Meeting: Children, Families and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 24 February 2010

**Subject:** Quarter 3 Budget Management Report

Report of: Portfolio Holder for Children, Families and Learning

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

2009

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Families and Learning

Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

#### **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Council Priorities:**

#### Financial:

The Financial implications are set out in the report

# Legal:

None

#### Risk Management:

The Director is assessing the risks of the detailed actions from the Action Plan on Council Services

## 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

#### **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 2 - Key Messages

3. The net revenue position as at December is a £2.1m overspend. 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.

### Appendices:

Appendix A – (December Budget Management Report)