

## a: Revenue Budget Monitor

	Revised Budget	Forecast Outturn	Outturn Variance	Of which :	
				COVID	Non COVID
<b>P08</b>	<b>£225.7m</b>	<b>£277m</b>	<b>£51.3m overspend</b>	<b>£43.9m</b>	<b>£7.4m</b>
<i>P07</i>	<i>£225.7m</i>	<i>£261.7m</i>	<i>£42m overspend</i>	<i>£33.9m</i>	<i>£8.1m</i>

May	June	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
32.4	34.5	34.9	35.1	42.0	51.3			
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## Position by Division:

General Fund	2020/21 - Full Year			P8 Forecast Variance				Movement vs P7: Increase /(Decrease)		
	Revised Budget	Revised Outturn	Revised Outturn Variance	COVID-19 Exp	COVID-19 Inc	COVID	Non-COVID	COVID	Non-COVID	Total Movement
	£000s			£000s		£000s		£000s		
<b>People</b>										
Adult Social Care	148,343	183,471	35,129	26,062	1,841	27,903	7,226	0	(85)	(85)
Children and Families Services	61,781	65,594	3,813	4,034	0	4,034	(221)	1,394	(535)	859
Educational Improvement	11,546	13,034	1,487	256	856	1,112	375	0	(134)	(134)
Public Health - General Fund	3,991	14,873	10,882	10,882	0	10,882	0	8,640	1	8,641
<b>Total People</b>	<b>225,660</b>	<b>276,972</b>	<b>51,312</b>	<b>41,234</b>	<b>2,697</b>	<b>43,931</b>	<b>7,381</b>	<b>10,034</b>	<b>(752)</b>	<b>9,282</b>

## Key Messages:

## Adult Social Care

Adult social care is showing an overspend of £35.1m (£35.2m in P07). Adult social care non-Covid variance is £7.2m (a slight decrease on Period 7 variance of £7.3m) which mainly relates to undelivered savings in year and carried forward from 2019/20 plus market pressures resulting in the need for a continuation of service provision previously allocated on a one-off basis.

In regards to COVID emergency response, the Council has acted as system leads in responding to the crisis working directly alongside the NHS and providers to create capacity and deal with increased demand (c£3m) meanwhile sustaining the market (c£11.4m) to ensure the local care market has sufficient capacity and of sufficient quality to meet the needs of the population and the Council direct financial support. Additionally, £4m Infection Control Fund monies were allocated to help the care sector bolster infection control in care settings to halt the transmission of corona virus. A further grant of £3.6m has been provided by the Department of Health and Adult Social Care in respect of Infection Control Round 2 of which 80% (£1.279m) of the first tranche was distributed in Period 7 to help the care sector.

The Council also increased the Council's frontline Staff Cover for short term targeted support for up to two weeks after discharge and to provide a short-term up-front response and additional capacity costs for MH services (£2.6m). The Council had spent additional £0.7m on providing PPE to staff and providing emergency supplies to service providers.

In addition the planned efficiency savings had not been able to progress as anticipated, it is estimated that the whole of the £6.3m would now not be delivered from planned efficiencies mainly due to covid-19 pandemic outbreak.

### **Children and Families**

Children social care is showing a £3.8m overspend, the majority of which relates to placements. There has been a net increase in the forecast on placements of £875k, included in this is the cost of 8 additional out of area residential placements for 8 young people amounting to £670k. Overall we have seen an increase of 25 young people into care since September. As noted in previous periods placements budgets remain very volatile with limited supply of both in-house and Independent placements. There have been difficulties within the internal children's homes due to staff sickness relating partly to COVID, 1 home has been closed and others are experiencing bed blocking, this makes the strategy of moving young people from out of authority into in-house provision challenging. There has been a negative impact on placement stability during the 2nd lockdown this is likely to increase if there is further restrictions in 2021, predictions on this have not been built into the forecast

Included in the COVID overspend is the delays in Savings Delivery c.£1.0m – part of the £2m Strengthening families transformation and savings programme which includes a re provision of our in house children's homes.

### **Educational Improvement**

The biggest pressure in this division continues to be Home to School Transport, which is forecasting overspend of £404k, this is another reduction from last period. Actual costs for the first part of the year have been analysed and the spend on taxis has reduced slightly from what was forecast. The Mission system is now up and running providing greater clarity over route costs, there has also been a review to bring route costs within the framework, some small cost reductions have also been achieved when routes are not needed when pupils are self-isolating. The overspend is being driven from increased demand for the service, particularly from SEN pupils.

Education had also seen additional emergency expenditure in supporting key-workers and vulnerable children. This include costs incurred in setting up a local Free School Meal voucher scheme to bridge the gap(£0.4m) before the national scheme was in operation, but these costs are reclaimed by ESFA.

Elsewhere in the division the current forecast variances are the result of COVID and mainly relate to the loss of income both in Adult Learning and from traded activities with schools.

### **Public Health**

In Period 8 Public Health forecast overspend is £10.882m (a mixture of COVID costs, General Fund and Ring-fenced account). Of these overspend, the General Fund and Ring-fenced account forecast overspend is £2.24m, of which £0.5m relates to the increased costs of contract variations and £0.9m for the obligations under PFI contracts to support the maintaining and reopening of leisure provision in the city during the pandemic. Furthermore, this also includes a forecast overspend of £0.763m against the Bristol Impact Fund (BIF) where there has been continued delay to budget plans to reduce spend due to Covid-19 outbreak.

These are mitigated by drawing down from the Public Health Reserve and PFI Reserve. The council continues to lobby the central government to provide funding support to sustain leisure services during the pandemic.

