

**Education & Children's Services Scrutiny Report**  
**Budget Monitoring as at 30th June 2017 - Summary**

Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Jun 2017 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000	
Director & Strategic Management	788	0	-148	640	734	0	-148	586	-54
Education Services Division	117,623	-1,755	18,908	134,775	118,316	-1,706	18,908	135,518	742
Strategic Development	9,200	-7,395	879	2,684	9,212	-7,444	879	2,648	-37
School Improvement	3,809	-1,285	441	2,964	4,525	-2,000	441	2,965	1
Learner Programmes	3,811	-2,776	448	1,483	5,091	-3,907	448	1,632	149
Children's Services	18,357	-1,990	2,129	18,496	22,677	-5,722	2,129	19,083	588
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>153,588</b>	<b>-15,201</b>	<b>22,656</b>	<b>161,043</b>	<b>160,554</b>	<b>-20,779</b>	<b>22,656</b>	<b>162,431</b>	<b>1,389</b>

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### Budget Monitoring as at 30th June 2017 - Main Variances

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<b>Director &amp; Strategic Management</b>						
Director & Management Team	788	0	734	0	-54	Vacant post and officers not at top of scale
<b>Education Services Division</b>						
School Redundancy & EVR	1,838	0	2,055	0	217	Budget utilised on existing commitments. A cross-departmental team is drawing together different strands of work with the aim of reducing costs
School Modernisation	337	-5	656	-10	314	Premises costs relating to a number of closed schools of which £256k relates to NNDR
Early Years Non-Maintained Provision	469	0	417	0	-52	Reduced take-up of 10 hours per week free entitlement for 3 year olds in non-maintained settings.
Special Educational Needs	2,813	-1,484	2,997	-1,400	268	Additional statementing costs £318k, increased staffing costs in attached units to alleviate waiting list pressures £25k offset by fewer pupils placed in out of county schools -£75k
<b>Learner Programmes</b>						
Music Services for Schools	95	0	1,265	-967	203	Reduced take-up of school Service Level Agreements (SLA), due to school budgetary pressures. Plans for staff reductions are currently being developed. Draft paper on the sustainability of the Music Service is available.
Behaviour Management	141	0	88	0	-53	Part year vacant post for Behaviour and Wellbeing manager.
<b>Children's Services</b>						
Commissioning and Social Work	6,465	-20	6,681	-132	104	Increase in Legal costs due to a high number of cases £298k, one of which is awaiting a high court hearing. This is offset by secondment and part year vacancy savings - £194k.
Fostering Services & Support	3,653	0	3,864	0	211	The taxi's budget faces ongoing pressure £43k due to the high number of placement moves, some away from school areas. The Fostering Support Team have increased transport costs, boarding out payments and residence orders (even though CCC current rates are set at the minimum allowed by Welsh Government) £220k. This is offset by part year vacancies in the Fostering Team -£52k

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Out of County Placements (CS)	739	-54	943	-54	203	More use of independent fostering agencies that are more expensive to use due to a lack of in house foster placements including two young people being accommodated out of county due to their complex needs requiring 24 hour support.
Family Aide Services	224	0	172	0	-53	Vacant post and employees not being on the top of their grade.
<b>Other Variances</b>					81	
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>1,389</b>	

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Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Jun 2017 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes
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<b>Director &amp; Strategic Management</b>										
Director & Management Team	788	0	-148	640	734	0	-148	586	-54	Vacant post and officers not at top of scale
<b>Director &amp; Strategic Management Total</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-148</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-148</b>	<b>586</b>	<b>-54</b>	
<b>Education Services Division</b>										
Schools Delegated Budget	108,746	0	0	108,746	108,746	-0	0	108,746	0	
School Expenditure not currently delegated	161	0	18,827	18,989	174	0	18,827	19,001	12	Transfer of deficit reserve balance of two schools which closed in April 2017
School Redundancy & EVR	1,838	0	6	1,843	2,055	0	6	2,060	217	Budget utilised on existing commitments. A cross-departmental team is drawing together different strands of work with the aim of reducing costs
School Modernisation	337	-5	-195	137	656	-10	-195	451	314	Premises costs relating to a number of closed schools of which £256k relates to NNDR
Early Years Non-Maintained Provision	469	0	21	490	417	0	21	437	-52	Reduced take-up of 10 hours per week free entitlement for 3 year olds in non-maintained settings.
Special Educational Needs	2,813	-1,484	135	1,464	2,997	-1,400	135	1,732	268	Additional statementing costs £318k, increased staffing costs in attached units to alleviate waiting list pressures £25k offset by fewer pupils placed in out of county schools -£75k
Education Other Than At School (EOTAS)	2,028	-266	61	1,824	2,051	-296	61	1,817	-7	
Sensory Impairment	363	0	9	372	348	0	9	357	-15	In year efficiencies within service
Educational Psychology	868	0	43	911	873	0	43	916	5	
<b>Education Services Division Total</b>	<b>117,623</b>	<b>-1,755</b>	<b>18,908</b>	<b>134,775</b>	<b>118,316</b>	<b>-1,706</b>	<b>18,908</b>	<b>135,518</b>	<b>742</b>	
<b>Strategic Development</b>										
School Milk & Uniform Grants	245	-244	11	12	245	-244	11	12	0	
Information & Improvement	422	0	114	536	493	-83	114	525	-12	Employees not on top of scale
Business Support	477	0	144	620	458	0	144	602	-18	Business Support Assistant seconded to another department
Participation	89	0	0	89	82	0	0	82	-7	
School Meals & Primary Free Breakfast Services	7,968	-7,151	611	1,427	7,934	-7,117	611	1,427	-0	
<b>Strategic Development Total</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>-7,395</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>2,684</b>	<b>9,212</b>	<b>-7,444</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>2,648</b>	<b>-37</b>	

