# **GENERAL FUND REVENUE ACCOUNT OUTTURN 2020/21**

A summary of the overall outturn for the General Fund Revenue Account is shown in the table below:

Portfolio	Final		Outturn
	Budget £M	Outturn £M	Variance £M
Children & Learning	46.96	57.24	10.29 A
Culture & Homes	8.79	10.96	2.18 A
Customer & Organisation	27.12	27.32	0.20 A
Finance & Income Generation	0.75	7.10	6.35 A
Green City & Place	23.25	30.95	7.70 A
Health & Adults	68.06	74.41	6.35 A
Stronger Communities	3.37	3.71	0.35 A
Total Portfolios	178.29	211.69	33.41 A
Levies & Contributions	0.09	0.09	0.00 F
Capital Asset Management	6.02	5.38	0.64 F
Net Housing Benefit Payments	0.00	(0.11)	0.11 F
Other Expenditure & Income	6.80	(11.10)	17.90 F
Net Revenue Expenditure	191.19	205.95	14.76 A
Council Tax	(102.28)	(102.28)	0.00 A
Business Rates	(54.57)	(54.57)	0.00 F
Non-Specific Government Grants	(34.34)	(57.72)	23.38 F
Total Financing	(191.19)	(214.58)	23.38 F
(SURPLUS)/DEFICIT before	0.00	(8.63)	8.63 F
transfer to reserves	0.00	(0.00)	0.03 1
Transfer to Reserves – Year End		8.63	8.63 A
Surplus	0.00	0.00	0.00
(SURPLUS)/DEFICIT	0.00	0.00	0.00

Numbers are rounded

The business as usual (BAU) outturn variance and movement since quarter 3 is shown in the following table:

Portfolio	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Children & Learning	7.20 A	5.76 A	1.44 A
Culture & Homes	0.16 F	0.31 F	0.15 A
Customer & Organisation	0.42 F	0.09 F	0.33 F
Finance & Income Generation	1.02 A	0.61 A	0.41 A
Green City & Place	0.23 F	1.57 A	1.80 F
Health & Adults	1.70 F	1.99 F	0.29 A
Stronger Communities	0.59 F	0.12 F	0.47 F
Total Portfolios	5.12 A	5.45 A	0.31 F

Levies & Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Asset Management	0.64 F	0.49 F	0.15 F
Net Housing Benefit Payments	0.11 F	0.00	0.11 F
Other Expenditure & Income	11.79 F	9.55 F	2.24 F
Net Revenue Expenditure	7.42 F	4.59 F	2.81 F
Council Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
Business Rates	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Specific Government Grants	0.13 F	0.00	0.13 F
Total Financing	0.13 F	0.00	0.13 F
(SURPLUS)/DEFICIT before transfer to reserves	7.56 F	4.59 F	2.94 F

Numbers are rounded

The COVID-19 pressures outturn and movement since quarter 3 is shown in the table below:

Portfolio	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn £M	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3 £M	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Children & Learning	3.09 A	3.66 A	0.57 F
Culture & Homes	2.34 A	2.46 A	0.12 F
Customer & Organisation	0.62 A	0.37 A	0.25 A
Finance & Income Generation	5.33 A	4.87 A	0.46 A
Green City & Place	7.93 A	7.07 A	0.86 A
Health & Adults	8.05 A	14.87 A	6.82 F
Stronger Communities	0.93 A	1.23 A	0.30 F
Total Portfolios	28.29 A	34.53 A	6.24 F
Levies & Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Asset Management	0.00	0.10 A	0.10 F
Net Housing Benefit Payments	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Expenditure & Income	6.11 F	6.14 F	0.03 A
Net Revenue Expenditure	22.18 A	28.49 A	6.31 F
Council Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
Business Rates	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-Specific Government Grants	23.25 F	22.14 F	1.11 F
Total Financing	23.25 F	22.14 F	1.11 F
(SURPLUS)/DEFICIT before transfer to reserves	1.07 F	6.35 A	7.42 F

Numbers are rounded

The quarter 3 forecast assumed the BAU underspend (including in-year savings) would be required to help meet the COVID-19 pressures, resulting in a forecast combined BAU and COVID-19 pressures shortfall of £1.76M. The table above does not incorporate the BAU underspend shown in the previous table.

