

SOCIAL & HEALTH CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting	Friday, 17 th January 2025
Report Subject	In-Year Overspend Action Plan 2024/25
Cabinet Member	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Wellbeing
Report Author	Chief Officer (Social Services)
Type of Report	Operational

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to update members with the in-year action plan, which aims to address the projected revenue budget monitoring 2024/25 overspend position (month 6) for the Social Services portfolio.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1	To note the measures within the 2024/25 action plan being considered for inclusion towards improving the financial position by the end of the financial year.
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REPORT DETAILS

1.00	EXPLAINING THE REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING POSITION 2024/25 (MONTH 6)
1.01	<p>The revenue budget monitoring 2024/25 (month 6) report was presented to Cabinet on Tuesday, 19th November 2024.</p> <p>As reported to Cabinet, the significant projected overspend (and impact on available reserves) continues to be of major concern and needs to continue to be addressed urgently in an attempt to bring expenditure back in line with the approved budget. Based on current projections, the council still has a low level of contingency reserve, which it uses to deal with any significant in-year unforeseen events.</p>

	<p>As required by Financial Procedure Rules (FPRs), an action plan has been compiled by the Social Services portfolio, which details the measures being put in place to improve the position by the end of the financial year.</p> <p>A copy of the 2024/25 action plan relating to the Social Services measures is attached at Appendix 1.</p>
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2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	As set out within the Cabinet report on 19.11.2024.

3.00	IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT
3.01	As set out within the Cabinet report on 19.11.2024.

4.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT
4.01	None required.

5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	Appendix 1 - 2024/25 action plan relating to Social Services.

6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	Revenue Budget Monitoring Report Month 6 - Cabinet Report 19.11.2024

7.00	CONTACT OFFICER DETAILS
7.01	<p>Contact Officer: Craig Macleod, Chief Officer, Social Services Telephone: 01352 704511 E-mail: craig.macleod@flintshire.gov.uk</p>

8.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
8.01	<p>Revenue: a term used to describe the day to day costs of running Council services and income deriving from those services. It also includes charges for the repayment of debt, including interest, and may include direct financing of capital expenditure.</p> <p>Budget: a statement expressing the Council's policies and service levels in financial terms for a particular financial year. In its broadest sense it includes both the revenue budget and capital programme and any authorised amendments to them.</p>