

Report to: **Audit and Governance Committee**
Date of Meeting: 24 October 2019
Public Document: Yes
Exemption: None



Subject: **Expenditure on consultants and agency staff 2018/19**

Purpose of report: As requested at Audit and Governance, this report details capital and revenue spend on consultants and specialist advice and agency staff for 2018/19.

Recommendation: **To note the details of expenditure on consultants and agency staff in 2018/19.**

Reason for recommendation: Members of the Audit and Governance Committee have responsibility for the approval of the Annual Statement of Accounts.

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Financial implications: The financial implications are included within the body of the report

Legal implications: There are no legal comments in relation to this report

Equalities impact: Low Impact

Risk: Low Risk

Links to background information:

Link to Council Plan: Continuously improving to be an outstanding place

Report in full

1. Consultants expenditure

- 1.1 Expenditure on consultants and specialised technical advice has been analysed between items £10,000 and greater (Appendix A 2018/19), and less than £10,000 (Appendix B 2018/19). These are then split between Revenue and Capital expenditure.
- 1.2 Both lists show the Supplier, the service area / capital project for which the work has been done, and the responsible officer. Items over £10,000 also have the reason for the external consultation.

1.3 Summary of expenditure is in the following table:

Consultants 2018/19	Capital £	Revenue £	Total £
Total Over £10,000	353,101	324,102	677,203
Total Under £10,000	59,241	228,670	287,911
Grand Total	412,342	552,772	965,114

Comparison:

Consultants 2017/18	Capital £	Revenue £	Total £
Total Over £10,000	433,004	538,462	971,466
Total Under £10,000	33,434	183,367	216,802
Grand Total	466,438	721,830	1,188,268

2. Agency expenditure

2.1 Expenditure on agency staff has been analysed by service. (Appendix C.) There is no expenditure on agency staff for Capital projects.

2.2 The list shows the Supplier, the service area for which the work has been done, and the responsible officer with the reason for the use of agency staff.

2.3 Summary of expenditure is in the following table:

Agency	Revenue £
2018/19	568,199
2017/18	461,645