



# Management Accounts and Prudential Indicators for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> July 2012



**HUMBERSIDE**  
Fire & Rescue Service

*Safer Communities Safer Firefighters*

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### Key To Traffic Light System

The elements of the Traffic Light system being used in the report to highlight significant outturn variances / issues are as follows:-

1. **Status Column** - indicates, using a colour reference whether an issue is:-

**Red**            Potentially detrimental to the finances of the Authority

**Green**        In line with budget or potentially advantageous to the finances of the Authority.

2. **Direction Column** - this indicates the relative movement in the projected outturn position compared to the previous month as follows:-

**Red**            A detrimental change.

**Amber**        No change.

**Green**        An advantageous change.

#### Possible Combinations

		Status	
		Red	Green
D I R E C T I O N	Red	✓	✓
	Amber	✓	✓
	Green	✓	✓

The combinations shaded are those that give the most concern from a financial perspective i.e. Status = Red and Direction = Red, Amber or Green.

**HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**  
**COMMENTARY ON THE MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS**  
**For the period 1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012**

The following statements represent a summary of the financial activity of the Service for the period stated above.

Each statement is accompanied with notes, referenced to specific lines on that statement where significant variances have been forecasted or where further explanation of information shown is necessary.

### Revenue Statements

These statements show the actual and committed revenue expenditure, in summary subjective heading format (Table 1) and broken down by objective headings (Table 2), as at 31 July 2012 compared to the profiled 2012/13 budget for the same period. The report also shows the forecasted outturn for the full year based on current levels of income and expenditure and any known variations to the end of the financial year.

Table 1

**HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**  
**REVENUE MONITORING SUMMARY STATEMENT 2012/13**  
**1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012 (Period 04)**

	Original Budget £'000	Revised Budget £'000	31 July 2012		Full Year		Traffic Light		Note	
			Profile £'000	Actual & Committed £'000	Projection £'000	Variance £'000 %	Status	Direction		
<b>Employees</b>										
Wholetime	27,231	27,232	9,077	8,925	27,232	-	-	Green	Amber	
Retained	3,596	3,596	1,198	876	3,596	-	-	Green	Amber	
Support	6,504	6,401	2,142	1,884	6,131	(270)	(4.22)	Green	Green	1
Other Employee Expenses (Training, Occ Health, Insurance)	1,336	1,434	462	479	1,469	35	2.44	Red	Amber	2
<b>Total Pay &amp; Pensions</b>	<b>38,667</b>	<b>38,663</b>	<b>12,879</b>	<b>12,164</b>	<b>38,428</b>	<b>(235)</b>	<b>(0.61)</b>			
Premises	2,097	2,017	1,057	1,124	2,058	41	2.03	Red	Red	3
Transport	1,163	1,141	408	365	1,141	-	-	Green	Amber	
Supplies & Services	3,485	3,604	1,040	1,076	3,569	(35)	(0.97)	Green	Amber	4
Support Services	124	124	20	60	124	-	-	Green	Amber	
Total Expenditure	45,536	45,549	15,404	14,789	45,320	(229)	(0.50)			
Income	(539)	(539)	(90)	(450)	(539)	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Expenditure (Ex Capital Charges)</b>	<b>44,997</b>	<b>45,010</b>	<b>15,314</b>	<b>14,339</b>	<b>44,781</b>	<b>(229)</b>	<b>(0.51)</b>			
Interest Payable	1,331	1,405	176	64	1,405	-	-	Green	Amber	
Interest Receivable	(50)	(50)	(10)	(11)	(50)	-	-	Green	Amber	
Contingency	135	65	-	-	65	-	-	Green	Amber	
Accounting Adjustments	535	667	(496)	(676)	495	(172)	(25.79)	Green	Amber	5
Contributions to /(from) Reserves	1,213	1,064	-	-	1,064	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Budget Requirement</b>	<b>48,161</b>	<b>48,161</b>	<b>14,984</b>	<b>13,716</b>	<b>47,760</b>	<b>(401)</b>	<b>(0.83)</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Green</b>	
<b>Financed By</b>										
Revenue Support Grant	(497)	(497)	(261)	(261)	(497)	-	-			
National Non Domestic Rates	(25,054)	(25,054)	(8,894)	(9,094)	(25,054)	-	-			
Precepts	(22,610)	(22,610)	(7,598)	(7,603)	(22,610)	-	-			
	-	-	(1,769)	(3,242)	(401)	(401)	-			

