Blackpool Council - Adult Services

Revenue summary - budget, actual and forecast:

	BUDGET EXPENDITURE				VARIANCE		VARIANCE					
		2021/22										
FUNCTIONS OF THE SERVICE	ADJUSTED	EXPENDITURE	PROJECTED	FORECAST	F/CAST FULL	(UNDER)/OVER	NON-COVID	ON-COVID COVID-19				
	CASH LIMITED	APR - DEC	SPEND	OUTTURN	YEAR VAR.	SPEND B/FWD		GROSS	DIRECT SERVICE	CCG	SALES, FEES	NET
	BUDGET				(UNDER) / OVER				GRANTS	CONTRIBUTION	& CHARGES	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
ADULT SERVICES												
NET EXPENDITURE					-	-						
ADULT SOCIAL CARE	9,002	6,924	1,908	8,832	(170)		(170)		-	-	-	-
CARE & SUPPORT	5,415	5,514	(42)	5,472	57		57		-		-	-
ADULT COMMISSIONING PLACEMENTS	51,188	35,044	18,503	53,547	2,359		2,359	-	-			-
ADULT SAFEGUARDING	155	89	63	152	(3)	-	(3)	-	-			-
TOTALS	65,760	47,571	20,432	68,003	2,243	-	2,243	-	-	-	-	-

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 9 months of 2022/23 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 Social Care

Adult Social Care is forecasting an overall underspend of £170k, £62k of this relates to additional income from the Integrated Care Board (ICB) in relation to Direct Payments, a further £41k Community Mental Health Transformation grant income from Lancashire County Council and the remainder of the saving is due to a number of vacant posts across the service.

Adult Commissioning Placements (Social Care Packages)

The Adult Commissioning Placements budget is forecasting a £2,359k overspend on a £51m net expenditure budget. Forecasted pressures sit within Short Term packages of care linked to hospital discharge of £2,034k in which the Council are supporting a minimum of an additional 40 residential packages and 120 care at home packages which are in part being offset by the Discharge to Assess (D2A) recharges to the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) for the first 7 months of the year (£517k), and funding from the £500m Discharge Support Fund (£188k). The forecasted overspend on Complex Cases of £468k is due to an additional 6 packages as at December on top of the 125 packages used to set this financial year's budget. There is a pressure in Residential and Nursing placements of £263k due to 12 additional long-term packages which are over and above the numbers used to set this year's budget. Supported Living hours have also increased and at month 9 an additional placement at a forecasted cost of £10k a week has resulted in a £276k overspend. Direct Payments commissioned Personal Assistant hours increasing by 1,500 hours per week offset by the claw-back of unspent monies have also resulted in a net forecasted overspend position of £125k. Income for Fairer Charging as at month 9 is resulting in a surplus (£102k).

Care and Support

Care and Support is forecasting an overall overspend of £57k made up of Nibbles income shortfall pressures of £13k, re-grade pressures of £12k, a £22k overspend on Langdale in relation to the use of Emergency Workforce provision and an additional member of staff used short-term from within Extra Support service. There is a forecasted overspend of £31k on the Provider Hub due to the provision of single handed care training offsetting with slippage on vacancies of £21k in the Shared Lives and Volunteers team.

Adults Safeguarding

Adults Safeguarding is forecasting an underspend of £3k due to savings on non-staffing overheads. The DOLS and Safeguarding teams have now moved into Adult Social Care.

Summary of the Adult Services financial position

As at the end of December 2022 the Adult Services Directorate is forecasting an overall overspend of £2,243k for the financial year to March 2023 on a net budget of £66m.

Budget Holder – K Smith, Director of Adult Services