

**ENVIRONMENT DIRECTORATE POSITION AS AT MONTH 10****Revenue:**

	Month 10 forecast £000
CORPORATE DIRECTOR	0
HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT	484
PLANNING & COUNTRYSIDE	49
CULTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	-202
<b>Total</b>	<b>331</b>

**Corporate Director's summary:****Overview**

- 1.1 The forecast revenue over spend for the Environment Directorate is £331,373 against the budget of £34 million net. This compares with a forecast of £122,843 in month 9. The main increase in the over spend is due to the expenditure on emergencies associated with the recent flooding.

**Pressures on the 2013-14 Budget**

- 1.2 In Highways and Transport there is a pressure of £484k which is an increase of £194k from last month. This increase was mainly due to an increased forecast in the Emergencies budget as a result of the recent storms and flooding.
- 1.3 The overall pressure in Planning and Countryside has increased from £37k to £49k. This is as a result of the notification of 2 planning appeals where costs have been awarded against us.
- 1.4 In the Culture and Environmental Protection Service there are pressures in Adventure Dolphin from anticipated reduction in income from Children's Services together with a payment from Kennet School which has not yet been agreed. These are being managed within the Service which is reporting an overall under spend of £202k.

**Management action taken to address emerging pressures**

- 1.5 Expenditure at Adventure Dolphin is under review in order to minimise the income shortfall. The payment by Kennet School is being pursued.

- 1.6 Much of the additional expenditure incurred in relation to the flooding response will be the subject of a claim against the Bellwin fund set up by the Government to alleviate some of the Local Authorities' pressures for this emergency situation. The full impact on the Highway's & Transport forecast position will be reported at year end.

**Risks identified**

- 1.7 Potential risks include:
- Pressure on income from car parks due to delays in implementation of new schemes and reductions in demand.
  - Pressure on income from Development and Building Control due to changes in demand and Government legislation.
  - Further severe weather conditions will result in an increased expenditure in the Highways budget for repairs which may not be the subject of the Bellwin claim.