

EDUCATION & CHILDREN SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 24th SEPTEMBER 2015

Revenue & Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2015/16

To consider and comment on the following issues:

- That the Scrutiny Committee receives the budget monitoring report for the Education & Children Department and considers the budgetary position.

Reasons:

- To provide the Committee with an update on the latest budgetary position, as at 30th June 2015, in respect of the 2015/16 financial year.

To be referred to the Executive Board for decision: NO

Executive Board Member Portfolio Holders:

- Cllr. David Jenkins (Resources)
- Cllr. Gareth Jones (Education & Children)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Revenue & Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2015/16

The monitoring exercise for the period to the 30th June 2015 is attached and indicates that:

Revenue Budgets (Appendix A)

The Education & Children Department is forecasting an overspend of £602k for the year.

The main adverse budget variations relate to school based EVR and redundancy costs (+£631k); Residential and Respite Units (+£348k); EOTAS (Education other than at School) (+£252k); Adult & community learning (+£176k); Youth Service (+£75k); Out of Hours Service (+£64k); Educational Psychology (£43k); Legal fees in respect of care proceedings (£33k) and FACT & Family Aide Services (£24k).

These are partially offset by under-spends across the department in: Staff vacancies, secondments and maximising use of grant funding (-£713k); Out of County Care Placements (-£132k); Payments to private early years providers (-£98k); Fostering services & support (-£62k); Children's Services management & support (-£37k).

Capital Budgets (Appendix B)

MEP External Funding -£1,057k Additional External funding secured.

Ysgol Maes Y Gwendraeth £456k re-profile required due to delays in 14/15 works carried forward to 15/16.

Seaside CP School -£3,000k delay in approving outline business case by Welsh Government.

Ysgol Trimsaran -£664k Delay due to site selection issues.

A list of the main variances is attached to this report.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Signed: Chris Moore Head of Financial Services

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

3. Finance

Revenue – The Education & Children Department is currently forecasting an overspend of £602k and will utilise Departmental Reserves in order to break even at year end.

Capital – The capital programme is on target against the 2015-16 approved budget.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

Signed: Chris Moore Head of Financial Services

- 1. Local Member(s) – N/A**
- 2. Community / Town Council – N/A**
- 3. Relevant Partners – N/A**
- 4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations – N/A**

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW:

Title of Document	File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
2015/16 Budget	Resources Department, County Hall, Carmarthen