Agenda Item:

Meeting: Social Care, Health and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 4th March 2010

Subject: Quarter 3 Budget Management Report

Report of: Portfolio Holder for Social Care, Health and Housing

Summary: The report sets out the Budget Management position as at December

2009

Contact Officer: Ian Porter, AD Policy, Partnerships & Performance

Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. that the Committee notes and considers this report

2. that the Committee considers any issues from this report that could form part of their work programme

Introduction

- 1. The report sets out the financial position as at the end of December 2009 and the forecast position at year end. Table A shows the net revenue position.
- 2. Members are aware that this is a relatively high risk budget as it is the first one produced by Central Bedfordshire and it is for this reason that robust monitoring has been in place since day one. The Quarterly Performance Report will be presented to the Committee at the same time as this Budget Management Report to provide a better link between performance and finance issues.

Quarter 3 – Key Messages

3. The net revenue position as at September is a projected overspend of £4.5m Work is continuing on the Directorate Action Plans to address the overspend.

Conclusion and Next Steps

- 4. The Committee is asked to note and consider this report.
- 5. The Committee is also asked to consider any issues from this report that could form part of its work programme.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS
Council Priorities:
Financial:
The Financial implications are set out in the report
Legal:
None
Risk Management:
Staffing (including Trades Unions):
None
Equalities/Human Rights:
The effect of any proposed efficiency savings will need to be considered as part of the Equality Impact Assessments particularly in identified high risk areas.
Community Safety:
None
Sustainability:
None

Appendices:

Appendix A – December Budget Management Report
Appendix B - Table A – Detailed Budget Monitoring by Operational Area