

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

PRELIMINARY EXECUTIVE BOARD 4th MAY 2021

## COUNCIL'S BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2020/21

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Table 1

Forecasted for year to 31st March 2021

Department	Working Budget				Forecasted				Feb 21 Forecasted Variance for Year	Dec 20 Forecasted Variance for Year
	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	31,204	-12,579	-5,568	13,057	30,163	-11,914	-5,568	12,681	-376	-702
Communities	153,608	-63,430	12,686	102,865	156,606	-66,014	12,686	103,278	413	533
Corporate Services	80,482	-51,273	-1,587	27,623	77,179	-48,263	-1,587	27,329	-294	37
Education & Children (incl. Schools)	189,662	-38,014	26,657	178,306	196,164	-45,812	26,657	177,010	-1,296	-635
Environment	125,416	-79,066	12,795	59,144	127,856	-81,826	12,795	58,824	-320	534
<b>Departmental Expenditure</b>	<b>580,373</b>	<b>-244,362</b>	<b>44,983</b>	<b>380,995</b>	<b>587,967</b>	<b>-253,829</b>	<b>44,983</b>	<b>379,122</b>	<b>-1,872</b>	<b>-232</b>
Capital Charges/Interest/Corporate Reserve funding for economic recovery				-19,940				-21,640	-1,700	-1,700
								450	450	450
<b>Levies and Contributions:</b>										
Brecon Beacons National Park				138				138	0	0
Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Authority				10,400				10,400	0	0
<b>Net Expenditure</b>				<b>371,593</b>				<b>368,470</b>	<b>-3,122</b>	<b>-1,482</b>
Transfers to/from Departmental Reserves										
- Chief Executive				0				188	188	351
- Corporate Services				0				147	147	-37
- Education & Children (incl Schools)				0				648	648	378
- Environment				0				160	160	-534
<b>Net Budget</b>				<b>371,593</b>				<b>369,613</b>	<b>-1,980</b>	<b>-1,325</b>

**Chief Executive Department**  
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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000		
Chief Executive	868	0	-837	30	939	-227	-837	-126	-156	-155
People Management	4,437	-1,489	-2,620	328	5,122	-1,558	-2,620	945	617	-47
ICT & Corporate Policy	5,925	-1,022	-4,869	34	5,947	-1,229	-4,869	-151	-185	-176
Admin and Law	4,319	-823	683	4,178	4,148	-878	683	3,953	-226	-214
Marketing & Media	2,820	-805	-1,431	584	2,478	-583	-1,431	463	-121	-116
Statutory Services	1,276	-303	281	1,254	1,257	-472	281	1,066	-188	-1
Regeneration	11,560	-8,137	3,225	6,648	10,272	-6,967	3,225	6,531	-117	8
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>31,204</b>	<b>-12,579</b>	<b>-5,568</b>	<b>13,057</b>	<b>30,163</b>	<b>-11,914</b>	<b>-5,568</b>	<b>12,681</b>	<b>-376</b>	<b>-702</b>



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### Main Variances

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	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Forecasted Variance for Year		Forecasted for Year
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<b>Marketing &amp; Media</b>							
Marketing and Media	501	-285	469	-105	149	Overspend on salaries pending divisional realignment. Loss of income streams from external partners (e.g. ERW £80k). Looking at alternative potential partnership arrangements.	148
Translation	552	-51	435	-41	-108	£20k saving down to staff reducing their hours, £11k on a vacant post, £27k underspend as a result of maternity leave and £13k saving on staff at a lower point on the salary scale than budgeted. Further savings on supplies and services.	-110
Customer Services Centres	1,112	-346	1,044	-347	-68	2.5 FTE vacant posts for most of the financial year. In the process of being filled.	-53
Yr Hwb, Rhydaman a Llanelli	187	-92	49	-48	-94	Three vacant posts pending divisional realignment offset in part by less income anticipated as a result of COVID19. NNDR relief due to COVID19 of £20k.	-101
<b>Statutory Services</b>							
Registrars	430	-301	491	-383	-21	Lost income claim due to COVID19 of £96k has been submitted and approved by WG.	109
Coroners	384	0	273	0	-111	Following the appointment of medical examiners by the NHS, fewer cases are being referred to the Coroner leading to less direct and indirect costs.	-77
Electoral Services - Staff	287	0	237	-0	-49	Vacant Post for full year pending divisional realignment.	-27
Other variances					-6		-7
<b>Regeneration &amp; Property</b>							
Property	1,241	-67	1,147	-14	-41	Part year vacant post and part year maternity leave.	-38
Commercial Properties	32	-582	66	-513	104	General loss of income due to properties becoming vacant and no immediate prospect of re-letting.	86
Provision Markets	581	-651	538	-520	87	Ongoing reduction in Lettings income due to market forces impacting rates achievable. This has been exaggerated by the COVID19 situation and subsequent loss of casual lettings likely to continue to the end of the financial year.	81
Renewable Energy Fund	0	-51	0	-26	25	Feed in tariff income lower than anticipated as cannot read meters due to current COVID19 restrictions.	-0
Net Zero Carbon Plan	125	0	65	0	-60	Post vacant during early part of year (£6k) resulting in a delay in project expenditure of £54k.	-0
Administrative Buildings	2,859	-771	2,664	-806	-230	Savings on Utilities due to working from home along with a one off NNDR rebate of £55k	-130

