

Non-key Decision Committee Report



PURPOSE: Non-key decision update report

COMMITTEE: Adult Social Care Committee

DATE: 21 October 2024

TITLE: Period 5 Finance Outturn Report 2024/25

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Committee Chair: Councillor Lorraine Francis

Executive Director lead: Hugh Evans: Executive Director for Adult and Communities

Purpose of Report:

1. The council's Revenue and Capital budget for 2024/25 was agreed by Full Council on 28 February 2024. This report presents information and analysis to the Adult Social Care Committee on the council's financial performance against that approved budget and its forecast use of resources for the financial year 2024/25 (August / Period 5 extrapolated). The report is for noting.

Evidence Base / Context

1. The council's annual revenue and capital budget for the Adult Social Care Committee are managed across a number of areas in the Adults and Communities Directorate, in the Adult Social Care Operations (Division 14) and Commissioning, Contracts and Quality Division (Division 57). At Q2/ Period 5 the 2024/25 full year financial position is as follows:
2. Adult Social Care (ASC) is forecasting an overspend of £6.5 million on a net budget of £198.8 million (3.3% of the net budget) with further detail provided at Appendix A1 of this report. The main variances relate to cost pressures in relation to individual care and support packages. Cost pressures in adults purchasing budget reflect increased demand, inflationary costs and increased acuity for people who draw on care and support. In addition, ASC is assessing the level of income from the NHS, which is currently below comparator benchmarks.
3. Across Divisions in Adult Social Care proactive steps are being taken to mitigate pressures and to reduce the budget variance. These include:
 - Making sure people who come to the attention of adult social care are supported promptly with

advice, guidance and short-term intervention which helps them regain independence, such as reablement support.

- Implementing the new Single Commissioning Framework, agreed by Cabinet in September 2023, that gives us improved tools to work with the local provider market and achieve improvements such as:
 - Maximising accommodation with support options for people with complex needs
 - Ensuring that there is a supply of quality care provision across Bristol
 - Addressing historical models of care and support that didn't offer consistent support

(The Cabinet of the prior administration delegated certain decision-making responsibilities relating to the work under the Single Commissioning Framework to the lead elected member for ASC and to the Executive Director for Adults and Communities. Discussions are ongoing as to how these delegated responsibilities will be enacted under the new Committee System.)

- Promoting independence through, for instance, greater use of technology enabled care and direct payments.
- Carefully scrutinising spend on care and support to ensure individuals and Carers are supported to be independent in accordance with the Care Act (2014) and that allocation of resources is fair and reasonable.

4. Adult Social Care continues to face significant pressures, and this is unlikely to lessen during the winter season when pressures on the NHS affects the wider system. Adult social care works closely with system partners, to achieve effective discharge pathways and positive outcomes for people, who have experienced a period of hospital admission.

Position by Division

Quarter 2/ Period 5 Budget Monitoring - Summary	Approved Budget	Revised Budget	Forecast	Forecast variance at Q1/P2	Forecast variance at P3/P4	Movement in forecast variance at Q2/P5	Forecast variance at Q2/P5	Forecast variance at Q2/P5
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	%
Adult Social Care								
14 - Adult Social Care	165,380	184,784	191,725	5,829	7,632	(691)	6,941	3.8%
57 - Commissioning, Contracts Quality and Performance (Adults)	24,672	14,042	13,648	(427)	(595)	201	(394)	-2.8%
Total Adult Social Care	190,052	198,826	205,373	5,402	7,037	(489)	6,548	3.3%

1.2 Capital Programme

Approved Budget	Revised Budget	Expenditure to Date	Forecast Outturn	Outturn Variance
£2.0m	£2.0m	£0.0m 0% of Budget	£2.0m 100% of Budget	£0.0m overspend

There are no significant variances to report on Adult Social Care capital programme with programme expected to be on budget.

Officer Recommendations:

That the Committee for Adult Social Care notes:

- 1.The Adult Social Care General Fund forecast outturn revenue position of a £6.5 million overspend at P5 2024/25.
2. The forecast of a breakeven position on the Capital Programme budget 2024/25.

Corporate Strategy alignment:

1. The Corporate Strategy underpins the council's budget.

City Benefits:

1. This is a cross-cutting portfolio with significant health and care benefits for citizens

Consultation Details:

1. N/A

Background Documents:

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APPENDICES

Appendix A – Further essential background information and detail

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Appendix A1 Adult Social Care