

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES**  
**PRELIMINARY EXECUTIVE BOARD - 6th June 2016**  
**COUNCIL'S BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2015/16 as at 31st March 2016**

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**Forecasted for year to 31 March 2016**

Department	Working Budget				Actual				Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Feb 2016 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	17,869	-5,384	-300	12,185	19,070	-6,881	-300	11,889	-296	-194
Education & Children	177,566	-39,179	21,165	159,552	200,656	-61,534	21,165	160,287	735	780
Corporate Services	89,703	-55,304	-10,374	24,025	92,514	-58,727	-10,374	23,414	-611	-523
Communities	126,264	-47,350	15,488	94,402	129,086	-50,180	15,488	94,394	-8	293
Environment	108,780	-72,390	11,875	48,265	114,368	-77,765	11,875	48,478	213	282
<b>Departmental Expenditure</b>	<b>520,182</b>	<b>-219,607</b>	<b>37,854</b>	<b>338,429</b>	<b>555,694</b>	<b>-255,087</b>	<b>37,854</b>	<b>338,462</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>638</b>
Capital Charges/Interest				-11,241				-12,640	-1,399	-2,000
Pension Reserve Adjustment				-7,504				-7,504	0	0
Accumulated Leave				1,091				1,091	0	0
<b>Levies and Contributions:</b>										
Brecon Beacons National Park				147				147	0	0
Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Authority				9,067				9,067	0	0
<b>Net Expenditure</b>				<b>329,989</b>				<b>328,623</b>	<b>-1,366</b>	<b>-1,362</b>
Outcome Agreement Grant				-570				-570	0	0
Contribution from Balances				-138				280	418	0
Transfer from Balances/Earmarked Reserves				-1,060				-1,060	0	0
Transfer to Major Development Fund				0				1,329	1,329	0
Transfers to/from Departmental Reserves										
- Chief Executive				0				148	148	97
- Education & Children				0				-609	-609	-780
- Corporate Services				0				289	289	261
- Communities				0				4	4	0
- Environment				0				-213	-213	-282
<b>Net Budget</b>				<b>328,221</b>				<b>328,221</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-2,066</b>

**Chief Executive Department  
Budget Monitoring as at 31st March 2016**

Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Feb 2016 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	115	0	-449	-334	321	-60	-449	-188	146	149
People Management & Performance	3,637	-1,045	-1,831	761	3,931	-1,432	-1,831	668	-93	-79
Admin and Law	3,946	-640	1,436	4,742	3,884	-874	1,436	4,446	-297	-139
Customer Focus and Policy	4,412	-1,093	-2,149	1,169	4,595	-1,423	-2,149	1,023	-146	-158
Statutory Services	649	-2	163	810	991	-284	163	871	61	24
Regeneration	5,110	-2,604	2,529	5,036	5,348	-2,808	2,529	5,069	33	9
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>17,869</b>	<b>-5,384</b>	<b>-300</b>	<b>12,185</b>	<b>19,070</b>	<b>-6,881</b>	<b>-300</b>	<b>11,889</b>	<b>-296</b>	<b>-194</b>

## Chief Executive Department - Budget Monitoring as at 31st March 2016

### Main Variances

Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Chief Executive</b>							
Chief Executive-Chief Officer	352	0	321	0	-31	Vacant Posts	-28
Corporate Initiatives	264	0	0	0	-264	Saving from energy budget rationalisation	-264
Corporate Savings Target	-501	0	0	-60	441	Efficiency saving will not be met until 2016-17	441
<b>People Management &amp; Performance</b>							
Business Support	196	-1	162	-1	-34	Reduced spend on Supplies and Services	-22
Personnel Management	910	-295	850	-297	-62	Part year vacant posts	-50
<b>Admin and Law</b>							
Democratic	1,699	0	1,623	-0	-76	Saving of £40k on allowances	-41
Land Charges Administration	74	-273	40	-279	-40	Additional income generated in year	-35
Corporate Serv-Democratic	458	0	416	-34	-76	Part year vacant posts	-0
Corporate Serv-Administration	188	-0	164	-0	-24	Expenditure reduced to meet overspends elsewhere in the department	-23
Corporate Serv-Legal	1,361	-303	1,308	-324	-74	Part year vacant posts	-42
<b>Regeneration &amp; Policy</b>							
<b>Customer Focus and Policy</b>							
Direct Communications	515	-256	490	-196	34	Essential equipment replacement and materials bought in light of underspends elsewhere within the division	7
Customer Services	68	-6	90	-7	21	One off contribution towards the running costs of The Hub, Llanelli	15
Corporate Serv-Translation	280	-15	340	-53	22	Staff levels over and above the budgeted structure to meet demand for the service	34
Carbon Reduction Programme	405	0	357	0	-48	Projection based on current estimate of likely charge	-22
Complaints and Compliments Team	94	0	64	0	-30	Vacant post	-28
Community Safety Fund	48	-48	0	-19	-19	Expenditure reduced to meet overspends elsewhere in the department	-19
CCTV Operators	31	0	55	-3	21	Residual staffing costs during transition to an unmanned service	21
Customer Services Centres	548	-287	495	-287	-53	Vacant posts	-73
Contact Centre	594	-79	534	-79	-60	Vacant posts	-56
<b>Statutory Services</b>							
Coroners	276	0	338	0	63	Increased mortatily rate, costs of room rental	24
Electoral Services - Staff	253	0	227	-0	-26	Vacant post	-33
<b>Regeneration</b>							
West Wales European Centre	445	-306	266	-54	74	Overspend mainly as a result of non-achievement of consultancy income	54

