

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

EXECUTIVE BOARD 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## COUNCIL'S BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2019/20

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Table 1

Forecasted for year to 31st March 2020

Department	Working Budget				Forecasted				Aug 19 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	June 19 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Controllable Expenditure	Controllable Income	Net Non Controllable	Total Net	Controllable Expenditure	Controllable Income	Net Non Controllable	Total Net		
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Chief Executive	30,769	-13,024	-2,355	15,389	30,107	-12,074	-2,355	15,677	288	397
Communities	148,821	-61,190	10,786	98,416	150,321	-61,879	10,785	99,227	811	754
Corporate Services	77,610	-51,091	-199	26,320	76,865	-50,924	-199	25,741	-579	-623
Education & Children (incl. Schools)	159,567	-19,336	26,106	166,337	165,025	-20,734	26,106	170,397	4,060	3,660
Environment	115,000	-71,527	11,898	55,371	125,805	-81,352	11,898	56,351	980	984
<b>Departmental Expenditure</b>	<b>531,768</b>	<b>-216,168</b>	<b>46,235</b>	<b>361,834</b>	<b>548,122</b>	<b>-226,963</b>	<b>46,235</b>	<b>367,394</b>	<b>5,560</b>	<b>5,172</b>
Capital Charges/Interest/Corporate				-20,497				-21,247	-750	-400
<b>Levies and Contributions:</b>										
Brecon Beacons National Park				138				138	0	0
Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Authority				9,838				9,838	0	0
<b>Net Expenditure</b>				<b>351,313</b>				<b>356,123</b>	<b>4,810</b>	<b>4,772</b>
Transfers to/from Departmental Reserves										
- Chief Executive				0				-288	-288	-397
- Corporate Services				0				290	290	311
- Environment				0				-980	-980	-984
<b>Net Budget</b>				<b>351,313</b>				<b>355,143</b>	<b>3,831</b>	<b>3,702</b>

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Chief Executive	476	0	-738	-262	807	-1	-738	68	330	325
People Management	4,337	-1,419	-2,457	461	4,496	-1,566	-2,457	474	12	54
ICT & Corporate Policy	5,620	-941	-4,710	-30	5,392	-858	-4,710	-175	-145	-33
Admin and Law	4,170	-548	478	4,101	4,164	-498	478	4,144	44	67
Marketing & Media	2,692	-771	-1,510	411	2,482	-531	-1,510	441	30	-117
Statutory Services	1,269	-295	341	1,315	1,290	-474	341	1,157	-158	3
Regeneration & Property	12,204	-9,051	6,240	9,393	11,475	-8,147	6,240	9,568	175	98
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>30,769</b>	<b>-13,024</b>	<b>-2,355</b>	<b>15,389</b>	<b>30,107</b>	<b>-12,074</b>	<b>-2,355</b>	<b>15,677</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>397</b>

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### Main Variances

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<b>Chief Executive</b>							
Corporate Savings Target	-339	0	0	0	339	£290k Corporate Health & Safety efficiency proposal not yet implemented; £49k standby efficiency less than originally proposed.	339
Chief Executive Business Support Unit	562	0	552	-1	-10	Temporary part year vacant post	-14
<b>People Management</b>							
Business & Projects Support	268	0	252	0	-16	Savings on supplies & Services	-16
Employee Well-being	699	-290	728	-287	33	Shortfall on proposed efficiency income target. No agreement in place to provide service for Pembs CC however the OH team is pursuing potential income opportunities with Ceredigion CC.	72
<b>ICT &amp; Corporate Policy</b>							
Welsh Language	180	-10	139	-10	-41	Vacant Post pending team review	-33
Chief Executive-Policy	829	-67	685	-22	-99	Part year vacant posts pending section review	-0
<b>Admin and Law</b>							
Land Charges	151	-294	114	-239	18	Reduction in income due to housing market fluctuations	25
Legal Services	1,637	-254	1,669	-250	36	Additional responsibility allowance and re-grading not budgeted for	38
<b>Marketing &amp; Media</b>							
Marketing and Media	594	-366	472	-127	118	Overspend on salaries pending divisional realignment which is due to be implemented by the end of this financial year. Loss of income streams from external partners (ERW). Looking at alternative potential partnership arrangements.	63
Translation	522	-35	465	-35	-57	Part year vacant posts pending divisional realignment	-75
Customer Services Centres	1,104	-336	1,072	-335	-31	Part year vacant posts pending divisional realignment	-104
<b>Statutory Services</b>							
Registrars	418	-293	472	-442	-95	Recent increase in statutory fees	0
Coroners	401	0	378	0	-24	Lower demand on service in year	0
Electoral Services - Staff	279	0	239	0	-40	Part year vacant posts	1
<b>Regeneration &amp; Property</b>							
Regeneration Management	319	0	286	0	-33	Staff time rechargeable to City Deal project	-7

