



Revenue Monitoring

The forecast outturn at Month 7 shows a positive variance of £14.25M before the use of Exceptional Financial Support (EFS). This is made up of favourable Directorate variances of £5.91M plus £8.29M for centrally held budgets and £0.05M in centrally held funding. This is a £1.07M improvement on the Month 6 position which forecast a £13.18M favourable variance. A further £2.16M of budgets for sustainable 2024/25 savings was transferred to centrally held budgets in Month 7, bringing the total transferred to £8.29M (£3.75M of which is subject to ratification by full Council).

The main favourable variances are in the following areas:

- Children & Learning (£1.59M favourable) with the main positive variance being in children looked after (CLA) of £0.94M, together with favourable variances for care leavers (£0.16M), agency staffing (£0.15M) and legal costs (£0.15M). This is after £1.56M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally.
- Community Wellbeing (£1.91M favourable) with the main positive variances being for non-recurrent staffing savings from the Phase 2A restructure (£0.69M), lower respite service redesign costs (£0.64M) and release of Adult Social Care budget due to demand management transformation activity (£0.35M). This is after £4.33M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally (£3.75M subject to full Council approval).
- Enabling Services (£0.44M favourable) from a range of savings (£0.20M), additional income (£0.13M) and staffing vacancies (£0.11M). This is after £0.14M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally.
- Growth and Prosperity (£1.41M favourable) relating to further School Travel Service transformation savings (£0.73M), capitalisation of highways costs (£0.45M) and £0.69M of other favourable variances reduced by £0.46M adverse variances in other areas. This is after £1.05M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally.
- Resident Services (£0.21M favourable), mainly due to staffing vacancies and additional grant income in Environmental Health and Trading Standards (£0.16M), and with final mitigations from the Deficit Recovery Plans having been fully implemented. This is after £0.27M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally.
- Strategy & Performance (£0.36M favourable), due to salary underspends and additional income.
- Centrally held budgets (£8.29M favourable) relating to sustainable savings transferred from directorates (£7.35M) and Capital Asset Management (£0.94M).

The overall favourable variance of £14.25M reported this month includes forecast Transformation Savings of £7.90M and these are detailed later in the report.

There are no directorates reporting an overall adverse variance.

Exceptional Financial Support (EFS)

All services should continue to aim to under-spend in 2024/25 to minimise the reliance on Exceptional Financial Support (EFS). The annual revenue cost of using borrowing to fund the 2024/25 budget shortfall of £39.28M (via the EFS facility) is £3.2M, this is £0.4M lower than previous estimates due to the government confirming the removal of the EFS premium. If the favourable forecast variance of £14.25M is sustained, the borrowing costs will be £1.2M per annum lower at £2.0M.

Budget Adjustments

As set out in the Business Planning and Budgeting Framework sustained favourable budget variances will be transferred from service budgets to contingency. £2.16M of sustained Directorate favourable variances reported at Month 6 were transferred to contingency in Month 7. This is in addition to the £6.13M previously transferred, bringing the total to £8.29M. £1.85M of new sustainable savings have been identified in Month 7 and are recommended to be transferred. All of the new sustainable savings this month relate to transformation.

Savings Delivery

The savings targets built into 2024/25 budgets is £24.64M. £21.26M of the savings are reported as "delivered" and a further £2.35M are "expected to be delivered". £0.84M of low risk savings are being closely monitored. £0.20M of at risk savings within City Services are being covered by mitigations within the Resident Services Deficit Recovery Plans.

Deficit Recovery Plans

All Deficit Recovery Plans from previous months have been implemented and there are no new plans required this month.

Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) and School Balances

The DSG deficit reduced by £3.99M to £7.11M in 2023/24 and a further reduction of £1.20M is currently forecast for 2024/25. Schools budget data for 2024/25 indicates there are 13 schools with a deficit balance and where necessary deficit recovery plans are being prepared.

Reserves

The General Fund reserve is forecast to be £12.00M at year end 2024/25, and Earmarked Reserves (excluding schools' balances) at £36.22M.

Housing Revenue Account (HRA)

The HRA is forecasting a balanced position at Month 7, with a reduction in depreciation being balanced by an increase in direct revenue financing of the capital programme. Additional insurance premium costs are covered by increased service charges to leaseholders and other adverse variances are covered by favourable variances on staffing. The Landlord Controlled Heating Account carried a £2.35M deficit into 2024/25, and this is now expected to reduce to £1.74M by year end.

Capital Programme

The General Fund capital programme is reporting a forecast underspend of £2.38M. The major project variances are:

- Underspends reported in Care Director (£0.68M) and Belgrave Industrial Estate Roof (£0.27M)

The HRA capital programme is reporting a forecast underspend of £1.71M. The major project variances are:

- Underspends are reported in Roofing (£0.40M)
- Overspends are reported in Lift Refurbishments (£0.41M), Sprinkler works (£0.64M), Wyndham Court Refurbishment (£0.60M) and Structural Inspections (£0.60M)



General Fund Position Month 7



	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M	
Directorates:				
Children & Learning	60.81	59.22	(1.59)	F
Community Wellbeing	94.49	92.58	(1.91)	F
Enabling Services	26.31	25.87	(0.44)	F
Growth & Prosperity	37.71	36.30	(1.41)	F
Resident Services	25.98	25.77	(0.21)	F
Strategy & Performance	4.94	4.59	(0.36)	F
Total Directorates	250.25	244.34	(5.91)	F
Levies & Contributions	0.10	0.10	0.00	
Contribution to General Fund Balance	1.93	1.93	0.00	
Capital Asset Management	11.92	11.92	0.00	
Other Expenditure & Income	14.40	6.11	(8.29)	F
Net Council Expenditure before EFS	278.60	264.39	(14.20)	F
Financed by:				
Council Tax	(120.44)	(120.44)	0.00	
Business Rates	(54.45)	(54.45)	0.00	
Non-Specific Government Grants & Other Funding	(64.43)	(64.48)	(0.05)	F
Total Funding	(239.32)	(239.37)	(0.05)	F
Net Over/(Underspend) before EFS	39.28	25.02	(14.25)	F
Exceptional Financial Support (EFS)	(39.28)	(25.02)		
Net Over/(Underspend)	0.00	0.00		

General Fund Month 7 Commentary

Overall forecast position is £14.25M underspent, a favourable movement of £1.07M from Month 6

Children & Learning: a forecast underspend of £1.59M.

The overall £1.59M favourable variance is mainly due to favourable variances of £0.94M for Children Looked After for care package costs, £0.16M for lower Care Leavers client numbers, £0.15M for agency staffing reductions, £0.15M for Legal costs and £0.19M of other favourable variances elsewhere. The directorate is forecasting £1.71M of transformation savings, of which £1.06M have been taken centrally.

Community Wellbeing: a forecast underspend of £1.91M.

The overall £1.91M favourable variance is largely due to a favourable variance of £0.69M across Whole Life Pathways & Living & Ageing Well Resourcing arising from non-recurrent staffing savings achieved as a result of the Phase 2A restructure. Additionally, there is a £0.35M favourable variance on Living & Ageing Well - Cost of Care attributable to transformation due to lower levels of activity compared to budget. There are other favourable variances in the ICU totalling £0.64M with the Respite Service redesign costing less than budgeted and starting later than anticipated in addition to improved income forecasts and savings from offsetting costs with grant funding. In terms of transformation, savings of £2.9M are forecast, of which £2.0M have been taken centrally.

Enabling Services: a forecast underspend of £0.44M.

The £0.44M favourable variance is mainly due to £0.16M of savings from AVCs take up, £0.13M additional income for Supplier Management and Finance, and £0.11M for staffing vacancies and other minor favourable variances. £0.14M of transformation savings have been taken centrally.

Growth & Prosperity: a forecast underspend of £1.41M.

The favourable variance of £1.41M is mainly due to £0.73M of further transformation savings for the School Travel Service, £0.33M increase in traffic management income, £0.45M capitalisation of highways costs and £0.35M favourable variance for Corporate Landlord energy and staffing costs. There are adverse variances of £0.31M on investment property based on projected income and £0.10M for Planning. The directorate is forecasting £2.56M of transformation savings, of which £1.05M have been taken centrally.

Resident Services: a forecast underspend of £0.21M.

The £0.21M favourable variance is mainly due to staffing vacancies and additional grant income in Environmental Health and Trading Standards of £0.16M. There are £0.30M of in-year transformation savings within the directorate, of which, £0.27M have been taken centrally.

Strategy & Performance: a forecast underspend of £0.36M.

The £0.36M favourable variance is mainly due to staffing vacancies (£0.25M) and additional income (£0.11M). £0.05M of transformation savings are included in the forecast.



