

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES
PRELIMINARY EXECUTIVE BOARD - 11th April 2016
COUNCIL'S BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2015/16 as at 29th February 2016

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Forecasted for year to 31 March 2016

Department	Working Budget				Actual				Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Dec 2015 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Controllable Expenditure £'000	Controllable Income £'000	Net Non Controllable £'000	Total Net £'000	Controllable Expenditure £'000	Controllable Income £'000	Net Non Controllable £'000	Total Net £'000		
Chief Executive	17,587	-5,364	-1,512	10,711	18,627	-6,598	-1,512	10,517	-194	-90
Education & Children	177,597	-39,178	21,011	159,430	178,831	-39,632	21,011	160,210	780	1,269
Corporate Services	87,449	-55,305	-9,482	22,662	89,348	-57,727	-9,482	22,139	-523	-550
Communities	126,263	-47,352	12,065	90,976	126,533	-47,329	12,065	91,269	293	385
Environment	117,243	-81,008	9,380	45,615	119,511	-82,994	9,380	45,897	282	113
Departmental Expenditure	526,139	-228,206	31,462	329,395	532,851	-234,280	31,462	330,033	638	1,127
Capital Charges/Interest				-3,535				-4,262	-727	-1,750
Pension Reserve Adjustment				-5,085				-5,085	0	0
Levies and Contributions:										
Brecon Beacons National Park				147				147	0	0
Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Authority				9,067				9,067	0	0
Net Expenditure				329,989				329,900	-89	-623
Outcome Agreement Grant				-570				-570	0	0
Contribution from Balances				-138				-138	0	0
Transfer from Balances/Earmarked Reserves				-1,060				-1,060	0	0
Transfers to/from Departmental Reserves										
- Chief Executive				0				97	97	45
- Education & Children				0				-780	-780	-967
- Corporate Services				0				261	261	275
- Communities				0				0	0	0
- Environment				0				-282	-282	-113
Net Budget				328,221				327,428	-793	-1,383

**Chief Executive Department
Budget Monitoring as at 29th February 2016**

Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Dec 2015 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		
Chief Executive	7	0	-464	-457	156	0	-464	-308	149	134
People Management & Performance	3,645	-1,045	-1,872	728	4,038	-1,517	-1,872	649	-79	8
Admin and Law	3,915	-640	1,840	5,115	3,877	-741	1,840	4,976	-139	-65
Customer Focus and Policy	4,412	-1,093	-2,218	1,101	4,515	-1,354	-2,218	943	-158	-151
Special Projects (Corporate)	0	0	-0	-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Services	649	-2	159	806	947	-276	159	830	24	-16
Regeneration	4,960	-2,584	1,043	3,419	5,094	-2,709	1,043	3,427	9	0
GRAND TOTAL	17,587	-5,364	-1,512	10,711	18,627	-6,598	-1,512	10,517	-194	-90

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Main Variances

Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Dec 2015 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
Chief Executive							
Chief Executive-Chief Officer	353	0	325	0	-28	Vacant posts	-29
Corporate Initiatives	264	0	0	0	-264	Saving from energy budget rationalisation	-278
Corporate Savings Target	-610	0	-169	0	441	Efficiencies will not be met until 2016-17	441
People Management & Performance							
SCWDP	648	-417	624	-428	-35	Reduction in programme delivery	0
Business Support	196	-1	174	-1	-22	Reduced spend on Supplies and Services	-12
Personnel Management	910	-295	862	-297	-50	Part year vacant posts	-56
Fitness For Work	575	-235	632	-273	19	Sickness Cover and Market Supplement	17
Admin and Law							
Democratic	1,667	0	1,627	-0	-41	Saving on allowances	-1
Land Charges Administration	74	-273	45	-279	-35	Additional income generated in year	-12
Corporate Serv-Administration	188	-0	165	-0	-23	Reduced spend on Supplies & Services	-14
Corporate Serv-Legal	1,362	-303	1,323	-307	-42	Part year vacant posts - restructure imminent	-2
Regeneration & Policy							
Customer Focus and Policy							
Welsh Language	167	0	129	0	-38	Reduction in projects and activities undertaken whilst concentrating on implementation of Welsh Language Standards	0
Customer Services	68	-6	84	-6	15	One off contribution towards the running costs of The Hub, Llanelli	16
Corporate Serv-Translation	280	-15	333	-33	34	Staff levels over and above the budgeted structure to meet demand for the service	48
Carbon Reduction Programme	405	0	382	0	-22	Projection based on current estimate of likely charge	-22
Chief Executive-Policy	548	-55	535	-25	16	Efficiencies income target not achievable	16