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Industrial Premises	539	-1,520	637	-1,771	-153	Large reduction in premises related expenditure as anticipated highways work of £30k, signage works of £10k and various other works will not take place in the year due to COVID19. Occupancy levels are still high despite the pandemic, and far fewer hardship claims for rent holidays in quarter 2 materialised than was originally anticipated.	-122
Livestock Markets	59	-209	50	-34	165		Anticipated shortfall in income collected at Nant Y Ci Mart
Other variances					-15		-0
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-376</b>		<b>-702</b>

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<b>Adult Services</b>										
Older People	60,752	-23,354	3,207	40,604	59,982	-23,176	3,207	40,013	-591	-376
Physical Disabilities	8,261	-1,878	251	6,634	9,441	-2,551	251	7,141	507	462
Learning Disabilities	39,961	-11,033	1,349	30,277	39,997	-10,752	1,349	30,593	317	246
Mental Health	9,566	-4,030	254	5,790	10,029	-4,091	254	6,193	403	443
Support	7,051	-5,138	1,109	3,022	7,295	-5,387	1,109	3,017	-5	14
<b>Homes &amp; Safer Communities</b>										
Public Protection	3,214	-1,094	530	2,650	3,290	-1,238	530	2,582	-69	89
Council Fund Housing	9,140	-7,972	521	1,689	10,449	-9,430	521	1,540	-149	-100
<b>Leisure &amp; Recreation</b>										
Leisure & Recreation	15,663	-8,930	5,465	12,198	16,122	-9,390	5,465	12,198	-0	-245
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>153,608</b>	<b>-63,430</b>	<b>12,686</b>	<b>102,865</b>	<b>156,606</b>	<b>-66,014</b>	<b>12,686</b>	<b>103,278</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>533</b>

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<b>Adult Services</b>							
<b>Older People</b>							
Older People - Private/ Vol Homes	24,748	-13,227	24,649	-13,227	-99	Projections reducing due to impact of COVID19 on residential placements: outbreak restrictions and death rate	158
Older People - Extra Care	774	0	842	0	68	Cwm Aur contract - savings proposals in previous years only partially delivered	60
Older People - Private Home Care	8,238	-2,523	7,997	-2,523	-241	Service has successfully bid for additional funding from Regional Winter Pressures	-295
Older People - Private Day Services	225	0	13	0	-212	Older People Day Services no longer running from buildings due to COVID19. Intention is to pilot a virtual day services project starting in early 2021/22	-216
Older People - Other variances					-108		-82
<b>Physical Disabilities</b>							
Phys Dis - Commissioning & OT Services	861	-323	654	-236	-120	Senior Practitioner Grade K - £16k postholder started in July therefore post vacant April - June; £38k postholder left June therefore post vacant July - March. Occupational Therapists Grade I - £16k postholder works reduced hours; £15k postholder works reduced hours. Occupational Therapy Assistant Grade F £5k postholder started in late May therefore post vacant at start of year for 7 weeks. Therapy Support Workers Grade D £16k, Travelling £8k. These temporary vacancies have created the underspend this financial year, but now the posts are filled we are confident that we will spend closer to budget next year, as long as further vacancies do not emerge.	-115
Phys Dis - Private/Vol Homes	1,659	-300	1,449	-300	-210	Demand led - Reduced use of respite care due to COVID19	-211
Phys Dis - Group Homes/Supported Living	1,079	-167	1,340	-167	261	Significant changes over recent years as packages reassessed following the transfer of Welsh Independent Living Fund into Revenue Support Grant. Primarily affected Physical Disabilities and Learning Disability clients for Direct Payments, Day Services and Community Support. Budget adjustments to be monitored to check initially virements were accurate	236
Phys Dis - Community Support	198	0	117	0	-82	Reduced use of respite care due to COVID19	-80
Phys Dis - Direct Payments	2,673	-577	3,375	-577	702	Demand for Direct Payments increasing as a consequence of fewer alternatives during COVID19 restrictions e.g. community support and respite. Timelines for achieving savings have slipped from October projections as many of the initiatives require face to face contact with service users and providers.	671
Phys Dis - Other variances					-44		-40

