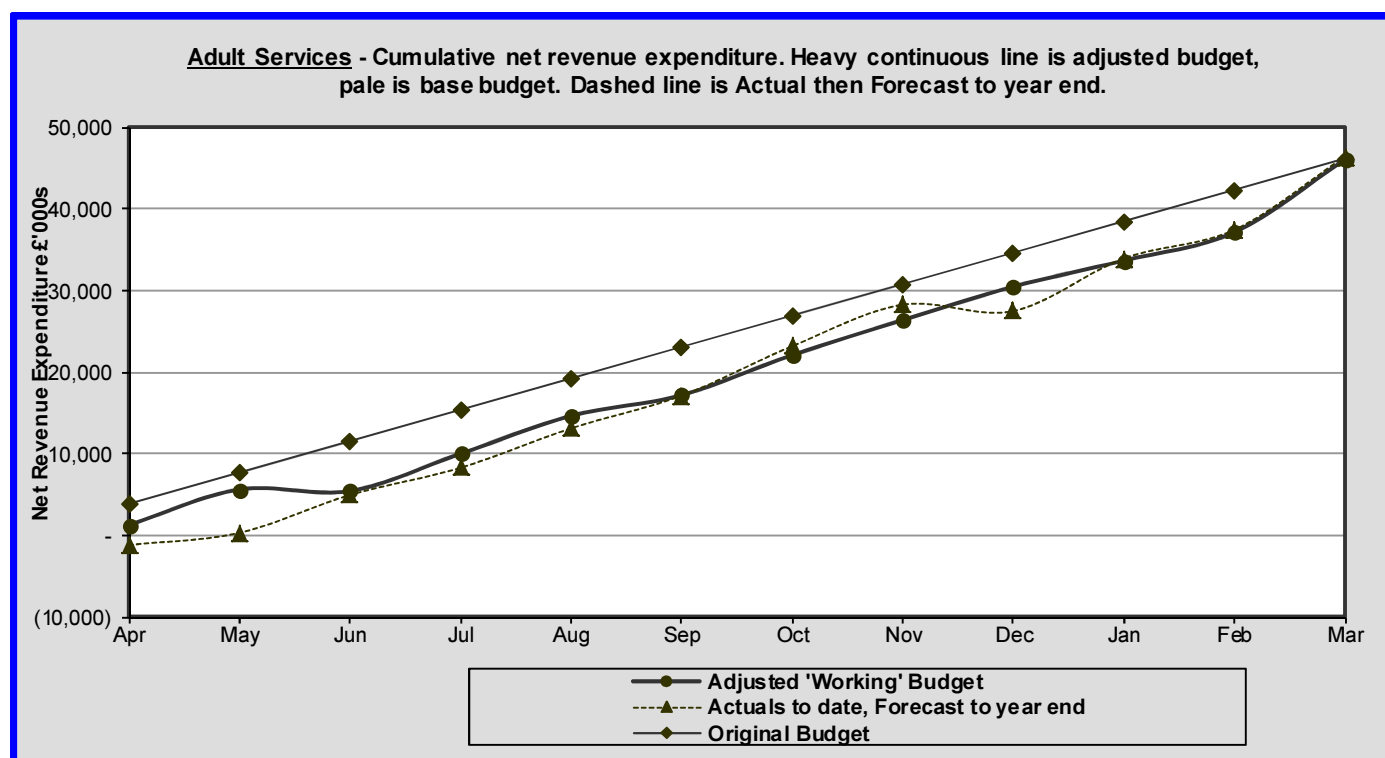


Blackpool Council - Adult Services

Revenue summary - budget, actual and forecast:

FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	BUDGET	EXPENDITURE			VARIANCE	2013/14 (UNDER)/OVER SPEND B/FWD £000
	2014/15					
	ADJUSTED CASH LIMITED BUDGET £000	EXPENDITURE APR - DEC £000	PROJECTED SPEND £000	FORECAST OUTTURN £000	F/CAST FULL YEAR VAR. (UNDER) / OVER £000	
ADULT SERVICES DEPARTMENT						
NET EXPENDITURE						
ADULT SOCIAL CARE	5,455	3,805	1,523	5,328	(127)	-
CARE & SUPPORT	9,353	6,134	2,986	9,120	(233)	-
COMMISSIONING & CONTRACTS TEAM	1,379	737	609	1,346	(33)	-
ADULT COMMISSIONING PLACEMENTS	26,174	13,647	13,281	26,928	754	81
ADULT SAFEGUARDING	194	(299)	575	276	82	-
BUSINESS SUPPORT & RESOURCES	3,473	3,442	(48)	3,394	(79)	-
TOTALS	46,028	27,466	18,926	46,392	364	81

Directorate revenue summary graph - budget, actual and forecast:



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 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 9 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 £754k 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. 2014/15 demand increases were not funded via the Cash Limit, therefore the total recurrent gap is currently c£1.5m. One-off savings relating to the release of the Adults bad debt provision and review of the balance sheet have reduced this down to £754k 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 £100k overspend 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 December 2014 the Adult Services Directorate is forecasting an overall overspend of £364k for the financial year to March 2015.

Budget Holder – K Smith, Director of Adult Services