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## Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals

NHS TRUST

Report Title	Finance Report: Month 03 2020/21				
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Meeting	Trust Board (Public)	Date 6 <sup>th</sup> August 2020			

## 1. Suggested discussion points [two or three issues you consider the Trust Board should focus on]

The Trust has achieved Break Even for Months 1-3 under the Covid-19 regime. Covid specific costs increased in Month 3 due to PPE and re-classification of Midland Met UH welfare facility costs from Capital to revenue following discussion with NHSI/E. Income and Pay were relatively stable month on month; non-pay saw an increase in Month 3, partly related to the above.

Capital expenditure in relation to Covid-19 has been incurred but not all approved. The Trust is ensuring that all expenditure incurred in this category is clearly identified and capital returns will show it as Covid-19 related with funding expected.

Cash balances remain good as a result of the block income being received in advance. It remains to be seen whether there will be any reversal of this in the latter half of the year if cash becomes constrained.

We now know that the Trust will receive block income for the remainder of the 2021 financial year, with the current arrangement likely to continue until Month 6. A refined block will then be in place with no retrospective top up. We do not yet know at what value this will be but we have worked with NHSI/E to ensure it is set at a level close to our post CIP expenditure budgets against which we continue to monitor compliance. We must also keep the longer term in mind to ensure we can deliver the assumptions realised in 22/23 when MMUH opens. A paper to FIC considered this and will continue to oversee.

2. Alignment to 2020 Vision [indicate with an 'X' which Plan this paper supports]							
Safety Plan		Public Health Plan		People Plan & Education Plan	x		
Quality Plan		Research and Development		Estates Plan	x		
Financial Plan	x	Digital Plan		Other [specify in the paper]			

## 3. Previous consideration [where has this paper been previously discussed?]

FIC 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020

## 4. Recommendation(s)

The Trust Board is asked to:

a. Note and discuss the contents of the report and the key matters above

5. Impact [indicate with an 'X' which governance initiatives this matter relates to and where shown elaborate]								
Trust Risk Register	x	3688, 3689						
Board Assurance Framework	х	SBAF 9, SBAF 10	)					
Equality Impact Assessment	ls	this required?	Υ		Ζ	х	If 'Y' date completed	
Quality Impact Assessment	ls	this required?	Υ		Ν	х	If 'Y' date completed	