

To: SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEE		Subject: BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2003/2004 PERIOD 01.04.03 – 30.01.04 SOCIAL WORK
From: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK		
Date: 11 MARCH 2004	Ref: RP/MY	

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT / INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This report compares projected out-turn expenditure and income against annual estimates and provides explanations for the major out-turn variances.

2. SUMMARY OF BUDGET VARIANCES

- 2.1. The department's budget at present includes development monies provided by the Council and by The Scottish Executive to develop services. The majority of these monies have been allocated to the expenditure lines under which future expenditure will be incurred. Committee will be updated on any further budgetary re-alignments, which may be required before the end of the financial year.
- 2.2. The out-turn projection shows that the department is projecting an underspend of £150,000 at the financial year-end, which is a favourable movement of £50,000 from the previous report. Each area of expenditure has been reviewed in significant detail and out-turn variances are highlighted in section 4.

3. BUDGET SUPPLEMENTS

- 3.1. The department has taken into account an additional allocation of £1.2m from The Scottish Executive in relation to Residential Allowance Transfer. This will be allocated in the form of a re-determination in Revenue Support Grant at the year-end. The Budget within Payments to Other Bodies has been augmented to reflect this.
- 3.2. The final offer from The Scottish Executive for Supporting People Grant totalled £24.151m. Income and expenditure budgets have been increased accordingly from the £23.587m, which had been included in previous reports. The increase in the expenditure budget has been affected within the Payments to Other Bodies Section of the Budget. It should be noted that, the Grant offer from The Scottish Executive has been reduced by £0.9m in relation to "duplicate claims". This has been challenged and a response from The Executive is awaited. The overall projected spend on Supporting People is £25.3m and the unfunded element, as a result of the disputed claims, is currently being offset by underspends in other areas.
- 3.3. In addition, the department will receive an additional £400,000 Resource Transfer from Lanarkshire Health Board for clients discharged in the year. The Income Budget has been augmented accordingly. The Supplementation Budget within Payments to Other Bodies has also been uplifted to reflect potential spend on care packages for clients discharged from long stay hospitals.

4.1.6. **Income** **£200,000** **Over-recovered**

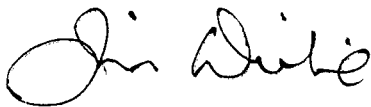
This area is anticipated to be over-recovered at the year-end. The fee income generated from clients within North Lanarkshire Residential Homes has increased significantly over the last two years and the department is anticipating a further over-recovery of £200,000 in this financial year.

5. FINANCIAL CONCURRENCE

5.1. The Director of Finance concurs with the financial information contained in this report and has been fully involved in its preparation.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1. It is recommended that the contents of this report be approved.



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26th February 2004

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FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT

1 April 2003 to 30 January 2004

COMMITTEE: SOCIAL WORK

DIVISION: TOTAL SOCIAL WORK SUMMARY

LINE NO. (1)	DESCRIPTION (2)	BUDGET TO DATE (3)	ACTUAL TO DATE (4)	YEAR TO DATE VARIANCES (5)	% (6)	ANNUAL BUDGET (7)	PROJECTED OUTTURN (8)	PROJECTED OUTTURN VARIANCE (9)	% (10)
		£	£	£		£	£	£	
1.	EMPLOYEE COSTS	52,331,451	52,083,244	248,207 Underspend	0%	65,648,130	65,248,130	400,000 Underspend	1%
2.	PROPERTY COSTS	5,137,954	5,124,946	13,008 Underspend	0%	8,719,977	8,719,977	- On Target	0%
3.	SUPPLIES AND SERVICES	3,483,689	3,477,322	6,367 Underspend	0%	4,470,964	4,720,964	(250,000) Overspend	-6%
4.	TRANSPORT & PLANT	3,193,972	3,242,923	(48,951) Overspend	-2%	4,083,820	4,383,820	(300,000) Overspend	-7%
5.	ADMINISTRATION COSTS	1,517,156	1,827,905	(310,749) Overspend	-20%	1,907,188	2,207,188	(300,000) Overspend	-16%
6.	PAYMENTS TO OTHER BODIES	42,885,379	42,226,899	658,480 Underspend	2%	62,568,572	62,168,572	400,000 Underspend	1%
7.	OTHER COSTS	566,335	374,692	191,643 Underspend	34%	665,988	665,988	- On Target	0%
8.	CFCR	75,000	75,000	-		75,000	75,000	- On Target	0%
9.	APPORTIONED EXPENSES	-	-	-		2,583,922	2,583,922	- On Target	0%
10.	CAPITAL FINANCING CHARGES	-	-	-		1,940,582	1,940,582	- On Target	0%
11.	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	109,190,936	108,432,931	758,005 Underspend	1%	152,664,143	152,714,143	(50,000) Overspend	-0%
12.	INCOME	39,545,195	39,316,254	-228,941 Under-rec.	-1%	49,600,272	49,800,272	200,000 Over-recov	0%
13.	NET EXPENDITURE	69,645,741	69,116,677	529,064 Underspend	1%	103,063,871	102,913,871	150,000 Underspend	0%