#### **EXPLANATIONS BY PORTFOLIO**

# 1. CHILDREN & LEARNING PORTFOLIO

#### **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

The Portfolio has a deficit of £7.20M at year-end for business as usual (BAU) activities. The Portfolio outturn variance has moved adversely by £1.44M from the position reported at Quarter 3.

In addition, £3.09M of pressures have arisen from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance	Forecast Variance Qtr 3	Movement from Qtr 3
	£M	£M	£M
Portfolio Outturn business as usual	7.20 A	5.76 A	1.44 A
COVID-19 Pandemic	3.09 A	3.66 A	0.57 F
Total	10.29 A	9.42 A	0.87 A

A summary of the Portfolio business as usual outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Divisional Management & Legal	0.17 A	0.17 A	0.00
Education - Early Years and Asset Management	0.02 F	0.00	0.02 F
Looked After Children & Provision	3.72 A	3.63 A	0.09 A
Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub & Children in Need	1.05 A	0.82 A	0.23 A
Quality Assurance Business Unit	0.20 A	0.13 A	0.07 A
Prevention & Inclusion	0.15 A	0.00	0.15 A
Specialist Core Services	1.67 A	0.77 A	0.90 A
Targeted and Restorative Services	0.22 A	0.26 A	0.04 F
Other	0.04 A	0.02 F	0.06 A
Total	7.20 A	5.76 A	1.44 A

The SIGNIFICANT business as usual movements between Quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub & Children in Need	0.23 A	The adverse movement of £0.23M from Quarter 3 relates to additional agency staff required due to social work demand pressures within this service from higher and more complex caseloads. The numbers and cost of agency staff will reduce in 2021/22 as vacancies and new posts are filled.
Specialist Core Services	0.90 A	The adverse movement of £0.90M from Quarter 3 mainly relates to the need for agency staff to manage the volume and complexity of cases coming into the service (£0.78M). The numbers and cost of agency staff will reduce in 2021/22 as vacancies and new posts are filled. Additionally, the adverse movement also incorporates an increase in temporary accommodation and other preventative spend within the Protection and Court Teams to assist children and families within the city (£0.12M)

A summary of the Portfolio COVID-19 pressures outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Education - Early Years & Asset Mgt	0.28 A	0.80 A	0.52 F
Looked After Children & Provision	2.05 A	2.10 A	0.05 F
Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub & Children in Need	0.46 A	0.46 A	0.00
Other	0.30 A	0.30 A	0.00
Total	3.09 A	3.66 A	0.57 F

The SIGNFICANT COVID-19 pressures movements between quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in COVID-19 Pressures between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Education - Early Years & Asset Mgt	0.52F	The favourable variance movement is due to the significant reduction in the number of Home to School transport journeys resulting from further school closures and reduced relief payments to providers, less than originally anticipated.

#### **Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG)**

	Outturn Variance £M	Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Balance brought forward from 2019/20	7.42 A	7.42 A	0.00
DSG In-Year Pressures 2020/21	1.25 A	1.66 A	0.41F
Covid-19 Pressures	0.27 A	0.27 A	0.00
In Year Total	1.52 A	1.93 A	0.41F
Balance carried forward to 2021/22	8.94 A	9.35 A	0.41F

The 2020/21 outturn for the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) is a £1.52M in-year adverse variance which includes £0.27M for COVID-19 related pressures. The DSG Grant is ring-fenced and the adverse variance will not impact on the General Fund and the non-school services the council provides. The cumulative DSG deficit is £8.94M including £7.42M adverse variance accumulated from previous years.

The £0.41M favourable movement from Quarter 3 is due to the lower overall cost of Top Up payments for children with Education Health Care Plans (EHCPs) than had been estimated.

The deficit is being driven by significant year on year increases in the number and complexity of EHCPs and the increasing numbers of pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) being placed in highly expensive out of city placements in independent school settings. A working party is undertaking a strategic review of High Needs activity to manage SEND demand and increasing provision of places within Southampton.

Pressures on the High Needs services are a nationally recognised issue with significant pressures reported by local authorities as a result of historical grant funding

allocations not having kept pace with the significant demand increases in the number and complexity of children with SEND.

The 17% increase in High Needs grant funding in 2020/21 has mitigated some of the pressure being experienced but further work is needed to reduce costs further where possible. High Needs funding announced for next year is a further 12% increase which will help support the deficit recovery plan.