Month 6 Adjusted Variance Vs Month 7



	Forecast Variance Month 6 £M		Sustainable Savings Removed £M	Adjusted Variance Month 6 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M	Movement Adjusted Month 6 to Month 7 £M	
Directorates:							
Children & Learning	(2.21) F		0.50	(1.71) F	(1.59) F	0.13 A	↓
Community Wellbeing	(1.60) F		0.58	(1.02) F	(1.91) F	(0.89) F	↑
Enabling Services	(0.54) F		0.14	(0.40) F	(0.44) F	(0.03) F	↑
Growth & Prosperity	(1.51) F		0.00	(1.51) F	(1.41) F	0.10 A	↓
Resident Services	(0.02) F		0.00	(0.02) F	(0.21) F	(0.19) F	↑
Strategy & Performance	(0.16) F		0.00	(0.16) F	(0.36) F	(0.20) F	↑
Total Directorates	(6.05) F		1.22	(4.84) F	(5.91) F	(1.07) F	↑
Levies & Contributions	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Contribution to General Fund Balance	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Capital Asset Management	(0.94) F		0.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other Expenditure & Income	(6.13) F		(2.16)	(8.29) F	(8.29) F	0.00	
Net Council Expenditure before EFS	(13.13) F		0.00	(13.13) F	(14.20) F	(1.07) F	↑
Financed by:							
Council Tax	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Business Rates	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Non-Specific Government Grants & Other Funding	(0.05) F		0.00	(0.05) F	(0.05) F	0.00	
Total Funding	(0.05) F		0.00	(0.05) F	(0.05) F	0.00	
Net Over/(Underspend) before EFS	(13.18) F		0.00	(13.18) F	(14.25) F	(1.07) F	↑

NB: The Month 6 forecast variance has been adjusted to reflect the transfer of £2.16M of sustainable savings to contingency.

Children & Learning:

£0.50M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally in Month 7 and there is a further adverse movement of £0.13M from Month 6, mainly due to an increase in a small number of high cost clients causing an adverse movement of £0.22M. There is a £0.05M favourable movement due to a reduction in monthly spend in No Recourse to Public Funds and £0.05M favourable movements across a small number of Education & Learning areas.

Community & Wellbeing:

£0.58M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally in Month 7 and there are a further £0.89M of favourable movements from Month 6, mainly from non-recurrent staffing savings following completion of the Phase 2A restructure.

Enabling Services:

£0.14M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally in Month 7 and there is a further favourable movement of £0.03M from Month 6 due to minor favourable variances.

Growth & Prosperity:

There is an adverse movement of £0.10M from Month 6 mainly due to a £0.20M forecast reduction in bus shelter advertising income and a favourable variance on salary forecasts of £0.12M.

Resident Services:

There is a favourable movement of £0.19M from Month 6, predominantly due to the final mitigations from the Deficit Recovery Plan being implemented which has enabled the residual £0.13M pressure in Landscapes to be fully mitigated. There is also a favourable movement on the Service Centre of £0.05M with forecast severance costs now being met centrally.

Strategy & Performance:

There is a favourable movement of £0.20M from Month 6 mainly due to staffing vacancies and additional income.



Executive Director	Description of saving	Savings £M
Community Wellbeing	Care package costs (Transformation), including lower demand	0.35
Growth & Prosperity	Highway costs capitalisation	0.45
Growth & Prosperity	School Travel Service	0.73
Growth & Prosperity	Traffic Management Income	0.33
Total		1.85

£2.16M of sustainable savings previously reported have been transferred to centrally held contingency in Month 7, bringing the total transferred to £8.29M (of which £3.75M is subject to ratification by full Council). £1.85M of new sustainable savings have been identified in Month 7 and are recommended to be transferred to contingency. All of the new sustainable savings this month relate to transformation.



Transformation Savings



Executive Director	Month 7 Variance	Sustainable Savings Removed	Total Directorate Variance	Transformation Savings	Other Directorate Variances
	£M	£M	£M	£M	£M
Children & Learning	(1.59)	(1.56)	(3.14)	(1.71)	(1.44)
Community Wellbeing	(1.91)	(4.33)	(6.24)	(2.90)	(3.34)
Enabling Services	(0.44)	(0.14)	(0.58)	(0.14)	(0.44)
Growth & Prosperity	(1.41)	(1.05)	(2.46)	(2.56)	0.09
Resident Services	(0.21)	(0.27)	(0.48)	(0.30)	(0.18)
Strategy & Performance	(0.36)	0.00	(0.36)	(0.05)	(0.31)
Capital Asset Management	0.00	(0.94)	(0.94)	(0.25)	(0.69)
Total	(5.91)	(8.29)	(14.20)	(7.90)	(6.30)

Executive Director	Description of transformation saving	Savings £M
Children & Learning	Managing Demand	(0.15)
Children & Learning	Right Child / Right Home	(1.56)
Community Wellbeing	Commissioning	(0.50)
Community Wellbeing	Living & Ageing Well	(1.50)
Community Wellbeing	Phase 2A restructure	(0.40)
Community Wellbeing	Whole Life Pathways - LD	(0.50)
Enabling Services	Data & Digital - System Rationalisation	(0.14)
Growth & Prosperity	Parking and Traffic Management	(0.33)
Growth & Prosperity	School Travel Service	(1.48)
Growth & Prosperity	Service Redesign	(0.75)
Resident Services	Service Centre	(0.30)
Strategy & Performance	Strategic Core - Advertising	(0.05)
Capital Asset Management	Treasury Management (Reshaping Financial Management)	(0.25)
Total		(7.90)



Clear Filters

Variances Month 7



Children & Learning

Community Wellbeing

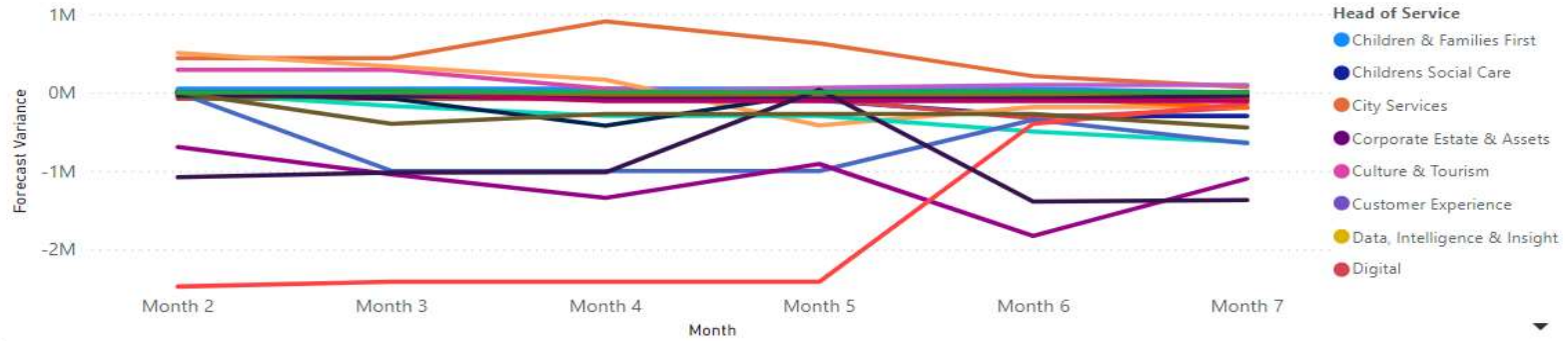
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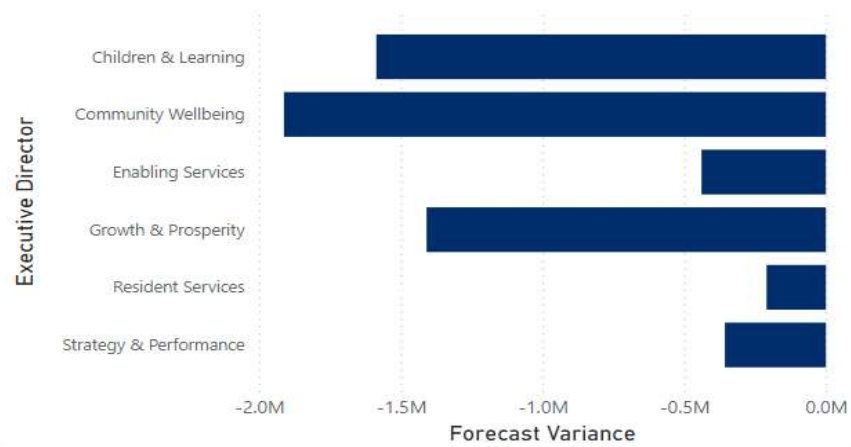
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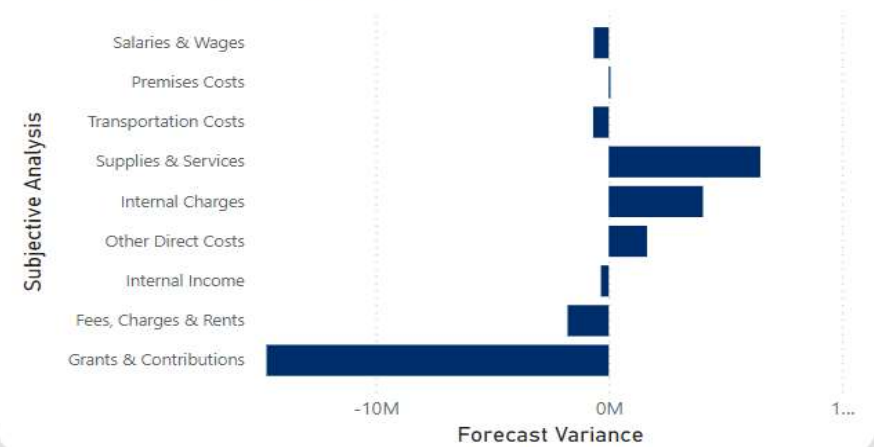
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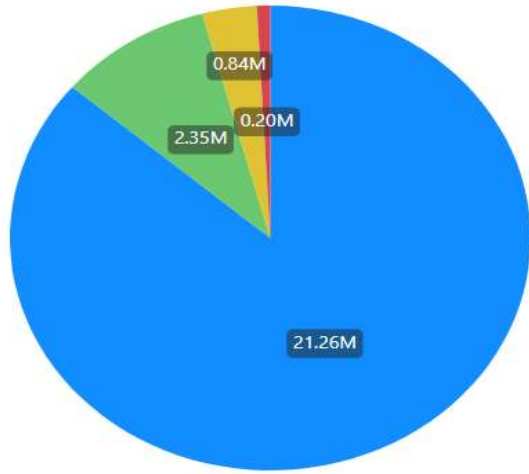


