset by the additional income giving a net underspend in Building Control of £80,606 for Quarter 2

Committee Net Revenue Expenditure: Forecast for Year End



The **Planning and Licensing Committee** forecast for the year end is an under spend of £209k although this is dependent on the creation of any further posts..

Belfast Planning Service

Income trends are difficult to assess but it is likely to be in the region of £1.8m which is £270k above the budgeted target.

However, it has been necessary to recruit additional staff which will be offset against the additional fee income.

It is assumed that the full amount of £250k from the central non recurring budget will be used for advertising and that any underspends in consultancy and external legal costs will be carried forward as a sinking fund.

Building Control

The Services expects to receive additional income from fees and grants of approximately £129k however there will be funds required for additional staff to generate the fees and therefore expected that the Service will break even at year end.

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Section Expenditure Budgetary Analysis & Forecast

Service	Plan YTD £000s	Actuals YTD £000s	Variance YTD £000s	% Variance	Annual Plan 2015/2016 £000s	Forecast for Y/E at P6 £000s	Forecast Variance £000s	% Variance
Building Control	526	446	(81)	(15.3)%	905	905	0	0.0%
Spatial Planning	333	16	(316)	(95.1)%	777	568	(209)	(26.9)%
Total	859	462	(397)	(46.2)%	1,681	1,472	(209)	(12.4)%