Table 2

**HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**  
**REVENUE MONITORING STATEMENT 2012/13**  
 1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012 (Period 04)

	Original Budget £'000	Revised Budget £'000	31 July 2012		Full Year			Traffic Light		Note
			Profile £'000	Actual & Committed £'000	Projection £'000	Variance		Status	Direction	
						£'000	%			
<b>Community Fire Safety</b>										
<b>Expenditure</b>										
Employees										
Wholetime	1,450	1,450	483	486	1,450	-	-	Green	Amber	
Retained	76	76	25	3	76	-	-	Green	Amber	
Support	1,854	1,751	584	521	1,701	(50)	(2.86)	Green	Green	1
Indirect Employees	10	48	16	9	48	-	-	Green	Amber	
Premises	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	Green	Amber	
Transport	7	23	8	12	23	-	-	Green	Amber	
Supplies and Services	306	356	119	85	356	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>3,704</b>	<b>3,705</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>3,655</b>	<b>(50)</b>	<b>(1.35)</b>			
<b>Income</b>	<b>(63)</b>	<b>(63)</b>	<b>(21)</b>	<b>(134)</b>	<b>(63)</b>	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>3,641</b>	<b>3,642</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>3,592</b>	<b>(50)</b>	<b>(1.37)</b>			
<b>Fire Fighting &amp; Rescue Operations</b>										
<b>Expenditure</b>										
Employees										
Wholetime	22,041	22,042	7,347	7,246	22,042	-	-	Green	Amber	
Control	1,257	1,257	419	402	1,257	-	-	Green	Amber	
Retained	3,520	3,520	1,173	873	3,520	-	-	Green	Amber	
Support	206	206	69	43	186	(20)	(9.71)	Green	Green	1
Indirect Employees	19	39	13	9	39	-	-	Green	Amber	
Premises	1,204	1,204	695	724	1,245	41	3.41	Red	Red	3
Transport	17	17	6	2	17	-	-	Green	Amber	
Supplies and Services	1,280	1,389	303	286	1,389	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>29,544</b>	<b>29,674</b>	<b>10,025</b>	<b>9,585</b>	<b>29,695</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0.07</b>			
<b>Income</b>	<b>(322)</b>	<b>(322)</b>	<b>(27)</b>	<b>(262)</b>	<b>(322)</b>	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>29,222</b>	<b>29,352</b>	<b>9,998</b>	<b>9,323</b>	<b>29,373</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0.07</b>			
<b>Management &amp; Support Services</b>										
<b>Expenditure</b>										
Employees										
Wholetime	2,483	2,483	828	791	2,483	-	-	Green	Amber	
Support	4,444	4,444	1,489	1,320	4,244	(200)	(4.50)	Green	Green	1
Other Pension Costs	583	583	156	186	583	-	-	Green	Amber	
Indirect Employees	541	581	186	186	616	35	6.02	Red	Amber	2
Employee Related Insurances	183	183	91	89	183	-	-	Green	Amber	
Premises	892	812	362	400	812	-	-	Green	Amber	
Transport	1,135	1,097	392	349	1,097	-	-	Green	Amber	
Supplies and Services	1,675	1,635	544	646	1,600	(35)	(2.14)	Green	Amber	4
Support Services	119	119	20	60	119	-	-	Green	Amber	
Contingency	135	65	-	-	65	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>12,190</b>	<b>12,002</b>	<b>4,068</b>	<b>4,027</b>	<b>11,802</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(1.67)</b>			
<b>Income</b>	<b>(154)</b>	<b>(154)</b>	<b>(42)</b>	<b>(54)</b>	<b>(154)</b>	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>12,036</b>	<b>11,848</b>	<b>4,026</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>11,648</b>	<b>(200)</b>	<b>(1.69)</b>			
<b>Democratic Representation &amp; Management</b>										
<b>Expenditure</b>										
Transport	4	4	2	2	4	-	-	Green	Amber	
Supplies and Services	154	154	51	59	154	-	-	Green	Amber	
Support Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>158</b>	-	-			

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Table 2 Cont....

**HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**  
**REVENUE MONITORING STATEMENT 2012/13**  
 1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012 (Period 04)

	Original Budget £'000	Revised Budget £'000	31 July 2012		Full Year			Traffic Light		Note
			Profile	Actual & Committed	Projection	Variance		Status	Direction	
			£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	%		
<b>Corporate Management Expenditure</b>										
Supplies and Services	70	70	23	-	70	-	-	Green	Amber	
Support Services	5	5	-	-	5	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>			
<b>Net Expenditure (excluding Capital Charges)</b>	<b>45,132</b>	<b>45,075</b>	<b>15,314</b>	<b>14,339</b>	<b>44,846</b>	<b>(229)</b>	<b>(0.51)</b>			
Interest Payable	1,331	1,405	176	64	1,405	-	-	Green	Amber	
Interest Receivable	(50)	(50)	(10)	(11)	(50)	-	-	Green	Amber	
Accounting Adjustments	535	667	(496)	(676)	495	(172)	(25.79)	Green	Amber	5
Contributions to / (from) Reserves	1,213	1,064	-	-	1,064	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Net Budget Requirement</b>	<b>48,161</b>	<b>48,161</b>	<b>14,984</b>	<b>13,716</b>	<b>47,760</b>	<b>(401)</b>	<b>(0.83)</b>	Green	Green	
<b>Financed by :</b>										
Revenue Support Grant	(497)	(497)	(261)	(261)	(497)	-	-	Green	Amber	
NDR	(25,054)	(25,054)	(8,894)	(9,094)	(25,054)	-	-	Green	Amber	
Precepts	(22,610)	(22,610)	(7,598)	(7,603)	(22,610)	-	-	Green	Amber	
	-	-	<b>(1,769)</b>	<b>(3,242)</b>	<b>(401)</b>	<b>(401)</b>				

The following notes give a brief explanation of any variances shown in the Revenue Monitoring Statements, which are found on pages 3-5.

### Notes

1. The projected underspend is due to a number of vacant posts.
2. As a result of the underspend due to vacant posts, additional costs will be incurred by using agency staff.
3. Increased business rate charges in 2012/13 created this variance.
4. A projected underspend of £25k on subsistence and £10k on course & conferences is expected at this stage.
5. Lower MRP (Minimum Revenue Provision) due to less expenditure on capital during 2011/12.

## Capital Statement

This report shows the actual and committed capital expenditure as at 31 July 2012 compared with the adjusted profiled 2012/13 budget for the same period. This report also shows the forecasted outturn for the full year based on current levels of expenditure and any known variations to the end of the financial year. The revised budget has been updated to incorporate slippage from 2011/12 as approved by Members of the Fire Authority on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2012.

Table 3

**HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE  
CAPITAL MONITORING STATEMENT 2012/13  
1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012 (Period 04)**

SCHEME	Original Budget £'000	Revised Budget £'000	31 July 2012		Projection £'000	Full Year		Traffic Light		Note
			Profile £'000	Actual & Committed £'000		Variance £'000	%	Status	Direction	
<b>Building Works</b>										
Clough Road Rebuild	3,950	3,950	10	5	1,000	(2,950)	(74.68)	Green	Amber	1
Workshops Relocation	-	1,775	-	-	450	(1,325)	(74.65)	Green	Amber	2
Residential Self Rostering	500	500	-	-	500	-	-	Green	Amber	
Hornsea	-	47	47	47	47	-	-	Green	Amber	
Withernsea	-	34	15	13	34	-	-	Green	Amber	
Patrington	-	38	15	13	38	-	-	Green	Amber	
Preston	-	38	15	13	38	-	-	Green	Amber	
Scunthorpe	-	130	130	130	130	-	-	Green	Amber	
Immingham West	-	175	-	-	175	-	-	Green	Amber	
	4,450	6,687	232	221	2,412	(4,275)	(63.93)			
<b>Vehicles</b>										
Operational Vehicles	1,478	1,918	1,100	1,046	1,918	-	-	Green	Amber	
Support Vehicles	167	167	140	134	167	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Equipment</b>	184	180	20	19	180	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Information Technology</b>	320	706	70	68	706	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Breathing Apparatus</b>	700	1,000	100	79	1,000	-	-	Green	Amber	
<b>Management Information System</b>	-	220	220	183	220	-	-	Green	Amber	
	7,299	10,878	1,882	1,750	6,603	(4,275)	(39.30)			

## Notes

1. The Clough Road development will not be completed during 2012/13.
2. The workshops development is not expected to be completed during 2012/13.

**Pensions Account Statement**

The Authority has budgeted for a deficit of £6.508m on this account for 2012/13. The deficit for the year is now projected to be £7.012m.