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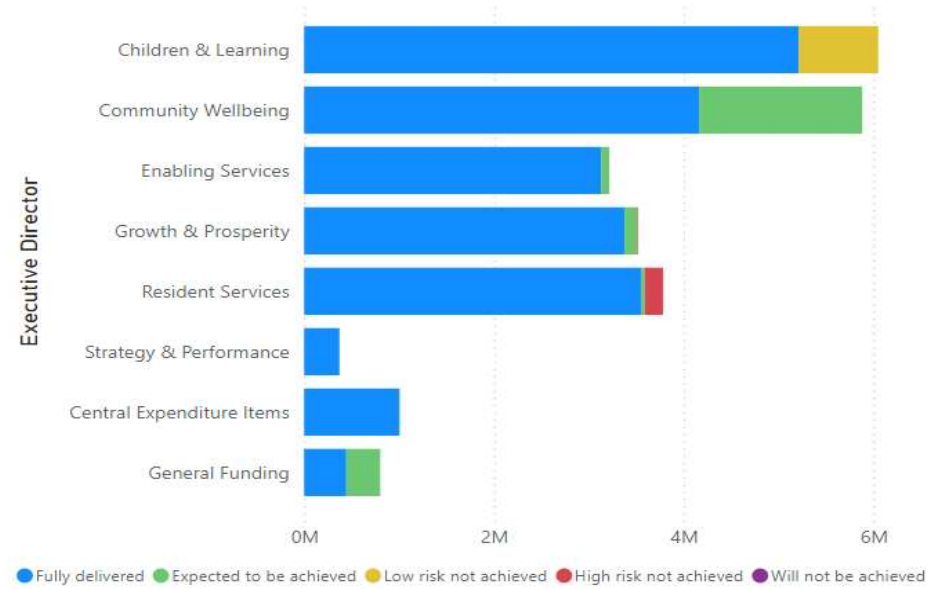


Savings Targets 2024/25 RAG Rated



● Fully delivered ● Expected to be achieved ● Low risk not achieved ● High risk not achieved ● Will not be achieved

Savings Targets per Directorate



Please select a Directorate to drillthrough

Key Issues

The current rate of non-achievement of savings is 1% or £0.20M forecast not to be achieved (Red & Purple). The Resident Services Deficit Recovery Plan has mitigated the impact of non-achievement of savings through additional increased income by services within the directorate.



Summary of variations to Budget (£M)

Executive Director	Client Packages and Placement costs	Coroner costs	Employee and Agency Costs	Energy	Fuel	Income	Non Achievement of savings	Other	Property Investment	Service Review of ICU	Transformation Savings held in directorate	Total
Children & Learning	(0.46)	0.00	(0.31)	0.00	0.00	(0.03)	0.00	(0.14)	0.00	0.00	(0.65)	(1.59)
Community Wellbeing	0.17	0.00	(0.88)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.18)	0.00	(0.12)	(0.90)	(1.91)
Enabling Services	0.00	0.00	(0.10)	0.00	0.00	(0.13)	0.00	(0.20)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.44)
Growth & Prosperity	0.00	0.00	(0.19)	(0.20)	0.00	0.24	0.01	(0.08)	0.31	0.00	(1.50)	(1.41)
Resident Services	0.00	0.28	0.66	0.00	0.12	(1.02)	0.20	(0.41)	0.00	0.00	(0.03)	(0.21)
Strategy & Performance	0.00	0.00	(0.25)	0.00	0.00	(0.06)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.05)	(0.36)
Total	(0.29)	0.28	(1.07)	(0.20)	0.12	(1.00)	0.21	(1.02)	0.31	(0.12)	(3.13)	(5.91)

Within directorates there are favourable variances of £3.13M for Transformation Savings (excluding those transferred to contingency), £0.29M for client packages and placements, £1.07M for staffing and agency costs, £1.00M for increased income and £1.34M for other factors. The main adverse variances are for property investment income shortfalls £0.31M and Coroner costs £0.28M, with £0.33M for other factors. The £5.91M net favourable variance for directorates is after £7.35M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally, of which £4.52M relates to Transformation Savings.



	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M	
Children & Families First	3.68	3.68	0.00		(0.05)	F ↑
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Childrens Social Care	3.10	2.80	(0.30)	F	0.00	
Divisional Management	2.18	2.03	(0.15)	F	0.00	
ICU - Children's Services	0.38	0.38	0.00		0.00	
Legal (Children's)	0.54	0.39	(0.15)	F	0.00	
Education	4.18	4.15	(0.04)	F	(0.05)	F ↑
DSG Central School Services Block	(0.06)	(0.06)	0.00		0.00	
DSG Early Years Block	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	
DSG High Needs Block Education	2.60	2.60	0.00		0.00	
DSG Schools Block	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	
Education - Asset Management	0.84	0.84	0.00		0.00	
Education & Learning	0.81	0.77	(0.04)	F	(0.05)	F ↑
Quality Assurance	2.65	2.61	(0.04)	F	0.00	
Quality Assurance Business Unit	2.65	2.61	(0.04)	F	0.00	
SEND	(1.55)	(1.60)	(0.05)	F	0.00	
DSG High Needs Block SEND	(2.60)	(2.60)	0.00		0.00	
Education - High Needs	1.04	0.99	(0.05)	F	0.00	
Pathways Through Care	33.65	32.56	(1.10)	F	0.73	A ↓
Care Leavers	1.07	0.91	(0.16)	F	0.00	
Children Looked After	32.58	31.64	(0.94)	F	0.73	A ↓
Resources	11.85	11.80	(0.06)	F	0.00	
Jigsaw	5.45	5.46	0.00		0.00	
Safeguarding	6.40	6.34	(0.06)	F	0.00	
Young Peoples Service	3.24	3.24	0.00		0.00	
Young Peoples Service	2.35	2.35	0.00		0.00	
Youth Offending	0.89	0.89	0.00		0.00	
Total Children & Learning	60.81	59.22	(1.59)	F	0.63	A ↓

Children & Learning: a forecast underspend of £1.59M.

There is a £0.63M adverse movement from Month 6. This is after £0.50M of in year only sustainable savings relating to the Children's staffing restructure were taken centrally in Month 7 thus reducing the C&L budget by this amount.

