

Adults and Community Services Budget Monitoring Summary

2010/11 Actuals £	Division Service Areas	2011/12 Original Budget £	2011/12 Latest Approved £	2011/12 Projection £	Variation £	Notes	Variation Last Reported £	Full Year Effect £
-88,393	Care Services							
	AIDS-HIV Grant	190	190	112	-78	1	-40	0
31,031,441	Assessment and Care Management	32,124	32,470	32,701	231	2	208	403
7,892,328	Direct Services	5,321	4,867	4,967	100	3	154	0
2,055,739	Learning Disabilities Care Management	2,230	2,380	2,380	0		139	0
2,035,733	Learning Disabilities Day Services	2,030	2,030	2,030	0		0	0
1,412,205	Learning Disabilities Housing & Support	1,317	1,328	1,328	0		0	0
0	MH & AIDS-HIV Grant	0	0	0	0		0	0
44,339,054		43,212	43,265	43,518	253		461	403
	Commissioning and Partnerships - ACS Portfolio							
2,728,613	Commissioning and Partnerships	2,435	2,633	2,669	36	4	-9	
14,840,848	Learning Disabilities Services	16,194	15,906	15,754	-152	5	-138	125
4,547,002	Mental Health Services	5,124	5,076	4,770	-306	6	-275	-150
5,267,447	Procurement & Contracts Compliance	5,185	5,049	4,353	-696	4	-678	
274,855	Drugs and Alcohol	257	257	227	-30	7	-5	0
0	PCT Funding (Social Care & Health)	0	0	0	0		0	0
27,658,765		29,195	28,921	27,773	-1,148		-1,105	-25
	Housing and Residential Services							
1,586,968	Housing Needs	1,173	2,503	3,000	497	8	327	700
111,499	Housing Strategy & Development	92	753	767	14	9	14	0
1,310,759	Residential Services	998	46	46	0		0	0
-5,201	Enabling Activities	-18	-18	-5	13	9	13	0
-1,606,933	Housing Benefits	64	-455	-455	0		0	0
0	Private Sector Housing	0	0	0	0		0	0
1,397,091		2,309	2,829	3,353	524		354	700
	Strategic Support Services							
8,573,765	Concessionary Fares	8,776	8,776	8,765	-11	} 10	-11	0
727,501	Customer Services	542	520	513	-7		-7	0
1,300,194	Performance & Information	1,543	1,536	1,422	-114		-71	0
197,324	Quality Assurance	199	192	197	5		5	0
0	Transforming Social Care	0	0	0	0		0	0
10,798,785		11,060	11,024	10,897	-127		-84	0
84,193,694	TOTAL CONTROLLABLE FOR ADULTS AND COMM	85,776	86,039	85,541	-498		-374	1,078
11,165,049	TOTAL NON CONTROLLABLE	1,381	6,857	6,854	-3	11	-3	0
9,773,453	TOTAL EXCLUDED RECHARGES	9,214	9,222	9,222	0		0	0
105,132,196	PORTFOLIO TOTAL	96,371	102,118	101,617	-501		-377	1,078

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Notes**1. AIDS/HIV Grant - Cr £78k**

It is currently anticipated that the AIDS/HIV budget will not be fully committed this year and that an underspend of £78k will assist in off-setting pressures within the Care Services division.

2. Assessment & Care Management - £231k

The variation can be analysed as follows:-

	November	October
	£'000	£'000
a) Domiciliary care & direct payments for older people	305	309
b) Residential/Nursing care and respite for older people	(129)	(134)
c) Residential and domiciliary care for people with physical disabilities	55	33
	<u>231</u>	<u>208</u>

- a) Although there has been a slight reduction in the forecast based on activity to date, expenditure on domiciliary care remains a pressure as more older people are maintained in their own homes rather than placed in residential care. The projected overspend takes account of savings of £539k as a result of inflationary increases to providers being lower than anticipated.

