

Report

Report to:	Social Work Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	7 February 2007
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Information Technology Resources) Executive Director (Social Work Resources)

Subject:	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2006/2007 - Social Work Resources
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ provide information on the actual expenditure measured against the revenue budget for the period 1 April 2006 to 29 December 2006 for Social Work Resources
- ◆ provide a forecast for the year to 31 March 2007

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the break even position on Social Work Resources' revenue budget, as detailed in Appendix A of the report be noted; and
- (2) that following the probable outturn exercise, the forecast to 31 March 2007 of a break even position, be noted; and
- (3) that the proposed budget virements be approved.

3. Background

3.1. This is the fourth revenue budget monitoring report presented to the Social Work Resources Committee for the financial year 2006/2007.

3.2. The report details the financial position for Social Work Resources on Appendix A, and then details the individual services, along with variance explanations, in Appendices B to G.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None

5. Financial Implications

5.1. As at 29 December 2006, there is a break even position against the phased budget (0.0%).

5.2. Following the probable outturn exercise, the financial forecast to 31 March 2007 is a break even position.

5.3. Virements are proposed across the Resource to realign budgets between other Resources.

6. Other Implications

6.1. None

1. Consultation

1.1. Not applicable

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8 January 2007

Link(s) to Council Objectives

- ◆ Managing South Lanarkshire's Wealth of Resources – Financial Control, corporate Governance

Previous References

- ◆ Social Work Resources Committee 15 November 2006

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Financial Ledger and budget monitoring results to 29 December 2006

Contact for Further Information

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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Social Work Resources Summary

	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 29/12/06	Actual 29/12/06	Variance 29/12/06		% Variance 29/12/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
<u>Budget Category</u>									
Employee Costs	63,209	62,971	238	47,073	46,813	260	under	0.6%	
Property Costs	3,471	3,460	11	2,490	2,410	80	under	3.2%	
Supplies & Services	6,237	6,090	147	4,398	4,446	(48)	over	(1.1%)	
Transport & Plant	3,074	3,241	(167)	2,294	2,431	(137)	over	(6.0%)	
Administration Costs	2,036	2,192	(156)	1,357	1,524	(167)	over	(12.3%)	
Payments to Other Bodies	21,250	20,929	321	16,408	16,065	343	under	2.1%	
Payments to Contractors	41,705	41,922	(217)	28,845	28,976	(131)	over	(0.5%)	
Transfer Payments	93	156	(63)	64	118	(54)	over	(84.4%)	
Financing Charges	407	419	(12)	322	306	16	under	5.0%	
Total Controllable Exp.	141,482	141,380	102	103,251	103,089	162	under	0.2%	
Total Controllable Inc.	(38,681)	(38,579)	(102)	(28,508)	(28,346)	(162)	under recovery	0.6%	
Net Controllable Exp.	102,801	102,801	0	74,743	74,743	0	-	0.0%	

Variance Explanations

Variance explanations are shown in Appendices B-G.

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Service Strategy

Budget Category	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 29/12/06	Actual 29/12/06	Variance 29/12/06		% Variance 29/12/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
Employee Costs	838	846	(8)	625	620	5	under	0.8%	
Property Costs	4	2	2	2	0	2	under	100.0%	
Supplies & Services	13	2	11	9	5	4	under	44.4%	
Transport & Plant	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	n/a	
Administration Costs	43	41	2	29	24	5	under	17.2%	
Payments to Other Bodies	161	145	16	154	137	17	under	11.0%	
Payments to Contractors	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	n/a	
Transfer Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	n/a	
Financing Charges	2	1	1	2	1	1	under	50.0%	
Total Controllable Exp.	1,061	1,037	24	821	787	34	under	4.1%	
Total Controllable Inc.	(26)	(66)	40	(20)	(20)	0	-	n/a	
Net Controllable Exp.	1,035	971	64	801	767	34	under	4.2%	

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Children and Families Services