A further allocation of £3.7m (£8 per head of population) for Bristol City Council is estimated to be received from the Contain Outbreak Management Fund (COMF) in respect of covid-19 Test and Trace for the rest of the financial year and 2021/22. Other grants in the pipeline to be received include; COMF - Additional Grant **(re Tier 3)** estimated at £1.8m, COMF - Additional Grant **(re Tier 2)** estimated at £0.9m. Furthermore, other grants received to date are Local Authority Compliance and Enforcement Grant (LACE) - £0.283m and Domestic Abuse Capacity Grant - £0.050m also received. It should be noted that all these grants have time limitations set by the government and therefore have to be fully spent in this financial year (i.e. by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021).

The National Leisure Recovery Fund\_(NLRF) is available to support the difference between income and expenditure for the period of 1 December 2020 to 31 March 2021. Bristol currently has a notional funding allocation of £1.020m. Bristol City Council is applying for financial support across both our main leisure operator, Parkwood Leisure and SLM which amounts to a combined total of £1.020m. Deadline for application is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

The NLRF will enable leisure facilities to reopen or partially reopen post lockdown, where this offers a reasonable balance of activities and programming within coronavirus guidelines. It aims to:

- Support the reopening of public sector leisure facilities and activities following the second period of national lockdown in England.
- Provide the best chance of recovery to a position of sustainable operation over the medium to long term.
- Sustain the delivery of activities (such as swimming) that aren't widely accessible in the private market.
- Enhance health and wellbeing and support physical activity across England – contributing to the government's objectives around healthy lifestyles, reducing obesity and reducing inequality.

The NLRF will help to drive the sustainability of leisure facilities nation-wide by enabling Sport England to assess and monitor the recovery of sports facilities. The detail submitted will also help government to articulate what further support is needed to help protect £6.4 billion of social value created by leisure facilities.

## **Savings Delivery**

**20/21 People Directorate Savings Target (£'000s):**
**8,785**

	This month			Last month		
	Total value of savings (£'000s)	Value at risk (£'000s)	Proportion at risk	Total value of savings (£'000s)	Value at risk (£'000s)	Proportion at risk
No - savings are at risk	8,535	8,495	100%	8,535	8,495	100%
Yes - savings are safe	250	0	0%	250	0	0%
SAVING CLOSED - CONFIRMED AS 'SECURED & DELIVERED'	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a
NO RAG PROVIDED	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>8,785</b>	<b>8,495</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>8,785</b>	<b>8,495</b>	<b>97%</b>
n/a - represents one off savings or mitigations in previous year	-4,385	0	0%	-4,385	0	0
Accelerated efficiencies (balancing line)	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a
WRITTEN OFF	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>8,495</b>	<b>193%</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>8,495</b>	<b>193%</b>

Top 5 largest savings at risk in (ordered by size of saving at risk)		
ID	Name of Proposal	Value at Risk in 20/21 (£'000)
FP33	Introduce Better Lives Programme (Improving outcomes for adults in Bristol) (incl. partial 18/19 rollover)	£ 6,300
FP31	*17/18 rollover included* Children's social care transformation	£ 2,195
BE7-2	18/19 Rollover - Organisational redesign including the council's senior management structures (Mitigation for Education Post)	£ -

Mitigated savings from previous years' that remain 'due' for delivery this year (£m)	
Amount due from previous year(s):	£ 4.39
Amount reported at risk:	£ 4.30

**Key Changes since last month**

There have been no changes to report in 20/21 for P8

**b: Risks and Opportunities**

Division	Risk or Opportunity	Description of Impact £	Risk / Opportunity £	Likelihood (%age)	Net /(opportunity) £
Adult Social Care	Risk	Second wave of covid-19 infections resulting in additional care costs above initial emergency funding planning assumptions and infection control grant levels. (Risk based on third of £9m emergency spend)	3,100,000	50%	1,550,000

**c: Capital**

<b>Approved Budget</b>	<b>Revised Budget</b>	<b>Expenditure to Date</b>	<b>Forecast Outturn</b>	<b>Outturn Variance</b>
<b>£32.3m</b>	<b>£31.8m</b>	<b>£14.6m</b>	<b>£31.1m</b>	<b>(£0.7m)</b>
		46% of Budget	98% of budget	

The People Directorate capital programme is predominantly spend on schools, of the £25 million the biggest schemes relates to Cathedral Schools Trust Trinity Academy, which has been delayed due to CIVID-19 however is anticipated to complete works in January 2021. The other major works relate to KnowleDGE where design work is on-going.

Besides schools scheme in both Adults and Children social care, to investment in improved accommodation has both been delayed as a result of covid-19 with project plans being reviewed. These are investing to save proposals which will delay planned savings in both these areas which is factored into the revenue forecast.

Ref	Scheme	Budget	Expenditure to Date	Forecast	Variance	Expenditure to date	Forecast
PE01	School Organisation/ Children's Services Capital Programme	24,527	13,309	24,624	97	54%	100%
PE02	Schools Organisation/SEN Investment Programme	2,764	273	2,764	(0)	10%	100%
PE03	Schools Devolved Capital Programme	1,263	365	1,263	(0)	29%	100%
PE04	Non Schools Capital Programme	0	27	0	0		
PE05	Children & Families - Aids and Adaptations	155	20	135	(20)	13%	87%
PE06	Children Social Care Services	1,085	482	1,085	0	44%	100%
PE06B	Adult Social Care – Better Lives at Home Programme	1,967	117	1,153	(814)	6%	59%
PE08	Care Management/Care Services	5	5	5	0	96%	100%
PE10	Sports Capital Investment	80	34	80	0	43%	100%
<b>Total People</b>		<b>31,846</b>	<b>14,632</b>	<b>31,109</b>	<b>(737)</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>98%</b>