

Blackpool Council - Adult Services

Revenue summary - budget, actual and forecast:

FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	BUDGET	EXPENDITURE			VARIANCE	2015/16 (UNDER)/OVER SPEND B/FWD £000
	2016/17					
	ADJUSTED CASH LIMITED BUDGET £000	EXPENDITURE APR - NOV £000	PROJECTED SPEND £000	FORECAST OUTTURN £000	F/CAST FULL YEAR VAR. (UNDER) / OVER £000	
ADULT SERVICES						
NET EXPENDITURE						
ADULT SOCIAL CARE	3,664	2,068	1,595	3,663	(1)	-
CARE & SUPPORT	4,237	1,954	2,329	4,283	46	-
COMMISSIONING & CONTRACTS TEAM	1,067	403	622	1,025	(42)	-
ADULT COMMISSIONING PLACEMENTS	36,112	16,298	19,084	35,382	(730)	-
ADULT SAFEGUARDING	462	(57)	675	618	156	-
TOTALS	45,542	20,666	24,305	44,971	(571)	-

Commentary on the key issues:

Directorate Summary – basis

- The Revenue summary (above) lists the latest outturn projection for each individual service within the Adult Services Directorate against their respective, currently approved, revenue budget. Forecast outturns are based upon actual financial performance for the first 8 months of 2016/17 together with predictions of performance, anticipated pressures and efficiencies in the remainder of the financial year, all of which have been agreed with each head of service.

Adult Commissioning Placements (Social Care Packages)

- The Adult Commissioning Placements Budget is forecasting a £730k underspend as a result of higher than anticipated residential income and one-off savings following a review of prudent year-end accruals. It is possible the financial position may improve further following scrutiny of the income forecast, however, the current view has been taken in the light of potential pressures from unpredictable winter demand.

Commissioning & Contracts Team and Care & Support

- The Commissioning & Contracts Team is currently forecast to be £42k underspent on their staffing budget. Care and Support is forecasting an overspend of £46k due to an additional Adults Services vacancy target which has not yet been met but is expected to be met by year-end.

Adult Safeguarding

- The Adult Safeguarding Division is forecast to be £156k overspent, with £101k relating to additional legal and staffing costs to fund Deprivation of Liberty (DoLs) case law. Several Councils are currently challenging the Government in relation to New Burdens funding. There is also a £55k in-year pressure relating to the timing of a staffing restructure within Adults and Children's Safeguarding.

Summary of the Adult Services financial position

As at the end of November 2016 the Adult Services Directorate is forecasting an overall underspend of £571k for the financial year to March 2017 on a gross budget of £67.3m.

Budget Holder – K Smith, Director of Adult Services