

Ashdown Forest Finances to 31 March 2023
Combined Income and Expenditure Forecast and Budget Summary

INCOME SUMMARY	2022/23 Original Budget	2022/23 Final Budget	2022/23 Outturn
CORE INCOME	£	£	£
Licences & Forest Rate	196,465	196,465	163,999
Recharges from Countryside Stewardship programme	202,683	123,815	171,546
Unrestricted funding (WDC, AFT, T/PCs)	78,100	292,056	245,111
Income generation and Donations	4,100	20,980	22,254
Forest Products incl. Meat and Deer Carcasses	23,980	16,600	31,615
Visitors	15,200	15,700	19,088
Financial	200	200	2,036
Unrestricted Core Income	520,728	665,816	655,649
Other Restricted Core Funding/Grants (designated for a specific purpose)	45,250	10,250	193,011
TOTAL CORE INCOME	565,978	676,066	848,660
COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP INCOME			
Grant funding for CS work programme	496,162	496,162	617,999
Income from changes to land pocket valuations	97,757	-	-
Total CS Income	593,919	-	-
TOTAL CORE AND COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP INCOME	1,159,897	1,172,228	1,466,659
EXPENDITURE SUMMARY	2022/23 Original Budget	2022/23 Current Budget	2022/23 Outturn
CORE EXPENDITURE	£	£	£
Core Forest Staff Costs	389,702	389,702	385,649
Operational expenses	137,691	241,638	238,675
Administration Overheads	98,305	98,305	107,905
Financial	18,160	18,160	10,841
Visitors	6,300	6,300	4,255
Expenditure from Ringfenced Funding (primarily education prog)	5,000	5,000	87,414
Governance/Charity set up	-	-	733
Core capital expenditure	33,800	33,800	96,049
TOTAL CORE EXPENDITURE	688,958	792,905	931,521

COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP EXPENDITURE			
Countryside Stewardship Work Programme Project Expenditure	252,215	252,215	329,350
Staff Costs	231,947	231,947	281,059
TOTAL COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP EXPENDITURE	484,162	484,162	610,409
TOTAL CORE AND COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP EXPENDITURE	1,173,120	1,277,067	1,541,930
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	(13,223)	(104,839)	(75,271)

Note: Allocation of surplus	£	£	£
Surplus / (Deficit) attributable to Core Budget	(122,980)	(116,839)	(82,861)
Surplus / (Deficit) attributable to Countryside Stewardship	109,757	12,000	7,590
	(13,223)	(104,839)	(75,271)

Movement in Reserve Balances	Core £	HLS* £	CS £
Reserves at 01/04/2022	346,411	223,304	418,991
Movement in year	(82,861)	-	7,590
Reserve balance at 31/03/2023	263,580	223,304	426,581

* The Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) programme ceased in 2016 the balance of funds will be spent in the spirit of the original agreement under the guidance of Natural England