£0.27M of the adverse DSG variance is due to COVID-19 pressures for loss of income from cancelled training courses, lost room lettings income and reduced parental fee income paid directly to maintained nursery settings.

#### 2. CULTURE & HOMES PORTFOLIO

# **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

The Portfolio has a surplus of £0.16M at year-end for business as usual (BAU) activities. The Portfolio outturn variance has moved adversely by £0.15M from the position reported at Quarter 3.

In addition, £2.34M of pressures have arisen from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance £M	Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Portfolio Outturn business as usual	0.16 F	0.31 F	0.15 A
COVID-19 Pandemic	2.34 A	2.46 A	0.12 F
Total	2.18 A	2.15 A	0.03 A

A summary of the Portfolio business as usual outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Housing Needs	0.03 A	0.46 F	0.49 A
Leisure Client	0.00	0.10 A	0.10 F
Cultural Services	0.09 F	0.06 A	0.15 F
Private Sector Housing	0.08 F	0.01 F	0.07 F
Other	0.02 F	0.00	0.02 F
Total	0.16 F	0.31 F	0.15 A

Service Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Housing Need	0.49 A	The movement in Quarter 4 reflects the use of Containment Management Fund to support Covid related homelessness costs, which was not assumed at Quarter 3 forecast. Previously homelessness grant was proposed to fund Covid related costs, however this is now subject to a carry forward bid and therefore creates the adverse movement.

Service Area	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Cultural Services	1.09 A	1.15 A	0.06 F
Housing Needs	0.00 A	0.46 A	0.46 F
Leisure Client	1.03 A	0.61 A	0.42 A
Private Sector Housing	0.22 A	0.24 A	0.02 F
Total	2.34 A	2.46 A	0.12 F

The SIGNIFICANT COVID19 pressure movements between Quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in COVID-19 Pressures between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Housing Needs	0.46 F	The movement in Quarter 4 reflects the use of Containment Management Fund to support COVID-19 related homelessness costs, which was not assumed at Quarter 3 forecast.

Leisure Client	0.42 A	Final Settlement of the Leisure contract created additional adverse variances due to the impact of COVID-19 on the Leisure industry.
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#### 3. CUSTOMER & ORGANISATION PORTFOLIO

# **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

The Portfolio has a surplus of £0.42M at year-end for business as usual (BAU) activities. The Portfolio outturn variance has moved favourably by £0.33M from the position reported at Quarter 3.

In addition, £0.62M of pressures have arisen from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance £M	Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Portfolio Outturn business as usual	0.42 F	0.09 F	0.33 F
COVID-19 Pandemic	0.62 A	0.37 A	0.25 A
Total	0.20 A	0.28 A	0.08 F

A summary of the Portfolio business as usual outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Customer Services	0.39 F	0.34 F	0.05 F
Facilities Management	0.30 F	0.10 F	0.20 F
IT Services	1.53 A	0.74 A	0.79 A
Projects, Policy & Performance	0.98 F	0.17 F	0.81 F
Registration of the Council	0.19 F	0.00	0.19 F
Other	0.09 F	0.22 F	0.13 A
Total	0.42 F	0.09 F	0.33 F

Service Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21	Explanation:
	£M	
Facilities Management	0.20 F	A surplus arose of £0.10M on supplies & services budgets where expenditure was less than planned in the last quarter; and £0.10M from delays in recruitment of a number of posts to the team due to COVID-19.
IT Services	0.79 A	During the closedown process on prepayments, £0.3M of prior year licence liabilities were determined over and above the 2020/21 budget. There were also additional staffing costs of £0.12M from the late implementation of the new staffing structure which was delayed whilst the new Head of Service set up the new IT Strategy. The anticipated efficiency savings within the printing and photocopying budgets did not materialise by year end causing a £0.13M pressure. Due to account management issues on the telephone budgets, management information was not available to recharge costs out to service areas creating a £0.12M pressure within IT, whilst service budgets were underspent. The residual movement between outturn and quarter 3 (£0.12M) was due to increased costs within supplies and services budgets.
Projects, Policy & Performance	0.81 F	There is a surplus of £0.66M from unutilised Brexit non-ringfenced funding plus reduced spend on BAU as £0.26M was identified as COVID costs, less around £0.11M cost increases in non-staffing costs.