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<b>Learning Disabilities</b>							
Learn Dis - Employment & Training	1,721	-166	1,500	-125	-180	Reduced premises and running costs as building based provision is reduced due to social distancing regulations and alternatives provided.	-136
Learn Dis - Commissioning	951	0	878	0	-73	Staff vacancies - Learning Disabilities Team Manager and travelling £19k	-72
Learn Dis - Private/Vol Homes	10,812	-4,287	12,214	-4,287	1,402	Pressure remains on this budget as alternative provision is unavailable due to COVID19 restrictions. Timelines for achieving savings have slipped from October projections as many of the initiatives require face to face contact with service users and providers.	1,418
Learn Dis - Direct Payments	3,758	-547	4,394	-547	635	Demand remains steady but at a level of overspend in 2019/20. Cost of funding an organisation to provide support and advice to recipients of direct payments will reduce in 2021/22 as this service is being brought in-house	705
Learn Dis - Group Homes/Supported Living	9,829	-2,221	10,434	-2,221	605	Increasing demand in Supported Living as an alternative to residential care. Rightsizing in Supported Living and the Accommodation and Efficiency project, which plans for strategic longer term future accommodation options as well as current client group, is delayed due to COVID19.	321
Learn Dis - Local Authority Day Services	2,482	-410	2,147	-265	-190	Loss of income received, staff vacancies and client taxis not used. Reduced premises and running costs as building based provision is reduced due to social distancing regulations and alternatives provided.	-177
Learn Dis - Private Day Services	1,438	-80	533	-80	-906	Day Services closed from March 2020. Assume closure for whole financial year. Where care has been reassessed and alternative has been provided, the additional cost is shown as an overspend in that budget. However this is not claimable under Welsh Government Hardship Fund where there is no additional cost	-949
Learn Dis - Community Support	3,414	-158	2,652	-158	-762	Community Services provision greatly reduced from March 2020. Activity levels beginning to increase. Where care has been reassessed and alternative has been provided, the additional cost is shown as an overspend in that budget. However this is not claimable under Welsh Government Hardship Fund where there is no additional cost	-627
Learn Dis - Grants	407	0	297	21	-89	Various grants underspent or not being paid	-103
Learn Dis - Adult Placement/Shared Lives	3,031	-2,198	2,798	-2,077	-113	Staff vacancies and reduced payments for day services support	-81
Learn Dis - Other variances					-13		-53

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<b>Mental Health</b>							
M Health - Private/Vol Homes	6,081	-3,230	6,524	-3,280	393	Pressure remains on this budget as alternative provision is unavailable due to COVID19 restrictions. Timelines for achieving savings have slipped from October projections as many of the initiatives require face to face contact with service users and providers. Service has successfully bid for funding via Regional Winter Pressures	450
M Health - Other variances					10		-7
<b>Support</b>							
Other Variances - Support					-5		14
<b>Homes &amp; Safer Communities</b>							
<b>Public Protection</b>							
PP Management support	102	-8	86	-14	-22	Underspend on postages and photocopying recharges.	-22
PP Business Support unit	151	0	119	0	-32	Vacant posts.	-32
Noise Control	236	0	202	-4	-37	Vacant Post.	-34
Air Pollution	104	-35	106	-22	15	Underachievement of licensing income.	28
Animal Welfare	82	-83	72	-45	28	Underachievement of licensing income.	9
Dog Wardens	99	-29	109	-17	22	Underachievement of fees and costs recoverable. Overspend on long term Vehicle hire.	22
Animal Safety	158	0	104	-3	-57	Vacant posts.	-55
Licensing	350	-330	362	-288	55	Underachievement of licensing income.	36
Food Safety & Communicable Diseases	521	-38	437	-78	-124	Staff redeployed to Infection Control Team - WG funded. Recruitment process has failed to deliver suitable candidates. COVID19 restrictions have limited sampling work expenditure. Discussions taking place in terms of future roles required	-32
Trading Standards Services Management	89	-38	157	-89	18	Overspent on legal fees.	29
Fair Trading	146	-65	186	-75	30	Underachievement of fees and costs recoverable due to Court closures.	29
Financial Investigator	32	-271	188	-409	18	Income targets delayed due to court process.	93
Other Variances					19		19
<b>Council Fund Housing</b>							
Home Improvement (Non HRA)	709	-300	628	-289	-70	Vacant Posts.	-31
Landlord Incentive	13	-10	35	-12	21	Overspend on premises maintenance due to a number of new properties having been added to the portfolio and resultant additional repair costs.	50