The deficit on this account is financed through the Pensions Top-up Grant given by the CLG, of which 80% of the grant will be received in July of this year. The Authority has to stand any cash flow losses until the balance of the grant is paid in full in July 2013.

Table 4

**HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE  
PENSIONS ACCOUNT STATEMENT 2012/13  
1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012 (Period 04)**

	Original Budget £'000	Revised Budget £'000	31 July 2012		Projection £'000	Full Year		Note
			Profile £'000	Actual £'000		Variance		
						£'000	%	
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>								
Pension payments	10,468	11,963	3,489	5,018	11,963	-	-	
Commutations	1,590	1,439	530	360	1,439	-	-	
Transfer Values	100	100	33	-	100	-	-	
<b>Total Pensions Expenditure</b>	<b>12,159</b>	<b>13,501</b>	<b>4,052</b>	<b>5,377</b>	<b>13,501</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b><u>Income</u></b>								
Contributions								
Ill Health	(120)	(120)	-	-	(120)	-	-	
Employee's	(1,915)	(2,283)	(638)	(769)	(2,283)	-	-	
Employer's	(3,516)	(3,986)	(1,172)	(1,345)	(3,986)	-	-	
	(5,551)	(6,389)	(1,810)	(2,114)	(6,389)	-	-	
Transfer Values	(100)	(100)	-	(66)	(100)	-	-	
<b>Total Pensions Income</b>	<b>(5,651)</b>	<b>(6,489)</b>	<b>(1,810)</b>	<b>(2,180)</b>	<b>(6,489)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Net Pensions Deficit/(Surplus) To be financed by CLG grant</b>	<b>6,508</b>	<b>7,012</b>	<b>2,242</b>	<b>3,198</b>	<b>7,012</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	



## Treasury Management

### Borrowing & Lending Activity

This statement shows the borrowing and lending activities undertaken by the Corporate Finance section of Hull City Council, on behalf of the Service, for the period 1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012 under the terms of the SLA. It also shows any variation between the actual interest received from the temporary investment of surplus monies and the budgeted interest.

The total amount temporarily invested at 31 July 2012 is £29,000,000 which includes £7.2m invested on behalf of the East Coast and Hertfordshire Control Project.

The balance in the Authority's Liquidity Manager Account (LMA) bank account as at 31 July 2012 is £584,819.20. This account currently accrues interest at 0.10%.

Table 5

#### HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE BORROWING AND LENDING ACTIVITY STATEMENT For the Month of July 2012