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
Complaints and Compliments Team	94	0	67	0	-28	Vacant post	-24
Community Safety Fund	48	-48	0	-19	-19	Expenditure reduced to meet overspends elsewhere in the department	-19
CCTV Operators	32	0	53	0	21	Residual staffing costs during transition to an unmanned service	17
Customer Services Centres	548	-287	475	-287	-73	Vacant posts	-73
Contact Centre	594	-79	538	-79	-56	Vacant posts	-55
Statutory Services							
Elections-County Council	0	0	13	0	13	By election costs	12
Registration Of Electors	120	-2	212	-74	20	Additional cost of new canvassing regulations	8
Coroners	276	0	300	0	24	Increased mortality rate	-8
Electoral Services - Staff	253	0	226	-5	-33	Vacant post	-28
Regeneration							
West Wales European Centre	446	-306	245	-50	54	Overspend mainly as a result of non-achievement of consultancy income	35
Llanelli Community	40	0	36	-16	-20	Underspend forecast mainly as a result of recharging 1 member of staff to an externally funded project as a direct cost	-20
3 T's Community Dev Core Budget	287	0	249	-13	-51	Planned reduction in expenditure to offset overspend within West Wales European Centre	-5
Rural Carmarthenshire	29	0	93	0	64	Overspend forecast mainly in relation to revenue contribution needed towards Parry Thomas Centre capital overspend and also towards costs associated with the Pendine masterplan	0
Physical Regeneration	374	0	351	-2	-24	Planned reduction in expenditure to partly offset overspend within Rural Carmarthenshire above	-3
Regeneration Business Support Unit	322	-107	325	-74	35	Efficiency saving identified for 14/15 in relation to premises costs at Nant Y Ci, with the intention of selling the property. The sale is currently on hold so savings have not been realised at this point.	45
Regeneration Management	59	0	3	0	-56	Underspend through savings in employee costs - vacant post	-58
Other Variances					9		-26
Grand Total					-194		-90

**Department for Education & Children
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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000		
Director & Strategic Management	760	0	-151	609	641	0	-151	490	-119	-106
Education Services Division	119,026	-1,871	16,537	133,692	119,972	-2,019	16,537	134,490	798	837
Strategic Development	8,990	-7,027	1,065	3,027	8,975	-7,112	1,065	2,927	-100	-45
School Improvement	15,713	-13,723	490	2,480	15,736	-13,783	490	2,442	-38	-2
Learner Programmes	10,457	-9,727	603	1,333	10,719	-9,702	603	1,620	287	254
Children's Services	22,652	-6,831	2,467	18,288	22,788	-7,015	2,467	18,240	-48	332
GRAND TOTAL	177,597	-39,178	21,011	159,430	178,831	-39,632	21,011	160,210	780	1,269