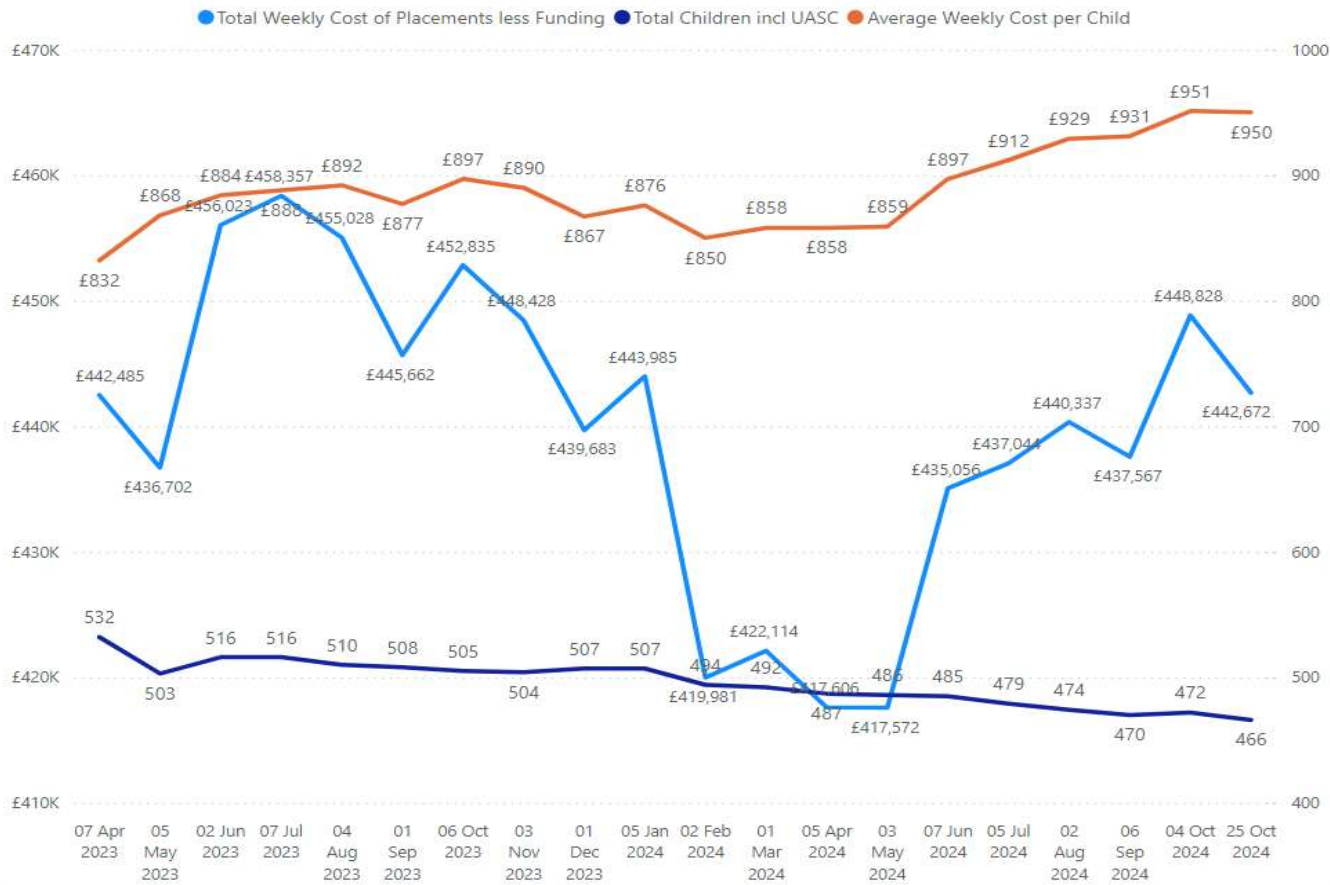
The favourable variance of £1.59M at Month 7 is due primarily to a favourable variance of £0.94M for Children Looked After as package costs remain less than budgeted, together with favourable variances of £0.16M for Care Leavers as client numbers are less than budgeted, £0.15M for Divisional Management due to agency staffing projections, £0.06M in Safeguarding due to a forecast reduction in supplies and services spend, £0.15M for Legal costs being less than budgeted, and £0.04M for Quality Assurance relating to staffing. There is also a £0.05M favourable variance in Education High Needs due to the net impact of staffing vacancies and pay award pressures and £0.04M favourable variances elsewhere. A further £0.5M in the current financial position has been allocated against transformation in month 7. With the previous £1.21M transformation savings highlighted in previous months, this now amounts to £1.71M.

In recent months the numbers of clients and average cost has plateaued and in some areas has begun to increase. This is being looked at closely by the service as represents a financial risk.

The £0.63M adverse movement since Month 6 is mainly due to £0.50M of in year only sustainable savings being taken centrally. There has also been an increase in a small number of high cost clients causing an adverse movement of £0.22M. There is a £0.05M favourable movement due to a reduction in monthly spend in No Recourse to Public Funds and £0.05M favourable movements across a small number of Education & Learning areas.



Children Looked After Numbers



Total weekly cost of placements less funding

Over the past 18 months the weekly cost reduced up to the end of May by around 6%, but has subsequently increased and started to plateau. Some of this relates to cost uplifts, however some of this relates to a recent increase in high needs/cost clients.

The graph shows a temporary increase in the latest week's figures which is mainly due to a short-term high cost client.

Numbers of Children

Over the past 18 months the numbers of children in care have reduced by over 10%.

Average cost per child

The average cost per child did reduce in the final quarter of the last financial year, but as per the total weekly costs this has started to increase and is linked to the same reasons as the total weekly costs.

The increase in this figure is again due to a short-term high cost client.



	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M	
Integration	18.13	17.49	(0.64)	F ●	(0.14)	F ↑
ICU - Provider Relationships	15.88	15.65	(0.23)	F ●	0.00	
ICU - System Redesign	2.25	1.85	(0.41)	F ●	(0.14)	F ↑
Living & Ageing Well	31.56	30.91	(0.65)	F ●	(0.30)	F ↑
ASC - Living & Ageing Well - Cost of care	21.39	21.04	(0.35)	F ●	0.00	
ASC - Living & Ageing Well - Resourcing	10.16	9.87	(0.30)	F ●	(0.30)	F ↑
Public Health	0.00	0.00	0.00	●	0.00	
Public Health - Health Improvement	1.89	1.89	0.00	●	0.00	
Public Health - Health Protection and Surveillance	10.21	10.21	0.00	●	0.00	
Public Health - Management & Overheads	(16.11)	(16.11)	0.00	●	0.00	
Public Health - Non-ringfenced	0.00	0.00	0.00	●	0.00	
Public Health - Population Healthcare	4.01	4.01	0.00	●	0.00	
Quality, Governance & Professional Development	(8.13)	(8.27)	(0.14)	F ●	0.26	A ↓
ASC - Quality, Assurance & Professional Development	(8.13)	(8.27)	(0.14)	F ●	0.26	A ↓
Stronger Communities	1.60	1.55	(0.04)	F ●	0.04	A ↓
Community Safety, Alcohol Related Crime, CCTV	0.31	0.31	0.00	●	0.00	
Domestic Violence	0.37	0.37	0.00	●	0.00	
Grants to Voluntary Organisations	0.49	0.45	(0.04)	F ●	0.04	A ↓
Stronger Communities	0.43	0.43	0.00	●	0.00	
Whole Life Pathways	51.34	50.89	(0.45)	F ●	(0.17)	F ↑
ASC - Whole Life Pathways - Directly Delivered Services	2.40	2.34	(0.05)	F ●	(0.18)	F ↑
ASC - Whole Life Pathways - LD Cost of care	26.29	26.29	0.00	●	0.40	A ↓
ASC - Whole Life Pathways - MH Cost of care	11.35	11.35	0.00	●	0.00	
ASC - Whole Life Pathways - Other Cost of care	7.36	7.36	0.00	●	0.00	
ASC - Whole Life Pathways - Resourcing	3.94	3.55	(0.39)	F ●	(0.39)	F ↑
Total Community Wellbeing	94.49	92.58	(1.91)	F ●	(0.31)	F ↑

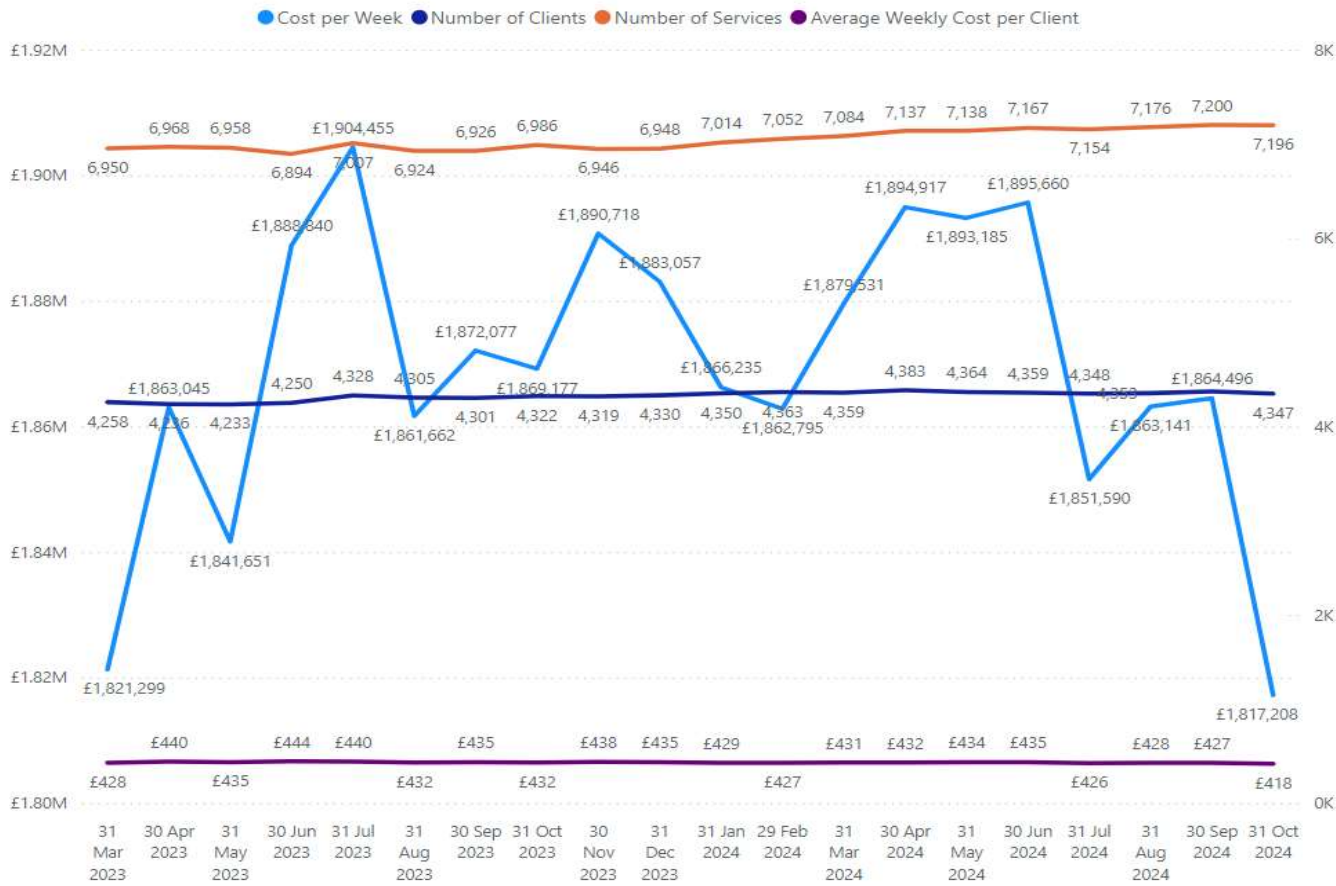
Community Wellbeing: a forecast underspend of £1.91M.

