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Falkirk Integration Joint Board

3 September 2021

Finance Report

For Decision

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report provides a summary of the financial position for the four-month period ended 31 July 2021, including consideration of the potential forecast outturn for the year.
- 1.2 A net overspend of £0.972m is reported at 31 July 2021, primarily due to pressure within set aside and primary care services.
- 1.3 Early indications suggest an overspend of £3.926m may be incurred at 31st March 2022 (excluding additional costs associated with Covid-19 which continue to be monitored separately).

2. Recommendations

The Integration Joint Board is asked to:

- 2.1 note the year to date overspend of £0.972m reported as at 31 July 2021
- 2.2 note the projected year end overspend of £3.926m and the requirement to develop a recovery plan in respect of Primary Care prescribing in order to deliver a breakeven position by 31 March 2022.
- 2.3 agree to ring fence the projected underspend against Falkirk Community Hospital (currently estimated at £0.828m) for reinvestment to test new models of community care and support, including AHP led community services.
- 2.4 approve the breakdown of the payments to Falkirk Council and NHS Forth Valley as per the Directions summary provided at appendix 1.

3. **2020/21 Annual Budget**

- 3.1 The overall budget for financial year 2021/22 currently amounts to £246.801m, comprised of £216.568m in respect of the integrated budget and £30.233m in respect of set aside.
- 3.2 This represents an increase of £3.863m compared to the £242.938m budget reported to the IJB in June which reflects a number of additional in year funding allocations, budget transfers and reserve movements as outlined in table 1.

TABLE 1: Budget reconciliation	£m
Budget reported at 4 June 21 IJB meeting	242.938
Additional in year funding allocations:	
Pay awards	1.249
Primary Medical Services	0.789
Outcomes framework	0.203
Navigational flow/Urgent Care Centre	0.060
ADP	0.389
Cossette report implementation	0.055
Old Age Psychiatry posts	0.115
Miscellaneous	0.014
	2.874
<u>Budget virement</u>	
ADP (Falkirk Council to IJB)	0.165
Social Care Financial Assessment Team	0.118
GP transfer to Hospital at Home	(0.133)
	0.283
Transfers from //to) reconves	
Transfers from/(to) reserves	0.000
Primary Care Improvement Plan	0.396
Drugs Death Task Force	0.077
Partnership funding adjustments	0.233
	0.706
	040.554
Budget reported at 3 Sept 21 IJB meeting	246.801

- The payment to both Falkirk Council and NHS Forth Valley has been updated to reflect the above changes. See appendix 1.
- 3.4 Note that further budget increases are expected in the latter half of the financial year, linked to a number outstanding funding allocations which are currently subject to national negotiation and/or Scottish Government approval (including agreed contract uplifts for independent Family Health Service contractors, the Mental Health Recovery and Renewal Fund and the ongoing impact of Covid-19).

4. Year to Date (YTD) Performance

4.1 YTD Financial Results

An overspend of £0.972m is reported for the 4 month period ended 31 July, as summarised in table 2 below. Note that this position excludes the ongoing impact of Covid-19 which continues to be tracked and monitored separately (see section 5).

TABLE 2: YTD finanical performance	Apr - Jul Budget £m	Apr - Jul Actual £m	Underspend/ (Overspend) £m
Large Hospital Services	10.013	10.860	(0.847)
Primary Healthcare Services	25.966	26.528	(0.562)
Social Care Services	31.619	31.619	0.000
Community Healthcare Services	13.651	13.214	0.437
Total	81.249	82.221	(0.972)
Set Aside	10.013	10.860	(0.847)
Integrated Budget	71.236	71.361	(0.125)
Total	81.249	82.221	(0.972)