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Director & Strategic Management							
Director & Management Team	760	0	641	0	-119	Utilisation of grant income which ends March 2016 -£70k and underspend retained in light of departmental forecast -£49k.	-106
Education Services Division							
School Expenditure not currently delegated	472	0	342	31	-100	WJEC reviewed and reduced fees for 2015-16 -£39k, further savings identified due to fewer occasions arising where legal advice was required -£19k, pay cover for suspended teachers -£33k and general supplies & services savings -£9k. An efficiency saving of £30k is planned for 2016-17.	-66
School Redundancy & EVR	1,602	0	2,644	0	1,042	Additional cost of School related EVR and redundancies	1,072
Governor Support & Admissions	211	0	181	0	-30	Expenditure relating to the updating of school plans less than estimated.	-32
Early Years Non-Maintained Provision	500	0	482	0	-18	Reduction in demand for 10 hours free education for 3 year olds in non maintained settings.	-22
Special Educational Needs	3,416	-1,433	3,098	-1,519	-405	Fewer out of county placements. The underspend is being managed in conjunction with the current pressures within EOTAS below, although budget reduction is planned in next year's efficiencies.	-514
EOTAS & Behaviour Services	1,113	-304	1,421	-251	361	Increasing pressure on Education other than at school. Additional staff employed in PRU(Pupil Referral Unit) in response to a need highlighted by ESTYN for additional capacity to intervene in volatile situations.	426
Rhydygors Day Centre	707	-52	700	-116	-71	Vacant posts within the day centre are being considered within the review of provision	-43
Sensory Impairment	321	-12	342	-16	16	Increase in staff costs £15k and mobility officer payment to Ceredigion £15k partially offset by an underspend in supplies and services -£10k ,additional income -£4k	16
Strategic Development							
Information & Improvement	340	-35	419	-138	-24	Part time secondment not being back filled.	-22
Business Support	526	0	515	0	-11	Member of staff on long term sick	-10
School Meals & Primary Free Breakfast Services	7,759	-6,712	7,680	-6,693	-59	Early implementation of efficiency proposals contributed to current year savings £23k and efficiencies in supplies and services -£35k	-7
School Improvement							
National Model for School Improvement	1,406	-294	1,507	-443	-49	Part year staff vacancies -£33k, WJEC and Audit fee savings -£32k and projects being rolled over to 2016-17 £16k	-8

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Learner Programmes							
Music Services for Schools	1,334	-1,434	1,407	-1,425	82	Reduction of SLA income from schools £13k, retirement costs £60k, increased travel claims £7k and supplies and services £2k	70
Youth Service	513	-85	540	-96	16	Delay in staffing reductions £27k, partially offset by additional income from activities/grants -£11k	20
Adult & Community Learning	525	-522	685	-497	185	Cost of course tuition exceeding the franchise income. This service is being reduced from April 2016 following a comprehensive review of the service.	154
Children's Services							
Commissioning and Social Work	5,660	-19	5,574	-72	-139	In year vacancies across the Social Care Teams.	-86
Fostering Services & Support	3,506	0	3,618	-15	97	The taxi's budget facing ongoing pressure £70k. Additional hours and maternity leave on the Fostering Support Team of £76k, partially offset by £49k due to a reduction in the number of Looked After Children and revised controls.	169
Adoption Services	489	-55	536	-143	-42	Forecast reduced adoption allowances as fewer placements -£31k plus net savings in adoption services -£11k mainly due to additional interagency fees	-24
Out of County Placements (CS)	718	-52	691	-113	-88	Fewer out of county placements than anticipated.	-2
Residential and Respite Units	882	-150	856	0	124	Planned additional contribution from the LHB in unlikely to be achieved in 2015-16 £150k netted off by salary savings -£26k	137
Garreglwyd Residential Accomodation	504	-155	570	-191	30	Additional staffing costs £70k offset by additional income recharge to Hywel Dda -£40k	34
Short Breaks and Domiciliary Care	496	-104	429	-103	-67	Maximsation of grant income.	-58
Childcare	387	-118	372	-124	-20	Maximsation of grant income.	-20
Out of Hours Service	250	-64	335	-64	85	Increased number of referrals being handled	94
Children's Services Mgt & Support (incl Care First)	1,051	-108	988	-123	-79	Part year vacant posts in Policy -£46k, staff travelling & other efficiencies in management team -£33k.	-66
Legal Fees	430	0	491	-0	61	Additional costs incurred from long standing adoption arrangements and out of county fees. The service is planned to have a budget reduction as an efficiency proposal in 2016-17.	108
Other Variances					0		55
Grand Total					780		1,269

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Financial Services	7,708	-3,424	-3,443	841	7,622	-3,462	-3,443	717	-124	-330
Audit Risk & Procurement	998	-27	-959	12	921	-14	-959	-51	-64	-56
ICT	4,823	-780	-3,906	137	4,758	-810	-3,906	42	-95	-95
Performance & Development	240	0	-252	-12	236	-1	-252	-17	-5	-8
Corporate Property	5,438	-3,793	-832	813	5,535	-3,963	-832	740	-73	104
Other Services	68,241	-47,280	-91	20,870	70,277	-49,479	-91	20,708	-162	-165
GRAND TOTAL	87,449	-55,305	-9,482	22,662	89,348	-57,727	-9,482	22,139	-523	-550

