# **BUDGET MONITORING 2013/14 - FORECAST OUTTURN AS AT 31 JANUARY 2014**

## **FULL YEAR FIGURES**

	Expenditure			Income			Total Net				
CONTROLLABLE ITEMS	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Forecast £000	Variance £000	Comments	Variance Nov 13 £000
School Improvement Employment & Skills (including Connexions)	13,838 6,829			-17,226 -5,433		-637 -2,427	-3,387 1,396		-13 -11		-42 21
Continuous Professional & Workforce Development	305	297	-8	-55	-112	-57	251	185	-65	Savings have been identified due to deferring some training into next year and maximising the use of internal resources to provide as much training as possible (reducing external training costs).	-27
Corporate Parenting & Placements	10,775	11,718	943	-745	-1,006	-261	10,030	10,712		This demand led area has historically overspent: by £1.564m in 2010/11, by £0.702m in 2011/12 and by £0.646m in 2012/13. In setting the 2013/14 budget CYPL originally identified a likely pressure of £0.700m in this area for 2013/14. 65% of this, i.e. £0.455m, was added to the corporate contingency in 2013/14 in relation to this. The current forecast pressure is £1.135m, or £0.680m after contingencies.  This is further broken down to: £0.891m external placements; £0.280m in house fostering; £0.133m independent fostering; offset by one off grant of £0.160m.  There has been an overall increase in the projected overspend of circa £0.020m, in relation to one external residential placement and two independent fostering placements being extended.  The service is committed to containing this pressure as much as possible whilst ensuring the corporate parenting responsibilities of the Council are delivered but believe it is unlikely they can reduce this less than the reported overspend. Although overall looked after children numbers continue to grow, the number of expensive Out of Borough placements has been kept to a minimum and was 18 as at the end of January 2014.	
Youth Support Service	2,184	2,226	42	-1,032	-1,163	-131	1,152	1,063		Savings have been achieved in relation to the Manager post being held vacant pending outcome of 2014/15 proposals, an underspend on supplies and services and an underspend on staff.	-48

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Schools, Learning & Skills Income target	136	159	23	-1,025	-739	286	-890	-580		The pressure in this area is in relation to the learning and skills grant income target. In recent years the number and value of grants received has reduced. Furthermore the conditions of many grants have been tightened. For these reasons it is increasingly difficult to meet the income expectation in the budget and a forecast pressure has emerged for 2013/14 of £0.309m. Should new grants be received in CYPL in 2013/14 then, grant conditions permitting, this position will improve.	309
Child Protection independent assurance and review	669	677	8	-39	-39	0	630	638	8		20
Early Life Support & Prevention	6,364	6,498	134	-3,660	-3,896	-236	2,704	2,602		There has been an increase in the level of expected enterprise income for the nurseries and funding due to higher than anticipated numbers accessing the Two Year Old offer.	16
Safeguarding & Looked after children staffing teams	4,193	4,070	-123	0	-30	-30	4,193	4,040		Recent savings have been achieved in staffing due to vacant posts being held pending the proposed CEI savings. Additional savings of £0.030m have been achieved in relation to car allowances.	-34
Preventative & Safeguarding Services Management & Legal fees	858	931	73	0	-30	-30	858	901	42		48
School Improvement - Vulnerable Learners	2,332	2,495	164	-2,107	-2,368	-261	225	127	-98	Staff savings in the Local Authority ethnic minorities and travel achievement service.	-87
Early Help & Vulnerable Families	1,653	1,520	-133	-875	-913	-38	778	607		Saving generated in relation to employee costs of circa £0.130m in the Troubled Families Team and three Family Partner Teams. We have also received a further payments in respect of the Troubled Families grant as a result of achieving performance targets.	-110

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TOTAL CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & LEARNING	50,135	54,298	4,163	-32,196	-36,019	-3,823	17,939	18,278	339		724
Potential Use of Contingencies: Looked After Children Placements (65%) allocated to Corporate Parenting and Placements									0		0
TOTAL CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & LEARNING AFTER CONTINGENCIES									339		724