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Homelessness	160	-67	109	-68	-51	Transitional Homelessness Grant from WG picking up some budgeted expenditure.	-49
Temporary Accommodation	502	-108	1,834	-1,492	-52	Overachievement of rental and Housing Benefit income target.	-90
Social Lettings Agency	797	-802	763	-752	16	Overspend on Premises maintenance due to a number of new properties having been added to the portfolio and resultant additional repair costs.	34
Other Variances					-12		-14
<b>Leisure &amp; Recreation</b>							
Pendine Outdoor Education Centre	522	-348	573	-307	92	Includes a £248k contribution to capital re: projected overspend on Attractor site - offset by employee savings due to reduced expenditure for casual staff	-65
Newcastle Emlyn Sports Centre	287	-155	320	-151	37	Includes a £62k contribution to capital projects - offset by employee savings due to reduced expenditure for casual staff	0
Carmarthen Leisure Centre	1,640	-1,751	1,508	-1,673	-55	Employee savings due to in year vacancies and reduced expenditure for casual staff as a result of site closures	-121
Sport & Leisure General	744	-46	837	-58	80	Includes £168k purchase of new equipment - offset by £42k in year staff vacancies, £40k training and £6k marketing underspends due to site closures	-4
PEN RHOS 3G PITCH	22	-35	17	-42	-12	NNDR/Utility savings due to in year site closure	-3
ESD Rev Grant - Ynys Dawela	43	-43	21	0	21	Grant for project not yet confirmed by funding body	21
Pembrey Country Park	800	-842	1,089	-1,037	95	Includes a £116k contribution to capital projects - offset by numerous small underspends due to in year site closure	9
Pembrey Country Park Restaurant	416	-335	304	-240	-16	Part year vacancies	0
Mobile Library	124	0	114	0	-10	Part year vacancy	2
Kidwelly Tinplate Museum	19	0	0	0	-19	Full year vacancy due to site closure	-8
Parc Howard Museum	117	-59	101	-60	-18	Part year vacancies -£13k plus S & S underspends due to in year site closure	-6
Archives General	137	-2	224	-20	69	Includes estimated cost of returning Archive collection from storage £80k	63
Arts General	25	0	0	0	-25	Vacant post being held pending restructure	-25
St Clears Craft Centre	156	-99	103	-61	-14	Year end vacancies	-4
Laugharne Boathouse	147	-112	142	-134	-27	Numerous small underspends due to in year site closure	31
Entertainment Centres General	444	-62	496	-326	-213	Significant vacancies during the year	-183
Oriel Myrddin CCC	113	0	123	0	11	Backdated NNDR bills re: 26/27 King Street	13
Attractor - Museum	0	0	21	0	21	Communications infrastructure costs for the Pendine Attractor not budgeted	0
Leisure Management	389	0	354	0	-35	Vacant post in structure	-33
Other Variance - Leisure & Recreation					19		69
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>413</b>		<b>533</b>

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Financial Services	4,735	-2,198	-2,553	-16	4,422	-2,106	-2,553	-236	-220	-255
Revenues & Financial Compliance	4,793	-1,723	-2,409	661	4,135	-1,691	-2,409	35	-626	-569
Other Services	70,954	-47,351	3,374	26,977	68,622	-44,466	3,374	27,530	553	862
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>80,482</b>	<b>-51,273</b>	<b>-1,587</b>	<b>27,623</b>	<b>77,179</b>	<b>-48,263</b>	<b>-1,587</b>	<b>27,329</b>	<b>-294</b>	<b>37</b>