There is a favourable movement of £0.31M from Month 6 to Month 7. This is after £0.58M of sustainable savings have been taken centrally in Month 7. The improvement is mainly arising from non-recurrent staffing savings following the completion of the Phase 2A restructure.

The overall £1.91M favourable variance is largely due to a favourable variance of £0.69M across Whole Life Pathways & Living & Ageing Well Resourcing arising from non-recurrent staffing savings achieved as a result of the Phase 2A restructure. Additionally, there is a £0.35M favourable variance on Living & Ageing Well - Cost of Care attributable to transformation due to lower levels of activity compared to budget. There are other favourable variances in the ICU totalling £0.64M with the Respite Service redesign costing less than budgeted and starting later than anticipated in addition to improved income forecasts and savings from offsetting costs with grant funding. In terms of transformation, savings of £2.9M are forecast.



Adult Client Package Numbers



Number of Clients

The total number of Adults placements has increased by around 100 placements since the end of the 2022-23 financial year, an increase of around 2.25%. However, numbers have been relatively stable since January 2024, holding at around 4,350 clients with current authorised services.

Average Weekly Cost per Client

Average weekly costs per client have generally been between £425 per week and £450 per week for that time period, but we have seen a general downward trend in the total weekly cost for current authorised services since July 2023. This is due to ongoing work undertaken by the service, including resolution of legacy issues arising from the Discharge to Assess process.

N.B.

Figures are subject to change once the position has been finalised



Enabling Services Month 7



	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M	
Digital	11.16	10.97	(0.19)	F	0.14	A ↓
Digital Services	11.16	10.97	(0.19)	F	0.14	A ↓
Enabling Services	1.31	1.31	0.00		0.00	
Corporate Management	1.07	1.07	0.00		0.00	
Internal Audit	0.24	0.24	0.00		0.00	
Finance	(2.73)	(2.63)	0.09	A	0.00	
Centrally Apportionable Overheads	(7.67)	(7.67)	0.00		0.00	
Corporate Finance	2.60	2.65	0.06	A	0.00	
Net Housing Benefit Payments	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	
Pension & Redundancy Costs	2.34	2.38	0.04	A	0.00	
Human Resources & Organisational Development	3.33	3.23	(0.10)	F	0.00	
HR Services	3.33	3.23	(0.10)	F	0.00	
Income & Expenditure	6.03	5.94	(0.09)	F	0.00	
Accounts Payable	0.70	0.78	0.08	A	0.00	
Accounts Receivable	2.50	2.46	(0.04)	F	0.00	
Local Taxation & Benefits Services	2.84	2.70	(0.14)	F	0.00	
Legal & Governance	4.31	4.31	0.00		0.00	
Democratic Representation & Managemen	2.30	2.26	(0.05)	F	0.00	
Registration of Electors and Elections Costs	0.53	0.57	0.04	A	0.00	
Risk Management	1.48	1.48	0.00		0.00	
Legal Partnership	1.45	1.42	(0.03)	F	(0.03)	F ↑
Land Charges	(0.14)	(0.14)	0.00		0.00	
Legal Services & Customer Relations	1.59	1.56	(0.03)	F	(0.03)	F ↑
Supplier Management	1.44	1.33	(0.11)	F	0.00	
Supplier Management Services	1.44	1.33	(0.11)	F	0.00	
Total Enabling Services	26.31	25.87	(0.44)	F	0.10	A ↓

Enabling Services: a forecast underspend of £0.44M.

There is an adverse movement of £0.10M from Month 6. This is after £0.14M of Data & Digital transformation savings have been taken centrally in Month 7. The overall variance comprises of underspends of £0.11M due to vacancies; £0.13M of additional income for Supplier Management and Finance; £0.16M of saving from savings linked to AVCs and there are other minor favourable variances.



	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M	
Corporate Estate & Assets	5.15	5.11	(0.04)	F	0.00	
Central Repairs & Maintenance	3.01	3.01	0.00		0.00	
Energy Team	0.13	0.13	0.00		0.00	
Property Portfolio Management	(6.97)	(6.66)	0.31	A	0.00	
Property Services	8.11	7.76	(0.35)	F	0.00	
Facilities	0.87	0.87	0.00		0.00	
Culture & Tourism	3.75	3.75	0.00		0.03	A ↓
Cultural Services	1.71	1.74	0.03	A	0.03	A ↓
Libraries	2.04	2.01	(0.03)	F	0.00	
Economic Development & Regeneration	1.30	1.30	0.00		0.05	A ↓
City Development	0.71	0.71	0.00		0.05	A ↓
Economic Development	0.20	0.20	0.00		0.00	
Skills & Employment Support	0.39	0.39	0.00		0.00	
Growth & Prosperity	0.22	0.22	0.00		0.00	
Directorate Management	0.22	0.22	0.00		0.00	
Transport & Planning	27.28	25.91	(1.37)	F	0.02	A ↓
Flood Risk Management	0.15	0.15	0.00		0.00	
Highways Contracts	10.05	9.29	(0.77)	F	(0.08)	F ↑
Home To School Transport	10.74	10.01	(0.73)	F	0.00	
Planning	0.77	0.87	0.10	A	0.00	
Transportation	5.57	5.59	0.02	A	0.10	A ↓
Total Growth & Prosperity	37.71	36.30	(1.41)	F	0.10	A ↓

Growth & Prosperity: a forecast underspend of £1.41M.

There is an adverse movement of £0.10M from Month 6 to Month 7. This is predominantly due to a decrease in forecast clear channel income by £0.2M within the Bus Contract Payments & Concessionary Fares team on bus shelter advertising and there is a favourable variance on vacancies and salary forecasts of £0.12M.

The overall favourable variance of £1.41M comprises of an increase in traffic management income of £0.33M and the capitalisation of highway costs of £0.45M from revenue to capital. There also has been a favourable variance of £0.73M from the School Travel Service as a result of further transformation savings being delivered through optimisation of routes to schools and the introduction of a dynamic purchasing system. A further favourable variance of £0.35M in Property Services was due to a change in the forecasted geothermal costs on Corporate Landlord of £0.20M along with £0.15M on staffing. A forecast adverse variance of £0.31M on investment property income indicates that the current forecast may not be achievable based on current rents and profit share projections. There is an adverse forecast of £0.10M in Planning development management due to a £0.04M adverse forecast on staffing vacancy management and, on income of £0.06M as a result of planning application fee receipts being lower than expected based on past trends. In terms of transformation, savings of £2.56M are forecast.