Service Area	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
IT Services	0.19 A	0.12 A	0.07 A
Land Charges	0.06 A	0.06 A	0.00
HR Services	0.09 A	0.09 A	0.00
Projects, Policy & Performance	0.26 A	0.00	0.26 A

Other Total	0.02 A	0.10 A	0.08 F
Total	0.62 A	0.37 A	0.25 A

The SIGNFICANT COVID-19 pressures movements between quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in COVID-19 Pressures between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Projects, Policy & Performance	0.26 A	Project costs of £0.26M has been reclassified as COVID-19 expenditure (staff assigned to support the COVID-19 response). This redirect the resource away from income generating projects.

#### 4. FINANCE & INCOME GENERATION PORTFOLIO

#### **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

The Portfolio has a deficit of £1.02M at year-end for business as usual (BAU) activities. The Portfolio outturn variance has moved adversely by £0.41M from the position reported at Quarter 3.

In addition, £5.33M of pressures have arisen from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance	Forecast Variance Qtr 3	Movement from Qtr 3
	£M	£M	£M
Portfolio Outturn business as usual	1.02 A	0.61 A	0.41 A
COVID-19 Pandemic	5.33 A	4.87 A	0.46 A
Total	6.35 A	5.48 A	0.87 A

A summary of the Portfolio business as usual outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Accounts Payable	0.11 F	0.09 F	0.02 F
Accounts Receivable	0.02 F	0.13 F	0.11 A
Commercialisation	0.10 F	0.19 F	0.09 A
Local Taxation & Benefits Service	0.19 F	0.31 F	0.12 A
Procurement Services	0.19 F	0.00	0.19 F
Property Portfolio Management	1.43 A	1.48 A	0.05 F
Supplier Management	0.45 A	0.00	0.45 A
Other	0.25 F	0.15 F	0.10 F
Total	1.02 A	0.61 A	0.41 A

Service Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Supplier Management	0.45 A	There is a £0.25M pressure where the expected year end capitalisation on contracted revenue did not materialise. Also, there is a £0.20M pressure from the end of year electricity and contract costs.

Service Area	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Commercialisation	0.09 A	0.30 A	0.21 F
Corporate Finance	2.75 A	2.75 A	0.00
Local Taxation & Benefits Service	1.18 A	0.51 A	0.67 A
Property Portfolio Management	1.30 A	1.30 A	0.00
Other	0.01 A	0.01 A	0.00
Total	5.33 A	4.87 A	0.46 A

The SIGNFICANT COVID-19 pressures movements between quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in COVID-19 Pressures between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Commercialisation	0.21 F	The year end stocktake of all the PPE equipment showed that the authority used less equipment than forecast. This stock will be available for use in 2021/22.

Local Taxation & Benefits Service	0.67 A	A shortfall on Court fee compensation which has been non recoverable on court fees due to the courts not being open during Covid.
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# 5. GREEN CITY & PLACE PORTFOLIO

#### **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

The Portfolio has a surplus of £0.23M at year-end for business as usual (BAU) activities. The Portfolio outturn variance has moved favourably by £1.80M from the position reported at Quarter 3.

In addition, £7.93M of pressures have arisen from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance £M	Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Portfolio Outturn business as usual	0.23 F	1.57 A	1.80 F
COVID-19 Pandemic	7.93 A	7.07 A	0.86 A
Total	7.70 A	8.64 A	0.94 F

A summary of the Portfolio business as usual outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Air Quality Monitoring	0.13 A	0.01 F	0.14 A
Central Repairs & Maintenance	0.44 F	0.00	0.44 F
City Services – Waste Operations	0.57 A	0.78 A	0.21 F
City Services – District Operating Areas	0.15 A	0.38 A	0.23 F
City Services – Commercial Services	0.36 A	0.17 A	0.19 A
City Services – Trees & Ecology	0.22 A	0.06 A	0.16 A
Planning	0.24 A	0.11 A	0.13 A
Transportation	0.04 A	0.07 A	0.03 F
Green City & Place Trading	0.98 F	0.11 A	1.09 F
Parking & Itchen Bridge	0.13 F	0.13 F	0.00
Economic Development	0.15 F	0.00	0.15 F

