

## Wiltshire Council

Cabinet  
22 March 2011

Children's Services Select Committee  
17 March 2011

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### Revenue Budget Monitoring 2010-11 (as at the end of Period 10)

*(N/B. This is an edited version of the full Budget report received by Cabinet on 22 March – this version contains only the information pertinent to DCE)*

#### Summary

1. The projected year end position for the relevant account is as follows:

	Revised Budget £ m	Actual Period 10 £ m	Forecast Y/E £ m	Under/ Overspend £ m	Movement from period 9 £ m
General Fund	346.243	424.760	347.203	0.960	(0.157)
HRA	(1.292)	(2.981)	(1.006)	0.286	0.286

2. The forecast for the General Fund shows a continued improvement until the latest position outlined in this report and shown in the graph below which details the forecast variance for each department, the council overall over each report to Cabinet.
3. The key areas of movement since last period has been:
  - DHWB - £0.042 million increase arising from a revised forecast on income within Public Protection.
  - DOR - £0.200 million reduction due to updated assumptions made within the ICT service.

The detail around these departmental projections is set out at Section 5 of this report and Appendix 1.

4. The forecast overspend of £0.960 million will be funded by a draw on the general fund reserve; this is detailed in paragraph 30 and has been fully allowed for in the 2011-12 revenue budget proposals. However, work will continue to bring back the budget to a balanced position as we move to an outturn position.

#### General Fund

5. The overall net position by departments is as follows:

Department	Revised Budget £ m	Actual Period 10 £ m	Forecast Y/E £ m	(Under)/ overspend £ m	(Under)/ overspend Reported at period 9 £ m	Movement since period 9 £m
<b>DCE (paras 11-13)</b>	<b>48.964</b>	<b>177.876</b>	<b>49.212</b>	<b>0.248</b>	<b>0.247</b>	<b>0.001</b>
DCS (paras 14-17)	116.228	109.245	121.028	4.800	4.800	-
DNP (paras 18-20)	80.950	67.970	81.973	1.023	1.023	-
DHWB (paras 21-22)	5.078	3.748	5.153	0.075	0.033	0.042
DOR (paras 23-25)	66.989	59.498	66.989	-	0.200	(0.200)
Corporate (paras 26-28)	28.034	4.423	22.848	(5.186)	(5.186)	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>346.243</b>	<b>422.760</b>	<b>347.203</b>	<b>0.960</b>	<b>1.117</b>	<b>(0.157)</b>

### Department for Children and Education (DCE)

6. Taking in to account the shortfall in ABG savings which is being reported against DCE to Cabinet, the Department is projecting an overspend of £0.248 million against the LA funded budget. Whilst this is unchanged from the previous month there has been movement within individual service areas. There continues to be pressure on Social Care budgets, in particular the Care Leavers and Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children budgets.
7. The projected overspend in Social Care has increased by £0.322 million in January however this increase has been offset by increased underspends in Connexions and Staff Development.
8. The Dedicated Schools Grant continues to show a projected underspend of £2.499 million.

### Proposals

39. That Members note the report showing a forecast overspend of £0.960 million, which remains in line with the Councils financial plan.

### Reasons for Proposals

40. That Members can approve the financial position of the Council at the continued corporate approach to managing the financial pressures and government reductions ahead of the final outturn for 2010-11.

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Unpublished documents relied upon in the preparation of this report: NONE

Environmental impact of the recommendations contained in this report: NONE

Appendix 1 – Wiltshire Council Revenue Budget Monitoring Report