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<b>Other Services</b>							
Audit Fees	316	-92	288	-92	-28	A proportion of audit fees chargeable directly to grants	-29
Bank Charges	67	0	-12	0	-79	One off refund in year of £43k as well as a general reduction in bank charges.	-50
Council Tax Reduction Scheme	16,511	0	17,036	-713	-188	Significant increase in caseload as a result of COVID19. Contribution from WG (£713k) has offset the effect of the additional costs.	650
Rent Allowances	46,923	-47,140	43,543	-43,611	148	DWP who recover elements of overpayments on our behalf, have not actively been collecting overpayments during COVID19. They will continue pursuing the collection of overpayments again from 2021/22.	-209
Miscellaneous Services	7,137	-120	7,767	-50	700	Underspend on pre LGR pension costs, offset by forecast net increase in council tax bad debt allowance (WG funding but shortfall expected)	500
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-294</b>		<b>37</b>

**Department for Education & Children**  
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<b>Schools Delegated Budgets</b>	<b>133,415</b>	<b>-14,728</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>118,698</b>	<b>137,065</b>	<b>-18,378</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>118,698</b>	<b>-0</b>	<b>-120</b>
Director & Strategic Management	1,480	0	-109	1,371	1,497	-1	-109	1,388	17	4
Education Services Division	8,241	-3,699	21,140	25,683	7,127	-2,753	21,140	25,514	-168	96
Access to Education	9,046	-6,201	1,592	4,436	10,668	-7,734	1,592	4,526	90	164
School Improvement	3,553	-1,547	425	2,432	3,501	-1,645	425	2,282	-150	-166
Curriculum & Wellbeing	8,769	-5,015	880	4,633	8,660	-5,035	880	4,505	-129	-119
Children's Services	25,158	-6,824	2,719	21,053	26,596	-9,217	2,719	20,098	-955	-693
Additional resources for reopening of schools	0	0	0	0	1,049	-1,049	0	0	0	199
<b>TOTAL excluding schools</b>	<b>56,247</b>	<b>-23,286</b>	<b>26,647</b>	<b>59,608</b>	<b>59,099</b>	<b>-27,434</b>	<b>26,647</b>	<b>58,312</b>	<b>-1,296</b>	<b>-515</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>189,662</b>	<b>-38,014</b>	<b>26,657</b>	<b>178,306</b>	<b>196,164</b>	<b>-45,812</b>	<b>26,657</b>	<b>177,010</b>	<b>-1,296</b>	<b>-635</b>

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	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Forecasted Variance for Year		Forecasted for Year
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000
<b>Schools Delegated Budgets</b>							
Primary Schools	69,767	-8,545	68,817	-10,345	-2,750	Based on schools' working budgets received for 2020/21 & updated for 3rd quarter monitoring returns and recent additional WG grants	-500
Secondary Schools	59,516	-6,142	58,151	-7,942	-3,165		-0
Special Schools	4,132	-40	4,512	-90	330		380
School balances	0	0	5,585	0	5,585	Allocation of school balances at year-end	0
<b>Director &amp; Strategic Management</b>							
Other variances					17		4
<b>Education Services Division</b>							
School Redundancy & EVR	2,017	0	1,888	0	-129	Part year moratorium on redundancy processes due to COVID19	-73
Early Years Non-Maintained Provision	1,704	-1,337	726	-493	-134	Fewer children taking up places in non-maintained settings; £71k additional Grant received March 2021	-56
Special Educational Needs	3,826	-2,361	3,847	-2,260	122	£322k additional SEN commitments in year reduced by £180k ALN grant allocation, reduced by £20k on TA redeployment budget	251
Other variances					-27		-26
<b>Access to Education</b>							
School Admissions	345	-84	312	-90	-40	Part year staff vacancy & staff budget saving as not all staff have reached top of grade	-42
School Modernisation	114	-1	222	-42	67	Premises costs relating to closed schools	55
School Meals & Primary Free Breakfast Services	8,586	-6,116	10,135	-7,603	62	Income target not achieved for breakfast care element due to COVID19 closures (£98k) partially offset by reduced costs during closure periods	151
<b>School Improvement</b>							
School Effectiveness Support Services	265	-43	191	-39	-71	Delayed recruitment to school support due to COVID19	-71
National Model for School Improvement	1,174	-60	1,073	-38	-79	Reduced travelling due to COVID19 and maximising Education Improvement Grant to release core budget	-95