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<b>School Improvement</b>										
School Effectiveness Support Services	501	-53	308	756	491	-43	308	756	0	
National Model for School Improvement	1,157	-56	0	1,101	1,580	-479	0	1,101	0	
Welsh Language Support	302	-16	0	286	462	-176	0	286	0	
Education Improvement Grant	1,730	-1,042	0	688	1,851	-1,162	0	689	0	
Other School Grants incl PDG	118	-118	133	133	140	-140	133	133	-0	
<b>School Improvement Total</b>	<b>3,809</b>	<b>-1,285</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>2,964</b>	<b>4,525</b>	<b>-2,000</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>2,965</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>Learner Programmes</b>										
Post 16 Funding	148	-148	0	0	151	-151	0	0	-0	
Music Services for Schools	95	0	10	105	1,265	-967	10	307	203	Reduced take-up of school Service Level Agreements (SLA), due to school budgetary pressures. Plans for staff reductions are currently being developed. Draft paper on the sustainability of the Music Service is available.
Families First Grant (Youth)	702	-654	33	81	702	-654	33	81	-0	
Behaviour Management	141			141	88	0	0	88	-53	Part year vacant post for Behaviour and Wellbeing manager.
Youth Offending & Prevention Service	1,423	-678	195	940	1,434	-688	195	940	0	
Adult & Community Learning	420	-416	210	214	428	-425	210	213	-0	
Cynnydd	881	-880	0	2	1,024	-1,022	0	2	-0	
<b>Learner Programmes Total</b>	<b>3,811</b>	<b>-2,776</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>1,483</b>	<b>5,091</b>	<b>-3,907</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>1,632</b>	<b>149</b>	
<b>Children's Services</b>										
Commissioning and Social Work	6,465	-20	500	6,946	6,681	-132	500	7,049	104	Increase in Legal costs due to a high number of cases £298k, one of which is awaiting a high court hearing. This is offset by secondment and part year vacancy savings -£194k.
Corporate Parenting & Leaving Care	845	0	50	895	845	0	50	895	0	
Fostering Services & Support	3,653	0	91	3,744	3,864	0	91	3,955	211	The taxi's budget faces ongoing pressure £43k due to the high number of placement moves, some away from school areas. The Fostering Support Team have increased transport costs, boarding out payments and residence orders (even though CCC current rates are set at the minimum allowed by Welsh Government) £220k. This is offset by part year vacancies in the Fostering Team -£52k
Adoption Services	509	-56	31	483	604	-140	31	495	12	Additional staff resource to reduce the number of placements needing to be purchased at greater cost which reduces budget pressure in other areas.

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Out of County Placements (CS)	739	-54	3	689	943	-54	3	892	204	More use of independent fostering agencies that are more expensive to use due to a lack of in house foster placements including two young people being accommodated out of county due to their complex needs requiring 24 hour support.
Residential and Respite Units	939	-55	55	940	887	0	55	943	3	
Garreglwyd Residential Unit	541	-159	22	403	575	-159	22	438	35	Additional staffing costs to cover periods of sickness and a young person being moved in which reduces the out of county placement costs.
Childcare	383	-101	36	319	382	-100	36	319	0	
Short Breaks and Direct Payments	568	-79	9	498	528	0	9	537	39	Discontinuation of the Giant Steps service means possible redundancy and associated costs; although attempts are being made to redeploy the staff concerned.
Children's/Family Centres and Playgroups	254	-17	74	311	254	-17	74	311	-0	
Flying Start Grant	0	0	63	63	3,824	-3,812	63	75	12	Ineligible costs such as audit fees.
Families First Grant	1,342	-1,219	25	148	1,342	-1,219	25	148	0	
Aids & Adaptions	13	0	1	13	16	0	1	17	3	
Family Aide Services	224	0	26	250	172	0	26	198	-53	Vacant post and employees not being on the top of their grade.
Other Family Services incl Young Carers and ASD	284	-91	7	201	298	-87	7	218	17	Additional sessional workers costs £14k and forecasted decrease in contribution from Hywel Dda £3k
Out of Hours Service	265	-64	7	208	43	158	7	208	-0	Service currently being reviewed and restructured.
Children's Services Mgt & Support (incl Care First)	946	-76	1,087	1,957	999	-160	1,087	1,926	-31	Support savings on supplies & services -£21k and savings identified on staff related costs -£10k
Education Welfare	386		40	427	419		40	459	33	Staffing levels are currently being reviewed with a view to reduce costs.
<b>Children's Services Total</b>	<b>18,357</b>	<b>-1,990</b>	<b>2,129</b>	<b>18,496</b>	<b>22,677</b>	<b>-5,722</b>	<b>2,129</b>	<b>19,083</b>	<b>588</b>	
<b>TOTAL FOR EDUCATION &amp; CHILDREN'S SERVICES</b>	<b>153,588</b>	<b>-15,201</b>	<b>22,656</b>	<b>161,043</b>	<b>160,554</b>	<b>-20,779</b>	<b>22,656</b>	<b>162,431</b>	<b>1,389</b>	