Flood Risk Management	0.06 F	0.00	0.06 F
Sustainability	0.09 A	0.00	0.09 A
Property Services	0.23 F	0.03 A	0.26 F
Skills	0.07 F	0.00	0.07 F
Others	0.03 A	0.00	0.03 A
Total	0.23 F	1.57 A	1.80 F

Service Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Central Repairs & Maintenance	0.44 F	Favourable variance on reactive repairs £0.36M due to relatively mild winter weather and focus on urgent works only due to COVID-19 restrictions. Other movement of £0.08M due to expenditure forecasts at Quarter 3 being based on commitment values with suppliers but the final actual costs of works being lower in several projects resulting in a favourable movement compared to forecast.
City Services – Waste Operations	0.21 F	Dry Mixed Recyclables income higher than anticipated. There was some market recovery in prices evident during quarter 4.
City Services – District Operating Areas	0.23 F	Maintenance work undertaken by landscape teams has been predominantly on parks & play sites and not district areas as forecast. There is a corresponding and off-setting adverse variance on City Services - Commercial Services.
Green City & Place Trading	1.09 F	<ul> <li>The favourable movement is a combination of:</li> <li>Landscape service had significant increase in turnover in 2020/21 creating a favourable variance of £0.30M (in-house work of £0.10M, plus £0.20M external income).</li> <li>The favourable variance on landscape trading helps offset the adverse variance on parks maintenance in City Services (£0.3M).</li> <li>The Fleet service generated a £0.70M favourable variance.</li> </ul>

		<ul> <li>The chargeout rate for vehicles generating a favourable variance of £0.50M.</li> <li>Work was undertaken to ensure the forecast deficit of £0.11M at quarter 3 was effectively mitigated.</li> <li>A number of minor adverse variances combined totalled £0.22M.</li> </ul>
Property Services	0.26 F	There was a surplus on staffing spend of £0.20M as a result of several forecast positions not being filled during the final quarter. There has been an additional £0.06M of recharge income generated compared to forecast.

Service Area	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Parking & Itchen Bridge	5.84 A	5.18 A	0.66 A
City Services – Waste Operations	1.02 A	0.90 A	0.12 A
City Services – District Operating Areas	0.16 A	0.34 A	0.18 F
City Services – Commercial Services	0.23 A	0.19 A	0.04 A
Transportation	0.26 A	0.26 A	0.00
Planning	0.24 A	0.13 A	0.11 A
Economic Development	0.17 A	0.08 A	0.09 A
Others	0.01 A	0.00	0.00
Total	7.93 A	7.07 A	0.86 A

The SIGNFICANT COVID-19 pressures movements between Quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in COVID-19 Pressures between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Parking & Itchen Bridge	0.66 A	The movement in quarter 4 reflects the impact on income of the lockdown between January and March which reduced income below the levels forecast in December.

#### 6. HEALTH & ADULTS PORTFOLIO

# **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

The Portfolio has a surplus of £1.70M at year-end for business as usual (BAU) activities. The Portfolio outturn variance has moved adversely by £0.29M from the position reported at Quarter 3.

In addition, £8.05M of pressures have arisen from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance	Forecast Variance Qtr 3	Movement from Qtr 3
	£M	£M	£M
Portfolio Outturn business as usual	1.70 F	1.99 F	0.29 A
COVID-19 Pandemic	8.05 A	14.87 A	6.82 F
Total	6.35 A	12.88 A	6.53 F

A summary of the Portfolio business as usual outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Long Term	0.53 F	1.36 F	0.83 A
Public Health	1.30 F	0.29 F	1.01 F
ICU Provider Relationships	0.35 A	0.15 F	0.50 A
Reablement & Hospital Discharge	0.04 A	0.11 F	0.15 A
Safeguarding AMH & OOH	0.05 A	0.06 F	0.11 A
Adult Services Management	0.40 F	0.06 F	0.34 F
Provider Services	0.09 A	0.04 A	0.05 A
Total	1.70 F	1.99 F	0.29 A