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Curriculum and Wellbeing</b>							
Music Services for Schools	1,038	-737	1,096	-746	48	Delay with staff restructuring which has been further affected by COVID19	24
Welsh Language Support	511	-184	567	-263	-23	Underspend on travelling costs due to COVID19	-12
Youth Offending & Prevention Service	1,972	-1,109	1,867	-1,121	-118	Reduced travelling, staff vacancies and maximising grants to release core budget	-96
Other variances					-36		-35
<b>Children's Services</b>							
Commissioning and Social Work	6,916	-81	6,999	-279	-114	Part year vacant posts and maximisation of grant income	-124
Corporate Parenting & Leaving Care	1,173	-242	1,226	-327	-32	Part year vacant posts and maximisation of grant income. Reduced forecasted expenditure in February on Assistance to families / client needs - more accurate projections	7
Fostering Services & Support	3,941	0	3,913	-45	-73	Part year vacant posts and maximisation of grant income. Reduced forecasted expenditure in February on boarding out payments - more accurate projections	-2
Adoption Services	532	0	1,106	-479	96	One off payment committed for adoption of sibling group £125k, partially offset by maximising grant income in other areas of the service	90
Out of County Placements (CS)	670	0	482	-31	-219	Reduction in Out of County placements and no current remand placements	-236
Respite Units	987	0	974	-8	-20	Vacant posts - 1 part year which has now been filled and 1 currently being recruited	-11
Childcare	1,453	-897	1,361	-925	-120	Additional in year grants awarded from Welsh Government supporting priorities the service had already identified and have staff working on	-93
Short Breaks and Direct Payments	535	0	686	-264	-113	Additional in year grants awarded from Welsh Government supporting priorities the service had already identified	-20
Family Aide Services	172	0	296	-181	-57	Part year vacant posts and maximisation of grant income	-62
Other Family Services incl Young Carers and ASD	588	-348	747	-564	-57	Part year vacant post (post filled from mid January) and maximisation of grant income	-54
Out of Hours Service	175	0	140	0	-35	Underspend forecast as a result of not yet appointing to proposed to full time posts	-36
Children's Services Mgt & Support (incl Care First)	992	-76	1,062	-251	-104	Further utilisation of grants - £56k, 1 member of staff seconded elsewhere within Dept. £20k, not all staff at top of grade & purchase of extra leave - £11k, staff recruitment savings with most posts advertised on our website - £13k and reduced staff travelling re COVID19 - £4k	-59
School Safeguarding & Attendance	296	-45	527	-348	-72	Part year vacant posts and maximisation of grant income	-73
Educational Psychology	994	-100	1,109	-241	-26	Part year vacant posts and maximisation of grant income	-13
Other Variances					-8		-6

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<b>Additional resources for reopening of schools</b>							
Face coverings & PPE	0	0	199	-199	0	Face coverings are now fully funded by WG	199
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-1,296</b>		<b>-635</b>

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000		
Business Support & Performance	166	-212	129	84	122	-240	129	11	-73	-32
Waste & Environmental Services	25,822	-4,632	1,354	22,544	28,937	-7,748	1,354	22,542	-1	195
Highways & Transportation	52,197	-31,384	10,368	31,180	52,143	-31,521	10,368	30,990	-190	24
Property	42,794	-40,787	614	2,621	42,327	-40,452	614	2,488	-133	210
Planning	4,437	-2,051	330	2,715	4,328	-1,865	330	2,793	78	137
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>125,416</b>	<b>-79,066</b>	<b>12,795</b>	<b>59,144</b>	<b>127,856</b>	<b>-81,826</b>	<b>12,795</b>	<b>58,824</b>	<b>-320</b>	<b>534</b>

