



Leicester  
City Council

EXTRACT

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
SOCIAL SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: TUESDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2005 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor J. Blackmore - Chair  
Councillor Almey.(Liberal Democrat Spokesperson)  
Councillor Mrs. Chambers (Conservative Spokesperson)

Councillor Dempster

Councillor Nurse

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Ms Sonia Bray – Voluntary Sector  
Mr Bob Clark – Voluntary Sector

**21. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2005/06 – PERIOD 4**

A report of the Chief Finance Officer and the Service Director (Resources) Social Care and Health was submitted which gave details of the summary position comparing spending with the budget at the end of period 4 (July 2005). Early indications of budgetary pressures and actions taken to ensure that spending is contained in the budget were detailed in the report. It was currently predicted that the total net budget pressure was £0.6m. However where pressures occurred action was being taken to ensure a break-even position by the end of the financial year.

Members expressed concern about the fact that the savings anticipated under the transport efficiency review had not yet been delivered and that this could create a budget pressure. It was suggested that a full report on this issue was needed at the next meeting of the Social Services Scrutiny Committee. It was suggested that if a report were to be brought to the next meeting on this issue it would be advantageous to invite appropriate officers to give further detail to Members at the meeting.

**RESOLVED:**

- 1) That the report be noted;
- 2) That the Scrutiny Committee expresses its concern over the forecast overspend and notes that actions are being planned to ensure a break even position by the end of the financial year.
- 3) That officers be requested to prepare a full report for the next meeting of the Social Services Scrutiny Committee concerning the transport review with appropriate officers invited to give further detail to Members at the meeting.