Ref.	Company	Investment £	From	To	%	Returned		
						Interest £	Investment £	
301345	DMO	500,000.00	19/06/2012	10/07/2012	0.25	71.92	500,000.00	
301331	Wigan Council	1,000,000.00	23/04/2012	20/07/2012	0.35	843.84	1,000,000.00	
301349	DMO	500,000.00	04/07/2012	20/07/2012	0.25	54.79	500,000.00	
301333	Salford City Council	1,000,000.00	24/04/2012	31/07/2012	0.31	832.33	1,000,000.00	
301335	Midlothian Council	1,000,000.00	30/04/2012	31/07/2012	0.30	756.16	1,000,000.00	
301347	DMO	500,000.00	25/06/2012	31/07/2012	0.25	123.29	500,000.00	
301348	DMO	500,000.00	29/06/2012	31/07/2012	0.25	109.59	500,000.00	
301350	DMO	500,000.00	10/07/2012	31/07/2012	0.25	71.92	500,000.00	
301364	DMO	500,000.00	20/07/2012	31/07/2012	0.25	37.67	500,000.00	
301357	Tameside MBC	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	16/08/2012	0.26	220.82	-	
301341	Barclays Bank	1,000,000.00	21/05/2012	21/08/2012	0.94	2,369.32	-	
301340	Tayside Fire & Rescue	1,000,000.00	21/05/2012	31/08/2012	0.32	894.25	-	
301257	London Borough of Islington	1,000,000.00	15/09/2011	13/09/2012	0.80	7,978.08	-	
301358	Blaenau Gwent CBC	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	17/09/2012	0.25	431.51	-	
301344	Nationwide Bld Soc	1,000,000.00	19/06/2012	19/09/2012	0.60	1,512.33	-	
301343	Birmingham City Council	1,000,000.00	07/06/2012	28/09/2012	0.34	1,052.60	-	
301337	Nottingham City Council	1,000,000.00	01/05/2012	31/10/2012	0.40	2,005.48	-	
301277	Bank of Scotland	1,000,000.00	04/11/2011	02/11/2012	2.15	21,441.10	-	
301338	Eastleigh Borough Council	1,000,000.00	03/05/2012	30/11/2012	0.45	2,601.37	-	
301339	Cornwall Council	1,000,000.00	10/05/2012	30/11/2012	0.40	2,235.62	-	
301316	Leeds City Council	1,000,000.00	16/03/2012	17/12/2012	0.50	3,780.82	-	
301326	Fife Council	1,000,000.00	12/04/2012	14/01/2013	0.70	5,312.33	-	
301328	Swindon Borough Council	1,000,000.00	13/04/2012	31/01/2013	0.45	3,612.33	-	
301317	Newcastle City Council	1,000,000.00	16/03/2012	15/03/2013	0.50	4,986.30	-	
301318	Barnsley Metropolitan B.Council	1,000,000.00	16/03/2012	15/03/2013	0.50	4,986.30	-	
301319	Kingston upon Thames Council	1,000,000.00	16/03/2012	15/03/2013	0.50	4,986.30	-	
301346	Dumfries & Galloway	1,000,000.00	21/06/2012	28/03/2013	0.30	2,301.37	-	
301362	Stockport Borough Council	1,000,000.00	20/07/2012	22/04/2013	0.25	1,890.41	-	
301365	Salford City Council	1,000,000.00	31/07/2012	30/04/2013	0.26	1,944.66	-	
301360	West Berkshire Council	1,000,000.00	19/07/2012	05/07/2013	0.30	2,884.93	-	
301351	Aberdeen City Council	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	15/07/2013	0.35	3,490.41	-	
301352	London Borough of Havering	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	15/07/2013	0.35	3,490.41	-	
301353	Northumberland County Council	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	15/07/2013	0.30	2,991.78	-	
301354	Bassetlaw District Council	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	15/07/2013	0.30	2,991.78	-	
301355	Blackpool Borough Council	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	15/07/2013	0.30	2,991.78	-	
301356	Bury Metropolitan Borough Council	1,000,000.00	16/07/2012	15/07/2013	0.30	2,991.78	-	
301363	Wigan MBC	1,000,000.00	23/07/2012	22/07/2013	0.27	2,692.60	-	
301359	Midlothian Council	1,000,000.00	31/07/2012	30/07/2013	0.33	3,290.96	-	
						<b>107,261.24</b>		
<b>Total Investments at 31 July 2012</b>		<b>29,000,000.00</b>						

#### Summary of Interest Receipts

		Projection £	Actual £	Variance under/(over) £	%
Accumulated interest on Investments to :	31/07/2012	9,500	11,091	(1,591)	(16.75)

#### Temporary Loans

	Investment £	From	To	%	Interest £
Nil	-			-	-

**Movement in Revenue Reserves**

This statement shows the movements on the revenue reserves for the period 1 April 2012 to 31 July 2012.

This statement also gives a projected value of revenue reserves at 31 March 2013 based on the projections in Table 1.

**Table 6**

**HUMBERSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE  
MOVEMENT IN REVENUE RESERVES  
as at 31 July 2012**

	As at 1 April 2012 £'000	Transfers per HFA £'000	Projected Balance at 31 March 2013 £'000
General Reserve	5,515		7,129
Earmarked Reserves			
Insurance Reserve	400		400
Control Reserve	149	-	-
Clough Road Rebuild Reserve	1,100	-	1,100
Water Rescue Equipment Reserve	100	-	100
RDS Equal Pay Case Reserve	350	-	-
BA Replacement	700	-	700
Change Management Earmarked Reserve	2,500	-	2,500
Wide Area Network (WAN) Reserve	1,750	-	1,750
Property Reserve	1,500		1,500
	14,064	-	15,179

**Prudential Indicators**

The Prudential Indicators of the Authority for 2012/13 were approved at the 13 February 2012 Fire Authority Meeting.

The statements below monitor the actual performance to 31 July 2012 against the approved indicators.

**Indicator 1 - Estimated Capital Expenditure 2012/13**

This table reflects the forecasted capital expenditure as recorded in Table 3 of this report.

