

Place, Sustainability & Climate Change Scrutiny Committee
Budget Monitoring as at 31st December 2022 - Summary

Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Dec 2022 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Oct 2022 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		
Service Development & Improvement	4,331	-3,878	492	944	4,595	-3,922	492	1,164	220	36
Waste & Environmental Services	28,964	-4,796	1,399	25,568	29,469	-5,053	1,399	25,816	247	85
Highways & Transportation	56,878	-33,134	10,132	33,875	58,358	-34,411	10,132	34,079	204	280
Property	46,813	-45,838	899	1,874	46,671	-45,821	899	1,750	-124	-125
Public Protection	3,506	-1,384	532	2,655	3,506	-1,337	532	2,701	47	93
GRAND TOTAL	140,492	-89,030	13,454	64,917	142,599	-90,543	13,454	65,510	593	368

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Budget Monitoring as at 31st December 2022 - Main Variances

Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Dec 2022 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Oct 2022 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
Service Development & Improvement							
Facilities Management - Building Cleaning	4,311	-3,783	4,578	-3,858	192	£170k additional pressure on wages due to actual pay award being more than budget. £22k due to high level of agency as a result of staff sickness	3
Departmental - Core	103	0	114	0	12	£22k - recruitment costs for Director post; less £10k saving on pay costs due to officer not at top of grade and reduction in hours.	32
Other Variances					16		1
Waste & Environmental Services							
Waste & Environmental Services Unit	-12	0	-80	-0	-69	Interim staffing complement, recruitment will be reviewed in the fourth quarter	-66
SAB - Sustainable Drainage approval Body Unit	132	-134	132	-65	69	Anticipated income not materialised - Dependent on number of submissions and market buoyancy of development projects	47
Environmental Enforcement	589	-19	543	-22	-49	Underspend relates to vacated post. Future needs are being assessed.	-37
Waste Services	18,836	-1,257	19,141	-1,372	189	£180k additional pressure on wages due to actual pay award being more than budget.	-0
Green Waste Collection	574	-446	614	-591	-106	Increased customer base	-45
Waste Services - COVID19 related	0	0	199	0	199	Sickness absence related agency cover and driver support services	199
Other Variances					13		-13
Highways & Transportation							
Departmental - Transport	43	0	-5	0	-48	Vacant post, management review underway	-0
Departmental Pooled Vehicles	0	0	17	0	17	Under-utilisation of pool vehicles	17
Transport Strategic Planning	419	0	446	0	27	Staff costs incurred on grant project - funding subject to review of levelling up project management allocation	16
School Transport	12,570	-946	13,061	-1,186	251	Total estimated additional cost of fuel prices and tender prices is £376k - £200k of which has been funded corporately; £75k estimated additional staff costs, £51k of which is the difference between the actual pay award and the budget for Passenger Assistants.	280
Traffic Management	579	-189	925	-617	-82	Net increase in Traffic Regulation orders income	-54
Car Parks	2,113	-3,348	1,879	-2,883	231	Parking income not achieving income targets due to reduced footfall in town centres.	217
Nant y Ci Park & Ride	85	-34	117	-54	13	Reduced demand on the service	12
Road Safety	248	-5	155	-0	-88	Vacant post filled in January, reduced hours for another post and an estimated £74k officers time recharged to grants	-85
School Crossing Patrols	160	0	126	0	-34	Several posts have become vacant and will not be refilled	-33
Highway Lighting	2,608	-1,221	2,148	-812	-50	Vacant Assistant public lighting engineer post estimated to be filled by March 2023	-28
Public Rights Of Way	1,043	-75	969	-56	-55	Savings on pay due to reduced hours; vacancies during the first and second quarters	-67
Other Variances					22		5