Budget Category	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 29/12/06	Actual 29/12/06	Variance 29/12/06		% Variance 29/12/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
Employee Costs	11,488	11,502	(14)	8,574	8,519	55	under	0.6%	1
Property Costs	313	329	(16)	231	226	5	under	2.2%	
Supplies & Services	804	759	45	558	521	37	under	6.6%	
Transport & Plant	329	428	(99)	212	295	(83)	over	(39.2%)	2
Administration Costs	267	312	(45)	127	150	(23)	over	(18.1%)	
Payments to Other Bodies	5,965	6,046	(81)	4,723	4,783	(60)	over	(1.3%)	3
Payments to Contractors	2,764	2,859	(95)	2,023	2,099	(76)	over	(3.8%)	4
Transfer Payments	84	151	(67)	58	112	(54)	over	(93.1%)	5
Financing Charges	35	52	(17)	27	47	(20)	over	(74.1%)	
Total Controllable Exp.	22,049	22,438	(389)	16,533	16,752	(219)	over	(1.3%)	
Total Controllable Inc.	(3,403)	(3,405)	2	(3,181)	(3,183)	2	over recovery	(0.1%)	
Net Controllable Exp.	18,646	19,033	(387)	13,352	13,569	(217)	over	(1.6%)	

Variance Explanations

- 1 This is due to a delay in recruitment of care staff posts. The underspend will disappear as these are filled by the year end.
- 2 This overspend relates to the cost of transporting children to and from school and respite.
- 3 This overspend is due to the recruitment of foster and adoption carers, and also the increase in formerly looked after and accommodated children entering the Throughcare Service.
- 4 This overspend relates to an increase in demand for long term residential respite for children with a disability.
- 5 This overspend relates to expenditure for contact visits and one-off payments to provide financial help to link carers.

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Older People Services

Budget Category	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 29/12/06	Actual 29/12/06	Variance 29/12/06		% Variance 29/12/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
Employee Costs	26,364	26,326	38	19,666	19,743	(77)	over	(0.4%)	1
Property Costs	592	699	(107)	452	495	(43)	over	(9.5%)	
Supplies & Services	1,196	1,015	181	830	709	121	under	14.6%	2
Transport & Plant	1,164	1,329	(165)	905	1,039	(134)	over	(14.8%)	3,a
Administration Costs	271	428	(157)	204	333	(129)	over	(63.2%)	4
Payments to Other Bodies	1,700	1,564	136	1,417	1,394	23	under	1.6%	
Payments to Contractors	29,296	29,589	(293)	20,263	20,330	(67)	over	(0.3%)	5
Transfer Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	n/a	
Financing Charges	9	12	(3)	8	9	(1)	over	(12.5%)	
Total Controllable Exp.	60,592	60,962	(370)	43,745	44,052	(307)	over	(0.7%)	
Total Controllable Inc.	(10,141)	(9,881)	(260)	(7,222)	(7,028)	(194)	under recovery	2.7%	6
Net Controllable Exp.	50,451	51,081	(630)	36,523	37,024	(501)	over	(1.4%)	

Variance Explanations

- 1 This overspend is due to a number of overestablished posts within the service and the cost of the graduate recruitment scheme.
- 2 This underspend relates to furniture and catering.
- 3 This overspend relates to an increased service provision within Day Care for extended hours and Home Care for existing service.
- 4 This overspend relates mainly to legal expenses.
- 5 This overspend is a result of the increase in demand for free personal care.
- 6 Service User Assessment determines level of income.