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	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Forecasted Variance for Year		Forecasted Variance for Year
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000
Commercial Properties	31	-594	47	-689	-79	High Occupancy Levels resulting in additional income	-92
Provision Markets	566	-638	551	-573	49	Essential maintenance required in year at both Llanelli and Carmarthen Markets	37
Net Zero Carbon Local Authority	0	0	90	0	90	Costs associated with the authority's commitment to reduce carbon in the forthcoming years	100
Administrative Buildings	2,902	-854	2,836	-739	50	Proposed rental income efficiency of £50k for Ty'r Nant is no longer achievable as building is in the process of being sold.	50
Industrial Premises	529	-1,567	470	-1,565	-57	High Occupancy Levels resulting in additional income	-80
Livestock Markets	58	-205	18	-7	157	Anticipated shortfall in income collected at Nant Y Ci Mart	87
<b>Other</b>					-19		6
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>288</b>		<b>397</b>

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<b>Adult Services</b>										
Older People	58,044	-23,721	2,658	36,982	58,801	-23,802	2,658	37,657	675	467
Physical Disabilities	7,775	-1,725	204	6,254	7,827	-1,725	204	6,307	52	85
Learning Disabilities	38,502	-9,867	1,294	29,929	39,174	-10,499	1,294	29,968	39	139
Mental Health	9,502	-3,803	237	5,936	9,609	-3,872	237	5,974	37	14
Support	7,036	-4,939	1,002	3,099	7,064	-4,954	1,002	3,111	12	48
<b>Homes &amp; Safer Communities</b>										
Public Protection	3,170	-974	588	2,784	3,035	-909	588	2,714	-70	-24
Council Fund Housing	9,147	-7,949	243	1,442	9,452	-8,190	243	1,506	64	24
<b>Leisure &amp; Recreation</b>										
Leisure & Recreation	15,645	-8,213	4,559	11,991	15,359	-7,927	4,559	11,991	0	0
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>148,821</b>	<b>-61,190</b>	<b>10,786</b>	<b>98,416</b>	<b>150,321</b>	<b>-61,879</b>	<b>10,785</b>	<b>99,227</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>754</b>

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<b>Adult Services</b>							
<b>Older People</b>							
Older People - LA Homes	7,629	-4,830	7,826	-4,820	208	Additional cost due to use of agency staff to meet statutory duty. Review currently being undertaken in relation to Residential Care staffing to ensure less reliance on agency staff in the future	176
Older People - Private/ Vol Homes	23,799	-13,064	23,978	-13,064	179	Performance data shows increased demographic pressure on demand in line with national information that shows a year on year increase in Older People of 3.4%pa. Preventative work continues to be reviewed to mitigate the effects of this.	90
Older People - Private Home Care	7,868	-2,207	8,313	-2,407	245	There has been a significant increase in demand for domiciliary care that has only been partly offset by a fall in residential care placements. There is significant departmental work to monitor and manage demand by audit assessment practice and by continuing to promote independent living through Integrated Care Fund initiatives such as Releasing Time to Care resulting in lower demand eg for double handed care packages. We are currently reviewing whether this initiative requires additional resources to yield the necessary financial savings	212
<b>Physical Disabilities</b>							
Phys Dis - Commissioning & OT Services	587	-82	526	-82	-61	Vacancies within the Occupational Therapy Team: 1FTE Senior Practitioner; 1.5FTE Occupational Therapy Assistant; 1FTE Occupational Therapist offset by payments for Rotational Occupation Therapy from Hywel Dda	-71
Phys Dis - Direct Payments	2,684	-566	2,830	-566	147	Increase in take up of DP related to right of service user to request as alternative to regulated provision	23
<b>Learning Disabilities</b>							
Learn Dis - Employment & Training	1,357	-203	1,434	-144	136	Overspend on staffing in Coleshill Day Centre £30k due to complexity of clients. Proposal 'Collaboration with social enterprise for craft / Reprovision of a day centre / transport' is likely to be deliver full year savings in 2020-2021	132
<b>Other Variances - Adult Services</b>					-36		193

