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REVENUE BUDGET 2008/09 – MONITORING REPORT

by Bill Alexander

Summary

This report provides monitoring information to October 2008 on those areas of expenditure that have been delegated to the Joint Committee.

1. Background

- 1.1 The October 2008 revenue monitoring statement is attached as an appendix.
- 1.2 The overall budget is projected to underspend by £240,000. This projection relates to a number of factors.
- 1.3 Out of authority placements are currently projected to overspend, by £220,000. While there continues to be pressure on this budget heading, and the end of year position is always dependent on the placement of a very small number of young people, the projected overspend relates to the timing of invoices and payments. Accordingly, it is still envisaged that this overspend will be managed down.
- 1.4 The projected underspend of £300,000 in Early Years Services in part reflects the vacancies that there have been in Family Resource Officer posts, which may in turn cause an underspend in grants for local developmental activities. It also reflects the need for contingency measures associated with planned savings in early education in the local authority sector in 2008/09.
- 1.5 The projected underspend in Additional Support Needs, Youth Action and New Community School Approach services are all related to recent difficulties in recruiting staff to posts.

Recommendation

Members are asked to consider this report.

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JOINT COMMITTEE FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Revenue Expenditure Monitoring Report for the period from 1 April 2008 to 31st October 2008

	Actual Year To Date £000			Annual Budget £000			Year End Estimate £000			Year End Variance £000			THC Variance Sep 08 £000	THC Variance Aug 08 £000	THC Variance Jul 08 £000	THC Variance Jun 08 £000	THC Variance May 08 £000
	NHSH	THC	TOTAL	NHSH	THC	TOTAL	NHSH	THC	TOTAL	NHSH	THC	TOTAL					
BY ACTIVITY																	
Early Years	18	3,741	3,759	42	9,219	9,261	42	8,979	9,021	0	(300)	(300)	(259)	(259)	0	0	0
Specialist Services	13	678	691	31	1,246	1,277	31	1,246	1,277	0	0	0	(10)	(10)	0	0	0
Out of Authority Placements	-	4,308	4,308	-	5,988	5,988	0	6,208	6,208	0	220	220	145	161	0	0	0
Additional Support Needs	70	740	810	157	1,731	1,888	157	1,701	1,858	0	(30)	(30)	4	4	0	0	0
Youth Action Services	45	1,118	1,163	105	2,587	2,692	105	2,490	2,595	0	(97)	(97)	(75)	(75)	0	0	0
New Community Schools Approach	44	770	814	100	1,798	1,898	100	1,764	1,864	0	(34)	(34)	(24)	(44)	0	0	0
Getting it Right For Every Child	0	(140)	(140)	0	230	230	0	230	230	0	0	0	0	(4)	0	0	0
Health Improvement	139	43	182	334	42	376	334	43	377	0	1	1	2	2	0	0	0
Total JCCYP	329	11,258	11,587	769	22,841	23,610	769	22,661	23,430	0	(240)	(240)	(217)	(225)	0	0	0
Pre-school Devolved		2,233	2,233		3,968	3,968		3,968	3,968		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Early Years		1. Vacancies in childcare and surestart posts, which may in turn will cause an underspend in the level of grants. 2. Contingency planning for savings measures in 2008/09
Specialist Services		
Out of Authority Placements		Steps continue to be taken to try to bring this budget in on target. The overspend largely reflects the timing of payments.
Additional Support Needs		Vacancies and delays in recruitment in the disability teams may cause an underspend this year
Youth Action Services		Vacancies in the Youth Action services
New Community Schools Approach		Vacancies
Getting it Right For Every Child		
Health Improvement		