- 4.2 Key issues in terms of year to date performance are considered below:
 - Large hospital services (set aside) an overspend of £0.847m is reported for the 4 month period ended 31 July. Significant operational and financial pressure continues to be experienced within A&E and various inpatient specialties (including general medicine, rehab and mental health). This reflects ongoing demand and case mix complexity/length of stay, together with additional nursing costs in order to maintain safe staffing levels in light of increased staff absences due to Covid. (Note that further work is required to remove all Covid related additional staff costs from the set aside position). This is exacerbated by similar short staffing challenges in social care which is impacting on an element of the planned discharge profile from the hospital.
 - Primary Healthcare Services an overspend of £0.562m is reported for the 4 month period ended 31 July, solely due to pressures within Primary Care prescribing. Note that due to the time taken to process prescription data nationally, only actual costs for April and May are available at this stage. Therefore estimates have been provided for June and July based on the most recent average cost per item and forecast volumes. Volume growth in the number of items prescribed is broadly in line with expectations at this stage, however it's recognised that the average cost per item remains higher than original planning assumptions. This reflects ongoing demand and short supply issues, together with delays in achieving efficiency savings (particularly in relation to the shortfall associated with prior year nationally agreed tariff reductions).
 - Community Healthcare Services an underspend of £0.437m is reported for the 4 month period ended 30 June. Approximately half of the YTD underspend relates to Falkirk Community Hospital (FCH) due to the temporary closure of wards 1 to 4 due to fire risk issues. In the meantime, FCH ward staff have been temporarily redeployed to vacancies in other service areas and a master planning exercise is currently underway to inform the long term future of the site. The FCH financial position is expected to improve further next month once the redeployment transfers are fully reflected in the ledger.

Due to the ongoing demand pressures for care in the community it is proposed that the FCH underspend is utilised for investment to test new models of care and support in the community, including the extension of AHP led support in care settings. With agreement from the IJB, officers will present a proposal to the next meeting.

Note that the favourable YTD position masks significant pressures within complex care (due to out of area placements, one of which is expected to be repatriated in autumn) and palliative care (in terms of Marie Curie where current activity is higher than planned levels).

Social Care Services – breakeven is reported for the 4 month period ended 31 July. However significant financial and operational service pressures are being reported in relation to home care. This reflects ongoing demand combined with short staffing issues due to selfisolation requirements and a high level of vacancies across both internal and external services. The number of people currently waiting for packages of care is unprecedented and a number of external Providers are operating under business continuity measures. These pressures are offset by lower residential care costs, vacancies within the assessment and care planning team and non-recurring savings within respite, day care services and the carers strategy. Note that additional funding (£0.096m) has recently been approved to increase capacity within the Carers Centre in order to support more preventative and continuous emotional support for carers and to review progress in achieving the outcomes recorded via Adult Carer Support Plans. The additional funding will also provide enhanced digital resource to increase reach and improve access to support for carers.

4.3 YTD Savings Delivery

A recurring savings target of £6.091m requires to be delivered in order to achieve financial balance in 2021-22 (comprised of £4.656m relating to the integrated budget and £1.435m relating to set aside). Total savings totalling £5.090m have been identified in relation to the integrated budget with further work required to quantify efficiency plans within Set Aside service areas.

- 4.4 To date savings of £0.504m have been achieved as summarised in table 3.
- 4.5 The status of the savings plan is currently being reviewed in order to determine any potential Covid impact on delivery (including the need for additional Covid funding to offset).

	£m	£m	£m		
TABLE 3: 2021/22 Savings Delivery	Target/ Plan	Achieved to date	Remaining Balance	RAG Status	
Adult Social Care					
Ongoing social work review & assessment	0.306	0.097	0.209	Green	
Residential Care Services (community bed base capacity modelling)	2.325	0.116	2.209	Amber	
Review of day services	0.150	0.000	0.150	Amber	
Review of charging arrangements	0.028	0.009	0.019	Green	
Review of home care contactual arrangements & rates	0.600	0.000	0.600	Red	
Tates	3.409	0.222	3.187		
Community Hoolthooms					
Community Healthcare Falkirk & Boness Community Hospitals (community bed base capacity modelling)	0.500	0.237	0.263	Green	
Locality planning	0.010	0.003	0.007	Green	
Community Residential Resources	0.055	0.014	0.041	Green	
	0.565	0.254	0.311		
Primary Care Prescribing					
FYE of prior year tariff reductions	0.235	0.000	0.235	Red	
FYE Prescribing Improvement Initiaitve - phase 1	0.210	0.072	0.138	Green	
Prescribing Improvement Initiaitve - phase 2	0.089	0.000	0.089	Green	
Medicines Waste Project	0.583	0.000	0.583	Red	
	1.116	0.072	1.044		
Set Aside (large hospital services)					
To be confirmed	TBC	ТВС	ТВС	Red	
Total	5.090	0.548	4.542		

5. Covid-19

5.1 Additional Costs

Quarterly financial returns continue to be submitted to the Scottish Government to capture the additional costs associated with the pandemic. Total costs for 2021/22 are estimated at £7.928m reflecting ongoing expenditure in relation to PPE, financial sustainability support for external Social Care Providers and independent Primary Care Contractors, infection prevention and control expenses and increased costs to cover staff absence due to Covid sickness and self-isolation requirements.