Capital Charges/Interest	Working Budget				Forecasted				0 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	0 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		
Capital Charges/Interest				-3,535				-5,535	-2,000	-1,750
Direct Revenue Financing towards the capital programme								1,273	1,273	
Capital Charges/Interest Total	0	0	0	-3,535	0	0	0	-4,262	-727	-1,750

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Financial Services							
Local Taxation	879	-711	837	-683	-15	Vacant post and projected underspend on Post Office Giro fees	-42
Housing Benefits Admin	1,411	-848	1,351	-833	-45	Part year vacant posts	-19
Revenues	866	-124	823	-120	-39	Reduction in Security costs, reduced staffing costs and increase in Court recovery income	-65
Benefits Fraud	148	0	122	0	-26	Transfer of staff to DWP in August 2015, but no reduction in DWP grant until 2016/17	-66
Audit Risk & Procurement							
Procurement	330	-5	319	-5	-11	Part year vacant post	-9
Audit	542	-20	485	-9	-45	Maternity leave and staff members at bottom of salary scale in current year	-39
ICT							
Information Technology	3,656	-428	3,614	-481	-95	Vacant posts	-95
Corporate Property							
Corporate Property Division	1,093	-195	1,093	-205	-10	Vacant posts	-13
Operational Depots	248	0	271	0	23	Mid year reduction in electricity budgets	22
Administrative Buildings	3,120	-624	3,087	-610	-19	Savings on heating costs following mild winter	89
Commercial Property	82	-533	88	-481	58	Rental income target not achievable	-6
Industrial Premises	337	-1,371	476	-1,436	74	Reduction in anticipated lettings income	41
Rural Estate	73	-309	54	-309	-19	Tenants entitlements reduced & increased rental income	-17
Provision Markets	447	-592	401	-616	-71	Additional Lettings	-40
Livestock Markets	39	-169	66	-305	-109	Additional Carmarthen Mart income based on increase in leaseholder turnover	29

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Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Feb 2016	Notes	Dec 2015
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Forecasted Variance for Year £'000		Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
Other Services							
Bank Charges	61	0	51	0	-10	Savings from new bank tender in 13-14	-11
Council Tax Benefits	15,018	0	14,900	0	-118	Slight downward movement in caseload meaning CTR being paid is 0.8% below the budget of £15.02m	-118
Rent Allowances	47,077	-47,090	49,297	-49,288	22	Minor fluctuation in Housing Benefits awarded	20
Miscellaneous Services	5,724	-107	5,668	-107	-56	Reduction in subscriptions £37k and reduction in past pension benefit claimants	-57
Other Variances					-11		-153
Grand Total					-523		-550

Department for Communities
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Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Dec 2015 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		
Adult Services										
Older People	51,969	-18,418	4,115	37,666	51,022	-17,659	4,115	37,478	-188	-156
Physical Disabilities	5,968	-781	94	5,281	5,933	-821	94	5,206	-75	-90
Learning Disabilities	29,892	-7,905	1,344	23,331	30,577	-7,905	1,344	24,016	685	585
Mental Health	8,288	-2,865	129	5,552	8,675	-3,162	129	5,643	90	244
Director's Office	1,048	-36	53	1,065	966	0	53	1,019	-46	-40
Support	3,504	-1,571	766	2,700	3,678	-1,890	766	2,554	-146	-140
Public Protection & CF Housing										
Public Protection	3,151	-776	686	3,061	2,969	-648	686	3,007	-54	-38
Council Fund Housing	9,484	-8,769	519	1,234	9,695	-8,953	519	1,261	27	19
Leisure & Recreation										
Leisure & Recreation	12,959	-6,232	4,358	11,086	13,018	-6,291	4,358	11,086	-0	0
GRAND TOTAL	126,263	-47,352	12,065	90,976	126,533	-47,329	12,065	91,269	293	385