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<b>Homes &amp; Safer Communities</b>							
<b>Public Protection</b>							
PP Business Support unit	149	0	130	0	-20	Underspend due to vacant post	-17
Public Health	276	-14	254	-16	-24	Underspend due to maternity leave	-12
Animal Welfare	80	-82	66	-57	10	Underachievement of licences income	15
Dog Wardens	96	-28	103	-20	15	Underachievement of fees income and overspend on private sector contracted services	0
Licensing	341	-324	331	-336	-23	Overachievement of income target	10
Food Safety & Communicable Diseases	481	-38	455	-39	-27	Underspend due to two vacant posts	-8
Fair Trading	143	-64	133	-42	12	Underachievement of fees income	-5
<b>Other Variances - Public Protection</b>					-13		-7
<b>Council Fund Housing</b>							
Home Improvement (Non HRA)	756	-297	770	-247	64	Overspend on salaries	26
Temporary Accommodation	492	-106	766	-367	14	Overspend on room hire	0
<b>Other Variances - Council Fund Housing</b>					-13		-2
<b>Leisure &amp; Recreation</b>							
Millenium Coastal Park	221	-32	226	-60	-23	One off Compensation income from Welsh Water	-9
Carmarthen Leisure Centre	1,567	-1,606	1,566	-1,566	38	Forecasting lower sales volumes in income to budget	14
Amman Valley Leisure Centre	846	-707	838	-755	-55	Forecasting higher sales volumes in income to budget	-52
Sport & Leisure General	877	-58	890	-58	14	Free swim grant only currently approved for 6 months £14k	14

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Outdoor Recreation - Staffing costs	229	0	254	-8	16	Operational staffing costs linked to implementation of restructure. This variance is likely to reduce once fully implemented	30
Llyn Lech Owain Country Park	85	-33	85	-53	-20	Forecasting higher income to budget due to sale of wood from planned Tree Felling	-2
Museums General	165	0	189	0	24	Unable to achieve vacancy factor	8
Arts General	39	0	5	0	-35	Vacant post being held pending Service review	-43
St Clears Craft Centre	151	-88	136	-58	16	Forecast shortfall in income to budget in this newly established in-house catering facility	20
Laugharne Boathouse	147	-109	160	-111	11	Forecast overspend in casual Customer Service Assistant posts	0
Leisure Management	320	0	291	0	-29	Vacant posts being held pending Service review	-4
<b>Other Variance - Leisure &amp; Recreation</b>					43		24
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>811</b>		<b>754</b>



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Financial Services	4,504	-2,083	-2,360	61	4,232	-2,011	-2,360	-139	-200	-300
Revenues & Financial Compliance	4,842	-1,711	-2,129	1,002	4,556	-1,618	-2,129	810	-192	-146
Other Services	68,264	-47,297	4,289	25,257	68,076	-47,295	4,289	25,071	-186	-177
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>77,610</b>	<b>-51,091</b>	<b>-199</b>	<b>26,320</b>	<b>76,865</b>	<b>-50,924</b>	<b>-199</b>	<b>25,741</b>	<b>-579</b>	<b>-623</b>

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	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000
<b>Financial Services</b>							
Chief Officer	348	-61	324	-61	-25	Additional income from arrangement to act as S151 officer for Mid and West Wales Fire	-27
Accountancy	1,721	-430	1,566	-426	-150	Number of vacant posts currently in the section	-244
Treasury and Pension Investment Section	251	-178	233	-178	-19	Vacant Posts	-22
<b>Revenues &amp; Financial Compliance</b>							
Procurement	529	-33	460	-33	-69	Vacant posts	-66
Housing Benefits Admin	1,648	-751	1,518	-751	-131	Vacant Posts	-102
<b>Other Services</b>							
Audit Fees	310	-90	291	-88	-17	High proportion of audit fees chargeable directly to grants	-17
Miscellaneous Services	4,888	-117	4,729	-117	-160	Reduction in Pre LGR Pension Costs	-151
<b>Other Variances</b>					-9		6
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-579</b>		<b>-623</b>

