

**EXECUTIVE BOARD  
18TH JANUARY 2021**

**REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY  
2021/22 to 2023/24**

**RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:**

**1. THAT EXECUTIVE BOARD:**

- 1.1. Note the contents of the report and approve the three year budget strategy as a basis for consultation. Specifically seeking comments from consultees on the efficiency proposals in Appendix A.
- 1.2. Give consideration as to what additional savings proposals can be identified to deliver a balanced budget over the full 3 year financial planning period.

**REASONS:**

To provide the Executive Board with an overview of the budget issues and outlook for the forthcoming years.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee Consulted	YES
Exec Board Decision Required	YES
Council Decision Required	NO

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- Cllr. David Jenkins**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**EXECUTIVE BOARD**  
**18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021**

**REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY**  
**2021/22 to 2023/24**

The report provides members with an overview of the Revenue Budget for 2021/22 and the following two financial years.

It details the budget process, the current Welsh Government (WG) provisional settlement, the Final settlement timetable and identifies the validation and budget pressures that need to be considered by members in setting next year's revenue budget.

The report will also form the basis of the budget consultation process that will be undertaken during the period January to February.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?**

**YES**

# INTEGRATION

I confirm that the Community Strategy Integration Tool has:

Not been used to appraise the subject of this report as it is not appropriate to do so.

Signed: Randal Hemingway

Head of Financial Services

## 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: C Moore

Director of Corporate Services

Policy and Crime & Disorder	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Organisational Development	Physical Assets
<b>YES</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>	<b>NONE</b>

### 1. Policy and Crime & Disorder

The budget has been prepared having regard for the Council's Corporate Strategy, and the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. Equalities Impact Assessments have been undertaken on the budget proposals in order to consider and assess the potential impact with respect to protected characteristic groups. The Equalities Impact Assessments will be further developed following consideration of possible mitigation measures.

### 3. Finance

The report provides an initial view of the Budget Strategy for 2021/2022, together with indicative figures for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years. The impact on departmental spending will be dependent upon the final settlements from Welsh Government, and the resultant final Budget adopted by County Council.

## CONSULTATIONS

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

Signed: C. Moore

Director of Corporate Services

**1. Local Member(s)** Not applicable

**2. Community / Town Council** Not applicable

### 3. Relevant Partners

Consultation with relevant partners will be undertaken and results will be reported during the budget process.

### 4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

Consultation with other organisations will be undertaken and results will be reported during the budget process.

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

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
2020/2021 3 year Revenue Budget		Corporate Services Department, County Hall, Carmarthen.
WG Provisional Settlement		Corporate Services Department, County Hall, Carmarthen.