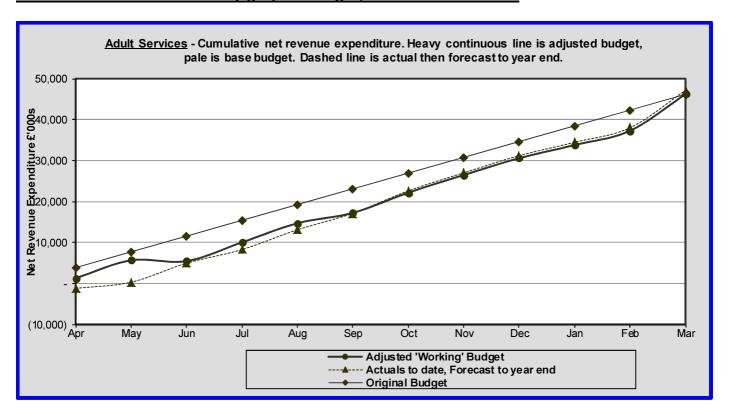
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Revenue summary - budget, actual and forecast:

	BUDGET	BUDGET EXPENDITURE			VARIANCE	
	2014/15					2013/14
FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	ADJUSTED	EXPENDITURE		FORECAST	F/CAST FULL	(UNDER)/OVER
	CASH LIMITED	APR - SEP	SPEND	OUTTURN	YEAR VAR.	SPEND B/FWD
	BUDGET				(UNDER) / OVER	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
ADULT SERVICES DEPARTMENT						
ADULT SOCIAL CARE	5,455	2,041	3,381	5,422	(33)	-
CARE & SUPPORT	9,464	3,234	6,106	9,340	(124)	-
COMMISSIONING, CONTRACTS & SYSTEMS DEV	1,379	89	1,245	1,334	(45)	-
ADULT COMMISSIONING PLACEMENTS	26,174	9,976	17,270	27,246	1,072	81
ADULT SAFEGUARDING	194	(372)	662	290	96	-
BUSINESS SUPPORT & RESOURCES	3,525	2,126	1,358	3,484	(41)	-
TOTALS	46,191	17,094	30,022	47,116	925	81

Directorate revenue summary graph - budget, actual and forecast:



Commentary on the key issues:

Directorate Summary – basis

• The Revenue summary on the first page of this appendix lists the latest outturn projection for each individual service within the Adult Services against their respective, currently approved revenue budget. The adjusted budget includes the approved 2013/14 overspend carried forward. Forecast outturns are based upon actual financial performance for the first 6 months of 2014/15 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 division is currently forecasting a £1,072k overspend. The budget in this area was reduced by £2.5m in 2013/14, following the Priority Led Budgeting process (PLB), with the aim to realise further savings from the extension of the Review Team Plus work. This team ensures there is a stricter adherence to the eligibility criteria whilst also ensuring client needs are met but in a different way. Once high cost packages had been reviewed it became increasingly evident that further savings would not be achieved based on care needs. However, the further integration of Health and Social Care services have released additional cost savings, budget right sizing around Ordinary Residence and Fairer Charging income has reduced the recurrent budget gap to £717k. 2014/15 demand increases were not funded via the Cash Limit, therefore the total recurrent gap is currently c£1.6m. One-off savings relating to the release of the Adults bad debt provision and review of the balance sheet have reduced this down to £1.072m in year.
- It should be noted that the forecast outturn within the Adults Commissioning Placements Division is based on trend analysis using invoiced amounts drawn from the financial ledger. A system called Frameworki is currently being implemented and will incorporate financial data in phase 2 of the development which should provide improved forecasting in the future.

Safeguarding

• Following recent Deprivation of Liberty (DoLs) case law this Division is forecasting a £150k over spend as a result of additional legal and staffing costs, this has been offset slightly by the removal of a senior management post.

Summary of the Adult Services financial position

As at the end of September 2014 the Adult Services Directorate is forecasting an overall overspend of £925k for the financial year to March 2015.

Budget Holder – K Smith, Director of Adult Services