	<b>2011/12 Actual £m</b>	<b>2012/13 Estimate Original £m</b>	<b>2012/13 Estimate Revised £m</b>	<b>2013/14 Estimate £m</b>	<b>2014/15 Estimate £m</b>
Total Capital expenditure	3.351	7.299	6.609	2.181	2.422

**Indicator 2 – Estimated ratio of Capital Financing Costs to Net Revenue Stream**

This indicator reflects the estimated proportion of the net budget which is required to meet capital financing costs.

	<b>2011/12 Actual %</b>	<b>2012/13 Estimate Original %</b>	<b>2012/13 Estimate Revised %</b>	<b>2013/14 Estimate %</b>	<b>2014/15 Estimate %</b>
Ratio of Capital Financing Costs to Net Revenue Stream	5.67	6.61	6.72	7.77	8.23

**Indicator 3 – Estimated Capital Financing Requirement**

This indicator measures the Authority's need to borrow for capital financing purposes.

	<b>Actual 31/03/12 £m</b>	<b>31/03/13 Estimate Original £m</b>	<b>31/03/13 Estimate Revised £m</b>	<b>Estimate 31/03/14 £m</b>	<b>Estimate 31/03/15 £m</b>
Capital Financing Requirement	18.311	21.893	21.351	21.779	21.767

**Indicator 4 – Authorised Limit for External Debt**

The Authorised Limit for External Debt reflects the Authority's projected long and short term borrowing requirements at any time together with any other long term liabilities it may have. It is based on a prudent (but not worst case) scenario, and contains sufficient head room over and above this level to allow for operational management, for example, usual cash flow movements. The indicator was set at £27.700 million for 2012/13.

As at the 31 July 2012, there has been no short term borrowing nor has there been any long term borrowing undertaken in respect of capital expenditure. The Authorised Limit has not been approached at any point in the year to date and is not forecast to be approached during the remainder of the financial year.

**Indicator 5 – Operational Boundary for External Debt**

The Operational Boundary for External Debt is based on the same elements as the Authorised Limit (Indicator 4 above), but reflects directly the Director of Finance/S.151 Officer's estimate of the likely, prudent but not the worst case scenario without the additional headroom included in the Authorised Limit. This indicator therefore equates to the maximum external debt projected by this estimate and was set at £23.700 million for 2012/13.

As with the Authorised Limit, borrowing in the year to date has not exceeded the boundary and is not expected to exceed the boundary for the remainder of the financial year.

**Indicator 6 – Fixed and Variable Rate Interest Exposure**

This indicator seeks to ensure that the Authority limits its exposure to the risk of interest rate changes by restricting the proportion of variable rate borrowing within total borrowings. The approved limits for 2012/13 do not require amendment.

	<b>As at 31/07/12</b>	<b>2012/13</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>2014/15</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
Fixed Rate – Upper Limit	100	100	100	100
Fixed Rate – Lower Limit	75	75	75	75
Variable Rate – Upper Limit	25	25	25	25
Variable Rate – Lower Limit	-	-	-	-

**Indicator 7 – Upper and Lower Limits for the Maturity Structure of Borrowings**

This indicator also seeks to ensure the Authority controls its exposure to the risk of interest rate fluctuations by limiting the proportion of debt maturing in any single period. The maturity structure of external debt is within the current approved upper and lower limits.

	<b>Upper Limit %</b>	<b>% As at 31/07/12</b>	<b>Lower Limit %</b>
Under 12 Months	10	5.10	-
12 months and within 24 months	10	4.72	-
24 months and within 5 years	25	16.81	-
5 years and within 10 years	60	22.04	-
10 years and above	80	51.34	-

**Indicator 8 – Upper Limit for the Maturity Structure of Investments**

When the 2012/13 Prudential Indicators were established the Authority's cash flow strategy was that any investment of surplus funds would not exceed a period of more than 364 days duration. To date, effective cash flow management has duly reflected this strategy, and it is anticipated that any future investments in this financial year will also reflect this strategy.

**Key Indicator of Prudence**

Under the Prudential Code a key indicator of prudence is that "net external borrowing does not, except in the short term, exceed the total of the Capital Financing Requirement in the preceding year plus the estimates of additional Capital Financing Requirements for the current and the next two financial years". To date, this indicator has not been breached.

**Budget Virements Processed**

The following virements have been processed during July 2012 under delegations with the Fire Authority's Constitution.

	£
Management & Support Services	
Indirect Employees	40,090
Supplies and Services	(40,090)
<u>reorganisation of training budgets</u>	