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<b>Business Support &amp; Performance</b>							
Emergency Planning	74	0	64	0	-11	Due to the additional grant received from Welsh Government for the Local Resilience Forum Covid-response the Authority has not had to make a separate contribution in 2020/21.	-7
Business Support	-119	-35	-171	-36	-52	Posts budgeted at top of scale but majority are not at the top of scale yet; a few posts temporarily vacant during the year.	-40
Operational Training	37	-57	44	-73	-10		6
Departmental - Core	45	0	62	0	17	£7k department's share of the Health and wellbeing co-ordinators' pay costs; £10k efficiency not yet achieved	18
Departmental - Policy	8	0	-9	-0	-17	Vacant post for 5.5 months of the year, should be filled in the new financial year.	-8
<b>Waste &amp; Environmental Services</b>							
SAB - Sustainable Drainage approval Body Unit	121	-115	120	-39	75	Anticipated income not materialised - Dependent on number of submissions and market buoyancy of development projects	74
Reservoirs	11	0	131	0	120	Reactive work, including consultancy costs at Trebeddrod Reservoir.	99
Public Conveniences	376	-9	358	-5	-14	Reduced spend on supplies and services due to COVID19 restrictions	-9
Cleansing Service	2,380	-108	2,472	-106	93	Additional cleansing requirements	29
Waste Services	17,152	-1,316	17,020	-1,440	-257	Grant received from Welsh Government at the latter end of the year thereby resulting in reduction in spend against budgets.	-15
Grounds Maintenance Service and urban parks	3,665	-2,456	3,642	-2,433	0		9
Other variances					-18		8
<b>Highways &amp; Transportation</b>							
Departmental Pooled Vehicles	0	0	15	0	15	Underutilisation of the departmental pooled vehicles during the pandemic.	5
Civil Design	1,096	-1,680	1,052	-1,670	-34	Increased income recovery	-25
Transport Strategic Planning	396	0	335	-0	-62	Project Management Fees charged to various grants	-86
School Transport	11,199	-905	10,995	-1,132	-431	There is underlying demographic growth and tender pressures, however extensive reduced operating days are mitigating these pressures currently.	-272
Traffic Management	559	-43	801	-413	-128	Net increase in additional Traffic Regulation Orders income against additional planned works -£72k and net effect of vacant posts/reduced recharges to grants of -£56k	-120
Car Parks	1,997	-3,271	1,884	-2,552	606	The outturn includes the WG reimbursement for loss of income of £701k for Q1, £277k for Q2, £249k for Q3 and £485k for Q4. The £167k efficiency for the increase in parking charges has not been met in full for the year.	604
Road Safety	184	-30	141	0	-13	Failure to deliver Road Safety education schemes due to COVID19 restrictions.	-8

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School Crossing Patrols	121	0	144	0	22	The school crossing patrols section has reviewed all patrol sites to identify where the National Safety threshold/criteria for provisions is not met. Vacancies that arise in the sites that do not require school crossing patrols will not be filled as and when they become vacant.	23
Street Works and Highway Adoptions	426	-364	452	-471	-81	Additional income generated S38 agreements and Streetworks	-62
Technical Surveys	444	0	417	0	-27	Delays in starting surveys due to COVID19	7
Public Rights Of Way	937	-66	878	-54	-47	Reduced spend on supplies and services due to COVID19 restrictions	-45
Other variances					-11		3
<b>Property</b>							
Property Maintenance Operational	26,392	-27,680	27,196	-28,744	-260	Increased income from internal recharges reflecting additional work undertaken during the year in particular on empty properties.	18
Design Services CHS Works	3,988	-4,244	1,122	-1,226	152	Reduced construction work as a result of COVID19 means that there is insufficient turnover to generate the budgeted surplus.	154
Property Design - Business Unit	2,762	-3,045	2,222	-2,572	-67	Increased income from internal recharges reflecting additional work undertaken during the year	0
Design & Professional Services Frameworks	0	0	261	-237	24	Some capital projects have slipped as a result of the current pandemic and fee income has reduced as a result.	18
Facilities Management - Corporate Buildings	388	0	406	0	18	Additional Facilities Assistants' workload as a result of reduced occupancy or closure of buildings that need to be attended in the absence of usual staff on site.	16
Other variances					1		4
<b>Planning</b>							
Planning Admin Account	342	-14	500	-130	42	Additional Arcus software fees	45
Building Regulations Trading - Chargeable	454	-507	393	-364	83	Reduction in income as a result of COVID19	103
Building Control - Other	186	-5	170	-0	-10	Less staff travel & spend on supplies due to COVID19	-10
Minerals	359	-236	329	-190	16	Reduction in income as a result of COVID19	110
Policy-Development Planning	680	-0	578	-2	-103	£56k - part year vacancy and employee on maternity; £47k general underspends on supplies & services due to COVID19	-166
Development Management	1,575	-968	1,546	-851	88	Income shortfall offset by less expenditure due to COVID19	99
Tywi Centre	47	-47	51	-112	-61	Reimbursement for lost income due to COVID19 received from WG	-61
Conservation	404	-17	467	-48	31	One-off consultancy cost	20
Other Variances					-7		-3
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-320</b>		<b>534</b>