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Property							
Property Division Business Unit	140	0	0	0	-140	Vacant HOS post, review on-going	-140
Property Maintenance Operational	34,800	-35,749	35,400	-36,540	-190	Estimated sub-contractor costs based on 80% of works programme, this may vary as the year progresses	-136
Schools Handyvan Service	253	-249	304	-249	51	More work being identified within schools which require to be undertaken	57
Pumping Stations	55	0	98	0	44	Additional cost due to further testing at Llandovery pumping station	49
Design Services CHS Works	4,232	-4,437	3,362	-3,558	10	Slippage on Retrofit 2.1 scheme	-6
Property Design - Business Unit	2,970	-3,338	3,312	-3,580	100	Purchasing of equipment to facilitate hybrid working and return to the office. Increased non chargeable time due to increased absence as a result of sickness, maternity and paternity leave.	50
Other Variances					2		-0
Public Protection							
Noise Control	227	0	178	-0	-49	Under on salaries	-54
Animal Welfare	87	-87	90	-41	49	Under achievement of income, mainly due to reduction in licensed dog breeders	47
Dog Wardens	105	-30	123	-26	22	Increase in abandoned dogs & not reclaimed	16
Public Health Services Management	54	-115	74	-115	20	Over on salaries	38
Trading Standards Services Management	94	-40	32	0	-22	Staff Vacancy £58k offset by income not achieved £40k	-14
Safeguarding, Licensing & Financial Investigation	96	0	44	0	-52	Under on salaries & Supplies & Services	-32
Fair Trading	231	-68	191	-4	23	Under achievement of income	58
Other Variances					55		35
Grand Total					593		368

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000			
Service Development & Improvement											
Facilities Management - Building Cleaning	4,311	-3,783	359	887	4,578	-3,858	359	1,079	192	£170k additional pressure on wages due to actual pay award being more than budget. £22k due to high level of agency as a result of staff sickness	3
Business Support	-124	-35	159	-0	-116	-35	159	8	8		-8
Operational Training	40	-59	19	-0	10	-22	19	8	8		9
Departmental - Core	103	0	-45	57	114	0	-45	69	12	£22k - recruitment costs for Director post; less £10k saving on pay costs due to officer not at top of grade and reduction in hours.	32
Rechargeable Works	0	0	0	0	7	-7	0	0	0		0
Service Development & Improvement	4,331	-3,878	492	944	4,595	-3,922	492	1,164	220		36
Waste & Environmental Services											
Waste & Environmental Services Unit	-12	0	12	0	-80	-0	12	-69	-69	Interim staffing complement, recruitment will be reviewed in the fourth quarter	-66
Emergency Planning	79	0	12	92	79	0	12	92	0		-8
Flood Defence & Land Drainage	611	-0	50	661	612	-1	50	661	-0		-0
WG-Flood & Coastal Erosion Risk Management Revenue Grant	225	-225	0	0	200	-200	0	0	0		0
SAB - Sustainable Drainage approval Body L	132	-134	0	-2	132	-65	0	67	69	Anticipated income not materialised - Dependent on number of submissions and market buoyancy of development projects	47
Reservoirs	62	0	0	62	62	0	0	62	0		0
Environmental Enforcement	589	-19	77	647	543	-22	77	598	-49	Underspend relates to vacated post. Future needs are being assessed.	-37
Ammanford Cemetery	26	-8	0	18	28	-9	0	19	1		-1
Child Burial & Cremation Grant Scheme	0	0	0	0	37	-37	0	0	0		0
Public Conveniences	216	-6	58	268	222	-6	58	273	6		-9
Cleansing Service	2,807	-133	101	2,775	2,837	-162	101	2,776	0		0
Waste Services	18,836	-1,257	835	18,415	19,141	-1,372	835	18,604	189	£180k additional pressure on wages due to actual pay award being more than budget.	-0
Absorbent Hygiene Products (Collection)	655	0	7	662	655	0	7	662	-0		-0
Green Waste Collection	574	-446	1	130	614	-591	1	24	-106	Increased customer base	-45
Waste Services - COVID19 related	0	0	0	0	199	0	0	199	199	Sickness absence related agency cover and driver support services	199
Grounds Maintenance Service and urban parks	3,840	-2,568	243	1,514	3,860	-2,588	243	1,514	-0		0
Closed Landfill Sites	265	0	2	267	271	0	2	274	6		4
Coastal Protection	58	0	1	59	58	0	1	59	0		0
Waste & Environmental Services Total	28,964	-4,796	1,399	25,568	29,469	-5,053	1,399	25,816	247		85
Highways & Transportation											
Departmental - Transport	43	0	-43	0	-5	0	-43	-48	-48	Vacant post, management review underway	-0
Departmental Pooled Vehicles	0	0	6	6	17	0	6	23	17	Under-utilisation of pool vehicles	17
Sec 278 HT Agreements	0	0	0	0	62	-62	0	-0	-0		-0
Civil Design	1,265	-1,869	124	-480	1,232	-1,838	124	-482	-2		-7
Transport Strategic Planning	419	0	55	474	446	0	55	501	27	Staff costs incurred on grant project - funding subject to review of levelling up project management allocation	16
Stopping-up Orders	0	-8	0	-8	1	0	0	1	9		6
Transport Revenue Grants - Other	0	0	0	0	50	-50	0	-0	-0		-0
Fleet Management	8,031	-9,426	1,504	108	8,382	-9,778	1,504	108	0		0
Passenger Transport	5,332	-3,379	249	2,202	5,460	-3,507	249	2,202	-0		0

