

SOUTH ESSEX PARKING PARTNERSHIP JOINT COMMITTEE

8th August 2024

AGENDA ITEM 8

Subject	Financial outturn 2023/24
Report by	Revenue Management Team Leader, Chelmsford City Council

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Purpose

To report on the financial position of the South Essex Parking Partnership for the year ending 31st March 2024

Options

Recommendation(s)

That the report be noted.

Consultees	Service Accountant South Essex Parking Partnership Manager
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report sets out the summary of the financial position for the South Essex Parking Partnership for the period covering 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024.

2. Financial summary

- 2.1 Appendix 1 provides details of the actual costs incurred and income received, and is showing a surplus of £344,870 for SEPP and a deficit of £311,237 for the TRO account, for the financial year ending 31st March 2024 before taking into account items funded from reserves. This resulted in an overall surplus position for the Partnership including the TRO account of £33,634.

As a comparison to the last financial year, the Partnership and TRO account made a surplus of £129,714, a figure £96,080 greater than 23/24. The key variations from 23/24 compared to 22/23 were all to do with rising expenditure, with direct expenditure as a whole totalling £2,225,937 for 23/24 compared to £2,055,429 in 22/23. This highlights how rising inflation on expenditure is not staying in line with rising income, due to the prices for PCN's not being inflated each year.

This is shown through comparing PCN income from 23/24 against 22/23, with both years being very similar in terms of levels, with £1,616,229 raised in 23/24 compared to £1,612,372 in 22/23.

Other income performed well in 23/24, with residents parking permits generating £682,213 worth of income, compared to £610,473 in 22/23, which represents an increase of almost 12% year on year.

The expenditure on the items funded from the SEPP reserves were all within requested funding. The Memorandum, Items funded from Reserves details the amounts committed during the year that will be taken from reserves. The reserve use in 23/24 is made up of the following. Three amounts of £186,000 as part of their agreed allocations from the SEPP Reserves to Basildon, Brentwood and Maldon Councils. The remaining use of reserves were £33,820 on out of hours enforcement services from Brentwood Borough Council. All of these result in a total use of reserves in 23/24 of £591,820.

Once the £591,820 use of reserves is taken into account, the net position for the Partnership including the TRO account is a deficit of £558,186 as can be seen in Appendix 1.

This deficit position has been taken from the cumulative cashable position for on street operations. The Partnership now has a cumulative cashable position of £1,597,600. This amount does not include £401,809 of outstanding fines yet to be collected after allowing for a bad debt provision.

A report later in this agenda will highlight how this balance has been allocated for future spend.

Whilst most costs reflect actual spend, where this is not specifically identifiable against an individual authority, the figures have been allocated based on the previously agreed method of allocation within the Annual Business Plan, and show the position for each Partner over the 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024 period.

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Appendix 1 – SEPP & TRO Financial Summary – 2023/24 Outturn

Appendix 2 – SEPP Reserve Summary 2023/24

Background Papers

Nil

Appendix 1 South Essex Parking Partnership - Outturn 2023/24									
Actuals 23/24	Chelmsford	Brentwood	Maldon	Basildon	Rochford	Castle Point	Total	TROs	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Direct Expenditure									
- Employees	492,109	324,670	67,956	346,463	151,715	99,060	1,481,973	145,821	1,627,794
- Premises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Supplies and Services	57,442	44,471	47,107	47,999	21,148	12,649	230,816	142,255	373,071
- Third Party Payments	21,589	16,046	3,647	11,670	5,543	4,814	63,309	0	63,309
- Transport costs	23,529	29,447	14,799	56,049	22,966	14,799	161,588	176	161,764
Total Direct Expenditure	594,669	414,634	133,509	462,180	201,371	131,322	1,937,686	288,251	2,225,937
Indirect Expenditure									
Central Support	63,233	40,900	8,814	35,808	12,524	10,621	171,900	23,200	195,100
Total Indirect Expenditure	63,233	40,900	8,814	35,808	12,524	10,621	171,900	23,200	195,100
Total Expenditure	657,902	455,534	142,323	497,988	213,895	141,943	2,109,586	311,451	2,421,037
Income Received									
PCN's	541,777	518,801	60,970	223,464	134,755	136,463	1,616,229	0	1,616,229
Residents' Parking Permits	302,836	145,557	26,157	179,006	20,615	8,041	682,213	0	682,213
Pay & Display	109,750	45,184	0	0	0	0	154,934	0	154,934
Other	394	264	57	217	81	68	1,080	214	1,294
Total Income	954,756	709,806	87,184	402,687	155,451	144,572	2,454,456	214	2,454,671
Net (Surplus) / Deficit - Cash Basis Excluding items earmarked from Reserves below	(296,854)	(254,272)	55,139	95,301	58,444	(2,629)	(344,870)	311,237	(33,634)

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Memorandum: Items funded from Reserves

	Actuals
	£
Out of Hours Enforcement Services from Brentwood Borough Council	33,820
Basildon Allocation of Operational Fund	186,000
Brentwood Allocation of Operational Fund	186,000
Maldon Allocation of Operational Fund	186,000
	591,820

Net (Surplus) / Deficit - Cash Basis Excluding items earmarked from Reserves**(33,634)**

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Net After Use of Reserves**558,186**

Appendix 2

South Essex Parking Partnership - Cumulative Surplus / Deficit - Cash basis @31/03/2024

	Chelmsford	Brentwood	Maldon	Basildon	Rochford	Castle Point	TRO	Use of Reserve	SFC Compensation	ECC Initial Cashflow Assistance	Total
2011/12	(119,640)	(95,000)	20,710	32,810	29,190	27,920					(104,010)
2012/13	(122,760)	(119,360)	13,260	7,440	16,710	21,160					(183,550)
2013/14	(148,700)	(122,260)	(1,450)	(33,310)	8,880	23,190					(273,650)
2014/15	(153,520)	(176,710)	(9,280)	(4,110)	28,410	12,280					(302,930)
2015/16	(236,770)	(168,680)	(12,540)	(22,590)	(5,570)	(22,570)	(16,990)				(485,710)
2016/17	(288,670)	(187,300)	(16,390)	(83,140)	(20,460)	(44,750)	308,900				(331,810)
2017/18	(404,880)	(246,010)	9,600	(35,770)	4,870	(13,220)	295,430				(389,980)
2018/19	(448,800)	(293,510)	(12,010)	(71,000)	20,910	(10,780)	266,180	182,580			(366,430)
2019/20	(384,480)	(265,620)	(4,920)	(122,310)	8,050	(8,310)	404,830	129,380			(243,380)
2020/21	(81,860)	(51,950)	44,750	49,730	67,720	3,750	365,640	344,220	(450,640)		291,360
2021/22	(296,930)	(216,580)	18,350	100,260	41,050	(5,360)	408,110	352,000	(145,580)		255,320
2022/23	(299,740)	(299,040)	15,440	74,030	51,680	(7,490)	335,400	208,700	0	(100,000)	(21,020)
2023/24	(296,850)	(254,270)	55,140	95,300	58,440	(2,630)	311,240	591,820	0	0	558,190
(Surplus) / Deficit	(3,283,600)	(2,496,290)	120,660	(12,660)	309,880	(26,810)	2,678,740	1,808,700	(596,220)	(100,000)	(1,597,600)
										(401,809.43)	o/s Fines
										9.92	rounding adj
										<u>(1,999,399.51)</u>	SEPP Reserve Balance C/fwd