

Cumbria Police Authority

Summary Statement of Accounts 2009-10

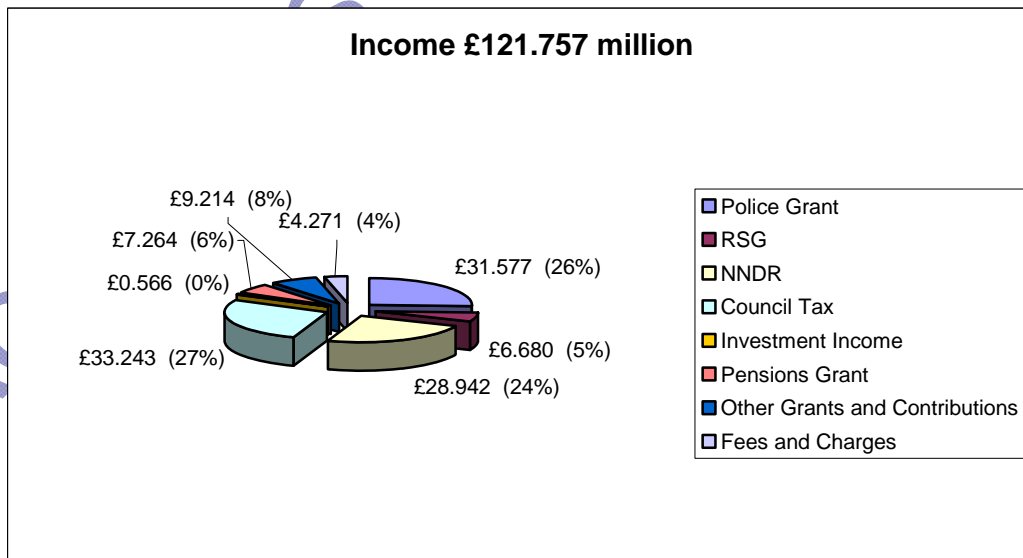
The Authority's principal statutory accounts are prepared in accordance with a Code of Accounting Practice issued by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA). It contains a number of complex and lengthy disclosures covering a variety of technical areas of the accounts so as to meet demanding professional standards. A substantial element of the principal accounts are not straightforward to understand for the lay reader, and, accordingly, a short summary has been prepared, based on good practice guidance notes from CIPFA, which sets out to highlight the main areas and statements in the accounts. The principal accounts and this summary are located on the Authority's website at www.cumbriapoliceauthority.org.uk. The document can also be obtained from: -

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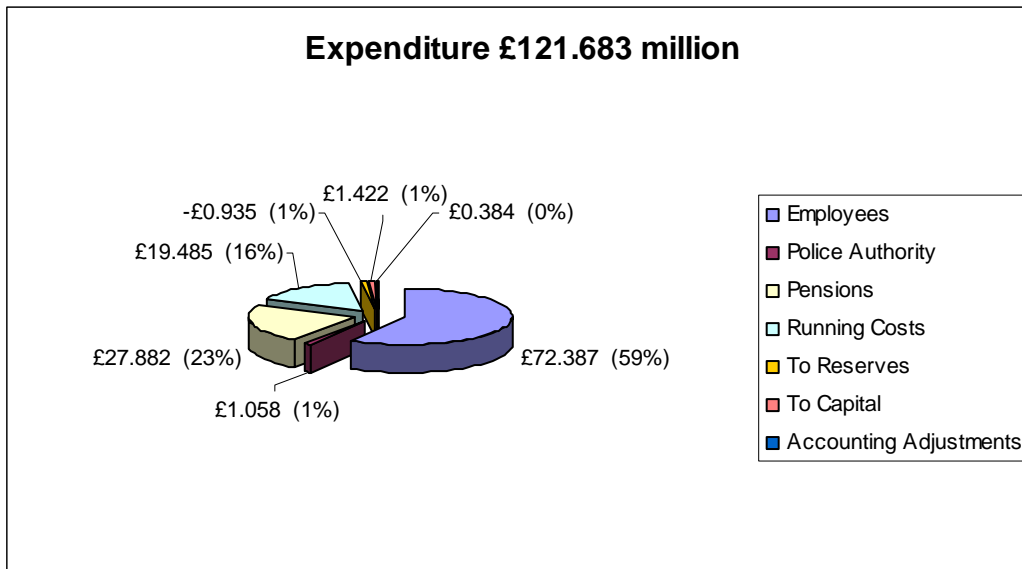
Cumbria Police Authority set a budget for 2009-10 of £100.300m, which included a planned contribution of £0.074m to general fund balances. The majority of the Authority's income came from central government funds, with only about 27% from local Council Tax payers. The Council Tax for a standard band D property was £188.25 and for a band B property, the most prevalent single band in Cumbria, amounted to £146.42. Actual final spending including transfers to and from reserves amounted to £100.368, which, taking account of the planned contribution to general fund balances, was in line with the budget.