The projections include an assumption that the budget changes around charging income are fully realised (£191k). Income has been projected on September data, so the effects of the revised direct payment rates and the new charging policy effective from 16 May are now starting to be reflected.

- b) The budgets for residential, nursing and respite care for older people are forecast to underspend by £129k based on activity to date.
- c) The variation comprises a projected overspend of £64k on residential and nursing care, which is partially offset by an underspend of £9k on domiciliary care. This is based on activity to the end of November, however costs can change significantly if complex cases arise.

3. Direct Services - £100k

Latest monitoring of the Integrated Community Equipment Store (ICES) budget has shown increased activity over the past two months. With this rise and anticipated additional expenditure over the winter period, it is expected that the budget will overspend by £100k. This projection includes management action to contain the overspend.

Requests for additional funding from Bromley PCT have not been successful and other methods of funding the overspend are being investigated.

4. Commissioning & Partnerships - Dr £36k / Cr £696k

The 2011/12 budget includes a savings target £350k for efficiency targets for all suppliers, £300k for reduced commissioning of Supporting People Services and £500k for reduced funding of sheltered housing.

The projected underspend summarised below is additional to those savings and is analysed below.

	£'000	£'000
<u>Commissioning & Partnerships</u>		
Efficiency targets for all suppliers	(23)	
Non-achievement of staff turnover element in budget	7	
Carers budget	(95)	
Admissions avoidance overspend	<u>147</u>	
		36
<u>Procurement & Contract Compliance</u>		
Savings from sheltered housing higher than budgeted	(256)	
Savings from SP commissioning higher than budgeted (including FYE of savings achieved in 2010/11)	(253)	
Negotiated contract price increases lower than budgeted	<u>(187)</u>	
		(696)

5. Learning Disabilities Services - Cr £152k

Budgets for learning disabilities placements and domiciliary care and direct payments have been realigned across the divisions and the forecast for this month shows a projected underspend of £152k, which can be analysed as follows;

	£'000
a) Residential/nursing & supported living - reduced costs	(225)
b) Delayed Placements - Budget returned to Central Contingency	150
c) Staff vacancies, SLA's etc.	(77)
	<u>(152)</u>

a) Despite the pressure being contained in-year, the full year effect of the current activity is forecast to be an overspend of £125k for residential, supported living and domiciliary care and managers continue to work on ways to reduce this.

b) The budget includes £855k of growth for new clients coming through Transition in 2011/12. However there have been delays or revised assumptions for some these clients which has resulted in underspends, therefore £150k of the budget has been returned to the central contingency. The costs will come through in 2012/13 and will be covered from the growth provision included in the draft budget for the full year effect of new clients in 2011/12.

6. Mental Health Services - Cr £306k

The underspend arises partly from the full year effect of client moves during 2010/11 which resulted in more cost effective placements, from an increase in the use of flexible support rather than residential placements and from containing annual contract price increases due to providers.

7. Drugs & Alcohol Service - Cr £30k

The projected underspend of £30k comprises £5k on Young Peoples Substance Misuse and £25k on the main DAT budget, including £15k on the residential budget.

8. Housing Needs (Bed & Breakfast /Temporary Accommodation) - £497k

The budget is forecast to overspend by £327k, based on the latest information, as client numbers and unit costs continue to increase. The trend is set to continue throughout this year and the next and a full year effect of £700k is anticipated.

A recent report to the Adult and Community Services PDS (September 2011) highlighted issues in the housing market, rising approaches to the Council and the problems of obtaining temporary and permanent accommodation and the rising costs of each.

However, a number of initiatives are being pursued to seek to provide increased and reduced cost temporary accommodation and/or increase placements in the private rented sector to reduce the numbers in and costs of B&B.

An investment of £170k is proposed over the remainder of the financial year and into 2012/13 to address the problems. These include a range of enhanced "offers" to private landlords and letting agents to make properties available to Council nominees and enhanced offers to attract more temporary accommodation for leasing. The resulting savings in the nightly cost of and numbers in B&B will help to offset to the full year overspend in 2012/13 and future years.

