

**Causeway Coast & Glens** Borough Council

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| Title of Report:                       | Actual Penny Product Forecast analysis |
| Committee Report<br>Submitted To:      | Finance Committee                      |
| Date of Meeting:                       | 15 May 2025                            |
| For Decision or<br>For Information     | For information                        |
| To be discussed In<br>Committee YES/NO | Νο                                     |

| 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/ <del>NO</del> |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital/Revenue                    | Revenue            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Code                               |                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Staffing Costs                     |                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Legal Considerations             |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Input of Legal Services Required | <del>YES/</del> NO |
| Legal Opinion Obtained           | <del>YES</del> /NO |

| Screening<br>Requirements | Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. |                    |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|--------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Section 75<br>Screening   | Screening Completed:   | <del>Yes/</del> No | Date: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                           | EQIA Required and<br>Completed:  | <del>Yes</del> /No | Date: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rural Needs<br>Assessment | Screening Completed  | <del>Yes/</del> No | Date: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (RNA)                     | RNA Required and Completed:  | <del>Yes/</del> No | Date: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Data Protection<br>Impact | Screening Completed:   | <del>Yes</del> /No | Date: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Assessment<br>(DPIA)      | DPIA Required and<br>Completed:  | <del>Yes/</del> 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 unaudited year end forecast as at 31 March 2025. The forecast for Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council has been based on in year assumptions for both formal and interim forecasts with the exception of the figures for March 2025 which are based on actuals as detailed below:

## 2.1 Monthly Analysis

| Month    | Jun  | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  |
|----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Forecast | £558 | £625 | £647 | £718 | £780 | £710 | £744 | £823 | £781 | £608 |

All figures £'000

# 2.2 Additional analysis

The figures indicate a significant projected finalisation in terms of rates income for Council however whilst there still remains a small level of uncertainty on these figures as they are still to be audited. It is however an excellent position to be in at this point and does give optimism that there is some growth in the rates base.

#### 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      |              |             |                |              |              |             |               |                    |               |                    |                |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Causewav Coast & Glens    |              |             |                |              |              |             |               |                    |               |                    |                |
|                           | In Year      | In Year     | In Year        | In Year I    | n Year       | In Year     | In Year       | In year            | In Year       | In Year            | In Year        |
|                           | 24/25        | 24/25       | 24/25          | 24/25        | 24/25        | 24/25       | 24/25         | 24/25              | 24/25         | 24/25              | 23/24          |
| Domestic                  |              | February    | January        | December I   | November     | October     | September     | August             | July          | June               | March          |
| Gross Rate Income         | 82,013,644   | 82,012,335  | 5 82,016,435   | 81,945,338   | 81,924,998   | 81,896,89   | 7 81,886,34   | 7 81,846,67        | 1 81,810,52   | 6 81,799,94        | 0 77,130,849   |
| Losses                    |              |             |                |              |              |             |               |                    |               |                    |                |
| Allowances                | (1,095,809)  | (1,095,797) | ) (1,095,546)  | (1,095,031)  | (1,094,607)  | (1,090,696  | ) (984,232    | (181,901           | ) (140,856    | i) (119,438        | ) (1,025,318)  |
| Vacancies                 | (3,878)      | (3,878)     | (3,878)        | (3,878)      | (3,990)      | (3,990      | ) (3,990      | ) (3,990           | ) (3,990      | ) (3,990           | ) 5            |
| REH's Discharge           | (267,419)    | (263,216    | ) (247,430)    | (235,238)    | (230,059)    | (217,560    | ) (191,955    | <li>(171,595)</li> | ) (147,912    | (145,959           | ) (260,957)    |
| Irrecoverables            | (395,690)    | (235,291)   | ) (212,730)    | (197,795)    | (161,915)    | (122,219    | ) (48,873     | (51,747            | ) (38,067     | (35,738            | ) (417,391)    |
| CAP                       | (307,400)    | (307,400)   | (307,400)      | (307,204)    | (309,596)    | (308,789    | ) (309,362    | (310,905           | ) (310,905    | <li>(310,905)</li> | ) (270,912)    |
| Cost of Collection        | (980,603)    | (980,396)   | ) (980,134)    | (980,222)    | (980,219)    | (980,210    | ) (979,294    | (979,294           | ) (978,304    | ) (978,304         | ) (957,861)    |
| Total Losses              | (3,050,799)  | (2,885,979) | (2,847,120)    | (2,819,367)  | (2,780,385)  | (2,723,465  | ) (2,517,707  | ) (1,699,433       | ) (1,620,034  | ) (1,594,334       | ) (2,932,433)  |
| Income less Losses        | 78,962,845   | 79,126,356  | 79,169,315     | 79,125,971   | 79,144,613   | 79,173,43   | 2 79,368,64   | 0 80,147,23        | 80,190,49     | 2 80,205,60        | 5 74,198,416   |
| % Collectable             | 96.28%       | 96.48%      | 96.53%         | 96.56%       | 96.61%       | 96.67%      | 96.939        | 97.92%             | 98.02%        | 98.05%             | 96.20%         |
| District Rate             | 0.4762       | 0.4762      | 0.4762         | 0.4762       | 0.4762       | 0.476       | 2 0.476       | 2 0.476            | 2 0.476       | 2 0.476            | 2 0.4457       |
| Regional Rate             | 0.5042       | 0.5042      | 0.5042         | 0.5042       | 0.5042       | 0.504       | 2 0.504       | 2 0.504            | 2 0.504       | 2 0.504            | 2 0.4848       |
| Total Rate                | 0.9804       | 0.9804      | 0.9804         | 0.9804       | 0.9804       | 0.980       | 4 0.980       | 4 0.9804           | 4 0.980       | 4 0.9804           | 4 0.9305       |
| District Due Domestic     | 38,353,842   | 38,433,263  | 3 38,454,129   | 38,433,076   | 38,442,130   | 38,456,12   | 8 38,550,94   | 5 38,929,12        | 5 38,950,13   | 5 38,957,47        | 5 35,540,284   |
| District Due Non Domestic | 22,388,518   | 22,490,507  | 7 22,518,594   | 22,490,550   | 22,492,335   | 22,591,69   | 5 22,625,91   | 7 22,585,60        | 2 22,604,78   | 3 22,615,270       | 20,496,992     |
| Total District Due        | 60,742,360   | 60,923,770  | 60,972,723     | 60,923,626   | 60,934,466   | 61,047,82   | 3 61,176,86   | 2 61,514,72        | B 61,554,91   | 8 61,572,74        | 6 56,037,275   |
| To be paid                | (60,134,188) | (60,134,188 | ) (60,134,188) | (60,134,188) | (60,134,188) | (60,134,188 | ) (60,134,188 | (60,134,188        | ) (60,134,188 | (60,134,188        | ) (56,064,758) |
|                           |              |             |                |              |              |             |               |                    |               |                    |                |
| Finalisation              | 608,172      | 2 789,582   | 2 838,535      | 5 789,438    | 800,278      | 913,63      | 5 1,042,67    | 4 1,380,54         | 0 1,420,73    | 0 1,438,55         | 3 (27,483)     |