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School Transport	12,570	-946	137	11,760	13,061	-1,186	137	12,012	251	Total estimated additional cost of fuel prices and tender prices is £376k - £200k of which has been funded corporately; £75k estimated additional staff costs, £51k of which is the difference between the actual pay award and the budget for Passenger Assistants.	280
Traffic Management	579	-189	84	475	925	-617	84	393	-82	Net increase in Traffic Regulation orders income	-54
Car Parks	2,113	-3,348	129	-1,106	1,879	-2,883	129	-875	231	Parking income not achieving income targets due to reduced footfall in town centres.	217
Nant y Ci Park & Ride	85	-34	1	51	117	-54	1	64	13	Reduced demand on the service	12
Electric Cars Charging Points - running costs	0	0	0	0	1	-3	0	-2	-2		-1
Storm damage	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2		2
Road Safety Revenue Grant	113	-110	0	4	114	-110	0	4	0		0
Road Safety	248	-5	37	280	155	-0	37	192	-88	Vacant post filled in January, reduced hours for another post and an estimated £74k officers time recharged to grants	-85
School Crossing Patrols	160	0	3	163	126	0	3	129	-34	Several posts have become vacant and will not be refilled	-33
Bridge Maintenance	787	0	21	807	794	0	21	814	7		4
Remedial Earthworks	340	0	2	342	385	-45	2	342	0		0
Street Works and Highway Adoptions	454	-396	34	93	531	-477	34	89	-4		-0
Technical Surveys	510	0	33	544	520	0	33	553	9		-0
Highway Maintenance	12,373	-4,327	813	8,859	14,456	-6,411	813	8,859	0		0
Capital Charges	0	0	6,640	6,640	0	0	6,640	6,640	-0		-0
Western Area Works Partnership	7,095	-7,091	106	110	5,861	-5,857	106	110	-0		-0
Highway Lighting	2,608	-1,221	85	1,472	2,148	-812	85	1,422	-50	Vacant Assistant public lighting engineer post estimated to be filled by March 2023	-28
Public Rights Of Way	1,043	-75	113	1,081	969	-56	113	1,026	-55	Savings on pay due to reduced hours; vacancies during the first and second quarters	-67
GT Link II	708	-707	0	1	666	-666	0	1	0		0
Highways & Transportation Total	56,878	-33,134	10,132	33,875	58,358	-34,411	10,132	34,079	204		280
Property											
Property Division Business Unit	140	0	22	162	0	0	22	22	-140	Vacant HOS post, review on-going	-140
Property Maintenance Business Unit	1,259	-1,554	138	-157	1,019	-1,315	138	-157	-0		0
Property Maintenance Operational	34,800	-35,749	466	-484	35,400	-36,540	466	-674	-190	Estimated sub-contractor costs based on 80% of works programme, this may vary as the year progresses	-136
Temporary Mortuaries - COVID-19	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2		-0
Property Maintenance - Notional Allocation	2,596	0	13	2,608	2,596	0	13	2,608	-0		0
Schools Handyvan Service	253	-249	0	4	304	-249	0	54	51	More work being identified within schools which require to be undertaken	57
Mechanical and Electrical Schools & other LEA SLA	510	-510	0	-0	413	-413	0	-0	-0		-0
Pumping Stations	55	0	0	55	98	0	0	98	44	Additional cost due to further testing at Llandoverly pumping station	49
Design Services CHS Works	4,232	-4,437	56	-149	3,362	-3,558	56	-140	10	Slippage on Retrofit 2.1 scheme	-6
Property Design - Business Unit	2,970	-3,338	204	-164	3,312	-3,580	204	-64	100	Purchasing of equipment to facilitate hybrid working and return to the office. Increased non chargeable time due to increased absence as a result of sickness, maternity and paternity leave.	50
Design & Professional Services Frameworks	0	0	0	0	166	-166	0	0	0		0
Property Total	46,813	-45,838	899	1,874	46,671	-45,821	899	1,750	-124		-125

