



**Report to:** South London Waste Partnership (SLWP) Joint Waste Committee  
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## Summary

This paper provides an update on the Partnership's budget position for month 6 (September) of the financial year and the projected outturn for the 2020/21 financial year

### 1. Background

- 1.1 The Partnership sets its budget in December for the forthcoming financial year.
- 1.2 The budget is monitored monthly to allow the budgets to be flexed where appropriate in order to respond to any budget pressures.

### 2. Financial Position 2020/21

- 2.1 The table below refers to the Partnership's budget position for its Strategic Management activities for month 6 (September) of the 2020/21 financial year. It relates to expenditure in the following areas; procurement, project management, administration, contract management and communications.

Item	Approved Budget £	Actuals & Commitments £	Forecast Outturn £	Variance £
<i>Internal and External Advisors, Accounting and Projects</i>	148,400	147,697	342,000	193,600
<i>SLWP Staff Resources and communications management</i>	615,400	220,430	410,200	(205,200)
<i>Document and Data Management</i>	25,000	7,551	19,000	(6,000)
<i>Communications</i>	26,000	243	26,000	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>814,800</b>	<b>375,921</b>	<b>797,200</b>	<b>(17,600)</b>
<b>COST PER BOROUGH</b>	<b>203,700</b>	<b>93,980</b>	<b>199,300</b>	<b>(4,400)</b>

- 2.2 The Partnership's budget for Strategic Management activities at month 6 forecasts an underspend of £17,600 (£4,400 per borough) for the year. The major variances are as follows:

- 2.3 Project and Contract Management is forecasting a £205k underspend. A review of the SLWP staff resource has taken place and the forecast has been based on the recommendations of the review being accepted. Due to the recruitment timetable it is likely that several posts will not be filled for the remainder of this financial year.
- 2.4 The Internal and External Advisors budget is forecasting a £194k overspend. This is due to advisors being commissioned to carry out the governance and staffing structure review, the annual review for the Environmental Services Contract and to provide strategic and contract management services.

**3. Recommendations:**

- 3.1 To note the content of this report.

**4. Impacts and Implications:**

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- 4.1 Contained within report.