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Adult Services							
Older People							
Older People - Commissioning	2,783	-47	2,735	-68	-70	Staff vacancies	-57
Older People - LA Homes	8,726	-4,340	8,399	-4,055	-42	Savings through early closure of Glanmarlais, offset by loss of residents contributions through lower placement & loss of potential flexi bed income	4
Older People - Private/ Vol Homes	16,708	-9,341	17,352	-9,225	760	Additional placements (partly through early closure of Glanmarlais) and additional cost of increased fees paid to providers £391k	724
Older People - Extra Care	1,136	0	1,168	0	32	Contract renegotiated, savings part year only	31
Older People - LA Home Care	5,688	-291	5,226	-291	-461	Reduction in care packages	-304
Older People - MOW's	326	-211	274	-178	-19	Reduction in number of meals provided	0
Older People - Direct Payments	678	0	592	0	-86	Reduction in packages	28
Older People - Private Home Care	10,767	-1,991	10,185	-1,841	-432	Reduction in care packages	-686
Older People - Enablement	2,020	-800	1,737	-800	-284	Staff vacancies	-271
Older People - Day Services	670	-93	1,066	-69	421	Efficiency slippage from 14/15 and 15/16. Proposal paper to CMT to reduce spend with significant reshape of service.	382
Physical Disabilities							
Phys Dis - Commissioning & OT Services	619	-72	534	-72	-85	Staff vacancies	-64
Phys Dis - Private/Vol Homes	440	-61	413	-93	-59	Reduction in packages	-70
Phys Dis - Group Homes/Supported Living	1,434	-228	1,500	-228	66	Increase in packages	52
Phys Dis - Community Support	101	0	82	0	-19	Reduction in packages	-0
Phys Dis - Direct Payments	1,820	0	1,844	0	24	Increase in packages	-0
Learning Disabilities							
Learn Dis - Employment & Training	2,324	-882	2,237	-716	79	Lower grant income due to change in funding arrangements for Workchoice	65
Learn Dis - Commissioning	851	0	817	0	-34	Staff vacancies	-25
Learn Dis - Private/Vol Homes	9,470	-2,708	10,195	-2,991	443	Slower than anticipated reduction in placements required to meet Efficiency savings. Work underway to address	419
Learn Dis - Direct Payments	1,085	0	1,370	0	286	Net cost of packages exceeds budgeted costs	157
Learn Dis - Group Homes/Supported Living	6,453	-1,013	6,400	-1,012	-52	Reduction in placements	126
Learn Dis - Adult Respite Care	895	-812	804	-812	-91	Staff vacancies	-94
Learn Dis - Transition Service	489	0	441	0	-48	Staff vacancies	-30
Learn Dis - Community Support	1,693	-164	1,768	-164	76	Additional packages	24
Learn Dis - Grants	234	0	340	-17	89	Slippage in re-negotiation of contract	79
Learn Dis - Adult Placement/Shared Lives	2,724	-2,130	2,825	-2,243	-12	Underspend on travelling, and supplies & services	-27
Learn Dis/M Health - Ssmss	541	0	479	-3	-64	Vacant posts, and underspend on travelling and supplies & services	-47