Resident Services Month 7



	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M	
City Services	22.03	22.10	0.07	A	(0.14)	F ↑
City Services - Commercial Services	0.87	0.92	0.04	A	0.00	
City Services - District Operating Areas	5.10	5.10	0.00		0.01	A ↓
City Services - Management & Compliance	0.54	0.53	(0.02)	F	(0.01)	F ↑
City Services - Waste Operations	16.23	16.18	(0.05)	F	0.00	
Fleet Trading Area	(0.93)	(0.85)	0.08	A	0.00	
Landscape Trading Area	0.22	0.22	0.01	A	(0.13)	F ↑
Customer Experience	0.49	0.47	(0.02)	F	0.00	
Customer Experience	0.49	0.47	(0.02)	F	0.00	
Emergency Preparedness, Planning & Response	0.13	0.13	0.00		0.00	
Emergency Planning	0.13	0.13	0.00		0.00	
Environment	(7.87)	(8.05)	(0.18)	F	0.00	
CPRES - Bereavement Services	0.59	0.59	0.00		0.00	
CPRES - Environmental Health & Scientific Services	1.64	1.48	(0.16)	F	0.00	
CPRES - Licensing	(0.06)	(0.05)	0.01	A	0.00	
CPRES - Parking & Itchen Bridge	(10.38)	(10.38)	0.00		0.00	
CPRES - Port Health	(0.78)	(0.78)	0.00		0.00	
CPRES - Private Sector Housing	0.41	0.42	0.01	A	0.00	
CPRES - Registration Services	(0.19)	(0.19)	0.00		0.00	
Green Cities	0.63	0.58	(0.05)	F	0.00	
Health & Safety	0.29	0.29	0.00		0.00	
Housing	4.97	4.97	0.00		0.00	
DFG Support	(0.01)	(0.01)	0.00		0.00	
Housing Needs	4.83	4.83	0.00		0.00	
Social Fund & Property	0.18	0.18	0.00		0.00	
Travellers Sites	(0.04)	(0.04)	0.00		0.00	
Resident Services	2.80	2.80	0.00		0.00	
Leisure Contracts	2.69	2.69	0.00		0.00	
Leisure Strategy	0.11	0.11	0.00		0.00	
Service Centre	3.43	3.36	(0.08)	F	(0.05)	F ↑
Customer Services	3.43	3.36	(0.08)	F	(0.05)	F ↑
Total Resident Services	25.98	25.77	(0.21)	F	(0.19)	F ↑

Resident Services: a forecast underspend of £0.21M.

There is a favourable movement of £0.19M from Month 6. This is predominantly due to the final mitigations from the Deficit Recovery Plan for resident services being implemented and included in the forecast position, which has enabled the residual £0.13M pressure in Landscapes to be fully mitigated. There is also a favourable movement on the Service Centre of £0.05M from previously forecast severance cost being removed from the forecast as they are now being picked up from the central redundancy budget.

The overall favourable forecast of £0.21M is mainly due to staffing vacancies and additional grant income in Environmental Health and Trading Standards of £0.16M. There are other net favourable variances in the Service Centre of £0.08M due to staffing vacancies and £0.05M in Waste due to a favourable position on waste disposal and income generation being greater than staffing pressures and additional operating costs. There is currently a forecast adverse in Fleet of £0.08M but recharges are currently being reviewed with the intention to ensure all costs are being appropriately recovered from the user services.

There are £0.30M of in-year transformation savings within the directorate, of which, £0.27M has been moved centrally.



	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M	
Data, Intelligence & Insight	1.18	1.10	(0.08) F	●	(0.02)	↑ F
Data & Intelligence	1.18	1.10	(0.08) F	●	(0.02)	↑ F
Marketing & Communications	0.99	0.80	(0.20) F	●	(0.13)	↑ F
Corporate Communications	0.99	0.80	(0.20) F	●	(0.13)	↑ F
Projects & Change	1.42	1.42	0.00	●	0.00	
Projects, Policy & Performance	1.42	1.42	0.00	●	0.00	
Strategy & Performance	1.34	1.26	(0.08) F	●	(0.05)	↑ F
Strategic Management of the Council	1.34	1.26	(0.08) F	●	(0.05)	↑ F
Total Strategy & Performance	4.94	4.59	(0.36) F	●	(0.20)	↑ F

Strategy & Performance: a forecast underspend of £0.36M.

There is a favourable movement of £ £0.20M from Month 6. The overall favourable variance comprises of £0.25M linked to salary underspends due to vacancies in the Data team, Chief Executive's team and Communications. Plus £0.11M of additional income in Communications and Data & Digital. £0.05M of transformation savings are included within the forecast.



General Fund Capital Month 7



	Adjusted 2024-25 Budget £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M	Explained By:	(Slippage)/ Rephasing Month 7 £M	(Surplus)/ Deficit Month 7 £M
Directorates:						
Children & Learning	14.62	14.14	(0.48)	F	0.00	(0.48)
Community Wellbeing	4.25	4.25	0.00		0.00	0.00
Enabling Services	4.15	3.47	(0.68)	F	0.00	(0.68)
Growth & Prosperity	46.99	46.15	(0.84)	F	(0.56)	(0.27)
Resident Services	17.88	17.50	(0.38)	F	(0.42)	0.04
Strategy & Performance	8.13	8.13	0.00		0.00	0.00
Total General Fund	96.01	93.63	(2.38)	F	(0.99)	(1.40)
Financed by:						
Council Resources - Borrowing	11.49	10.54	(0.96)	F	0.00	(0.96)
Council Resources - Capital Receipts	8.48	8.48	0.00		0.00	0.00
Contributions	9.24	8.09	(1.15)	F	(1.17)	0.02
Grants	66.07	65.80	(0.27)	F	0.19	(0.46)
Council Resources - DRF	1.71	1.71	0.00		0.00	0.00
Minimum Revenue Account	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Total Financing	96.01	93.63	(2.38)	F	(0.99)	(1.40)

Major Variances

Directorate	Project	Variance type	Variance Month 7 £M
Children & Learning	Valentine School	Surplus	(0.39)
Enabling Services	CareDirector	Surplus	(0.68)
Growth & Prosperity	Bargate North Walls	Slippage	(0.45)
Growth & Prosperity	Belgrave Industrial Estate Roof	Surplus	(0.27)
Growth & Prosperity	Safer Streets	Slippage	(0.30)
Resident Services	Solar Powered Compactor Bins	Slippage	(0.42)

General Fund Earmarked Reserves (excluding Schools Balances)

	Balance As At 01/04/2024 £M	Forecast Balance As At 31/03/2025 £M	Movement 2024/25 £M	A	↓	Forecast Balance As At 31/03/2026 £M	Movement 2025/26 £M	F	↑
Medium Term Financial Risk Reserve	9.72	9.25	(0.47)	A	↓	10.47	1.22	F	↑
Organisational Redesign Reserve	2.50	2.91	0.41	F	↑	2.91	0.00		
Transformation & Improvement Reserve	4.66	6.05	1.39	F	↑	5.96	(0.10)	A	↓
Revenue Contributions to Capital	1.00	0.92	(0.08)	A	↓	0.92	0.00		
Social Care Demand Risk Reserve	2.00	2.20	0.20	F	↑	2.20	0.00		
Revenue Grants Reserve	4.21	0.00	(4.21)	A	↓	0.00	0.00		
Investment Risk Reserve	0.80	1.20	0.40	F	↑	1.60	0.40	F	↑
Directorate Carry Forwards	0.00	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00		
PFI Sinking Fund	4.35	4.11	(0.24)	A	↓	3.67	(0.43)	A	↓
Insurance Reserve	2.20	2.20	0.00			2.20	0.00		
On Street Parking	2.48	0.54	(1.94)	A	↓	0.02	(0.52)	A	↓
DSG Reserve	3.99	5.19	1.20	F	↑	6.44	1.25	F	↑
Other Reserves	2.69	1.65	(1.03)	A	↓	1.42	(0.23)	A	↓
Total Earmarked Reserves	40.58	36.22	(4.36)	A	↓	37.80	1.58	F	↑
General Fund Balance	10.07	12.00	1.93	F	↑	12.00	0.00		
Total GF Reserves (excl. Schools)	50.65	48.22	(2.43)	A	↓	49.80	1.58	F	↑

There is a forecast balance of £9.25M on the Medium Term Financial Risk (MTFR) Reserve at the end of 2024/25, assuming the forecast in-year surplus is used to reduce the Exceptional Financial Support requirement and not added to the reserve. An increase in the General Fund Balance to £12.0M was included in the 2024/25 budget.



Collection Fund



Collection Fund Balance

	Council Tax £M	Business Rates £M	Total £M
Distribution of previous year's estimated surplus/(contribution towards estimated deficit)	(1.18)	6.61	5.43
Net income and expenditure for 2024/25	0.41	(3.29)	(2.88)
(Surplus)/Deficit for the year	(0.77)	3.32	2.55
(Surplus)/Deficit brought forward from 2023/24	1.24	(8.42)	(7.19)
Overall (Surplus)/Deficit Carried Forward	0.47	(5.10)	(4.63)
SCC Share of (Surplus)/Deficit	0.39	(2.50)	(2.11)

For the Collection Fund as a whole there is a forecast cumulative surplus of £4.63M to be carried forward into 2025/26, from an improvement of £1.76M in the 2023/24 outturn position and a £2.88M forecast net surplus for 2024/25.

The £2.88M forecast net surplus for 2024/25 comprises a £3.29M surplus for business rates offset by a £0.41M deficit for council tax. The business rates surplus is due to an increase in rateable values and a reduction in business rates reliefs and the estimate for non collection. The forecast deficit for council tax relates to an increase in the estimate for non-collection, offset by a reduction in local council tax support costs.

SCC's share of the forecast cumulative surplus is £2.11M. In addition to this there is a £1.20M adverse variance on estimated government grant income for business rates reliefs, due to a large reduction in funded reliefs, which sits outside of the Collection Fund.

