



Ein Rhanbarth ar Waith
Education through Regional Working

ERW Financial Update Quarter 2 - 2016-17

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ERW S151 Officer

Cynghrair o 6 awdurdod lleol yw ERW a reolir gan gyd-bwyllgor cyfansoddiadol cyfreithiol.
Y nod yw gweithredu strategaeth a chynllun busnes rhanbarthol cytunedig a chefnogi gwelliant ysgolion.

ERW is an alliance of 6 local authorities governed by a legally constituted joint committee.
Its aim is to implement the agreed regional strategy and business plan to support school improvement.



1. Introduction

This report provides the ERW Joint Committee with a financial update as at the end of Quarter 2 - 2016-17.

2. 2016-17 Central Team Revenue Budget

The 2016-17 Central Team revenue budget was approved by the Joint Committee at its meeting on 5 February 2016. During 2015-16 there were numerous amendments to the budget throughout the year. For 2016-17 the original budget will remain until the revised budget is approved by the Joint Committee.

The Joint Committee were advised of a projected overspend on the 2016-17 original budget at its meeting on 10 June 2016, with the reasons outlined in the report. The projected overspend would have necessitated the need for an increase in the contribution from the Local Authority Reserve of £19k.

The position as at the end of Quarter 2 is shown in the table below and this is effectively the revised budget for approval by the Joint Committee. It is now projected that there will be an underspend which will reduce the contribution from the Local Authority Reserve by £19k, due to additional income from grants.

A £5k increase is shown for the ERW email domain licence which had not been factored into the original budget for 2016-17.

ANNUAL EXPENDITURE	Approved Budget February 2016 £000	Budget Monitoring May 2016 £000	Budget Monitoring September 2016 (Revised Budget) £000
1. STAFFING COSTS			
Salaries	402	411	411
Travel, Subsistence, Training & Development	10	5	5
	412	416	416
2. RUNNING COSTS			
Accommodation	33	33	33
Stationery/Telephone/Printing/Copying/Equipment/IT	21	36	41
Translation	35	35	35
Conference Support/Programme Costs	10	10	10
	99	114	119
3. FACILITATION			
Infrastructure Agreements (Internal & External Audit)	40	40	40
	40	40	40
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE	551	570	575
ANNUAL INCOME			
Local Authority Contributions	250	250	250
Other Income/Grants	-	-	5
Grant Funding Administration	150	150	188
TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME	400	400	443
NET EXPENDITURE	151	170	132
Appropriation from Reserve	(151)	(170)	(132)

3. 2016-17 Grants Allocations

The Joint Committee was advised at its meeting on 10 June 2016 of grant allocations for 2016-17 totalling £63,060k. The grant allocations have now increased to £66,494k as shown in the table below.

Grant Name	2015-16 Allocation £000	2016-17 Allocation £000	Commentary
Education Improvement Grant	40,419	38,179	
Pupil Deprivation Grant	21,008	22,758	
Pioneer Schools	488	1,813	
Schools Challenge Cymru – Tranche 3	-	1,140	
GCSE – Tranche 2	-	914	
Schools Challenge Cymru – Tranche 2	1,455	794	£2,249k allocated for 2015-16 £1,455k expenditure in 2015-16 £794k carried forward to 2016-17
GCSE – Tranche 1	679	231	
New Deal	-	200	
Learning in Digital Wales CPD	71	142*	Grant awarded for 3 year period Total £426k
Modern Foreign Language	121	120	
NPQH	49	82	
Welsh Baccalaureate	50	50	
Securing Teacher Assessment Programme	33	46	
Literacy & Numeracy for Special Schools	50	25	
Induction (NEW)		TBC	Grant offer being constructed
Schools Challenge Cymru – Tranche 1	571	-	
Regional Collaboration Fund	358	-	
Literacy, Numeracy & MFL	255	-	
Learning in Digital Capacity Building	83	-	
GCSE Year 9 Cross Curricula LNF	70	-	
Mathematics Primary Events	45	-	
Mentoring for New Headteachers	42	-	
HLTA	28	-	
GCSE Drama & Music	26	-	
Year 6 National Numeracy Tests	5	-	
14-19 Learning Pathways	1	-	
Total	65,907	66,494	

4. Recommendation

The Joint Committee note the ERW Financial Update Quarter 2 - 2016-17 and approve the revised 2016-17 Central Team Revenue Budget.