Joint Waste Solutions: Q1 2022-23 Budget and Finance Report 29 September 2022

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Introduction

This report sets out the position for Joint Waste Solutions as at quarter one and the projected outturn for the 2022-23 financial year.

Budget Update

Annex 1 shows the Contract Management Office (CMO) income and expenditure to the end of quarter one 2022-23. CMO year-end expenditure is projected to be £2,385,061 which when set against a combined annual budget and carry forward allocation of £2,390,850 represents an overall projected underspend for the year of £5,789.

Budget Variances

Budget variances from Annex 1 which have been considered material have been explained in more detail below.

Contract Variances

The Core contract budget is projecting an overspend of £329,607. This is because the budget approved by members in November 2021 for 2022-23 included an estimated 4% inflationary uplift, which is less than the final figure of 6.71% from January 2022.

The Variable contract budget is also affected by this higher than budgeted inflation, and sees its costs increasing by £55,335. However, savings from the disruption to the garden waste service are expected to offset these additional inflation costs and therefore no overspend is being projected. It has not been possible to calculate these savings because data verification problems has meant that Amey has not yet submitted any invoices for this financial year, but progress in this area is being made and this information will form part of quarter two's report.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to note the report.