

BUDGET MONITORING 2014/15 - FORECAST OUTTURN AS AT 31 JANUARY 2015

	Expenditure			Income			Total Net			Comments	Variance Nov 14 £000
	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000	Budget £000	Actual £000	Variance £000		
CONTROLLABLE ITEMS											
Adult Social Care											
Adult Services Central Costs	6,902	6,351	-552	-3,555	-4,056	-501	3,347	2,295	-1,052	This area includes the central management and administration functions, former Supporting People contracts, out of hours services, Gateway Service and Adult Safeguarding. The underspend is mainly within the Planning and Business Transformation cost centre (£0.850m). This mainly relates to additional NHS transfer funding and Department of Health grants which are currently shown as uncommitted pending further development of investment plans by the NHS Integration work streams. The remainder of the underspend is central staffing teams. There is concern of potential future financial pressures within Safeguarding arising from a recent Supreme Court judgement which has broadened the legal definition of Deprivation of Liberty and is having the impact of increasing referrals in relation to the Council's duty as a Supervisory Body. In 2013/14 the council received 23 referrals but in the 9 month period April to December 2014 this increased to 385. The forecast for 2014/15 has been increased by £0.050m relating to agency staff and increased medical and court fees. This issue is expected to bring about a pressure of £0.300m in 2015/16 and savings are planned within Adult Social Care to fund this additional cost.	-1,093

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Commissioned Services - Learning Disabilities and Mental Health	24,918	25,439	521	-7,663	-10,184	-2,521	17,255	15,255	-2,000	This area includes all externally commissioned services for adults under 65 years with a learning disability or mental health need. There has been a significant net increase in individuals supported in recent years and an increase in average levels of complexity and challenging needs. This position includes £3.280m more Mental Health Aftercare income and Resettlement income compared to 2013/14 in line with s256 agreements signed with the North Tyneside Clinical Commissioning Group. Of this £3.280m, £1.640m is one off income in 2014/15 only. In addition, there is £2.763m of budget growth in this area. Packages of care and services continue to be reviewed to ensure that needs are being met in the most cost effective way. The use of personal budgets continues to encourage more innovative ways of meeting needs however, the service will continue to be subject to on-going demand led pressures. The movement is mainly due to additional residential care placements for Winterbourne clients (discharges from long stay Health facilities). A ruling has been made that 'sleep ins', where staff sleep overnight within a care service just in case they are needed, count as working time when evaluating whether the national minimum wage is being met. This may result in cost pressures.	-2,113

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Reablement and Assessment	9,304	9,102	-201	-4,430	-4,494	-64	4,873	4,608	-265	This service area includes the in-house Reablement Support Team, Cedars, Loan Equipment and Adaptations, Transport and Carecall. This group of services will be developed and reconfigured as part of the joint planning with the Clinical Commissioning Group and Foundation Trusts in preparation for the Better Care Fund which formally begins in April 2015. There are pressures in Loan Equipment and Adaptations (£0.347m) off-set by underspends notably in Reablement Support (0.268m), the Occupational Therapy Team (0.049m), Carecall (£0.130) and the Cedars (0.048m). Transport is also showing an underspend (£0.116m) where the use of personal budgets are being used to manage transport costs more effectively. Vacancies are being held for potential redeployments resulting from the current round of restructures.	-264
Personalisation - Care Coordination	3,433	3,400	-33	0	-153	-151	3,433	3,247	-186	This is within Care Coordination, Support Planning and Brokerage and the hospital based Reablement Discharge Team. Underspend relates to vacancies and staff on lower incremental points.	-185
Personalisation - Learning Disabilities and Mental Health	2,957	3,308	350	-414	-454	-40	2,544	2,854	310	This area has been expanded since 2013/14 to include the remaining inhouse provided services for clients with a Learning Disability or Mental Health need. The specialist assessment and care management team continue to be shown here. The former service area of Provider - Learning Disabilities and Mental Health has been removed. Overspend relates to residual costs of the 2014/15 restructure as inhouse services are recommissioned externally. The transition of the remaining short break service to an external provider is expected to be complete at the end of January 2015. Plans are in place to outsource a further Independent Supported Living provision early in the new financial year. A further restructure of the remaining services is in progress which is planned to return this area to a balanced position in 2015/16.	306

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Total Adult Social Care	81,038	81,352	313	-29,944	-35,040	-5,094	51,094	46,312	-4,782		-4,777