Draft Summarised Accounts

Canterbury City Council's accounts are an important element in demonstrating the stewardship of public money. They show the resources available to the council and how they are used to deliver services to the local district.

This is a summary of the full Statement of Accounts, showing the financial position for the year ending 31 March 2007

Income & Expenditure Account and Movement in General Fund Balance

The income and expenditure account shows the money paid and money received for the council's day to day services throughout the year.

Revenue Account for the year			
ended 31 March 2007	Gross expenditure	Gross income	Net expenditure
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Culture and Heritage	2,376	675	1,701
Recreation, sport & open spaces	3,644	485	3,159
Tourism	1,152	405	747
Coast Protection	1,119	503	616
Waste collection and disposal	3,072	467	2,605
Environmental services	5,016	742	4,274
Planning and parking services	13,517	9,880	3,637
Housing Services	45,786	47,829	-2,043
Central Services	15,571	11,481	4,090
Net cost of services	91,253	72,467	18,786
Plus loan interest and other adjust Amount to be met from governm Financed by: Council Tax		on	1,024 9,543
			- 8,291
Revenue support grant Contribution from Non-domestic R	ato pool		- 1,905 - 9,828
LABGI* grant	ate poor		- 1,407
Total			- 21,431
Surplus for the year			- 11,888
Add back notional surplus on disposal of assets			10,267
Other net statutory & non-statutory amounts debited from the General Fund			1,468
Increase in General Fund Balan	ce for the year		-153
General fund balance as at 31 March 2006			- 2,035
General fund balance as at 31 Ma			- 2,188
Increase in General Fund Balan	ce for the year		- 153

The surplus for the year of £153,000 equates to only 0.8% of net expenditure.

Net expenditure

The pie chart below shows the net result of the council's income and expenditure totalling £18,786,000 and indicates the major categories of services provided.



Finance Income

The pie chart below shows the total finance income of £21,431,000 identifying the various sources.



The Revenue Support Grant (RSG) is paid directly from central government.

Non Domestic Rates (NDR) are the rates paid by businesses in the Canterbury district, which are all paid to a central government pool. The 46% represents our share of the pool.

*Local Authority Business Growth Incentive (LABGI) is a grant paid by the government to encourage economic growth by allowing local authorities to keep a share of increased NDR revenue.

The Council Tax income is the proportion paid to Canterbury City Council for our services.

The council collects Council Tax for the district of Canterbury, Whitstable, Herne Bay and the rural areas. This is held in a separate fund and then distributed as shown in the pie chart below.

As you can see below, only 12% of your Council Tax goes towards services provided by Canterbury City Council.



Cost of Housing Services

The Housing Revenue Account (HRA) is a separately maintained account showing the costs of running the Council's housing stock used to accommodate council tenants The HRA expenditure is financed by rents and service charges.

		£ '000
Income		
Dwelling rents		17,197
Non-dwelling rents		436
Charges for services and facilities		1,314
Total income		18,947
Expenditure		
Repairs and maintenance		3,694
Management of housing stock		4,712
Subsidy payable to government		3,533
Capital		3,296
Insurance and rents		353
Total expenditure		15,588
Net cost of HRA Services	-	3,359
Corporate costs		113
Investments, interest, borrowing & gains	-	470
Total surplus for the year	-	3,716
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Financing capital expenditure		1,390
Other statutory amounts debited to HRA balance		1,366
Increase in HRA balance for the year		-960
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HRA balance as at 31 March 2006	-	4,729
HRA balance as at 31 March 2007		5,689
Increase in HRA balance for the year	-	960

Unlike the revenue account, capital spending is incurred on either acquiring new assets or enhancing existing assets. The council receives the benefit from capital expenditure over a long period of time. The pie chart below shows capital expenditure for 2006/07 in £'000



Paying for capital spending



Financial Position

At the end of each year, we draw up a balance sheet that represents how much Canterbury City Council's land and buildings are worth, how much is owed to others, how much others owe us and the amount of cash we have.

As at 31 March 2007		£ '000
Value of land and property		503,355
Investments and cash in bank		41,588
Money owed to Canterbury City Council		8,825
Money owed by Canterbury City Council	-	16,865
Loans outstanding	-	23,768
Other long term liabilities	-	63,918
Total assets less total liabilities		449,217
Financed by:		
Revenue balances		8,053
Reserves and revaluation account		358,832
Capital financing		82,332
Total equity		449,217

Cash flow

The cash flow summarises the inflows and outflows of cash arising from dealings with third parties.



Audit approval

The council's accounts are audited each year by the Audit Commission. This is to ensure the financial statements present fairly the financial position of the council and its income and expenditure for the year. At the time of going to print, the draft 2006/2007 accounts are unaudited.

Audited Statement of Accounts will be available from <u>www.canterbury.gov.uk/finance</u> from 1 October 2007

Further information

We compiled the figures in the Statement of Accounts using proper accounting practice. However, we have made some modifications to this summary to provide meaningful information.

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