Service Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Long Term	0.83 A	A combination of the following lower costs and extra income (total £0.94M):
		<ul> <li>A further increase in deceased clients through the final quarter of the financial year has led to a £0.54M reduction in client costs.</li> <li>A £0.33M increase in income received for the Social Care Transfer Fund.</li> <li>There has also been further £0.07M favourable movement due to additional client costs being picked up by the CCG for the final quarter of the year through the Scheme 1 and 2 programmes.</li> </ul>
		Less the following (totalling £1.77M):
		<ul> <li>A budget reduction due to a carry forward request of £1.69M for 21/22 to mitigate against the risk of business failure for care providers during the pandemic.</li> <li>There is also a separate carry forward of £0.08M for Locally Based Hospital Unit balances to be used in 21/22 to fund discharge of clients in hospital settings.</li> <li>Both budget carry forward requests are subject to Council approval.</li> </ul>
Public Health	1.01 F	A surplus in Public Health of £0.43M has been allocated to fund public health activities on domestic violence, substance misuse and children's centres. £0.87M of Government Grants has been used to offset Corporate costs relating to the test and trace and containing the pandemic work.
ICU Provider Relationships	0.50 A	There is a £0.26M favourable variance due to non COVID related staff vacancies, recruitment and staff secondments with no backfill which continues to be reviewed as part of the restructure of this area. There is also a £0.04M favourable variance on Joint Equipment Store expenditure with an element now being funded from the Improved Better Care Fund. There has also been a budget reduction due to a carry forward request of £0.22M relating to a 10% uplift to providers for 21/22 and £0.58M reduced budget relating to grant funds being carry forward into 2021/22. The carry forward requests are subject to Council approval.

Adult Services Management	0.34 F	There is a £0.18M favourable variance due to a reallocation of staffing costs since Quarter 3 from Adults Services Management to be funded by the ICU Learning Disability Housing Reserve and a reallocation of costs to cover the impact of the COVID response. There has also been a review of the current spend position on the staffing establishment which has increased the favourable variance by £0.09M in line with staffing costs being allocated to the COVID-19 response and the forthcoming service restructure. There is a £0.06M favourable movement on Learning and Development and a £0.2M favourable variance for the Improved Better Care Fund which is subject to a carry forward request.
		The above favourable variance are less a budget reduction due to a carry forward request of £0.19M due to Improved Better Care Fund balances remaining. The carry forward requests are subject to Council approval.

Service Area	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Long Term	7.04 A	11.36 A	4.32 F
Public Health	0.00	0.29 A	0.29 F
ICU Provider Relationships & System redesign	0.13 F	0.64 A	0.77 F
Reablement & Hospital Discharge	0.45 A	0.84 A	0.39 F
Safeguarding Adult Mental Health and Out of Hours	0.65 A	1.52 A	0.87 F
Adult Services Management	0.11 A	0.07 A	0.04 A
Provider Services	0.06 F	0.15 A	0.21 F
Total	8.05 A	14.87 A	6.82 F

The SIGNFICANT COVID-19 pressures movements between quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in COVID-19 Pressures between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
		Combination of:
Long Term	4.32 F	<ul> <li>£1.7M favourable variance due to the Adults element of the 10% uplift to providers payment being superseded by external Central Govt support to providers, such as Infection Control Grants, in the latter half of the financial year.</li> <li>£2.47M favourable movement on hospital discharge costs being picked up by the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) instead as part of the scheme 1 and 2 funding. This is in part due to a delay in reviews in the financial year which has meant continued CCG funding.</li> <li>£0.15M favourable variance on the COVID-19 related element of the bad debt provision.</li> </ul>
Public Health	0.29 F	The favourable movement of £0.29M since Period 3 is due to Public Health COVID-19 response temporary staffing which have since been offset by related grants.
ICU Provider Relationships & System redesign	0.77 F	There is a £0.73M favourable variance due to the ICU element of the 10% uplift to providers payment being superseded by external Central Govt support to providers, such as Infection Control Grants, in the latter half of the financial year. The majority of this amount is subject to a carry forward request. There is also a £0.04M favourable variance due to the ongoing recruitment process for the COVID-19 response taking longer than initially anticipated which is added to a reserve drawdown for 2021/22.
Reablement & Hospital Discharge	0.39 F	There is a favourable variance of £0.39M due to the ongoing recruitment process for the COVID-19 response taking longer than initially anticipated which is added to a reserve drawdown for 2021/22.
Safeguarding Adult Mental Health and Out of Hours	0.87 F	There is a favourable variance of £0.87M due a review of client numbers in year and a subsequent reduction in forecast. This may increase in 2021/22 as services open up following relaxing of lockdown. There is also an element of CCG continuing to pick up costs under the scheme 1 and 2 arrangements in the final quarter of the year.