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<b>Schools Delegated Budgets</b>	<b>108,216</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>108,216</b>	<b>111,217</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>111,217</b>	<b>3,001</b>	<b>3,001</b>
Director & Strategic Management	1,615	0	-94	1,521	1,594	0	-94	1,500	-21	-14
Education Services Division	8,982	-1,858	20,440	27,564	9,807	-1,863	20,440	28,383	820	442
Access to Education	8,743	-5,948	2,167	4,962	8,836	-5,891	2,167	5,112	150	157
School Improvement	3,276	-1,305	463	2,434	3,358	-1,389	463	2,432	-2	4
Curriculum & Wellbeing	6,045	-4,530	567	2,083	6,205	-4,577	567	2,195	113	138
Children's Services	22,690	-5,696	2,563	19,557	24,008	-7,014	2,563	19,557	-0	-69
<b>TOTAL excluding schools</b>	<b>51,351</b>	<b>-19,336</b>	<b>26,106</b>	<b>58,121</b>	<b>53,808</b>	<b>-20,734</b>	<b>26,106</b>	<b>59,180</b>	<b>1,059</b>	<b>659</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>159,567</b>	<b>-19,336</b>	<b>26,106</b>	<b>166,337</b>	<b>165,025</b>	<b>-20,734</b>	<b>26,106</b>	<b>170,397</b>	<b>4,060</b>	<b>3,660</b>

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	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000
<b>Schools Delegated Budgets</b>							
Primary schools	56,252	0	57,452	0	1,200	Based on schools' working budgets received for 2019/20. Deficit budget submissions are included subject to approval of recovery plans by LA	1,200
Secondary schools	48,101	0	49,501	0	1,400		1,400
Special Schools	3,864	0	4,264	0	400		400
<b>Director &amp; Strategic Management</b>							
Business Support	387	0	371	0	-17	Part year vacant posts - both of which will be filled during the year.	-7
<b>Education Services Division</b>							
School Expenditure not currently delegated	101	0	160	0	59	Closing balances from 2 primary schools closed April 2019	59
School Redundancy & EVR	2,013	0	2,133	0	121	Forecast based on business cases approved to date. Schools are supported and challenged on staffing structure proposals.	78
Early Years Non-Maintained Provision	360	0	341	0	-19	Forecast based on current demand for places for 3 year olds in non maintained settings	-19
Special Educational Needs	2,974	-1,548	3,428	-1,496	505	Forecast based on existing known commitments. Demand for Teaching Assistant support has increased.	106
Education Other Than At School (EOTAS)	2,001	-283	2,168	-278	172	Increasing demand from schools for alternative provision £140k and an increase in home tuition £32k	235
<b>Access to Education</b>							
School Modernisation	108	-1	233	-43	83	School transport recharges from school reorganisations £21k; Premises costs relating to closed schools £62k	77
School Meals & Primary Free Breakfast Services	8,382	-5,947	8,360	-5,848	77	Budget pressures across the service especially sickness cover, kitchens' maintenance and food price increases. A strategic review of meal provision is on-going to identify service efficiencies.	92

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	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000
<b>Curriculum and Wellbeing</b>							
Music Services for Schools	871	-770	1,018	-783	134	SLA income from schools has reduced with greater expediency than the progress with staff restructuring.	142
Youth Offending & Prevention Service	1,972	-1,112	2,021	-1,191	-31	Maximisation of grants to release core budget.	-8
<b>Children's Services</b>							
Commissioning and Social Work	6,840	-79	6,937	-98	79	Increased number of legal cases based on year to date.	86
Fostering Services & Support	3,931	0	3,950	-128	-109	Part year vacant posts and maximisation of grants to release core budget.	-90
Adoption Services	773	-260	857	-380	-36	Maximisation of external income & grants to release core budget.	6
Garreglwyd Residential Unit	586	-166	666	-167	80	Hywel Dda Health Board disputing partnership arrangement, which could affect the level of their contribution. Senior officers are currently in negotiations with the Health Board to resolve this.	6
<b>Other Variances</b>					-40		-104
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>4,060</b>		<b>3,660</b>

**Environment Department**  
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Buisness Support & Performance	33	-96	146	83	-10	-96	146	40	-43	-46
Waste & Environmental Services	24,294	-4,533	1,264	21,025	24,418	-4,365	1,264	21,317	292	312
Highways & Transportation	50,415	-30,505	9,597	29,507	52,229	-32,068	9,597	29,758	251	250
Property	36,160	-34,105	606	2,662	44,673	-42,600	606	2,679	17	15
Planning	4,099	-2,288	284	2,094	4,496	-2,223	284	2,557	463	452
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>115,000</b>	<b>-71,527</b>	<b>11,898</b>	<b>55,371</b>	<b>125,805</b>	<b>-81,352</b>	<b>11,898</b>	<b>56,351</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>984</b>

