



Haringey Council

Report for:	CYPS Scrutiny Panel 26 September 2013	Item Number:	
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Title:	Financial Outturn 2012/13 and Budget Update 2013-14 (up to and including Period 4)
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Ward(s) affected: All	Report for Key/Non Key Decisions:
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1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 To update Scrutiny Committee on:

- financial revenue and capital outturns for 2012-13;
- progress against Budget Scrutiny recommendations made in December 2012;
- progress against implementation of 2013-14 approved savings; and
- forecast financial revenue and capital outturns for 2013-14 based on actual performance up to the end of July 2013 (Period 4).

2. Cabinet Member introduction

2.1 The budget for 2013-14 requires the delivery of a significant level of savings in addition to those already successfully delivered in 2012-13.

2.2 Members should be aware of the continuing financial pressures and risks contained within the medium term financial plan. The Children and Young People's Service budget is volatile, particularly in respect of the numbers of Looked After Children, and will continue to be monitored closely during the



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remainder of the year. Strong financial controls are in place and the Head of Finance has a monthly budget monitoring meeting with all senior budget holders, in addition to the monthly Director of Corporate Resources budget call over with the Director of Children and Young People's Service.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Scrutiny is recommended to note the report, including the projected outturn position against the approved 2013-14 revenue and capital budget.

4. Other options considered

- 4.1 A corporate risk-based approach to budget monitoring has been developed in order to manage the finances in a time of economic and financial uncertainty. Quarterly reports to Cabinet on the Council's overall financial position are an important element of the overall Medium Term Financial Planning process.

5. Financial Outturn 2012-13

- 5.1 After carry forwards, there was no variance against the approved budget for the Children and Young People's Service of £83.8m after the closure of the accounts for 2012-13.
- 5.2 Within the overall net position, more detailed variances and carry forwards approved by Cabinet in June are explained in Appendix 1.

6. Progress against Budget Scrutiny recommendations

- 6.1 The response of Cabinet to the recommendations made by this Scrutiny Committee in December 2012 is attached at Appendix 2.

7. Revenue Budget Projection, including implementation of planned savings

- 7.1 As at the end of the period 4 there is a projected £400k overspend position for CYPS at the year-end compared to the approved budget of £73.6m.
- 7.2 Further detail of projected variances, and progress with implementation of 2013/14 and 2014/15 savings is being considered by Cabinet this month and is attached as Appendix 3.

8. Capital Programme

- 8.1 The outturn for 2012/13 showed an overall programme variance of £1.8m more than budget. The main cause of the variance related to the projected overspend on the expansion project at Rhodes Avenue Primary School. A full list of the outturn variances for the year is attached at Appendix 4.



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8.2 The capital programme revised budget for the Children and Young People's Service in 2013/14 is £21.1m. Further detail is included in the Cabinet report attached as Appendix 3.

9. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications

9.1 As the report is primarily financial in its nature, comments of the Chief Financial Officer are contained throughout the report.

10. Head of Legal Services and legal implications

10.1 The Head of Legal Services advises that there are no specific legal implications as the report is for noting.

11. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments

11.1 Equalities issues are a core part of the Council's financial and business planning process.

12. Head of Procurement Comments

12.1 Not applicable.

13. Policy Implications

13.1 There are no specific policy implications in this report.

14. Use of Appendices

14.1 Appendix 1: Revenue Outturn 2012/13 – explanation of variances from budget.

14.2 Appendix 2: Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel Budget Recommendations.

14.3 Appendix 3: The Council's Budget Management Performance – July 2013.

14.4 Appendix 4: Capital Outturn 2012/13 – explanation of variances from budget.

15. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

15.1 The following background papers were used in the preparation of this report|:

- Budget management papers
- Business plans.