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| **EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES COMMITTEE** |

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| **EASC FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT – MONTH 6**  **2022/23** |

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| **Date of meeting** | 8/11/2022 |

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| **FOI Status** | Open/Public |

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| **Presented by** | Stuart Davies, Director of Finance |
| **Approving Executive Sponsor** | Chief Ambulance Services Commissioner |

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| **Report purpose** | FOR NOTING |

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| **Engagement (internal/external) undertaken to date (including receipt/consideration at Committee/group)** | | |
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| **ACRONYMS** | |
| EMS | Emergency Medical Services |

1. **SITUATION**
   1. The purpose of this report is to set out the estimated financial position for EASC for the 6th month of 2022/23 together with any corrective action required. It should be noted that the below summary agrees to the Risk Share tables in totality but is slightly different in detail per service line. This is because the EASC Ring Fenced Allocations have been assigned to their relevant service line, the detail of which will be expanded upon in the individual service sections that follow.



**Background**

* 1. The financial position is reported against the 2022/23 baselines following approval of the 2022/23 IMTP by the EASC Joint Committee in March 2022. The change in baseline from last month relates to £186k for WAST ARRP 22/23 uplift, £51k for WAST ESMCP resource uplift for 22/23, £200k for WAST Mobile Data Vehicle Solutions BJC 2022-2023 element and a reduction of £158k reduction for WAST ESMCP Control Room Solutions Uplift 2022-2023.
  2. Please note that as LHB’s cover any EASC variances, any over/under spends are adjusted back out to LHB’s. Therefore, although this document reports on the effective position to date, this value is actually reported through the LHB monthly positions, and the EASC position as reported to WG is a nil variance.
  3. In relation to the financial position, and following discussion, Members agreed:
     1. All members of the Committee have supported the EASC IMTP.
     2. WG has confirmed that they will make available £3m for the recruitment of a minimum additional +100 front line staff. The recruitment process for these staff has been commenced and the commitment from WAST is for the staff to be fully operational by the end of December. Payments to WAST will be dependent on the total staff in post being fully in place including last years agreed increased numbers now built into baseline requirements.
     3. £1.8m – this is still the agreed contribution from HBs to be used for additional investment in capacity via cohorting / St.John’s / First Responder. There is agreement from HBs that this is payable and it is distinct from the WG funding secured described above. The assumption is all HBs will pay their appropriate share.

1. **SPECIFIC MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THIS MEETING (ASSESSMENT)**

Governance & Contracting

All budgets have been updated to reflect the 2022/23 approved IMTP. The IMTP sets the baseline for all the 2022/23 contract values.

EMS Contract

* 1. The current reported financial position of WAST is a break even at year end.
  2. The WAST budget of £227,821k is currently reported as the total of the following service lines:
* WAST £216,761k, the change in baseline from last month relates to £186k for WAST ARRP 22/23 uplift, £51k for WAST ESMCP resource uplift for 22/23, £200k for WAST Mobile Data Vehicle Solutions BJC 2022-2023 element and a reduction of £158k reduction for WAST ESMCP Control Room Solutions Uplift 2022-2023
* Renal NEPTS £1,223k
* EASC Ring Fenced Allocations
  + D&C Phase 2 Front Line In Year Allocation Reserve (Non Recurrent) £5,798k
  + Major Trauma Ring Fenced Commissioner Allocation 2021/22 £640k
  + Mental Health Service Improvements (inc. Clinical Service Desk Enhancements) £631k
  + West Wales Dialysis Transport (patient re-imbursement) £60k
  + Operational Delivery Unit £908k
  + Front Line Support £1,800k
  1. The funding for Renal Transport has been separated from WAST and will be reported separately. Air Ambulance (EMRTS) has been transferred from WAST and now sits within EASC – EMRTS and will be paid directly to Swansea Bay UHB.

EMRTS

* 1. There is a breakeven position reported against the EMRTS baseline funding of £7,986k. This budget consists of the following service lines:
* EMRTS £4,946k, £70k increase this month for the Pay Award
* EASC Ring Fenced Allocations
  + EMRTS 24/7 Expansion Plan – NR £1,292k
  + EMRTS Critical Care Ring Fenced Commissioner Allocation £1,748k

Core running costs budget

* 1. Costs are reported against two separate lines to reflect the original investment by LHB’s. Please note that these have not yet been amalgamated in risk-sharing lines due to the different purposes of the two sources of funding at this point.
  2. The total funding for costs running through the WHSSC ledger is £627k. This is made up of:



EASC & NCCU Commissioning

* 1. The total funding for costs running through the WHSSC ledger is £1,579k. The total consists of:





Summary of Key Movements and Issues

* 1. There is a very small movement of £3k YTD and £7k for the year end forecast for the South-East Wales Regional Acute Coronary Syndrome Treat and Repatriate Service.

Actual Year to Date and Forecast Over/Underspend (Provider positions)

*WAST:*

* 1. Position reported to budget level

*Direct Running Costs (Staffing and non-pay):*

* 1. Team costs are based on expected staffing levels, including filling vacancies.

Actual Year to Date Over/(under)spend 2022/23 (Commissioner positions) 

Income / Expenditure Assumptions

*Income from LHB’s:*

* 1. Income for Month 6 was in line with expectations for the EASC element; future months will include a table by LHB.

Overview of Key Risks / Opportunities

* 1. None to detail

Public Sector Payment Compliance

* 1. The WHSSC/EASC payment compliance target is consolidated and reported through the Cwm Taf monitoring process.

1. **KEY RISKS/MATTERS FOR ESCALATION TO THE COMMITTEE**
   1. None to note.
2. **IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

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| **Quality/Safety/Patient Experience implications** | There are no specific quality and safety implications related to the activity outined in this report. |
| **Related Health and Care standard(s)** | ALL are relevant to this report |
| **Equality impact assessment completed** | Not required |
| **Legal implications / impact** | There are no specific legal implications related to the activity outlined in this report. |
| **Resource (Capital/Revenue £/Workforce) implications /**  **Impact** | There is no direct impact on resources as a result of the activity outlined in this report. |
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| **Link to Commissioning Intentions** | The Committee’s overarching role is to ensure its Commissioning Strategy for Emergency Ambulance Services utilising the five step patient pathway outlined within the National Collaborative Commissioning Quality and Delivery Agreement and the related outcomes for each care standard aligned with the Institute of Healthcare Improvement's (IHI) ‘Quadruple Aim’ are being progressed. |
| **Link to Main WBFG Act Objective** | ALL are relevant |

1. **RECOMMENDATION** 
   1. The Emergency Ambulance Services Committee is asked to:

**NOTE** the current financial position and forecast year-end position.

1. **Confirmation of position report by the MD and DOF:**



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