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Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
Amman Gwendraeth Community	94	0	89	-17	-22	Underspend mainly as a result of recharging 1 member of staff to an externally funded project as a direct cost	-5
3 T's Community Dev Core Budget	447	0	407	-13	-53	Reduction in expenditure to partly offset overspend within West Wales European Centre	-51
Community Grants	173	0	151	0	-22	Underspend due to reversal of old 3rd party grant accrual at year end as payment no longer due	0
Rural Carmarthenshire	29	-20	73	-20	44	Overspend mainly in relation to revenue contribution needed towards Parry Thomas Centre capital overspend	64
Amman Gwendreath Regeneration	27	0	62	-0	35	Overspend mainly due to cash contributions needed to cover project shortfalls on grant schemes	2
Regeneration Business Support Unit	322	-107	327	-77	34	Efficiency saving identified for 14/15 in relation to premises costs at Nant Y Ci, with the intention of selling the property. However, property still hasn't been sold so ongoing overspend shown as a result	35
Regeneration Management	58	0	2	0	-56	Underspend through savings in employee costs - vacant post	-56
<b>Other Variances</b>					-12		-43
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-296</b>		<b>-194</b>

**Department for Education & Children**  
**Budget Monitoring as at 31st March 2016**

Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Feb 2016 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		
Director & Strategic Management	762	0	-114	648	631	0	-114	517	-131	-119
Education Services Division	119,013	-1,871	17,508	134,651	141,690	-23,844	17,508	135,354	703	798
Strategic Development	8,970	-7,027	1,076	3,020	8,983	-7,201	1,076	2,857	-162	-100
School Improvement	15,711	-13,724	-1,037	950	15,708	-13,815	-1,037	856	-95	-38
Learner Programmes	10,451	-9,727	779	1,502	10,601	-9,687	779	1,692	190	287
Children's Services	22,660	-6,831	2,953	18,782	23,043	-6,985	2,953	19,011	229	-48
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>177,566</b>	<b>-39,179</b>	<b>21,165</b>	<b>159,552</b>	<b>200,656</b>	<b>-61,534</b>	<b>21,165</b>	<b>160,287</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>780</b>

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Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Director &amp; Strategic Management</b>							
Director & Management Team	762	0	631	0	-131	Utilisation of grant income ended March 2016 -£70k and underspend retained in light of departmental forecast -£61k	-119
<b>Education Services Division</b>							
School Expenditure not currently delegated	450	0	251	83	-116	WJEC reduced fee -£39k, fewer occasions where legal advice was required -£22k, cover for suspended teachers -£33k & supplies & services savings -£22. An efficiency saving of £30k is planned for 2016-17	-100
School Redundancy & EVR	1,602	0	2,395	0	793	Additional cost of School related EVR and redundancies, partially offset by School organisation reserve	1,042
Governor Support & Admissions	211	0	182	0	-29	Cost of updating school plans less than estimated.	-30
Early Years Non-Maintained Provision	500	0	482	0	-18	Fewer children attending pre-school settings than anticipated.	-18
Special Educational Needs	3,425	-1,433	3,261	-1,528	-259	Additional funding allocated to schools and specialist settings, new statements for pupils in small schools & SAPA(School Action Plus - Additional) funding £205k. SNAP Cymru SLA £15k offset by additional recoupment -£91k, less out of county placements -£247k, part year vacancy & additional EIG funding -£141k	-405
EOTAS & Behaviour Services	1,112	-304	1,445	-229	408	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.	361
Rhydygors Day Centre	706	-52	691	-117	-81	Vacant posts in the day centre being considered within the review of provision -£103k. Additional recoupment income -£64k offset by significant increase in supply costs £86k	-71
Sensory Impairment	321	-12	338	-16	12	Additional cost relating to Mobility Officer paid to Ceredigion	16
<b>Strategic Development</b>							
Information & Improvement	340	-35	414	-139	-29	Part time secondment reimbursed from ERW , post not back filled	-24
Business Support	509	0	510	-13	-12	Member of staff on long term sick -£8k Supplies and services etc -£4k	-11
School Meals & Primary Free Breakfast Services	7,757	-6,712	7,656	-6,720	-108	Early implementation of efficiency proposals contributed to current year savings -£23k and efficiencies in supplies and services -£85k	-59