5.2 The Scottish Government are arranging a series of joint meetings with IJBs and NHS Boards to discuss the first quarter returns and outcome of national benchmarking. This will inform funding allocations for 2021/22. Note that

the long term impact of the pandemic, in terms of recurring funding requirements, will be considered as part of revised remobilisation and recovery plans which are currently being prepared for submission to Scottish Givernment at end September.

6. 2020/21 Forecast Outturn

6.1 A year end overspend of £3.926m is currently forecast at this stage, as summarised in the table 4 below.

TABLE 4: Forecast Outurn	Budget £m	Forecast £m	Underspend/ (Overspend) £m
Large Hospital Services	30.233	32.635	(2.402)
Primary Healthcare Services	79.814	81.613	(1.799)
Social Care Services	94.856	94.856	0.000
Community Healthcare Services	41.898	41.623	0.275
Total	246.801	250.727	(3.926)
Set Aside	30.233	32.635	(2.402)
Integrated Budget	216.568	218.092	(1.524)
Total	246.801	250.727	(3.926)

- 6.2 The key assumptions underpinning this position are outlined below:
 - It is assumed that all additional costs associated with Covid-19 (and where relevant any unachieved savings) will be fully funded by the Scottish Government. Note that Covid reserves will be utilised in the first instance before any additional funding is sought from the Scottish Government. The available Covid reserve balance amounts to £6.397m.
 - The set aside forecast overspend (£2.402m) reflects the significant system pressures currently being experienced across the acute site. Further work is required to ensure all Covid related costs are identified and removed from the position going forward. Financial risk in this area has been managed directly by NHS Forth Valley.
 - The forecast net overspend against the integrated budget (£1.524m) mirrors the trends reported in previous years in terms of Primary Care prescribing (although it is recognised that the prescribing forecast is based on only two months of actual prescribing data and therefore should be interpreted with caution). Note that this projection assumes breakeven for FCH on the basis that any underspend in this area will be transferred to reserves and ring fenced for investment in new models of care and support in the community. A paper will be brought to the November IJB meeting with proposals to fully utilise the underspend (currently estimated at £0.828m).

- A recovery plan in respect of Primary Care Prescribing is required to address the £1.799m forecast overspend. This will be discussed at the NHS Forth Valley Medicines Resource Group in the first instance with further updates brought to the IJB as appropriate.
- Whilst breakeven is currently forecast in relation to social care services, this is being reviewed in light of the potential financial risk associated with the significant operational pressures currently being experienced across a number of key service areas (particularly home care).
- 6.3 Separate discussions on risk sharing arrangements may be required with Partners, depending on progress to complete the review of the Integration Scheme.

7. Conclusion

- 7.1 An overspend of £0.972m is reported for the first 4 months of the financial year. This reflects ongoing pressures within primary care prescribing and significant operational challenges within set aside and social care (largely due to staff absence associated with Covid self-isolation requirements and high levels of vacancies).
- 7.2 A potential year end overspend of £3.926m is forecast at this stage. The position will be closely monitored during the remainder of the year and a formal recovery plan developed in relation to Primary Care Prescribing.

Resource Implications

Resource implications are considered in the main body of the report.

Directions

A summary of the Directions confirming the payment to both Partners for 2021-22 are attached at appendix 1.

Impact on IJB Outcomes and Priorities

The report presents the total integrated budget available to deliver the IJB's strategic priorities and delivery plan outcomes. It is vital that priorities and outcomes are delivered on sustainable financial basis.

Legal & Risk Implications

There are no legal implications arising from the report recommendations. Financial sustainability remains high risk as per the IJB's strategic risk register. The projected year end overspend is a key concern, particularly given the complexity and limited ability to influence the prescribing position combined with unprecedented operational service pressures in set aside areas and social care.

Consultation

This report has been drafted through engagement and information sharing with colleagues in Falkirk Council and NHS Forth Valley.

Equalities Assessment

There are no equality implications as a direct result of the report recommendations. However there may be a requirement for an equalities assessment to be performed in relation to any new proposed savings schemes.