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Public Protection											
PP Management support	95	-9	69	156	93	-14	69	148	-8		-3
PP Business Support unit	160	0	5	165	142	0	5	147	-18		-26
Public Health	300	-15	45	330	330	-28	45	347	17	Over on salaries and fly tipping costs	29
Noise Control	227	0	12	239	178	-0	12	190	-49	Under on salaries	-54
Air Pollution	134	-37	6	103	109	-20	6	95	-8		-0
Other Pollution	30	0	2	32	43	0	2	45	13		-0
Water - Drinking Quality	49	-4	3	47	56	-0	3	59	11		8
Stray Horses	6	0	0	6	6	0	0	6	0		0
Animal Welfare	87	-87	6	6	90	-41	6	56	49	Under achievement of income, mainly due to reduction in licensed dog breeders	47
Diseases Of Animals	53	-40	2	16	57	-30	2	29	13		2
Dog Wardens	105	-30	55	130	123	-26	55	152	22	Increase in abandoned dogs & not reclaimed	16
Animal Safety	168	0	12	180	169	0	12	181	1		-16
Public Health Services Management	54	-115	101	41	74	-115	101	60	20	Over on salaries	38
Licensing	373	-345	94	123	390	-351	94	133	11		-15
Food Safety & Communicable Diseases	524	-38	24	509	576	-80	24	520	11		9
Occupational Health	142	-2	7	148	145	-4	7	148	0		-4
Trading Standards Services Management	94	-40	51	105	32	0	51	84	-22	Staff Vacancy £58k offset by income not achieved £40k	-14
Metrology	131	-15	6	122	129	-4	6	130	8		1
Safeguarding, Licensing & Financial Investigation	96	0	5	101	44	0	5	49	-52	Under on salaries & Supplies & Services	-32
Civil Law	248	-2	14	260	257	-2	14	269	8		2
Fair Trading	231	-68	6	169	191	-4	6	192	23	Under achievement of income	58
Safety	73	-10	3	66	64	-6	3	61	-5		0
Financial Investigator	124	-527	3	-400	208	-611	3	-400	0	This is an assumption that court process for outstanding cases will be part delivered during 22-23. there is a significant risk that some cases will be carried forward to 23-24	48
Public Protection Total	3,506	-1,384	532	2,655	3,506	-1,337	532	2,701	47		93
TOTAL FOR PLACE, SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE	140,492	-89,030	13,454	64,917	142,599	-90,543	13,454	65,510	593		368