CHILDREN'S SERVICES DIRECTORATE FINANCIAL DASHBOARD - 2013/14 FINANCIAL YEAR OUTTURN

Overall - the outturn position for the Children's Services Directorate is an underspend of £41k against the net managed budget of £135m.

Looked After Children - the 2013/14 budget strategy recognised the strategic obsession around reducing the need for children to be in care with budget action plans totally £8m around safely reducing placement numbers [-£6m], increasing funding from partners [-£1m] and negotiating procurement savings [-£1.1m]. The outturn position is that these significant budget savings have largely been achieved, but with some slippage on the delivery of the savings. In terms of externally provided placement numbers, at the end of March 2014, there were 59 children & young people in externally provided placements [+3 compared with the financial model] and 260 children & young people in placements with Independent Fostering Agencies [+52 compared with the financial model]. Overall, these placement numbers translated into a budget overspend of £2.7m. The outturn position recognises the demand pressures around alternatives to care, including adoptions and special guardianship orders [£0.8m] and care leavers [£0.4m]. Staffing - at outturn, the overall staffing budgets underspent by £3.1m across the combined general fund, grant funded and central schools budget functions which recognised the number of vacant posts across the Directorate and also the impact of the predominantly internal recruitment market. The year-end spend on agency staffing was £6.2m and £1.1m on overtime. Premises & Supplies & Services - the variation recognises the release of the earmarked reserves to support the in-house residential review [£0.2m] and the relocation of the Youth Offending Service [£0.15m] in addition to forecast savings from restricting all non-essential spend. Transport - the 2013/14 budget strategy included anticipated savings of £2.8m [held with in the Strategy, Performance & Commissioning Service] from reviewing the way all aspects of home to school transport were provided. The outturn position reflects the Executive Board's decision to phase the implementation of the agreed changes to the home to school transport policies in addition to s

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	Expenditure Budget £'000	Income Budget £'000	Latest Estimate £'000	Staffing £'000	Premises £'000	Supplies & Services £'000	Transport £'000	Internal Charges £'000	External Providers £'000	Transfer Payments £'000	Capital £'000	Appropriation £'000	Total Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Total (under) / overspend £'000	
Month 2	291,594	(156,423)	135,171	(3,346)	(227)	25	48	567	904	181	0	0	(1,848)	2,998	1,150	
Month 3	292,402	(157,071)	135,331	(2,184)	(235)	29	180	(142)	955	195	0	0	(1,202)	2,391	1,189	
Month 4	291,339	(155,876)	135,463	(3,734)	(603)	(464)	2,192	618	1,226	(212)	0	0	(977)	2,591	1,614	
Month 5	290,243	(155,508)	134,735	(3,308)	(602)	(28)	2,139	833	870	45	0	0	(51)	2,042	1,991	
Month 6	290,560	(155,825)	134,735	(4,035)	(434)	51	2,443	485	717	13	0	0	(760)	2,900	2,140	
Month 7	290,135	(155,400)	134,735	(2,846)	(151)	(8)	2,440	1,961	1,528	(73)	0	0	2,851	(107)	2,744	
Month 8	291,194	(156,482)	134,712	(3,147)	(165)	(4)	2,441	1,811	2,420	(46)	0	0	3,310	(720)	2,590	
Month 9	291,227	(156,515)	134,712	(3,301)	(170)	(93)	2,467	1,826	2,575	(12)	0	0	3,292	(2,521)	771	
Month 10	289,392	(154,679)	134,713	(3,370)	(254)	(175)	2,581	1,268	3,432	50	0	0	3,532	(3,151)	381	
Month 11	290,894	(156,163)	134,731	(3,559)	(306)	(212)	2,655	649	3,635	380	0	0	3,242	(2,705)	537	
Month 12	290,968	(156,237)	134,731	(3,268)	(319)	(286)	2,730	620	3,696	270	0	(34)	3,409	(2,865)	544	
Outturn	293,220	(158,053)	135,167	(3,103)	(487)	(646)	2,784	569	3,368	1,125	0	698	4,308	(4,349)	(41)	

	Expenditure Budget £'000	Income Budget £'000	Latest Estimate £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	Outturn £'000
Partnership, Development & Business Support	17,441	(7,686)	9,755	(410)	(235)	(951)	(814)	(620)	(447)	(383)	(432)	(512)	(646)	(459)	(439)
Learning, Skills & Universal Services	78,529	(60,936)	17,593	(209)	(202)	(402)	(634)	(615)	(692)	(641)	(644)	(1,018)	(1,206)	(1,189)	(1,165)
Safeguarding, Targeted & Specialist Services	128,618	(33,141)	95,477	1,299	1,809	156	738	303	825	567	(1,220)	(1,155)	(688)	(656)	(839)
Strategy, Performance & Commissioning	68,632	(55,990)	12,642	470	(183)	2,811	2,701	3,072	3,058	3,047	3,067	3,066	3,077	2,848	2,402
Total	293,220	(157,753)	135,467	1,150	1,189	1,614	1,991	2,140	2,744	2,590	771	381	537	544	(41)

FTE & AGENCY NUMBERS		BUDGET	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Month 7	Month 8	Month 9	Month 10	Month 11	Month 12
Partnership, Development & Business Support	FTE	146.7	91.5	129.7	129.1	133.6	133.0	138.4	142.4	143.1	143.0	141.2	140.2
	Vacancies		(55.2)	(17.0)	(17.6)	(13.1)	(13.7)	(8.3)	(4.3)	(3.6)	(3.7)	(5.5)	(6.5)
	Agency		1.0	4.0	5.0	4.0	5.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Learning, Skills & Universal Services	FTE	1,006.3	916.6	907.0	908.8	861.8	868.0	863.5	873.6	864.7	856.7	853.2	863.4
	Vacancies		(89.7)	(99.3)	(97.5)	(122.5)	(138.3)	(142.8)	(132.7)	(141.6)	(149.6)	(153.1)	(142.9)
	Agency		34.0	41.3	36.5	29.0	18.7	20.5	27.5	20.8	10.8	15.8	10.1
Safeguarding, Targeted & Specialist Services	FTE	1,578.3	1,400.1	1,400.0	1,398.9	1,426.2	1,430.4	1,424.5	1,419.8	1,425.9	1,442.2	1,446.8	1,448.9
	Vacancies		(178.2)	(178.3)	(179.4)	(152.1)	(147.9)	(153.8)	(158.5)	(152.4)	(136.1)	(131.5)	(129.4)
	Agency		109.0	137.7	130.6	137.9	115.8	141.9	150.0	143.1	140.0	124.7	129.2
Strategy, Performance & Commissioning	FTE	99.0	126.5	96.0	96.1	95.7	95.8	98.2	100.9	102.5	105.0	102.7	102.8
	Vacancies		27.5	(3.0)	(2.9)	(3.3)	(3.2)	(8.0)	1.9	3.5	6.0	3.7	3.8
	Agency		1.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
	FTE	2,830.3	2,534.7	2,532.7	2,532.9	2,517.3	2,527.2	2,524.6	2,536.7	2,536.2	2,546.9	2,543.9	2,555.3
Total	Vacancies		(295.6)	(297.6)	(297.4)	(291.0)	(303.1)	(305.7)	(293.6)	(294.1)	(283.4)	(286.4)	(275.0)
	Agency		145.0	183.0	174.1	172.9	140.5	166.4	180.5	165.9	152.8	142.5	141.3

Key Budget Action Plans

No signficant budget action plans remaining for the 2013/14 financial year

