

Report Title: **Trust Financial Results for 5 months ended 31 August 2013**

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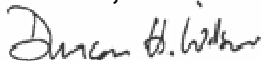
1. Purpose

1.1 This paper sets out the results for the Trust for the five months ended 31 August 2013

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Board is asked to note the performance of the Trust for the five months ended 31 August 2013

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3. Executive Summary

3.1 The deficit of the Trust for the first five months, excluding Regen, was £953k compared to budget of £994k and last year's actual of £1,091k. The underspend is due to timing of Palace maintenance expenditure.

3.2 Net Regen expenditure was £166k compared to budget of £282k. The difference relates mainly to the timing of professional fee expenditure.

4. Reasons for any change in policy or for new policy development (if applicable)

4.1 N/A

5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

5.1 N/A

6 Results for the first five months – Trust

The results for the Trust are summarized in Table 1 below. There has been some restructuring of cost centres since 2012/13, making the comparison with 2012/13 less exact. In particular a new cost centre has been created for Office Management, which takes some costs previously in the Palace and CEO's Office budgets. There has also been some realignment of income and costs between the Palace and CEO's budgets to reflect better the nature of the underlying activities.

Table 1 – Results of Trust Company for the first 5 months

2012/13 1st 5 mths	£'000	2013/14 1st 5 Months		
		Budget	Actual	Variance
	INCOME			
22	Palace	109	107	-2
47	Park (net)	47	103	+56
75	CEO's Office	-	-	-
144	Total Before Regen	157	211	+54
-	Regen	-	4	+4
144	TOTAL INCOME	157	214	+57
	EXPENDITURE			
(663)	Palace	(656)	(621)	+35
(84)	Ice Rink Dep'n and Interest	(83)	(77)	+6
(211)	Park	(214)	(275)	-61
-	Learning, Theatre & BBC Studios	-	(1)	-1
-	Office Management	(42)	(40)	+2
(276)	CEO's Office	(156)	(150)	+6
(1,234)	Total Before Regen	(1,151)	(1,164)	-13
(295)	Regen	(282)	(166)	+116
(1,529)	TOTAL OVERHEADS	(1,433)	(1,330)	+103
	DEFICIT			
(641)	Palace	(547)	(514)	+33
(84)	Ice Rink Dep'n and Interest	(83)	(77)	+6
(165)	Park	(166)	(172)	-6
-	Learning, Theatre & BBC Studios	-	(1)	-1
-	Office Management	(42)	(40)	+2
(201)	CEO's Office	(156)	(150)	+6
(1,091)	Total Before Regen & gift aid	(994)	(953)	+41
(295)	Regen	(282)	(162)	+119
(1,386)	TOTAL DEFICIT before gift aid	(1,276)	(1,116)	+160
169	Capital Expenditure		548	

The Trust underspent against budget by £41k of budget, before Regen. All of this variance is the result of timing differences which will reverse later in the year, largely relating to Palace maintenance. The £61k overspend on Park costs is mostly offset by £56k of additional income. Both the overspend and the additional income relate to the 150th anniversary event in the Park and had not been specifically budgeted for. We forecast that the Trust will be on budget for the year.

Income shown against the CEO's cost centre in 2012/13 relates to the licence fee from the Trading Company. This has been reclassified in 2013/14 to the Palace cost centre.

The Regen budget underspend relates to the timing of payments to professional advisers.

7 Legal Implications

- 7.1 The Council's Head of Legal Services has been consulted in the preparation of this report, and has no comments.

8 Financial Implications

- 8.1 The Council's Chief Financial Officer notes the positive financial position reported as at August 13 and has no additional comments to make.