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
Mental Health							
M Health - Private/Vol Homes	5,748	-2,534	6,136	-2,748	175	Additional packages resulting in an over commitment on a very volatile budget	219
M Health - Group Homes/Supported Living	301	-83	361	-83	60	Increase in packages	54
M Health - Community Support	664	-27	641	-93	-89	Reduced packages and additional Health contributions	-4
M Health - Substance Misuse Team	328	-142	309	-155	-32	Underspend on salaries	-43
Director's Office							
Ssmss - Adult Safeguarding & Improvement Team	1,048	-36	966	0	-46	Staff vacancies	-40
Support							
Departmental Support	2,051	-8	1,923	-14	-134	Underspend on salaries, and supplies & services partly offset by overspend on repairs and maintenance	-131
Other Variances	9,855	-3,561	9,995	-3,732	-31		-66
Public Protection							
PP Business Support unit	197	0	168	0	-30	Underspend in salary costs due to vacant posts offset by agency staff costs	-31
Public Health	266	-11	281	-5	21	Overspend in responsive maintenance, vehicle hire and fuel met by underspends elsewhere in Public Health	8
Food Safety & Communicable Diseases	335	0	326	-9	-18	Underspend in salary costs due to maternity and general savings in spending to contribute towards the overspend in Public Health and the underachievement of licence fee income	-17
Animal Licence Movement Scheme	153	-67	129	-67	-24	Underspend due to a post being vacant for the first 7 months of 15/16	-22
Food & Agricultural Standards & Licensing	115	-30	109	-36	-12	Overachievement in income due to grant income being awarded for the FSA Regional feed group lead by Powys - not included in previous returns	-11
Safety	64	-18	77	-4	28	£14k overspend in Analyst fees and underachievement of income £14k	6
Other Variances					-19		28
Council Fund Housing							
Independent Living and Affordable Homes	321	-275	275	-248	-20	General underspends in supplies and services for Supporting People	-32
Supporting People Providers	6,495	-6,495	6,503	-6,473	31	Underachievement of grant income due to 15/16 grant award being reduced by 14/15 underspend, identified following the audit of Supporting People	31
Home Improvement (Non HRA)	623	-293	589	-224	35	Underachievement of income relating to recoverable fees and costs to be covered by underspends in the Homelessness cost centre	40
						Underspend due to savings in bond payments and prevention payments that are eligible under the transitional funding grant scheme. Underspend to cover the overspends anticipated in the Home Improvement and Temporary Accommodation cost centre	-43
Homelessness	174	-62	128	-62	-46		

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Non HRA Affordable Housing	0	-15	10	-4	22	Anticipated underachievement of income relating to affordable home fees £12k plus one off legal/professional costs relating to one of the cases £10k	23
Other Variances					4		0
Leisure & Recreation							
Millenium Coastal Park	139	-98	117	-134	-58	Forecast underspend in a number of Premises / Supplies & Service headings £22k along with increased income -£36k	-37
Burry Port Harbour	144	-178	171	-177	28	Forecast overspend on dredging contract	19
Pembrey ski shop	111	-114	60	-35	29	Forecast overspend in anticipation of year end reduction in stock valuation	7

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	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000			
Carmarthen Leisure Centre	1,235	-1,027	1,141	-1,074	-140	Part year staff vacancies £62k along with higher forecast income of £47k. A forecast underspend on utilities accounts for the balance.	-140
Bro Myrddin Indoor Bowling Club	45	0	40	-10	-15	Forecast reduction in expenditure due to Service being transferred to Management Committee during the year	-17
Amman Valley Leisure Centre	661	-505	636	-506	-25	Part year vacancies in Service	-28
Sport & Leisure General	442	-44	603	-52	153	Projected overspend due to forecast investment in fitness and linked refurbishments	115
Sport & Leisure South	187	-34	179	-41	-15	Forecast minor underspends in a number of expenditure headings -£8k along with increased income -£7k	-0
Pembrey Country Park	292	-563	343	-544	69	Projected overspend relating to Agency expenditure	15
Llyn Lech Owain Country Park	40	-20	29	-24	-14	Numerous minor underspends in Premises and Supplies & Service budgets -£10k along with increased income -£4k	-8
Carmarthen Library	393	-21	380	-22	-14	Part year vacancies in Service	-28
Ammanford Library	239	-8	232	-16	-15	Part year vacancies in Service	-39
Community Libraries	212	-7	196	-7	-16	Minor unders in Premises and Supplies & Services budgets	-4
Libraries General	1,013	-2	1,067	-4	53	Forecast overspend in Computer related expenditure due to H6, income collection and RFID rollout.	67
Mobile Library	192	0	166	0	-26	Vacant post in Service	-26
Parc Howard Museum	47	-6	81	-3	38	Forecast overspend due to Repair and Maintenance commitment	38
Museums General	140	0	124	0	-16	Part year vacancy in Service	-15
Pendine Beach	6	-26	4	-36	-12	Higher income forecast than currently budgeted relating to Car Parking	-14
Leisure Management	271	0	254	0	-17	Forecast savings in travel budgets £5k, in year staff vacancy £3k along with Stationery £6k, Office Equipment £2k and Postage £1k	-15
Other Variances					15		109
Grand Total					293		385