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>School Improvement</b>							
School Effectiveness Support Services	260	-57	222	-63	-44	Transfer of budget at year end ERW Regional Model -£38k, additional income Siarter laith -£3k and reduced costs relating to Griffith Jones Centre -£3k	5
National Model for School Improvement	1,371	-294	1,485	-449	-41	Staff vacancies and secondments to ERW. Recruitment in progress	-49
Welsh Language Support	902	-901	852	-861	-10	Additional income re staff recharge to Siarter laith and reduced transport cost	6
<b>Learner Programmes</b>							
Music Services for Schools	1,335	-1,434	1,348	-1,413	34	Reduction of SLA income from schools £13k reduced parental income £7k, staff related costs £10k & supplies and services £4k. Redundancy met from reserve	82
Youth Service	508	-85	534	-96	16	Delay in staffing reductions £27k, partially offset by additional income from activities/grants -£11k	16
Adult & Community Learning	524	-522	640	-501	137	Reduced Welsh Government funding and franchise income & lower uptake by learners. Service reduced from April 2016 following comprehensive review of service. Redundancy partially met from reserve.	185
<b>Children's Services</b>							
Commissioning and Social Work	5,659	-19	5,555	-96	-181	In year vacancies across the Social Care Teams.	-139
Corporate Parenting & Leaving Care	1,005	-280	1,159	-312	122	The number of Care Leavers has increased drastically over the last few years ranging from 36 in 2010-11 to an average of 106 this year, the budget has not changed and there was also the loss of Supporting People funding this year which was in excess of £100k. Since the Southwark judgement Childrens services have been responsible for young people presenting as homeless, rather than Housing departments. Also, since the change in the Social Services and Wellbeing Act Authorities are now liable for Care Leavers until they are 25 instead of 21. Every care leaver must have a personal adviser. In spite of these pressures there has been no budget growth in this area since 2010.	-0
Fostering Services & Support	3,507	0	3,697	-30	160	The taxi's budget faces ongoing pressure £67k due to the high number of placement moves, some away from school areas. The Fostering Support team variance is due to additional hours and maternity leave £77k, loss of Parent & Baby grant has resulted in an overspend £8k on Board & Lodge, Residence Orders controlled by Child Care Teams £18k. This is offset by a reduction in the number of Looked After Children and revised controls -£10k	97
Adoption Services	490	-55	553	-147	-29	Reduction in adoption allowances as fewer placements -£19k plus net savings in adoption services -£10k mainly due to additional interagency fees	-42
Out of County Placements (CS)	718	-52	741	-40	35	Increased Out of County Placement costs	-88
Residential and Respite Units	883	-150	852	0	119	Planned additional contribution from the LHB has not been achieved in 2015-16 £150k netted off by salary savings -£13k and supplies and services savings -£18k	124

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	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
Garreglwyd Residential Accommodation	504	-155	572	-195	28	Additional staffing costs £71k offset by additional income recharge to Hywel Dda -£-40k and supplies and services savings -£3k	30
Short Breaks and Domiciliary Care	497	-104	445	-97	-45	Underspend due to the maximisation of grant income.	-67
Childcare	388	-118	374	-124	-21	Underspend due to the maximisation of grant income.	-20
Direct Payments	184	0	178	-5	-11	Fewer payments required in 2015/16	-7
Preventative incl Section 17 payments	222	0	213	-4	-12	Fewer payments required in 2015/16	-5
Family Aide Services	197	0	207	0	10	Additional staffing costs	6
Out of Hours Service	250	-64	310	-64	60	Increased number of referrals being handled	85
Children's Services Mgt & Support (incl Care First)	1,053	-108	1,023	-148	-69	Part year vacant posts in Policy -£57k, staff travelling & other efficiencies in management team -£12k	-79
Legal Fees	430	0	484	-0	53	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	61
<b>Other Variances</b>					-7		-5
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>735</b>		<b>780</b>

