

SCOTTISH POLICE
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Presented By	James Gray, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Recommendation to Members	For Noting
Appendix Attached:	No

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to advise Members of the financial position of the Scottish Police Authority (SPA) for the five month period ending 31 August 2016 and forecast outturn position at 31 March 2017.

This paper is being submitted in accordance with the Scheme of Administration and is a Standing Agenda Item.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 This report summarises the financial position as at 31 August 2016 and forecasts the full year outturn position. It is important to note that the forecast position is based on the best information available at the current time and will change during the year.
- 1.2 The Finance and Investment Committee has received a more detailed set of reports providing detailed variance analysis and progress with planned savings.

2. FURTHER DETAIL ON REPORT TOPIC

- 2.1 In summary, the period year to date actual revenue spend against the budget position is as follows:

	(Over)/Underspend £'m
SPA Corporate	-
Forensics	(0.1)
Police Scotland	(12.5)
TOTAL	(12.6)

- 2.1 The forecast outturn position against the 2016-17 for revenue and capital is as follows:
- The capital budget is forecast to under-spend by £9.6m against budget;
 - The revenue budget is currently forecast to over-spend by £27.1m in 2016-17;
 - When revenue and capital are taken together this brings the total forecast overspend to £17.5m for 2016-17.
- 2.3 The main reasons for the forecast revenue overspend are a combination of over-spends against budget on both Police Officer and Police Staff costs. With strict workforce planning in place, these costs are now being managed down. In terms of non-pay costs, the over-spend largely arises as a result of not being able to realise the level of savings that had been targeted from these budgets. However, reviews to secure savings continue and the efficiencies identified are realising reductions in non-pay expenditure. However,

at this stage, these are not sufficient to meet the budget requirement, contributing towards the overall forecast over-spend.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 At present the organisation is facing an over-spend against budget for the year. Further work is now required to manage this forecast downwards over the coming months to bring expenditure back in to line with the budget.

4. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no personnel implications associated with this report. Any personnel implications arising from the financial position will be discussed and negotiated with staff associations as appropriate.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no direct legal implications associated with this report.

6. REPUTATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There no reputational implications associated with this report.

7. SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no social implications directly associated with this report.

8. COMMUNITY IMPACT

- 8.1 There are no community impact implications directly associated with this report.

9. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no equalities implications directly associated with this report.

10 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are requested to:

1. Note the financial position for the five month period ending 31 August 2016 and the forecast year end position.