IJB24. Finance Report

The Integration Joint Board considered a report by the Chief Finance Officer which provided a summary of the financial position for the three month period ended 30 June 2020, including consideration of the potential forecast outturn for the year.

An overspend of £0.225m was incurred during the first quarter of 2020/21, largely due to ongoing demand led pressures within primary care (relating to the cost of drugs prescribed by GPs) and social care (in terms of care at home services).

It was difficult at this stage in the financial year to provide a robust estimate of the forecast outturn. However, early indications suggested an overspend of £3.137m may be incurred by 31st March 2021 (excluding additional costs associated with Covid-19 which were monitored separately). The forecast outturn reflected current expenditure trends and incorporated an element of underachieved savings.

Decision

The Integration Joint Board:-

- (1) noted the year to date overspend of £0.225m reported as at 30 June 2020;
- (2) noted the projected year end overspend of £3.137m and the requirement to generate additional savings order to deliver a breakeven position by 31 March 2021, and
- (3) noted discussions on longer term risk sharing arrangements as part of the wider review of the Integration Scheme.