Budget Virements

- a Realignment following review of fleet service budgets: £0.342m

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Adult Services

	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 29/12/06	Actual 29/12/06	Variance 29/12/06		% Variance 29/12/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
<u>Budget Category</u>									
Employee Costs	14,017	14,057	(40)	10,449	10,391	58	under	0.6%	1
Property Costs	361	451	(90)	264	291	(27)	over	(10.2%)	
Supplies & Services	3,311	3,544	(233)	2,318	2,580	(262)	over	(11.3%)	2
Transport & Plant	1,127	1,150	(23)	839	853	(14)	over	(1.7%)	a
Administration Costs	210	197	13	171	173	(2)	over	(1.2%)	
Payments to Other Bodies	11,763	11,651	112	8,778	8,554	224	under	2.6%	3
Payments to Contractors	9,620	9,474	146	6,542	6,547	(5)	over	(0.1%)	
Transfer Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	n/a	
Financing Charges	81	60	21	68	49	19	under	27.9%	
Total Controllable Exp.	40,490	40,584	(94)	29,429	29,438	(9)	over	0.0%	
Total Controllable Inc.	(16,966)	(17,027)	61	(12,151)	(12,149)	(2)	under recovery	0.0%	
Net Controllable Exp.	23,524	23,557	(33)	17,278	17,289	(11)	over	(0.1%)	

Variance Explanations

- 1 The underspend is a result of recruitment difficulties for Care Staff.
- 2 This is a predicted overspend in respect of Adaptations for clients.
- 3 There is an underspend in respect of Modernising Mental Health Monies which is being used to fund other budgetary pressures within Adult services.

Budget Virements

- a Realignment following review of fleet service budgets: £0.103m

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Criminal Justice

Budget Category	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 29/12/06	Actual 29/12/06	Variance 29/12/06		% Variance 29/12/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
Employee Costs	3,829	3,658	171	2,834	2,673	161	under	5.7%	1
Property Costs	95	99	(4)	76	77	(1)	over	(1.3%)	
Supplies & Services	72	87	(15)	41	43	(2)	over	(4.9%)	
Transport & Plant	70	86	(16)	43	42	1	under	2.3%	
Administration Costs	163	175	(12)	97	83	14	under	14.4%	
Payments to Other Bodies	1,435	1,220	215	1,136	998	138	under	12.1%	
Payments to Contractors	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	n/a	
Transfer Payments	3	3	0	2	3	(1)	over	(50.0%)	
Financing Charges	28	28	0	23	20	3	under	13.0%	
Total Controllable Exp.	5,695	5,356	339	4,252	3,939	313	under	7.4%	
Total Controllable Inc.	(4,409)	(4,394)	(15)	(3,510)	(3,471)	(39)	under recovery	1.1%	
Net Controllable Exp.	1,286	962	324	742	468	274	under	36.9%	

Variance Explanations

1 This underspend relates to a delay in filling new posts to the service.

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Support Services

	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 29/12/06	Actual 29/12/06	Variance 29/12/06		% Variance 29/12/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
<u>Budget Category</u>									
Employee Costs	6,673	6,582	91	4,925	4,867	58	under	1.2%	1
Property Costs	2,106	1,880	226	1,465	1,321	144	under	9.8%	2
Supplies & Services	841	683	158	642	588	54	under	8.4%	
Transport & Plant	384	248	136	295	202	93	under	31.5%	3,a
Administration Costs	1,082	1,039	43	729	761	(32)	over	(4.4%)	
Payments to Other Bodies	226	303	(77)	200	199	1	under	0.5%	
Payments to Contractors	25	0	25	17	0	17	under	100.0%	
Transfer Payments	6	2	4	4	3	1	under	25.0%	
Financing Charges	252	266	(14)	194	180	14	under	7.2%	
Total Controllable Exp.	11,595	11,003	592	8,471	8,121	350	under	4.1%	
Total Controllable Inc.	(3,736)	(3,806)	70	(2,424)	(2,495)	71	over recovery	(2.9%)	4
Net Controllable Exp.	7,859	7,197	662	6,047	5,626	421	under	7.0%	

Variance Explanations

- 1 The underspend relates to a number of vacant posts within Support Services.
- 2 This relates to underspends in rates and other property costs.
- 3 This underspend is due to the delay in reordering new vehicles.
- 4 This over recovery is a result of training activity.

Budget Virements

- a Realignment following review of fleet service budgets: (£0.445m)