Provider Services	0.21 F	There is a favourable variance of £0.11M due to previously unexpected additional funding received from Infection Control Grants, plus an £0.10M favourable variance due to an additional element of COVID-19 Scheme 2 funding following end of year client analysis, with the CCG paying for these clients staying in Holcroft House residential home.
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#### 7. STRONGER COMMUNITIES PORTFOLIO

# **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

The Portfolio has a surplus of £0.59M at year-end for business as usual (BAU) activities. The Portfolio outturn variance has moved favourably by £0.47M from the position reported at Quarter 3.

In addition, £0.93M of pressures have arisen from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance	Forecast Variance Qtr 3	Movement from Qtr 3	
	£M	£M	£M	
Portfolio Outturn business as usual	0.59 F	0.12 F	0.47 F	
COVID-19 Pandemic	0.93 A	1.23 A	0.30 F	
Total	0.34 A	1.11 A	0.77 F	

A summary of the Portfolio business as usual outturn variance and movement since the last quarter is shown in the table below:

Service Area	BAU Outturn Variance £M	BAU Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	BAU Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Bereavement Services	0.21 A	0.21 A	0.00
Environmental Health	0.32 F	0.13 F	0.19 F
Port Health & Trading Standards	0.37 F	0.09 F	0.28 F
Stronger Communities	0.08 F	0.08 F	0.00
Other movements	0.03 F	0.03 F	0.00
Total	0.59 F	0.12 F	0.47 F

Service Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21	Explanation:
	£M	
Port Health & Trading Standards	0.28 F	Port Health income remained stronger than anticipated during Quarter 4 of 2020/21, generating a £0.25M favourable variance. There were vacancy savings of £0.03M across Port Health and Trading Standards in Quarter 4.

Service Area	COVID-19 Pressures Outturn	COVID-19 Pressures Qtr 3	COVID-19 Pressures Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Bereavement Services	0.62 A	0.47 A	0.15 A
Port Health & Trading Standards	0.15 A	0.15 A	0.00
Registration Services	0.33 A	0.41 A	0.08 F
Stronger Communities	0.19 F	0.20 A	0.39 F
Other	0.02 A	0.00	0.02 F
Total	0.93 A	1.23 A	0.30 F

The SIGNFICANT COVID-19 pressures movements between quarter 3 and Outturn for the Portfolio are:

Service Area	Movement in COVID-19 Pressures between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation:
Stronger Communities	0.39 F	The favourable movement from Quarter 3 stems from the receipt of grant between November 2020 and March 2021, to fund the Council's work on supporting the most vulnerable members of the community who have been shielding during the most recent lockdowns.

#### 8. NON-PORTFOLIO

#### **KEY REVENUE ISSUES – OUTTURN 2020/21**

Non-Portfolio Net Expenditure has a surplus of £12.54M at year-end for business as usual activities (BAU). The outturn variance has moved favourably by £2.50M from the position reported at quarter 3.

Financing has a surplus of £0.13M at year end for business as usual activities (BAU). The outturn variance has moved favourably by £0.13M from the position reported at quarter 3.

In addition, £29.36M of corporate resources and non-ringfenced government grant support for COVID-19 have been used to meet pressures arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Outturn Variance £M	Forecast Variance Qtr 3 £M	Movement from Qtr 3 £M
Non-Portfolio Net Expenditure	12.54 F	10.04 F	2.50 F
Financing	0.13 F	0.00	0.13 F
COVID-19 Pandemic	29.36 F	28.28 F	1.08 F
Total	42.03 F	38.32 F	3.71 F

The SIGNIFICANT business as usual movements between Qtr 3 and Outturn for Non-Portfolio areas are:

Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21	Explanation
	£M	
Other Expenditure & Income	2.24 F	Part of the contingency funds held centrally to meet unforeseen pressures were not called upon during the year

The SIGNFICANT COVID-19 pressures movements between quarter 3 and Outturn for Non-Portfolio areas are:

Area	Movement in Variance between Qtr 3 and Outturn 2020/21 £M	Explanation
Non-Specific Government Grants	1.11 F	The final estimate for fees and charges income loss compensation was £1.04M higher than forecast at quarter 3 and a further £0.07M was received in un-ringfenced funding towards additional administration costs arising from COVID-19