The Portfolio Holder is asked to approve an in-year virement of £170k from the Procurement and Contract Compliance budget within the Commissioning and Partnerships Division to Housing Needs, to fund the initiatives to help reduce the cost pressures.

The overall budget for the Housing Needs service contains funding of a number of specific grants for a range of specific activities of around £820k received from the DCLG this year and last year. These include addressing overcrowding and underoccupation, a range of homelessness prevention work, financial advice and prevention of repossession for mortgage or rent arrears and a specific allocation of £150k to assist clients affected by the proposed reductions to the Local Housing Allowance (Housing Benefit) rates, currently being phased in (originally from April 2011 but subsequently a 9 month transition was agreed). These grants pay for a wide range of things including staff who work with landlords and clients on a range of schemes to provide accommodation for homeless people or help to keep those about to be made homeless in their rented or privately owned accommodation. It is also for pays for assistance with rent deposits and guarantees plus a wide range of incentives to landlords or lenders to avoid repossession or obtain access to properties for Council nominations.

The introduction of the transition period for the reduction in Local Housing Allowance means that the timing of commencement of usage of this grant had to be rephrased from April 2011 to January 2012. This, coupled with the difficulties in accurately forecasting outputs and spend on this wide range of initiatives means that there could be the need for some carry forward at the end of the financial year, to enable the planned schemes and critical work on the rephrased LHA reductions to take place after April 2012.

9. Enabling Activities £13k / Housing Strategy & Development £14k

Interest rates and mortgage balances have fallen over the last few years resulting in reduced income from interest on mortgage repayments. The anticipated shortfall in income this year is £27k.

10. Strategic Support Services Cr £127k

The net underspend can be analysed as follows:

	£'000	£'000
Performance & Information		
- Director vacancy	(71)	
- Learning & Development savings	(32)	
- Staff vacancies	(11)	
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Concessionary Fares		(11)
Quality Assurance		5
Customer Services		(7)
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		(127)

11. Non-Controllable budgets Cr £3k

For information here, the variations relate to a net shortfall within property rental income budgets across the division. The Property division within the Renewal & Recreation Department are accountable for these variations.

Waiver of Financial Regulations

There have not been any waivers since the last report to the Executive.

Virements approved under Director's delegated powers

No virements have been approved under delegated powers since the last report to the Executive.

LATEST APPROVED BUDGET 2011/12
Adult & Community Services Portfolio

BUDGET VARIATIONS

	£'000	£'000
2011/12 Original Budget		96,371
Carry forwards from 2010/11:-		
<u>Agreed by Executive on 20/07/11</u>		
Choice Based Lettings		15
Hospital Discharge/Reablement Funding via PCT		
- Expenditure		98
- Income		Cr 98
Social Care Funding via PCT under S256		
- Expenditure		205
- Income		Cr 205
Social Care Reform (ACS)		
- Expenditure		521
- Grant Income		Cr 521
Joint Improvement Programme		
- Expenditure		20
- Grant Income		Cr 20
LD Revenue Campus Closure Grant (ACS)		
- Expenditure	459	
Housing Overcrowding Pathfinder Grant (ACS)	95	
Homelessness Prevention Grant	150	
Stroke Care Grant	90	794
Contribution from Earmarked Reserve		Cr 794
Total Carry forwards		15
General		
Government Grants Deferred - Removal of 2011/12 Budget Allocation		5,550
Homelessness Grant Income - Transferred to General "Local Services Support"		500
Return of LD Growth to Central Contingency		Cr 150
Total General		5,900
Budget Transfers / Other:		
Non-Controllable Budget - Property Rental Income		Cr 37
Additional charging income funding 2 posts in Exchequer		Cr 54
Out of Hours Contract to Customer Service Centre		Cr 25
Contribution to BSSD additional call volumes		Cr 15
Landlord Building Maintenance virements (non-controllable)		Cr 37
Total Budget Transfers / Other:		Cr 168
Total Variations		5,747
2011/12 Latest Approved Budget		102,118