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net non- controllable £'000	Net £'000		
Policy & Development	919	0	-809	110	1,048	-58	-809	182	72	69
Street Scene	50,031	-26,124	7,538	31,445	50,078	-26,164	7,538	31,453	7	-3
Transport	24,999	-16,674	1,908	10,234	24,612	-16,318	1,908	10,202	-31	-64
Property Services	37,048	-35,501	182	1,730	39,652	-37,870	182	1,964	235	223
Planning	4,246	-2,709	560	2,097	4,121	-2,584	560	2,097	0	-111
GRAND TOTAL	117,243	-81,008	9,380	45,615	119,511	-82,994	9,380	45,897	282	113

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Policy & Development							
Emergency Planning	70	0	116	0	45	Severance not delivered £36k, estimated overspend on out of hours service £5k and £4k on other miscellaneous costs.	44
Streetscene							
Streetscene Core	983	-38	979	-10	24	Severances not fully delivered within the year £78k. Further review to take place.	22
Ammanford Cemetery	29	-7	14	-14	-21	Poor ground conditions (due to weather) has prevented planned improvement works and construction of additional rows at the garden of remembrance section of the cemetery.	-7
Public Conveniences	506	-23	544	-25	36	Full extent of savings not yet realised - currently in year 2 of a 3 year asset transfer programme with negotiations and terms currently being concluded on the balance of the proposed transfers.	40
Cleansing Service	1,875	-56	1,951	-60	72	The original proposed efficiencies (labour and plant) have not been met due to the sustained demands on the cleansing service. The pressure to find the previously identified savings has now eased in recognition of the sustained service demand.	72
Public Rights of Way	228	-11	207	-12	-23	£7k underspend due to vacant post and the balance due to underspend of general contingency for legal fees/advice and a reduction in training activity.	-7
Closed Landfill Sites Nantycaws	138	0	107	0	-31	Reduced licence fee premiums from NRW (National Resources Wales) and reduced operational activity that reflects the reduction in environmental risks associated with leachate control and treatment as a result of the sustained success of the new leachate treatment plant.	-19
Transport							
Civil Design	858	-1,286	826	-1,219	35	Under recovery of income due to vacant Technician post, post is now filled.	31
Passenger Transport	4,004	-2,513	4,518	-3,068	-41	Services adjustments undertaken to manage budget pressures	-57
Transport to Schools & Colleges	9,944	-1,091	9,851	-1,046	-48	Tender efficiencies and service redesign.	-13
Car Parks	1,622	-3,137	1,520	-3,067	-32	Demand for car parks has increased, generating additional income and there are reduced costs for gritting the car parks due to the mild winter.	-66
Nant y Ci Park & Ride	2	0	72	-20	49	Members decision to withdraw the service/funding in 15/16 - the modified service is currently being trialled with the LHB to generate additional revenue to cover the shortfall.	43
Property Services							
Building Mtce	22,427	-25,666	25,154	-28,180	213	Re-alignment of budget to reflect target contribution.	212
Pat Testing	0	0	20	0	20	No budget for pat testing.	19
Parks & PC Landlord	63	0	92	0	30	Asset transfer not undertaken - budget removed in 11/12 efficiencies.	30
Pumping Stations	37	0	62	0	25	No R&M budget for Pumping stations.	25
Grounds Maintenance Service	4,779	-3,410	3,865	-2,575	-79	Effect of ongoing efficiency savings within the grounds maintenance service.	-112
Building Cleaning	3,183	-3,343	3,228	-3,363	25	Pressure due to increase in relief and overtime payments; superannuation costs £23k; with no corresponding budget or increased income achievable as SLA's agreed at start of the year.	41

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Planning							
Building Control - Other	198	0	170	-0	-28	Staff vacancies.	-26
Minerals	234	-94	252	-156	-44	Underspend mainly due to charging out of 2 members of staff to externally funded projects as a 'direct cost'.	-52
Policy-Development Planning	424	-1	423	-21	-21	Vacant posts, use of reserves to cover LDP costs and additional income from work undertaken for Corporate Property.	-63
Development Management	1,433	-1,239	1,295	-992	109	Overspend mainly attributable to projected shortfall in Planning fee income.	56
Other Variances					-33		-101
Grand Total					282		113