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Business Support &amp; Performance</b>							
Business Support	-140	-36	-197	-36	-56	Posts budgeted at top of scale but majority are not at the top of scale yet; a few temporary vacant posts estimated during the year.	-53
Departmental - Core	58	0	70	0	11	Contribution towards the Health and wellbeing co-ordinator	10
<b>Waste &amp; Environmental Services</b>							
SAB - Sustainable Drainage approval Body Unit	114	-110	113	-48	60	Anticipated income not expected to materialise based on current income trends - Dependent on number of submissions and market buoyancy of development projects	25
Public Conveniences	571	-12	545	-9	-23	Capital repayment element deducted from Danfo final quarter cost due to end of contract term. New contract will be cleansing & management only.	-22
Cleansing Service	2,396	-115	2,438	-97	59	The service cost comprises plant and resource and of course tipping charges for disposal of waste we collect. The current overspend reflects the current resource levels and increased cost of disposal of collected waste. In order to address the budget position it will mean reviewing the service. This work is underway but will not be complete before the end of the financial year.	54
Waste Services	15,425	-1,293	15,546	-1,296	118	Clinical waste is showing a £43k overspend as a result of the service transfer postponement due to complexity of ensuring a service for all users; £29k additional trade waste costs as the service transfer is not yet fully completed; and £46k for increased operational costs within refuse collection. Temporary additional resource was required to service the new routes whilst they were being implemented.	169
Green Waste Collection	501	-336	479	-258	56	The green waste collection service is not yet self-financing. We did not anticipate to break even this financial year, as per the original business plan, but we are on track with growing the service as anticipated, with a view to being break even in future years. A third vehicle has now been introduced to cater for potential additional customers.	56
Urban Parks	41	-1	75	-4	31	Additional works relating to the serviceability of aspects of the facilities at Parc Howard will have to be reviewed to establish which elements of works can be curtailed. This will need to be discussed with Llanelli Town Council as our partners.	31

## Environment Department - Budget Monitoring - as at 31st August 2019

### Main Variances

EXECUTIVE BOARD 18th November 2019

Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Aug 19 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	June 19 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Highways &amp; Transportation</b>							
Sec 278 HT Agreements	0	0	146	-176	-30	Draw down from commuted sums	0
Civil Design	1,066	-1,647	1,012	-1,612	-19	Increased income recovery	-8
School Transport	10,984	-1,102	11,195	-1,099	214	The overspend is mainly due to an increase in the number of Additional Learning Needs pupils transported to Special schools. In addition a number of recent appeals have been successful as well as increased contractor costs, diminishing market supply and increased minimum wage.	214
Car Parks	2,187	-3,228	1,944	-2,920	65	Reduction in income due to temporary loss of spaces at St Peter's Car Park	26
Nant y Ci Park & Ride	79	-32	105	-38	21	Increased maintenance costs	11
School Crossing Patrols	116	0	135	0	18	The school crossing patrols section is currently reviewing all patrols to identify where there is no requirement to provide them according to the National Safety criteria. The phasing out of non-required patrols will not be fully implemented in this financial year.	15
Street Works and Highway Adoptions	416	-357	416	-379	-23	Additional income from highway adoption agreements	-6
<b>Property</b>							
Facilities Management - Corporate Buildings	358	0	374	0	15	Deficit to be offset by a virement of budget from Administrative Buildings to be undertaken in Q2. The Administrative Buildings budget has historically subsidised this budget line so, following the transfer of the Asset Management Service to the Chief Executive's department, a budget transfer is required.	15
<b>Planning</b>							
Policy-Development Planning	567	0	579	0	12	Overspend due to projected non-achievement of income - no longer carrying out consultancy work for other Depts. etc.	15
Development Management	1,536	-1,274	1,546	-801	483	WG set planning fees, but across Wales there is recognition that full cost recovery of planning services will not be achieved from planning fees alone. Most LPAs only cover on average 60% of their costs of delivering the development management service through fees, and the last increase in fees was in 2015. WG expect that at least part of the Development Management function should be met by Local Authorities themselves – to encourage development to come forward. Currently Carmarthenshire's Development Management section is budgeted to fund 78% of its costs through fees generated, this is currently being reviewed. WG have committed to review fees, but there is no known timetable for this workstream.	493
Tywi Centre	34	-34	102	-115	-13	Projected surplus being generated from running training courses at the Tywi Centre	-36
<b>Other Variances</b>					-21		-25
<b>Grand Total</b>					980		984