Where the money came from



The table above demonstrates the various sources of income. It shows that, of total income, 61% came from Government, based on a complex formula, which sets out to allocate funds on the basis of relative need. 27% of total income came from Council Taxes, which the Authority is responsible for setting every year. The balance (12%) came from investment and other income.

What the money was spent on



The table above shows the distribution of expenditure during the year. The main elements can be summarised as follows: -

Employees – The area of the budget, amounting to 59% of total spending, supported an average of 1,306 police officers, 842 police staff and 114 Police Community Support Officers who provided the full range of policing services and organisation support.

Pensions – This area of the budget, representing 23% of total spending supported police pensions’ costs, incorporating formal accounting adjustments to set out the annual effect of future police pensions’ liabilities.

Running costs – This area of the budget, which amounted to 16% of total spending, supported the cost of premises, which comprised 54 operational buildings, the costs of transport, including running a fleet of 398 operational vehicles and a range of operational consumables, including the costs of IT and communications, operational equipment and uniforms.

Reserves – This represents the net movement for the year between the Income and Expenditure account and earmarked reserves.

Police Authority costs – This represents the Police Authority’s own costs, which include the cost of its statutory officers, members’ expenses and the cost of internal and external audit.

Capital – This area of the budget supported the capital investment programme.

Income and Expenditure Account 2009-10

The table below sets out the revised budgeted and actual costs of policing in Cumbria for the 2009-10 financial year with the 2008-09 figures shown for comparison, together with an analysis of the sources of finance.

	2009-10 Revised Budget £'000	2009-10 Net Expenditure £'000	Re-stated 2008-09 Net Expenditure £'000
Pay and Allowances	79,137	77,388	75,844
Police Pensions	10,850	10,850	13,490
Other Employee Costs	1,596	2,274	2,059
Premises Costs	4,231	4,300	3,957
Transport Costs	2,493	2,740	2,566
Supplies & Services	11,761	11,073	11,884
Other	1,642	1,372	1,241
Statutory Pensions and Other Charges (i)	45,674	45,898	47,520
Police Authority Costs	867	1,058	849
Gross Operating Expenditure	158,251	156,953	159,410
Income	(14,201)	(14,051)	(14,219)
Other Adjustments	973	973	86
Net Operating Expenditure	145,023	143,875	145,277
Statutory Pensions and Other Adjustments (i)	(43,994)	(43,994)	(50,802)
Reserve Movements and Revenue Contributions to Capital	(661)	487	2,394
Net Expenditure to be financed by Government Grant and Council Tax	100,368	100,368	96,869
Government Grants	(38,257)	(38,257)	(35,018)
National Non Domestic Rates	(28,942)	(28,942)	(30,542)
Council Tax Income	(33,243)	(33,243)	(31,595)
(Surplus)/Deficit for Year	(74)	(74)	(286)
General Fund Balance Brought Forward	(4,968)	0	(4,682)
Drawdown from General Fund	0	201	0
Contributions to General Fund in Year	(74)	(74)	(286)
General Fund Balance Carried Forward	(5,042)	127	(4,968)

(i) The year end figures include a number of statutory accounting entries, related to pensions and capital accounting, which are not routinely reported on during the financial year.