**Corporate Services Department  
Budget Monitoring as at 31st March 2016**

Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Feb 2016 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		
Financial Services	7,703	-3,424	-3,337	942	7,240	-3,370	-3,337	533	-409	-124
Audit Risk & Procurement	998	-27	-945	26	924	-26	-945	-46	-72	-64
ICT	4,705	-780	-3,714	211	4,579	-991	-3,714	-126	-337	-95
Performance & Development	240	0	-256	-16	192	-1	-256	-64	-49	-5
Corporate Property	5,385	-3,792	-1,065	528	5,846	-4,246	-1,065	535	7	-73
Other Services	70,672	-47,280	-1,057	22,334	73,732	-50,093	-1,057	22,582	247	-162
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>89,703</b>	<b>-55,304</b>	<b>-10,374</b>	<b>24,025</b>	<b>92,514</b>	<b>-58,727</b>	<b>-10,374</b>	<b>23,414</b>	<b>-611</b>	<b>-523</b>

## Corporate Services Department - Budget Monitoring as at 31st March 2016

### Main Variances

Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Financial Services</b>							
Chief Officer	325	-42	246	-42	-79	Vacant Posts	-0
Accountancy	2,098	-385	2,045	-403	-72	Vacant Posts	-0
Local Taxation	879	-711	827	-615	43	Reduction in recoverable council tax costs	-15
Housing Benefits Admin	1,411	-848	1,345	-925	-143	Vacant Posts	-45
Revenues	866	-124	779	-81	-44	Vacant Posts	-39
Benefits Fraud	148	0	74	0	-74	Function transferred out of LA during year	-26
Payments	387	-71	344	-68	-41	Vacant Posts	-0
<b>Audit Risk &amp; Procurement</b>							
Audit	541	-20	485	-19	-55	Vacant Posts	-45
Risk Management	126	-2	109	-2	-17	Vacant Posts	-8
<b>ICT</b>							
Information Technology	3,538	-428	3,477	-663	-295	Vacant posts and delay in implementation of ICT realignment	-95
Central Telephone Network	1,167	-351	1,103	-328	-41	Delivery delays of expected hardware and delays in installation of network circuits	-0
<b>Performance &amp; Development</b>							
Corporate Services Training	101	0	65	-1	-37	Service not fully utilised in year	-6
<b>Corporate Property</b>							
Administrative Buildings	3,044	-624	3,119	-713	-14	General unerspends on property related expenditure	-19
Commercial Property	88	-533	113	-514	44	Vacant properties during year	58
Provision Markets	447	-592	454	-620	-22	Additional rental income re stalls at Carmarthen market	-71

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Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Other Services</b>							
Audit Fees	362	-84	317	-84	-45	Reduction in number of grants to be audited	-0
Rent Allowances	47,077	-47,090	49,767	-49,866	-86	Recovery of overpaid Rent Allowances	22
Miscellaneous Services	8,733	-107	9,159	-143	390	Increase in the bad debt provision	-56
<b>Other Variances</b>					-24		-177
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-611</b>		<b>-523</b>

**Department for Communities**  
**Budget Monitoring as at 31st March 2016**

Division	Working Budget				Forecasted				Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Feb 2016 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		
<b>Adult Services</b>										
Older People	51,966	-18,174	6,001	39,793	51,148	-17,290	6,001	39,858	65	-188
Physical Disabilities	5,968	-837	130	5,261	6,165	-1,193	130	5,102	-159	-75
Learning Disabilities	29,889	-8,010	2,433	24,311	30,731	-8,942	2,433	24,222	-90	685
Mental Health	8,287	-2,946	210	5,551	8,589	-3,111	210	5,688	136	90
Director's Office	1,048	0	140	1,188	948	0	140	1,088	-100	-46
Support	3,502	-1,607	828	2,723	5,292	-3,364	828	2,755	33	-146
<b>Public Protection &amp; CF Housing</b>										
Public Protection	3,161	-776	707	3,092	2,976	-659	707	3,025	-67	-54
Council Fund Housing	9,484	-8,768	1,022	1,739	10,051	-9,210	1,022	1,864	125	27
<b>Leisure &amp; Recreation</b>										
Leisure & Recreation	12,958	-6,232	4,017	10,743	13,187	-6,411	4,017	10,792	49	0
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>126,264</b>	<b>-47,350</b>	<b>15,488</b>	<b>94,402</b>	<b>129,086</b>	<b>-50,180</b>	<b>15,488</b>	<b>94,394</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>293</b>