Collection Rates

Over or underachievement of collection rates has a positive or negative impact on the Collection Fund Balance.

Council Tax	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
Expected Collection - Projected (93.03%) avg collection	9.82%	8.80%	8.66%	8.61%	8.57%	8.67%	8.75%
In month Expected Collection £	14,494,929	12,978,087	12,768,068	12,737,128	12,706,600	12,870,634	13,014,047
Expected Collection - Difference (in month) £	↓ (154,666)	↑ 14,474	↓ (176,580)	↑ 288,357	↓ (2,128)	↓ (103,882)	↓ (59,126)
Expected Collection - Difference year to date £	↓ (154,666)	↓ (140,192)	↓ (316,772)	↓ (28,415)	↓ (30,543)	↓ (134,425)	↓ (193,551)

Business Rates	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
Expected Collection - Projected (97.05%) avg collection	16.10%	8.75%	8.75%	8.75%	8.75%	8.75%	8.75%
In month Expected Collection £	17,970,500	9,766,040	9,683,981	9,808,680	9,823,847	9,846,472	9,850,107
Expected Collection - Difference (in month) £	↓ (1,508,405)	↑ 2,336,509	↑ 1,228,332	↑ 2,181,699	↓ (1,312,954)	↓ (1,174,746)	↓ (988,049)
Expected Collection - Difference year to date £	↓ (1,508,405)	↑ 828,104	↑ 2,056,436	↑ 4,238,135	↑ 2,925,181	↑ 1,750,436	↑ 762,387

Council Tax Collection

In-year - As of 31st October 2024 net collectable debt is £148.74M (up £0.21M from last month and £8.9M on last year). The collection rate is 61.43%. This is down £0.19M to where we expect to be.

A project has started looking at a single view of the customer in conjunction with the Debt Management Centre. Additional recovery resources have been made available to increase collection.

It has been confirmed that the HMRC data sharing pilot will start in December which will help increase collection. HMRC will provide employment information to the council tax department which will increase the number of Attachment to Earnings.

Business Rates Collection

In-year - As of 31st October 2024, net collectable debt is £112.57M of which we have collected £77.51M.

The collection rate is 0.26% up on where we expect to be.



Housing Revenue Account Month 7



Housing Revenue Account	Working Budget 2024/25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M
Income					
Dwelling Rents	(80.29)	(80.22)	0.07	A	0.00
Other Rents	(1.21)	(1.21)	0.00		0.00
Service Charge Income	(2.53)	(2.53)	0.00		0.00
Leaseholder Service Charges	(1.14)	(1.39)	(0.25)	F	0.00
Interest Received	(0.11)	(0.15)	(0.04)	F	0.00
Total Income	(85.27)	(85.49)	(0.22)	F	0.00
Operational Expenditure					
Responsive Repairs	18.10	17.04	(1.06)	F	(1.06) F ↑
Cyclical Maintenance	6.99	6.79	(0.21)	F	(0.21) F ↑
Rents Payable	0.45	0.65	0.20	A	0.20 A ↓
Debt Management	0.09	0.09	0.00		0.00
Supervision & Management	29.80	29.98	0.19	A	(0.04) F ↑
Total Operational Expenditure	55.43	54.55	(0.87)	F	(1.10) F ↑
Capital Asset Management					
Interest & Principal Repayments	6.46	6.15	(0.31)	F	(0.31) F ↑
Depreciation	22.35	18.12	(4.23)	F	0.00
Direct Revenue Financing of Capital	0.54	6.17	5.63	A	1.40 A ↓
Total Capital Asset Management	29.35	30.44	1.09	A	1.10 A ↓
(Surplus)/deficit for year	(0.50)	(0.50)	0.00		0.00
Working Balance B/Fwd	(2.59)	(2.59)			
Working Balance C/Fwd	(3.09)	(3.09)			

Landlord Controlled Heating	2023/24 Outturn £M	Month 7 Forecast £M
Expenditure		
Costs incurred in year	7.39	8.00
Contribution to bad debt provision	0.20	(0.20)
Prior year adjustment	(0.78)	0.00
Gross Expenditure	6.81	7.80
Income		
Rent collected in year	(7.57)	(7.90)
Leaseholder contribution	(0.47)	(0.51)
Total Income	(8.03)	(8.41)
(Surplus)/deficit for year	(1.23)	(0.61)
Balance B/fwd	3.58	2.35
Balance C/fwd	2.35	1.74

HRA POSITION: a balanced position is forecast.

The overall forecast is in line with the business plan position. There is a favourable position forecast on depreciation based on the reduced asset values recognised in the 2023/24 accounts. There is an off-setting increase in direct revenue financing to ensure the capital programme is not underfunded as a result. Additional insurance premium costs of £0.25M are covered by increased service charges to leaseholders. Adverse forecast on rents payable, Estate Regeneration and bad debt are covered by favourable forecasts on staffing. The forecast movements in Month 7 on repairs is from posts being vacant in the first half of the year and the impact of that on expenditure forecasts. The landlord-controlled heating account deficit brought forward from 2023/24 is £2.35M, and, based on anticipated cost for 2024/25 and additional income from charge increases, is expected to reduce to £1.74M. Modelling will take place to assess the impact on planned future price setting.



Housing Revenue Account Capital Month 7



	Adjusted 2024-25 Budget £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M	Explained By:	(Slippage)/ Rephasing Month 7 £M	(Surplus)/ Deficit Month 7 £M
Scheme Classification:						
Improving Quality of Homes	13.85	15.01	1.16	A	0.00	1.16
Making Homes Energy Efficient	19.57	19.47	(0.10)	F	0.00	(0.10)
Making Homes Safe	13.66	14.30	0.64	A	0.00	0.64
New Homes & Regeneration	4.06	4.06	0.00		0.00	0.00
Supporting Communities	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Supporting Independent Living	5.38	5.38	0.00		0.00	0.00
Total HRA	58.46	60.17	1.71	A	0.00	1.71
Financed by:						
Council Resources - Borrowing	28.36	28.26	(0.10)	F	0.00	(0.10)
Council Resources - Capital Receipts	3.46	3.46	0.00		0.00	0.00
Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
Grants	1.85	1.85	0.00		0.00	0.00
Council Resources - DRF	0.54	0.54	0.00		0.00	0.00
Minimum Revenue Account	24.26	26.06	1.81	A	0.00	1.81
Total Financing	58.46	60.17	1.71	A	0.00	1.71

Major Variances

Scheme	Project	Variance type	Variance Month 7 £M
Improving Quality of Homes	Lift Refurbishment - Shirley Towers	Deficit	0.41
Improving Quality of Homes	Roofing	Surplus	(0.40)
Improving Quality of Homes	Shed Doors	Surplus	(0.05)
Improving Quality of Homes	Structural Inspections to High Rise Blocks	Deficit	0.60
Improving Quality of Homes	Wyndham Court Refurbishment	Deficit	0.60
Making Homes Energy Efficient	Insulation Upgrades	Surplus	(0.10)
Making Homes Safe	Sprinkler Work	Deficit	0.64



Dedicated Schools Grant Month 7



Dedicated Schools Grant	Working Budget 2024-25 £M	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £M	Forecast Variance Month 7 £M		Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £M
Schools	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
High Needs	0.00	(1.20)	(1.20)	F	0.00
Early Years	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Central Services	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
In Year Balance	0.00	(1.20)	(1.20)	F	0.00
Balance B/Fwd held in DSG adjustment reserve	0.00	11.09	11.09	A	0.00
Balance B/Fwd held in DSG usable reserve	0.00	(3.99)	(3.99)	F	0.00
Net DSG deficit B/Fwd	0.00	7.11	7.11	A	0.00
Total DSG Balance	0.00	5.91	5.91	A	0.00

Schools Balances	Budget 2024/25 Deficit	Budget 2024/25 Surplus	Budget 2024/25 Total
Primary			
Net Budget	£2.91M	(£2.06M)	£0.85M
No. of Schools	11	20	31
% of Schools	35%	65%	100%
Secondary			
Net Budget	£0.00M	(£4.86M)	(£4.86M)
No. of Schools	0	6	6
% of Schools	0%	100%	100%
Special			
Net Budget	£1.43M	(£0.27M)	£1.16M
No. of Schools	2	3	5
% of Schools	40%	60%	100%
Total			
Net Budget	£4.34M	(£7.20M)	(£2.85M)
No. of Schools	13	29	42
% of Schools	31%	69%	100%

The DSG deficit reduced by £3.99M to £7.11M in 2023/24 and a further reduction of £1.20M is currently forecast for 2024/25. Schools budget data for 2024/25 indicates there are 13 schools with a deficit balance and where necessary deficit recovery plans are being prepared.