Readers can see a more detailed analysis and explanation for the out-turn and variances by reading the report presented to Governance Committee at its meeting on 30 June 2010 and accessible on the Authority's website www.cumbriapoliceauthority.org.uk.

Balance sheet as at 31 March 2010

The table below shows the overall financial position at the end of the financial year, with previous figures for comparison. It shows, in particular, the value of assets owned and any sums owed to and by the Authority.

	31 March 2010 £'000	Re-stated 31 March 2009 £'000
Buildings, Land and Major Equipment	73,189	74,083
Stock	314	272
Debtors	6,977	9,416
Long Term Investments	2,000	4,000
Short term Investments	10,000	11,000
Cash in Bank	5,558	1,733
Current Liabilities	(15,111)	(16,011)
External Loans	(201)	(340)
Finance Lease	(32)	0
PFI Finance Lease Liability	(5,562)	(5,608)
Provisions	(363)	(457)
Deferred Grants	(9,041)	(8,008)
Pensions Liability	(896,145)	(592,368)
	(828,417)	(522,288)
Represented by:		
Distributable Reserves	19,173	20,034
Non Distributable Reserves (i)	48,555	50,046
Pensions Reserve	(896,145)	(592,368)
	(828,417)	(522,288)

- (i) Non Distributable Reserves include the Capital Adjustment Account and the Revaluation Reserve. These are maintained so that the current value of assets can be shown in the balance sheet, demonstrate how capital expenditure has been financed and record some technical accounting adjustments. These reserves are not available for the Authority to spend.

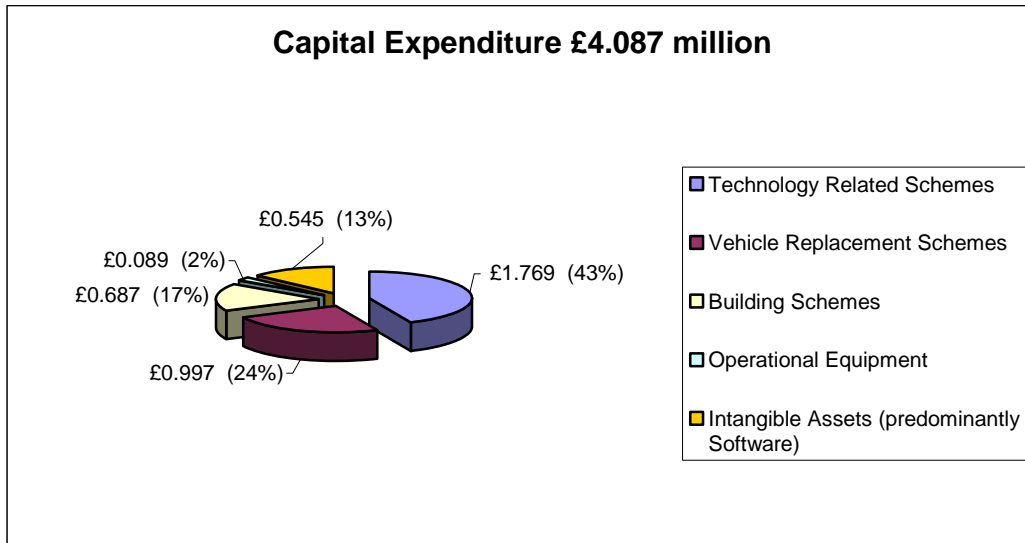
Cash Flow Statement

	£000
Cash in bank, in hand or in transit 31 March 2009	1,733
Add: Cash Inflows	127,400
Less: Cash Outflows	(123,575)
Cash in bank, in hand or in transit 31 March 2010	5,558

Any surplus cash is invested in secure banking institutions and generates additional income to support policing in Cumbria.