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### Main Variances

Division	Working Budget		Forecasted		Mar 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000	Notes	Feb 2016 Forecasted Variance for Year £'000
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000			
<b>Adult Services</b>							
<b>Older People</b>							
Older People - LA Homes	8,479	-3,925	8,003	-3,246	204	Savings through early closure of Glanmarlais, offset by loss of residents contributions through lower placement & loss of potential flexi bed income	-42
Older People - Private/ Vol Homes	16,708	-9,666	17,284	-9,577	664	Additional placements (partly through early closure of Glanmarlais) and additional cost of increased fees paid to providers £391k	760
Older People - Extra Care	1,136	0	1,196	0	60	Contract renegotiated, savings part year only	32
Older People - LA Home Care	5,927	-291	5,433	-299	-502	Reduction in care packages	-461
Older People - MOW's	326	-211	273	-169	-11	Reduction in number of meals provided	-19
Older People - Direct Payments	678	0	794	-205	-89	Reduction in packages	-86
Older People - Private Home Care	10,767	-1,837	10,227	-1,697	-399	Reduction in care packages	-432
Older People - Ssmmss	1,162	-234	1,031	-184	-81	Savings achieved through reduced spend on supplies & services - admin & operational equipment, postages and telephone calls	0
Older People - Enablement	2,021	-800	1,718	-700	-202	Staff vacancies partly offset by reduced Health contribution	-284
Older People - Day Services	685	-93	1,084	-83	410	Efficiency savings not achieved due to slippage in reshaping of service. Proposal paper to CMT	421
<b>Physical Disabilities</b>							
Phys Dis - Commissioning & OT Services	619	-72	542	-72	-78	Staff vacancies	-85
Phys Dis - Private/Vol Homes	440	-80	408	-114	-66	Reduction in packages	-59
Phys Dis - Group Homes/Supported Living	1,434	-228	1,379	-120	53	Increase in packages	66
Phys Dis - Community Support	101	0	91	0	-10	Reduction in packages	-19
Phys Dis - Private Home Care	464	-37	469	-54	-12	Additional income	24
Phys Dis - Aids & Equipment	946	-420	921	-433	-39	Staff vacancies, and income from other Local Authorities	-6
<b>Learning Disabilities</b>							
Learn Dis - Employment & Training	2,324	-882	2,256	-709	104	Lower grant income due to change in funding arrangements for Workchoice	79
Learn Dis - Commissioning	851	0	817	0	-33	Staff vacancies	-34
Learn Dis - Private/Vol Homes	9,470	-2,716	9,660	-2,695	211	Slower than anticipated reduction in placements required to meet Efficiency savings. Work underway to address	443
Learn Dis - Direct Payments	1,085	0	1,655	-332	238	Net cost of packages exceeds budgeted costs	286
Learn Dis - Group Homes/Supported Living	6,453	-1,013	6,648	-1,706	-498	Additional income- Wales Independent Living Grant (WILG/Health) partly offset by additional placements	-52
Learn Dis - Adult Respite Care	893	-812	818	-995	-258	Staff vacancies, and write off of bad debt provision	-91
Learn Dis - Transition Service	489	0	448	0	-40	Staff vacancies	-48
Learn Dis - Community Support	1,693	0	1,805	-14	98	Additional packages	76

