# ADULT SOCIAL CARE FINANCIAL DASHBOARD - 2013/14 FINANCIAL YEAR Month 4 - (July 2013)

### **Overall Narrative**

The Period 4 projection for Adult Social Care is an overspend of £1m, an increase of £0.5m from the Quarter 1 position. There has been an increase in projected spend on community care packages since last month, mainly home care. This has been partly offset by utilising a further £0.9m of the earmarked reserve established to support service transformation. Overall the community care budget is close to balance, but there has been a time-lag between the reduced spend on residential placements and the related increase in spend on independent sector home care being confirmed within the projections. The directorate continues to make every endeavour to reduce the projected variance and progress is being closely monitored through Heads of Service.

There are some significant risks associated with the Period 4 projection. Although £0.8m of the £1.5m budgeted health funding is now reasonably certain, the remaining £0.7m remains very high risk at this stage in the financial year. The underlying demand pressure on the home care budget is £0.6m and the projection assumes that there are no further increases in the activity levels on this budget for the remainder of the year. Based on trends in the first four months of the year this assumption is high risk. The projection also assumes that the £0.8m budgeted additional income from the charging review is delivered in full.

The main variations at Period 4 across the key expenditure types are as follows:

# Staffing (+£1.3m)

This includes support for the transformation programme that is income funded and fewer leavers to date in the Community Support Service than expected when the budget was set.

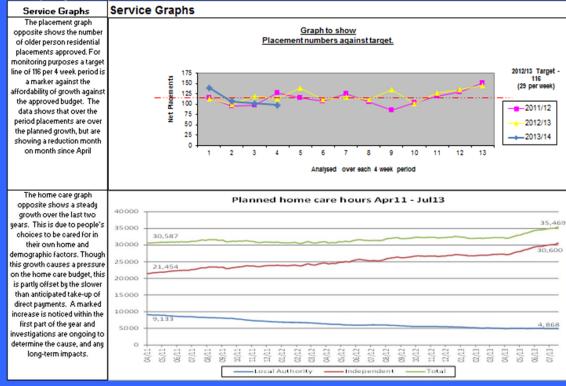
### Transport (+£0.6m)

This reflects the ongoing impact of expenditure levels in 2012/13 and work continues to identify mitigating actions. Community care packages (+£0.2m)

The assumed growth in personal budgets taken as cash payments included in the budget is not yet fully evident in the expenditure trends and residential care bed weeks are lower than budgeted. Within independent sector domiciliary care there has been a delay in the implementation of electronic monitoring and the associated savings, together with reablement savings from recent cases being lower than for earlier cohorts reflecting a differing client profile. In addition, there has been an increase in home care activity levels that partly offsets the lower than expected spend on direct payments and residential care. Expenditure on the learning disability pooled budget is projected to be lower than budgeted mainly due to the growth anticipated not being evident in expenditure levels.

## Use of Earmarked Reserve (-£1.4m)

This is being utilised to support whole system service transformation and busines change across Adult Social Care, providing support for project delivery and to ensure that services are effectively engaged and able to embed the changes.



### Budget Management - net variations against the approved budget; **Projected Variations** Supplies & External Transfer Total (under) Expenditure on care packages is the major element Latest Estimate Staffing Premises Services Transport Internal Charges Providers **Payments** Use of Reserves Total Expenditure Income overspend of expenditure. This table is based on the standard subjective analysis and so care package spend is £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 spread across several headings £'000 Quarter 1 197,935 606 26 79 (133)69 500 177 (841) 0 404 129 534 Month 4 197.935 1.279 170 (35)702 761 (397)(1,382)1,177 (188)990 Latest Estimate Quarter 1 Month 4 Month 5 Month 6 Month 7 Month 8 Month 9 Month 10 Month 11 Month 12 Outturn £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 £'000 Access and Care 91.025 768 1.329 Strategic Commissioning 1,835 643 525 Resources 5.643 93 (1.275)Care Services 99,432 410 Total 197,935 534 990