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9. List of Background Papers

N/A

10. Appendices

Appendix 1: Directions summary

Appendix 1

FALKIRK INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD		
<u>Directions summary 2021-22</u>		

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Define	FALKIRK IJB DIRECTIONS SUMMARY 2020-21					
Ref no	Description	Function	Budget	Direction to	IJB Approved	
21-22 SA 01a	Accident and Emergency Services	Set aside	£7,633,138	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 SA 02a	Inpatient Hospital Services General Medicine	Set aside	£3,930,976	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 SA 03a	Inpatient Hospital Services Geriatric Medicine	Set aside	£5,042,188	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 SA 04a	Inpatient Hospital Services Rehabilitation Medicine	Set aside	£1,714,039	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 SA 05a	Inpatient Hospital Services Respiratory Medicine	Set aside	£1,389,941	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 SA 06a	Inpatient Hospital Services Psychiatry of Learning Disability	Set aside	£1,546,695	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 SA 07a	Palliative Care (Hospital Based)	Set aside	£1,163,539	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 SA 08a	Mental Health Inpatient Services	Set aside	£7,812,008	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	District Nursing Services	Integrated	£5,124,179	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 02	Community Nursing Services	Integrated	£434,044	NHS Forth Valley	04 June 2021	
	Community Addiction Services	Integrated	£3,738,380	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Community Based AHP Services	Integrated	£7,366,032	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Public Dental Service	Integrated	£1,191,630	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 06a	Services provided outwith a hospital in relation to geriatric medicine	Integrated	£1,194,730	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Palliative Care (delivered in Community)	Integrated	£90,019	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Community Learning Disability Services	Integrated	£1,143,710	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Community Mental Health Services	Integrated	£7,796,794	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 10a	Continence Services	Integrated	£214,607	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 11a	Services Provided by health professionals to promote public health	Integrated	£1,381,210	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 12a	Community Hospitals (recurrent budget)	Integrated	£6,637,870	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 13a	Resource Transfer	Integrated	£0	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 14a	Joint Partnership Agreements	Integrated	£1,918,736	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 15a	Partnership Funds (ICF/ Delayed Discharge / Bridging)	Integrated	£3,665,078	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I OP 16a	Integration Fund Pass Through Funding	Integrated	£0	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I UN 01a	Primary Medical Services (GMS)	Integrated	£26,208,775	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I UN 02	General Dental Services (GDS)	Integrated	£9,993,812	NHS Forth Valley	04 June 2021	
21-22 I UN 03	General Ophthalmic Services (GOS)	Integrated	£3,118,743	NHS Forth Valley	04 June 2021	
21-22 I UN 04a	General Pharmaceutical Services (GPS)	Integrated	£38,186,714	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 I UN 05a	GP Out of Hours Services	Integrated	£2,305,709	NHS Forth Valley	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 ASC 01a	Care at Home	Integrated	£39,519,142	Falkirk Council	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
21-22 ASC 02	MECS/Telecare/Telehealth	Integrated	£986,950	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 I ASC 03	Housing Aids & Adaptations/Equipment/Improvement grants	Integrated	£1,929,310	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 ASC 04	Garden Aid	Integrated	£489,000	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 I ASC 05	Residential Care	Integrated	£33,167,270	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 I ASC 06	Sheltered Accommodation/Housing with Care	Integrated	£1,414,390	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 ASC 07	Community Mental Health	Integrated	£676,440	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 ASC 08	Respite Care	Integrated	£1,850,990	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 I ASC 09		Integrated	£1,743,580	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 ASC 10	Assessment & Care Planning	Integrated	£5,568,010	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
	Day Care Services	Integrated	£4,445,660	Falkirk Council	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Community Learning Disability	Integrated	£507,960	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
	Adult Support & Protection	Integrated	£445,910	Falkirk Council	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Sensory Team & Resource Centre	Integrated	£533,680	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
	Voluntary Organisations	Integrated	£801,750	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
21-22 ASC 16a	, -	Integrated	£151,000	Falkirk Council	Pending (supersedes previous Direction)	
	Joint Loan Equipment Store	Integrated	£429,360	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	
	Management & Support Costs	Integrated	£196,480	Falkirk Council	04 June 2021	

Total Bugdet
Set Aside Budget £30,232,523 12% Integated Budget <u>£216,567,656</u> 88%

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Directions

NHS Forth Valley £151,943,297 62% Falkirk Council <u>£94,856,882</u> 38%

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Funding Contrubution

NHS Forth Valley £174,124,942 Falkirk Council £72,675,237 £246,800,179