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Learn Dis - Grants	234	0	346	-17	95	Slippage in re-negotiation of contract	89
Learn Dis/M Health - Ssmss	540	0	477	49	-14	Vacant posts, and underspend on travelling and supplies & services	-64
<b>Mental Health</b>							
M Health - Private/Vol Homes	5,748	-2,596	6,041	-2,710	179	Additional packages resulting in an over commitment on a very volatile budget	175
M Health - Group Homes/Supported Living	301	-83	347	-58	71	Additional packages	60
M Health - Community Support	664	-27	627	-67	-78	Decrease in packages and higher than anticipated income	-89
M Health - Private Home Care	88	-20	111	-20	23	Increased packages	0
M Health - Substance Misuse Team	328	-142	299	-157	-44	Underspend on salaries	-32
<b>Director's Office</b>							
Ssmss - Adult Safeguarding & Improvement Team	1,048	0	948	0	-100	Staff vacancies	-46
<b>Support</b>							
Regional Collaborative	0	0	1,889	-1,766	123	Ineligible expenditure, potential redundancy costs	0
Departmental Support	2,044	-44	1,958	-43	-85	Underspend on salaries, and supplies & services partly offset by overspend on repairs and maintenance	-134
Other Variances					-9		-107
<b>Public Protection</b>							
PP Management support	139	-70	126	-77	-21	Underspend due to general savings on printing, photocopying and postages and recharges	-10
PP Business Support unit	197	0	167	0	-30	Underspend in salary costs due to vacant posts offset by agency staff costs	-30
Public Health	266	-11	273	-5	13	Overspend in responsive maintenance, vehicle hire and fuel partly offset by underspends elsewhere in Public Health	21
Food Safety & Communicable Diseases	335	0	327	-10	-18	Underspend in salary costs due to maternity and general savings in spending to contribution towards the overspend in Public Health and the underachievement of licence fee income	-18
Animal Welfare	69	-23	54	-23	-16	Underspend in salary costs due a vacant post for part of the year	-12
Animal Licence Movement Scheme	153	-67	129	-67	-25	Underspend due to a post being vacant for the first 7 months of 15/16	-24
Trading Standards Services Management	125	-81	116	-36	36	Overspend in legal fees - a number of prosecution cases pending	-7

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Food & Agricultural Standards & Licensing	115	-30	104	-38	-19	Overachievement in income due to grant income being awarded for the FSA Regional feed group lead by Powys and underspend in salaries due to one employee reducing hours	-12
Safety	64	-18	66	-4	17	Underachievement in licence fee income and costs and fees recoverable	28
Other Variances					-4		10
<b>Council Fund Housing</b>							
Independent Living and Affordable Homes	321	-275	271	-155	70	Overspend due to salary costs only part funded by the SP development fund in 15/16	-20
Supporting People Providers	6,495	-6,495	6,516	-6,473	43	Underachievement of grant income due to 14/15 grant clawback small overspend generally in the this year's grant schemes (£13k).	31
Home Improvement (Non HRA)	622	-292	565	-234	-0	Transitional grant funding earmarked for use in 16/17	35
Homelessness	174	-62	133	-72	-50	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	-46
Non HRA Affordable Housing	0	-15	10	-4	22	Lower than anticipated income relating to affordable home fees (£12k) plus additional legal costs (£10k).	22
Temporary Accommodation	255	-184	276	-178	27	Overspend due to Water and cleaning charges incurred. Overspend to be covered by underspends in the Homelessness cost centre.	14
Social Lettings Agency	753	-764	717	-691	38	Underachievement of rental income offset by an underspend in rent charges	5
Other Variances					-25		-15
<b>Leisure &amp; Recreation</b>							
Burry Port Harbour	144	-178	177	-164	47	Overspend on dredging contract £15k and underachieved income to budget £13k	28
Pembrey ski shop	111	-114	55	-36	23	Overspend relates to an end of year reduction in stock valuation	29
Pembrey Ski Slope	283	-224	276	-193	25	Underachieved income to budget	4
Carmarthen Leisure Centre	1,235	-1,027	1,134	-1,067	-141	Part year staff vacancies- £70k, higher income of- £40k, underspend on utilities -£31k	-140
Bro Myrddin Indoor Bowling Club	45	0	45	-10	-10	Reduction in expenditure due to Service being transferred to Management Committee during the year	-15
Amman Valley Leisure Centre	661	-505	616	-508	-48	Part year vacancies	-25
Sport & Leisure General	442	-44	651	-52	202	Planned in year overspend relating to investment in fitness and linked refurbishments	153
Sport & Leisure South	187	-34	179	-51	-25	Minor underspends in a number of expenditure headings -£8k along with increased income to budget -£17k	-15
Pembrey Country Park	290	-563	360	-602	31	Additional staffing costs	69