Clear Filters

Position Month 7



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Children & Learning

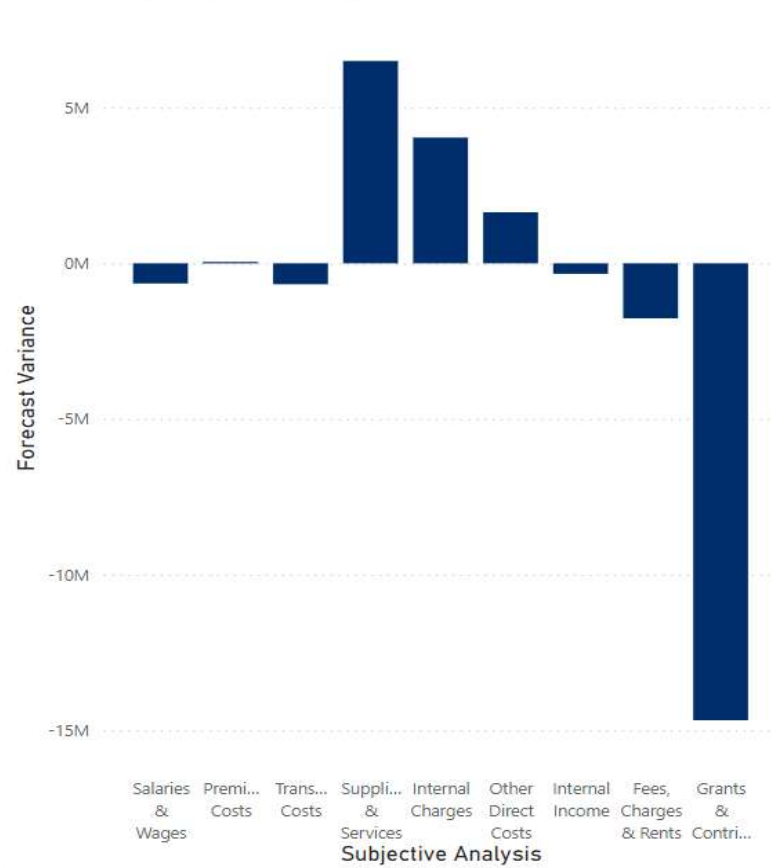
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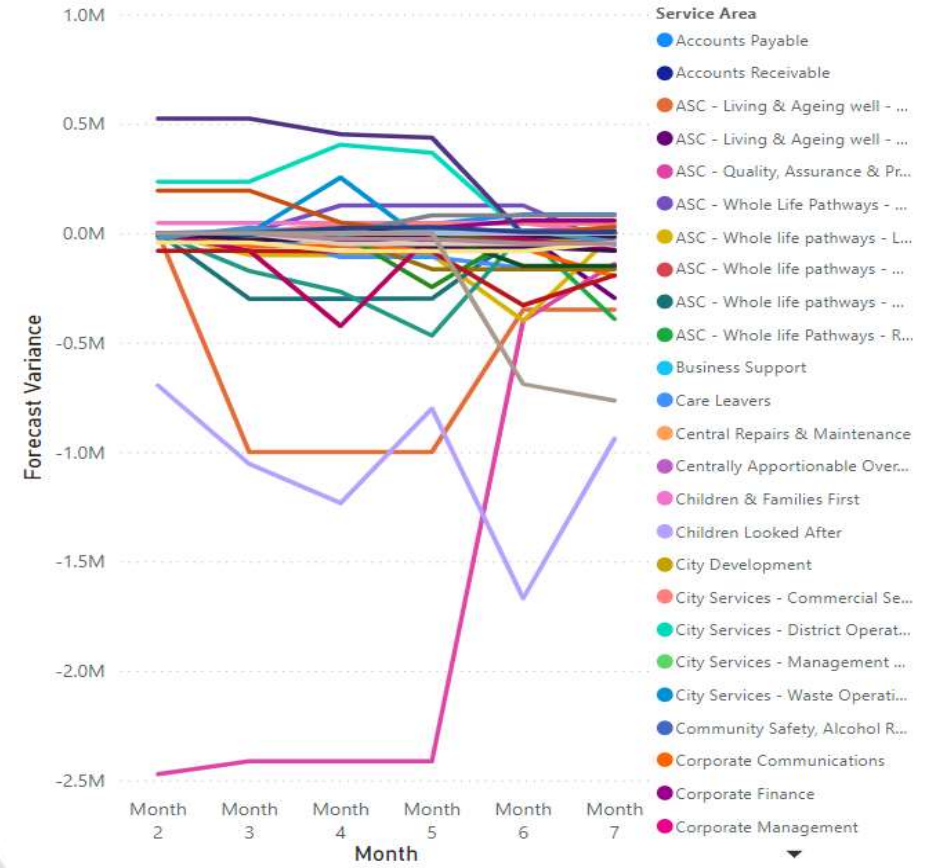
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Variance by Subjective Analysis -



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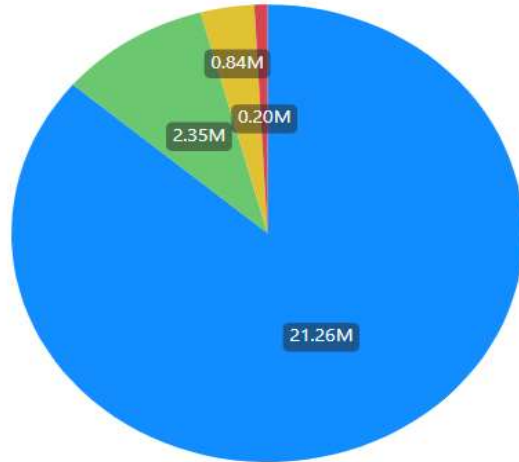
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Portfolio	Working Budget 2024/25 £'000	Forecast Outturn Month 7 £'000	Forecast Variance Month 7 £'000	Movement Month 6 to Month 7 £'000
▲				
▣ Adults & Health	92,894	91,024	(1,870)	(350)
▣ Children & Learning	70,660	68,346	(2,314)	628
▣ Compliance & Leisure	4,425	4,274	(151)	(2)
▣ Communities & Safer City	2,664	2,621	(42)	40
▣ Economic Development	7,448	7,507	59	50
▣ Environment & Transport	22,325	21,652	(672)	(120)
▣ Finance & Corporate Services	32,835	32,221	(614)	35
▣ Green City & Net Zero	5,722	5,678	(44)	5
▣ Housing Operations	5,191	5,200	10	0
▣ Leader	6,087	5,813	(274)	(147)
▣ Central Expenditure Items	28,346	20,057	(8,289)	(1,215)
▣ General Funding	(239,319)	(239,370)	(52)	0
▣ Exceptional Financial Support (EFS)	(39,276)	(25,023)	14,253	1,075
Total	1	1	0	1

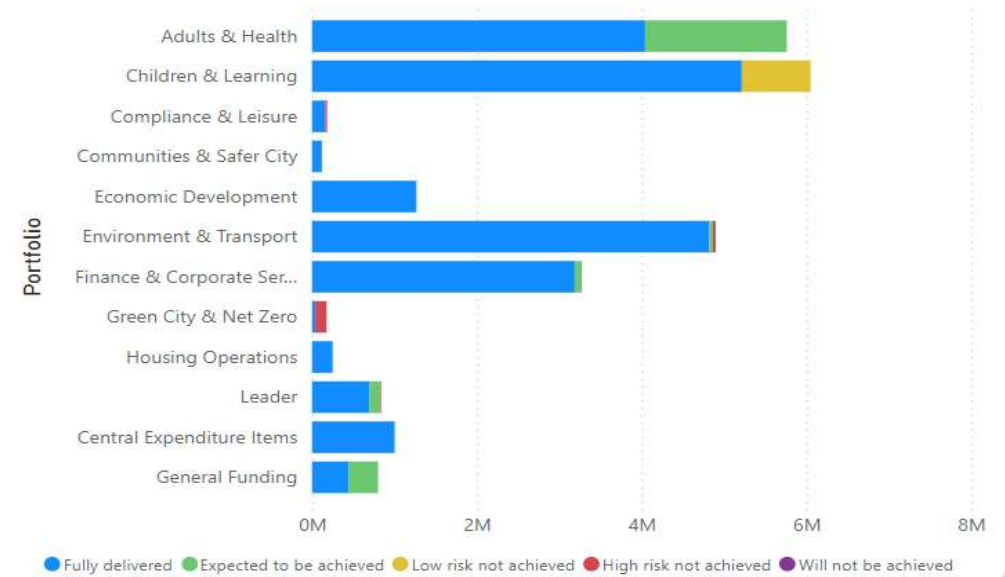


Savings Targets 2024/25 RAG Rated



● Fully delivered ● Expected to be achieved ● Low risk not achieved ● High risk not achieved ● Will not be achieved

Savings Targets per Portfolio



● Fully delivered ● Expected to be achieved ● Low risk not achieved ● High risk not achieved ● Will not be achieved

Please select a Portfolio to drillthrough

Key Issues

The current rate of non-achievement of savings is 1% or £0.20M forecast not to be achieved (Red & Purple). The Resident Services Deficit Recovery Plan has mitigated the impact of non-achievement of savings through additional increased income by services within the directorate.