

## Appendix B - Debtors

- Total general CBC sales debtors (excluding house sales and grants) for December amounted to £15.9m, an increase of £8m on November. Of this £7.5m is less than 30 days old and has mainly been driven by the following factors with SCHH.

SCHH raised a whole year 2013/14 invoice in December for the NHS Grant - £3.1m – (NHS England Regional Office). Spending plans were not officially approved until the November Health & Wellbeing Board and formal agreements were agreements drafted and signed and sent out with invoices.

£0.940m whole of 2013/14 Reablement Funding – held by Bedfordshire CCG – figure agreed and formalised in Agreement back end of November.

£0.100m re Falls Response Service – part year contribution 2013/14 – previous year received £104k in advance and channelled through reserve.

£0.160m Winter Pressures funding for 2013/14 – figure negotiated and confirmed during November.

Also £0.835m for first half year contribution to the equipment pooled budget.

Most of the remaining movement is accounted for by quarterly invoices which usually results in a month on month increase each quarter.

Of the total debt, £3.9m was over 60 days (£3.7m in November); all of which is actively being managed.

Of the Over 60 days - £2.5m is actively being chased, £3k is in dispute, work to resolve these is ongoing. £0.2m have instalment arrangements in place. £0.7m is being dealt with through legal channels.

Debtors December 2013														
DIRECTORATE	1 to 14 Days		15 to 30 Days		31 to 60 Days		61 to 90 Days		91 to 365 days		1 year and over		Total Debt	
	£k	%	£k	%	£k	%	£k	%	£k	%	£k	%	£k	%
Social Care Health & Housing	1,263	17%	4,877	64%	106	1%	267	3%	601	8%	531	7%	7,645	100%
Children's Services	117	13%	416	45%	205	22%	32	3%	129	14%	19	2%	918	100%
Community Services	16	5%	154	52%	16	5%	3	1%	43	15%	62	21%	294	100%
Regeneration	1,385	33%	790	19%	96	2%	37	1%	960	23%	884	21%	4,152	100%
I.C.S	1,310	63%	454	22%	8	0%	27	1%	168	8%	127	6%	2,094	100%
Finance	9	2%	303	74%	3	1%	18	4%	22	5%	54	13%	409	100%
Public Health	0	0%	0	0%	384	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	384	100%
Unallocated & Non Directorate	0	0%	-4	9%	-1	2%	-1	2%	-32	73%	-6	14%	-44	100%
GRAND TOTAL	4,100	26%	6,990	44%	817	5%	383	2%	1,891	12%	1,671	11%	15,852	100%
PREVIOUS MONTH	2,354		1,275		479		1,010		1,150		1,540		7,808	100%

## 2 The largest items of note within the total debt are:

- Adult Social Care general fund debt at the end of Quarter 3 stood at £7.6m of which £5.6m is Health Service debt. Of the remaining general debt of £1.9m, £1.052m (56%) is more than 60 days old. General fund debt includes legacy debt of £0.6m as well as Central Bedfordshire debt. There are 26 debtors whose outstanding balance is greater than £0.010m which are all under active management.
- Community Services total debt at the end of December was £0.294m. About 65% of debt is less than three months old. All debt recovery is in accordance with Council policy.
- Regeneration total debt at the end of December was £4.1m. Invoices relating to developers legal contributions to deliver planning requirements associated with new developments account for c80% of debt. About 56% of debt is less than three months old. All debt recovery is in accordance with Council policy.
- Total debt for Children's Services is £918k (£795k Quarter 2) of which £180k (£110k Quarter 2) is debt over 61 days.
- Public Health debt is all within 31 – 60 days.
- Overall Corporate debt (ICS/Finance) has increased by £1,342k in the month from £1,161K to £2,503K. Of this there is £1,320k which is not yet due, representing 53% of the overall debt. In period 9 there is £371k that is over 90 days old; this represents 15% of the current total debt. The majority of the increase in debt is as a result of invoices being raised to the two schools subject to the PFI agreement.

## 3. Quarter 3 Write offs

Write Off	Number	Value	Ave Value
£0 - £5,000	22	£ 19,009	£ 864
£5,000 - £10,000	1	£ 9,294	£ 9,294
£10,000 - £50,000	2	£ 54,146	£ 27,073
>£50,000	0	£ -	£ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>£ 82,451</b>	<b>£ 3,298</b>

(of which legacy £)                      10                      £                      29,408                      £                      2,941

The three largest debts were as follows:

£9,294 – Social Care – Care fees for a lady that who passed away in 2011, Next of Kin disputed charges for the fees, after a long dispute CBC accepted a final payment then the balance to be written off. (Debt was £17,554 before settlement made).

£17,503 - Mid Beds District Council Legacy – Little information of how debt has arisen, notes that company queried in 2008 to say they had paid but unable to verify with previous system due to access, previous staff unable to offer information either.

£36,643 – Former Sustainable Communities – Contract from South Beds District Council, company went into liquidation in 2012, proof of debt was sent to Receivers in 2012 but no money left to be distributed.