|                    | In Year<br>24/25 | In Year     |
|--------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                    |                  | 24/25       | 24/25       | 24/25       | 24/25       | 24/25       | 24/25       | 24/25       | 24/25       | 24/25       | 23/24       |
| Non Domestic       | March            | February    | January     | December    | November    | October     | September   | August Ju   | ly          | June        | March       |
| Gross Rate Income  | 47,423,607       | 47,453,588  | 47,507,963  | 47,513,084  | 47,447,291  | 47,608,434  | 47,528,917  | 47,419,116  | 47,389,166  | 47,319,137  | 44,308,443  |
| Losses             |                  |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Allowances         | (6,267)          | (6,284)     | (6,284)     | (6,284)     | (6,284)     | (6,302)     | (6,224)     | (2,090)     | (2,038      | (1,938)     | (6,917)     |
| Vacancies          | (251,076)        | (255,661)   | (252,381)   | (252,260)   | (252,200)   | (250,220)   | (249,716)   | (252,210)   | (253,593)   | (259,010)   | (241,122)   |
| Irrecoverables     | (485,230)        | (284,428)   | (292,272)   | (264,425)   | (221,629)   | (176,261)   | (104,336)   | (75,870)    | (75,120     | (45,937)    | (383,281)   |
| 3mth Vacant Rating | (162,494)        | (158,983)   | (141,196)   | (117,435)   | (105,698)   | (104,122)   | (79,169)    | (71,946)    | (44,993)    | (26,935)    | (121,336)   |
| NDVR 50%           | (754,747)        | (777,886)   | (758,907)   | (881,674)   | (888,301)   | (906,820)   | (876,836)   | (863,879)   | (830,381    | (831,037)   | (972,603)   |
| NDVR Exclusion     | (722,719)        | (726,906)   | (757,607)   | (757,074)   | (735,531)   | (719,782)   | (710,723)   | (731,145)   | (722,734    | (673,180)   | (764,666)   |
| Cost of Collection | (649,360)        | (649,501)   | (649,687)   | (639,909)   | (640,085)   | (650,355)   | (639,486    | (639,486)   | (639,785    | (639,785)   | (626,111)   |
|                    | (3,031,892)      | (2,859,650) | (2,858,335) | (2,919,060) | (2,849,728) | (2,813,862) | (2,666,490) | (2,636,625) | (2,568,644) | (2,477,821) | (3,116,036) |
|                    | 44,391,715       | 44,593,937  | 44,649,628  | 44,594,024  | 44,597,563  | 44,794,572  | 44,862,428  | 44,782,491  | 44,820,522  | 44,841,316  | 41,192,407  |
|                    | 93.61%           | 93.97%      | 93.98%      | 93.86%      | 93.99%      | 94.09%      | 94.39%      | 94.44%      | 94.58%      | 94.76%      | 92.97%      |
|                    | 30               | 30          | 30          | 30          | 29.53       | 29.53       | 29.53       | 29.53       | 29.53       | 29.53       | 27.63       |
|                    | 29               |             |             | 29          |             |             |             |             | 29.02       |             |             |
|                    | 58.5482          |             |             |             |             |             |             |             | 58.5482     |             |             |
|                    |                  |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|                    | 22,388,518       | 22,490,507  | 22,518,594  | 22,490,550  | 22,492,335  | 22,591,695  | 22,625,917  | 22,585,602  | 22,604,783  | 22,615,270  | 20,496,992  |

# 4.0 Revaluations

There are still a number of outstanding revaluation challenge cases and whilst they could impact on our future rates income most of the significant challenges have by now been dealt with.

#### 5.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that Council note the report.