

# Finance Report – year ended 31 March 2024

<b>Report To (Meeting):</b>	ONE Stockport Health and Care Board		
<b>Report From (Executive Lead)</b>	Michael Cullen, Deputy Chief Executive (Section 151 Officer), and Locality Finance Lead, Stockport MBC		
<b>Report From (Author):</b>	David Dolman, Associate Director of Finance, NHS Greater Manchester (Stockport)		
<b>Date:</b>	24 April 2024	<b>Agenda Item No:</b>	8
<b>Previously Considered by:</b>	This report is being presented for the first time		

**Purpose of the report:**

This report provides an update on:

1. Financial position of NHS Greater Manchester (Stockport) for the year ended 31 March 2024 (subject to audit)
2. Planning Update 2024/25
3. Cost Improvement Programme (CIP) 2024/25

**Key points (Executive Summary):**

NHS Greater Manchester (Stockport) is reporting an outturn adverse variance of £6.075m. The position has been regularly reported to NHS Greater Manchester (GM) and is within the £180m NHS GM planned deficit agreed with NHS England.

The adverse variances mainly relates to increasing demand for Continuing Health Care (CHC) and Mental Health services as well as prescribing price and volume increases. Capacity issues within the CHC and medicines optimisation teams, which have been addressed, also impacted on financial performance in 2023/24.

The NHS Greater Manchester (NHS GM) 2024/25 financial plan is still in development and as we enter the 2024/25 financial year the financial challenge is significant with the Stockport locality expected to deliver savings of £7.928m (23/24 £3.415m), continued demand for CHC and mental health placements compounded by increases in the cost of placements and continued prescribing price and volume pressures.

To address the financial challenge a cost improvement programme (CIP) plan is in development targeting CHC, mental health and prescribing being the areas of high expenditure and reasons for the adverse variance in 2023/24.

**Recommendation:**

Board is asked to:

- **Note** the outturn position of a £6.075m adverse variance for the year ended 31 March 2024 (subject to audit)
- **Note** the 2024/25 financial plan update
- **Approve** the 2024/25 CIP plan for noting that against a saving target of £7.928m, schemes totalling £6.170m have been identified and work is progressing to identify additional schemes totalling £1.758m.



<b>Decision</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Discuss/Direction</b>		<b>Information/Assurance</b>	<b>X</b>
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<b>Aims (please indicate x)</b>		
Which integrated care aim(s) is / are supported by this report:	People are happier and healthier and inequalities are reduced	
	There are safe, high-quality services which make best use of the Stockport pound	<b>X</b>
	Everyone takes responsibility for their health with the right support	
	We support local social and economic development together	

<b>Conflicts of Interests</b>	
Potential Conflicts of Interest:	No conflicts of interest have been identified.

<b>Risk and Assurance:</b>	
List all strategic and high-level risks relevant to this paper	Deliver financial balance

<b>Consultation and Engagement:</b>	
<b>Local People / Patient Engagement:</b>	N/A
<b>Workforce Engagement:</b>	N/A

<b>Potential Implications:</b>					
<b>Financial Impact:</b> Please note - All reports with a financial implication require detail of the level of funding, funding stream and comments from Finance.	Non-Recurrent Expenditure				
	Recurrent Expenditure (please state annual cost)	£153.777 million			
	Funding stream	Yes		No	
	Included in the s75 Pooled Budget	£22.532m			
	GM ICB (Stockport) delegated budget	£153.777m of which £22.532m is pooled under s75 Agreement			
	Other, please specify.				
<b>Finance Comments:</b>	NHS Greater Manchester is fully briefed via regular assurance meetings on the issues impacting the financial position including identified financial risks.				
<b>Performance Impact:</b>	To recover the financial position expenditure on services will need to be reduced which may impact performance.				
<b>Workforce Impact:</b>	Reduce agency expenditure				
<b>Quality and Safety Impact:</b>	No				

<b>Compliance and/or Legal Impact:</b>	Financial duty for the NHS Greater Manchester to breakeven					
<b>Equality and Diversity:</b>	General Statement:					
	Has an equality impact assessment been completed?	Yes		No	X	N/A
	If Not Applicable please explain why					
<b>Environmental Impact:</b>	General Statement:					
	Has an environmental impact assessment been completed?	Yes		No	X	N/A
	If Not Applicable please explain why					