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Llyn Lech Owain Country Park	39	-20	28	-23	-14	Underspends in Premises and Supplies & Service -£11k along with increased income to budget -£3k	-14
Carmarthen Library	393	-21	375	-23	-20	Part year vacancies	-14
Ammanford Library	239	-8	220	-17	-28	Part year vacancies	-15
Community Libraries	212	-7	173	-8	-39	Lower than anticipated spend on Premises and Supplies & Services	-16
Libraries General	1,014	-2	1,072	-3	57	Increased computer costs due to planned upgrade of systems (H6, income collection and RFID rollout).	53
Mobile Library	191	0	164	0	-27	Vacant post	-26
Museums General	139	0	123	0	-16	Part year vacancy	-16
Archives General	120	-2	177	2	61	Increased expenditure relating to document mould eradication contract	-5
Y Ffwrnnes	651	-400	667	-384	32	Additional staffing costs	2
Pendine Beach	6	-26	4	-35	-11	Higher income than anticipated for Car Parking	-12
Leisure Management	271	0	253	-0	-18	Forecast savings in travel budgets- £5k, in year staff vacancy- £3k along with Stationery- £6k, Office Equipment- £3k and Postage- £1k	-17
Other Variances					-29		-8
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>-8</b>		<b>293</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		
Policy & Development	918	0	-807	111	1,013	-48	-807	158	47	72
Street Scene	42,051	-18,107	9,503	33,447	44,039	-20,002	9,503	33,540	93	7
Transport	25,149	-16,690	2,043	10,502	24,960	-16,557	2,043	10,446	-55	-31
Property Services	36,416	-34,884	251	1,783	40,194	-38,409	251	2,036	253	235
Planning	4,246	-2,709	885	2,422	4,162	-2,749	885	2,298	-124	0
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>108,780</b>	<b>-72,390</b>	<b>11,875</b>	<b>48,265</b>	<b>114,368</b>	<b>-77,765</b>	<b>11,875</b>	<b>48,478</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>282</b>

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<b>Policy &amp; Development</b>							
Emergency Planning	70	0	117	0	46	Severance not delivered £36k, estimated overspend on out of hours service £5k and £5k on other miscellaneous costs.	45
<b>Streetscene</b>							
Flood Defence & Land Drainage	325	0	364	-2	37	Overspend due to Severance not delivered in 15-16.	-2
Highway Maintenance	14,761	-7,161	15,270	-7,602	69	Final cost variations on resurfacing works.	1
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.	-21
Public Conveniences	505	-23	514	-11	21	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.	36
Cleansing Service	1,871	-56	1,939	-53	71	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	210	-15	-22	£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.	-23
Closed Landfill Sites Nantycaws	32	0	2	0	-30	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.	-31
<b>Transport</b>							
Civil Design	872	-1,225	843	-1,163	33	Under recovery of income due to vacant Technician post, post is now filled.	35
Passenger Transport	4,352	-2,544	4,899	-3,127	-36	Services adjustments undertaken to manage budget pressures	-41
Transport to Schools & Colleges	8,245	-1,040	8,068	-925	-62	Tender efficiencies and service redesign.	-56
Car Parks	1,621	-3,137	1,740	-3,291	-36	Demand for car parks has increased, generating additional income and there are reduced costs for gritting the car parks due to the mild winter.	-32
Nant y Ci Park & Ride	2	0	76	-28	46	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.	49

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<b>Property Services</b>							
Building Mtce	22,945	-25,666	25,453	-27,977	198	Reduction in Carmarthenshire Home Standards work.	213
Pat Testing	0	0	22	0	22	No budget for pat testing.	20
Parks & PC Landlord	63	0	94	0	31	Asset transfer not undertaken - budget removed in 11/12 efficiencies.	30
Grounds Maintenance Service	4,007	-2,718	4,120	-2,875	-45	Effect of ongoing efficiency savings within the grounds maintenance service.	-79
Building Cleaning	3,182	-3,343	3,254	-3,373	42	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.	25
<b>Planning</b>							
Building Control - Other	198	0	168	-0	-30	Staff vacancies.	-28
Minerals	235	-94	256	-188	-74	Underspend mainly due to charging out of 2 members of staff to externally funded projects as a 'direct cost'. Also over-achievement of other income targets.	-44
South Wales Regional Aggregates Working Party (E)	50	-50	36	-50	-14	Grant received based on outputs achieved not expenditure incurred, resulting in 15/16 surplus.	0
<b>Other Variances</b>					-32		113
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>213</b>		<b>282</b>