

Title of Report:	Actual Penny Product Forecast analysis
Committee Report Submitted To:	Finance Committee
Date of Meeting:	23 January 2025
For Decision or	For information
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To be discussed In	No
Committee YES/NO	

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)							
Strategic Theme	Cohesive Leadership						
Outcome	Council has agreed policies and procedures and decision						
	making is consistent with them.						
Lead Officer	Chief Finance Officer						

Estimated Timescale for Completion	
Date to be Completed	

Budgetary Considerations						
Cost of Proposal						
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES/ NO					
Capital/Revenue	Revenue					
Code						
Staffing Costs						

Legal Considerations				
Input of Legal Services Required	YES/NO			
Legal Opinion Obtained	YES/NO			

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.					
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/ No	Date:			
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes /No	Date:			
Rural Needs Assessment	Screening Completed Yes/No Date:		Date:			
(RNA)	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/ No	Date:			
Data Protection Impact	Screening Completed:	Yes /No	Date:			
Assessment (DPIA)	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/ No	Date:			

1.0 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to inform members of the latest Actual Penny Product (APP) forecast supplied by Land and Property Services (LPS).

2.0 Background

LPS has issued to Councils the latest informal quarterly forecast as at 30 October 2024. The forecast for Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council has been based on in year assumptions for both formal and interim forecasts as detailed below:

2.1 Monthly Analysis

Month	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Forecast	£558	£625	£647	£718	£780	£710

All figures £'000

2.2 Additional analysis

The figures indicate a significant projected finalisation in terms of rates income for Council however there still remains a level of uncertainty on these figures as there are many factors that could lead to changes to them as the year continues. It is however an excellent position to be in at this point in the year and does give optimism that there is some growth in the rates base and gives Council somewhat of a buffer should negative market forces arise.

3.0 APP analysis

The tables below set out the analysis of the APP forecast for the current financial year in terms of both domestic and non-domestic properties.

APP Analysis 2024/25							
Causeway Coast & Glens							
	In Year	In Year					
	24/25	24/25	24/25	24/25	24/25	24/25	23/24
Domestic	November	October	September	August	July	June	January
Gross Rate Income	81,924,998	81,896,897	81,886,347	81,846,671	81,810,526	81,799,940	77,109,36
Losses							
Allowances	(1,094,607)	(1,090,696)	(1,029,667)	(1,029,667)	(1,029,667)	(1,029,667)	(1,023,823
Vacancies	(3,990)	(3,990)	(3,990)	(3,990)	(3,990)	(3,990)	
REH's Discharge	(230,059)	(217,560)	(191,955)	(171,595)	(147,912)	(260,957)	(241,363
Irrecoverables	(288,108)	(288,108)	(288,108)	(288,108)	(288,108)	(288,108)	(222,861
CAP	(309,596)	(308,789)	(309,362)	(310,905)	(310,905)	(310,905)	(270,912
Cost of Collection	(980,219)	(980,210)	(980,689)	(979,294)	(978,892)	(978,304)	(856,625
Total Losses	(2,906,578)	(2,889,354)	(2,803,772)	(2,783,560)	(2,759,475)	(2,871,932)	(2,615,579
Income less Losses	79,018,420						74,493,788
% Collectable	96.45%	96.47%	96.58%	96.60%	96.63%	96.49%	96.61%
District Rate	0.4762	0.4762	0.4762	0.4762	0.4762	0.4762	0.445
Regional Rate	0.5042						
Total Rate	0.9804	0.9804	0.9804	0.9804	0.9804	0.9804	0.930
District Due Domestic	38,380,836	38,375,553	38,411,997	38,402,543	38,396,686	38,336,921	35,681,764
District Due Non Domestic	22,463,432	22,539,116	22,440,138	22,378,882	22,362,119	22,355,540	20,638,52
Total District Due	60,844,268	60,914,668	60,852,136	60,781,425	60,758,805	60,692,461	56,320,28
To be paid	(60,134,188)	(60,134,188)	(60,134,188)	(60,134,188)	(60,134,188)	(60,134,188)	(56,064,758
Finalisation	710,080	780,480	717,948	647,237	624,617	558,273	255,529

	In Year						
	24/25	24/25	24/25	24/25	24/25	24/25	23/24
Non Domestic	November	October	September	August	July	June	January
Gross Rate Income	47,447,291	47,608,434	47,528,917	47,419,116	47,389,166	47,319,137	44,554,361
Losses							
Allowances	(6,284)	(6,302)	(6,917)	(6,917)	(6,917)	(6,917)	(6,941)
Vacancies	(252,200)	(250,220)	(249,716)	(252,210)	(253,593)	(259,010)	(242,467)
Irrecoverables	(250,444)	(250,444)	(250,444)	(250,444)	(250,444)	(250,444)	(442,553)
3mth Vacant Rating	(134,192)	(134,192)	(134,192)	(134,192)	(134,192)	(134,192)	(94,124)
NDVR 50%	(888,301)	(906,820)	(1,032,114)	(1,032,114)	(1,032,114)	(1,029,282)	(1,020,621)
NDVR Exclusion	(735,531)	(719,782)	(710,723)	(731,145)	(722,734)	(673,180)	(701,067)
Cost of Collection	(640,085)	(650,355)	(650,744)	(639,486)	(649,801)	(639,785)	(569,747)
	(2,907,038)	(2,918,116)	(3,034,850)	(3,046,508)	(3,049,795)	(2,992,810)	(3,077,521)
	44,540,254	44,690,318	44,494,067	44,372,608	44,339,371	44,326,327	41,476,840
	93.87%	93.87%	93.61%	93.58%	93.56%	93.68%	93.09%
	29.53	29.53	29.53	29.53	29.53	29.53	27.63
	29.02	29.02	29.02	29.02	29.02	29.02	27.90
	58.5482	58.5482	58.5482	58.5482	58.5482	58.5482	55.5325
	22,463,432	22,539,116	22,440,138	22,378,882	22,362,119	22,355,540	20,638,523

4.0 Revaluations

There are still a number of outstanding revaluation challenge cases and whilst they could impact on our APP for 2024/25 most of the significant challenges have by now been dealt with.

5.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that Council note the report.