## Red, Amber, Green (RAG) Criteria for Revenue Budget Monitoring

The RAG status is based on the overall directorate position.

Ideally there should not be any movement from green to red; amber should be used through effective monitoring for initially flagging the budget pressure so that it can be addressed.

Red - Where the forecast directorate overspend is over £100,000.

An action plan needs to be created and agreed.

Amber - Where the forecast directorate overspend is over £50,000 (but under £100,000)

- An action plan is in place and is being monitored.

- An unexpected shift took place at the previous year end (over £200,000).

Green - Estimated outturn on budget, nothing of concern.

## Notes

- i. Action Plans Where over £100k they will need portfolio member approval, and DMT where less than £100k.
- ii. Underspends unless there are adverse service implications or the underspend is significant and unplanned, underspends will be shown as Green.