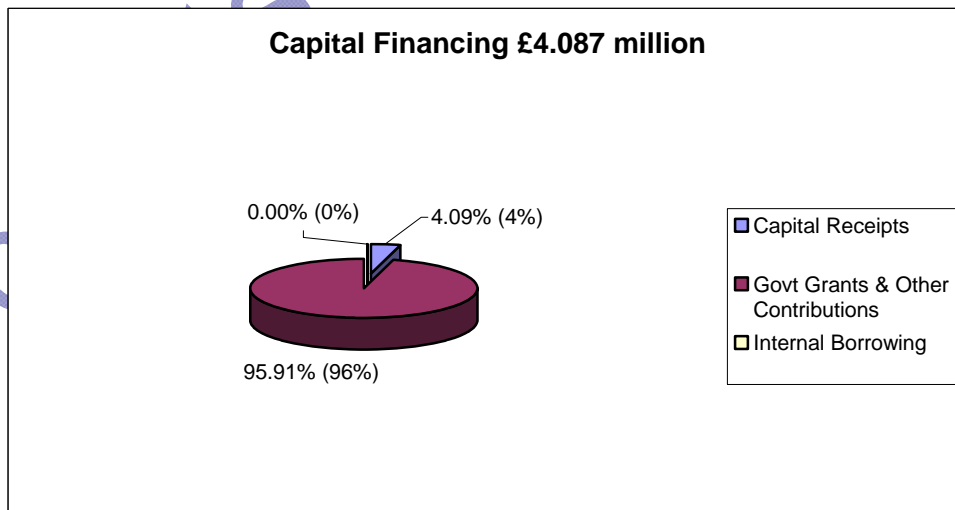
Capital Expenditure

Capital expenditure generally represents money spent acquiring, upgrading and improving assets and major operational equipment. The Authority and Constabulary receives the benefit from capital expenditure over a longer period of time. The chart below sets out the capital investment made during 2009-10. It amounted in total to £4.087m. The largest single element of capital expenditure in 2009-10 amounting to £1.120m related to the replacement of computer hardware and infrastructure.



Capital Financing

The Authority's capital programme in 2009-10 was financed through a combination of capital receipts from the sale of assets, grants and contributions, sums set aside from revenue and borrowing. Government grant funding is unusually high as it represents the drawdown of grants previous accumulated over a number of years which were required to be applied in 2009-10 to finance major projects.



Constabulary performance in 2009-10

The following table represents an extract of the performance during 2009-10, using the resources provided for policing. The table shows good performance in relation to 2009-10, with total offences reduced by 9% and actual reduction in the majority of major crime categories. In addition to a reduction in the total number of notifiable offences, there was a reduction in the number of anti social Behaviour Incidents and an improvement in the detection rate.

Performance Measure	2008/09	2009/10	Change	%Change	Performance Against Previous Year
Burglary Dwelling	797	771	-26	-3%	✓
Burglary other than Dwelling	1755	1701	-54	-3%	✓
Drug Offences	1679	1687	8	0%	✗
Criminal Damage	8998	7421	-1577	-18%	✓
Fraud & Forgery	623	639	16	3%	✗
Violence Against The Person	7114	6600	-514	-7%	✓
Robbery	50	44	-6	-12%	✓
Sexual Offences	316	391	75	24%	✗
Theft	6823	6403	-420	-6%	✓
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	1421	1241	-180	-13%	✓
Theft of a Motor Vehicle	671	552	-119	-18%	✓
Violent Crime	7480	7035	-445	-6%	✓
Total Notifiable Offences	31068	28235	-2833	-9%	✓
Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents	40579	37156	-3423	-8%	✓
Sanction Detection Rate	39.3%	39.6%		0.4%	✓