

Revenue Budget 2017/18 - Second Quarter Review						
Adults, Health and Wellbeing Department	Proposed Budget 2017/18	Estimated Final Position 2017/18	Estimated Overspend / (Underspend) 2017/18	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend)	Net Overspend / (Underspend) Quarter 1
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Adults Services						
Older Peoples Services						
Residential and Nursing - Homes	10,461	10,508	47	0	47	(316)
Home Care	6,223	6,017	(206)	0	(206)	126
Other	2,850	2,596	(254)	0	(254)	(147)
	19,534	19,121	(413)	0	(413)	(337)
Physical Disability Services						
Residential and Nursing	492	478	(14)	0	(14)	(20)
Home Care	998	1,067	69	0	69	90
Other	709	573	(136)	0	(136)	(100)
	2,199	2,118	(81)	0	(81)	(30)
Learning Disability Services	14,950	14,731	(219)	0	(219)	(228)
Mental Health Services						
Residential and Nursing	1,492	1,712	220	0	220	236
Other	1,983	1,888	(95)	0	(95)	(97)
	3,475	3,600	125	0	125	139
Other Services (Adults)						
Management	418	413	(5)	0	(5)	0
Older People and Physical Disability Team	2,378	2,408	30	0	30	0
	2,796	2,821	25	0	25	0
Adults Services Total	42,954	42,391	(563)	0	(563)	(456)

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<u>Provider Services (showing net budget)</u>						
Residential Care	9	193	184	0	184	75
Day Care	5	65	60	0	60	0
Community Care	2	333	331	0	331	200
Other	0	(66)	(66)	0	(66)	(10)
<u>Total Provider Services</u>	16	525	509	0	509	265
<u>Other Services</u>						
Housing Services	4,393	4,442	49	0	49	38
Departmental Central Services (including the Department's savings schemes)	3,420	3,641	221	0	221	300
<u>Total Other Services</u>	7,813	8,083	270	0	270	338
<u>Adults, Health and Wellbeing Total</u>	50,783	50,999	216	0	216	147

Adults, Health and Wellbeing

Older Peoples Services - a number of factors are responsible for the reduction in costs, which include a reduction in the packages where there is a need for two home carers.

Physical Disability Services - an underspend on direct payments and supported accommodation has assisted in reducing the overspend effect on home care.

Learning Disability Services - an underspend position is forecasted on residential and nursing, supported accommodation and day services, but an overspend on support packages, partly due to slippage with the savings schemes.

Mental Health Services - the trend continues with an overspend of £125k on residential and nursing, but an underspend on vacant jobs and receipt of a grant on other services somewhat mitigates the position.

Provider Services - a continuation of the overspend trend since 2016/17 due to additional staffing costs, with travelling costs also responsible for £108k of the overspend on community care.

Other Services - Central Services - the above forecasts reflect a risk that it will not be possible to realise £436k of savings, with a number of savings schemes having slipped from 2016/17. The report by the Head of Department and the Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing to re-package their savings schemes, in order that they are realised, is still awaited. Vacant jobs, additional grant and higher income reduces the overspend reported to £221k.

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Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Service Management	511	490	(21)	0	(21)	(10)
Operational Services	1,995	2,133	138	0	138	100
Placement Services						
Out of County Placements	1,947	2,160	213	0	213	20
Agency Fostering	928	1,042	114	0	114	205
Internal Fostering	1,675	1,706	31	0	31	75
Other Support services	1,573	1,616	43	0	43	30
	6,123	6,524	401	0	401	330
Post-16 Services	913	879	(34)	0	(34)	(75)
Specialist Services/Derwen	1,565	1,608	43	0	43	5
Youth Justice Services	234	203	(31)	0	(31)	(25)
Early Years Services	126	72	(54)	0	(54)	(35)
Other Services	2,494	2,448	(46)	0	(46)	0
Children and Families Total	13,961	14,357	396	0	396	290

Children and Families

Operational Services - an overspend of £138k is forecasted, although the Department budget has been increased in 2017/18. The overspend continues as a result of an increase in the number of children in care but not in fostering placements, together with an overspend on staff costs.

Placement Services - an overspend of £213k on out of county placements and £114k on agency fostering. One new case and one package which has accentuate are responsible for the out of county increase, whilst there were five new internal fostering cases at the beginning of the year, but three cases have now ended. The pressure from the number of cases and failure to realise savings targets have also led to the overspend.

Early Years Services - it is forecasted there will be an underspend of (£54k) following receipt of a new child care grant.

It is requested that the Cabinet Member for Children and Youth and the Head of Department ensure that decisive steps are taken to reduce the overspend and ensure that the budget is under control by year end.

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Education Department	Proposed Budget 2017/18	Estimated Final Position 2017/18	Estimated Overspend / (Underspend) 2017/18	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend)	Net Overspend / (Underspend) Quarter 1
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Delegated Schools	73,208	73,208	0	0	0	0
Transport	4,246	4,510	264	0	264	200
Redundancy and Early Retirement	358	364	6	0	6	0
Out of County	953	953	0	0	0	0
Catering and Cleaning	294	440	146	0	146	95
Nursery Education	600	596	(4)	0	(4)	0
School Improvement Grant	564	524	(40)	0	(40)	(40)
Management	1,569	1,503	(66)	0	(66)	(41)
Additional Learning Needs and Inclusion	3,053	3,067	14	0	14	190
Further Education	24	17	(7)	0	(7)	0
Education Contribution to Joint-Committees	1,202	1,168	(34)	0	(34)	(23)
Other	3,856	3,841	(15)	0	(15)	(23)
Education Total	89,927	90,191	264	0	264	358

Education

The latest forecasts suggest a reduction in the overspend to £264k, compared to £358k reported in the first quarter. The main areas contributing to this position are:

Transport - the overspend trend continues since the first quarter review, and has by now increased to £264k, with a shortfall of £50k on the sale of post-16 transport tickets, an underspend of (£17k) on school buses, but a £230k overspend on school taxi transport following an increase in requests since establishing the budget. In the first quarter review, the Education Cabinet Member was requested to ensure that the Head of Education, in consultation with the Head of Environment, review the increase in spending on school taxis and take steps to manage the position or to report on the situation. As the relative financial position has deteriorated, the Cabinet Member is requested to report on the matter directly to Cabinet.

Catering and Cleaning - a £146k overspend is forecasted, mainly due to costs emanating from illness and staffing matters, together with loss of a grant and the delay in realising the savings from the Free Breakfast scheme.

Management - an underspend of (£66k) as a result of staff turnover.

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Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Management	875	875	0	0	0	0
Community Learning	3,458	3,418	(40)	0	(40)	(3)
Tourism and Heritage	1,434	1,446	12	0	12	5
Economy and Community	2,117	2,113	(4)	0	(4)	0
Healthy Communities	3,505	3,504	(1)	0	(1)	(28)
<u>Economy and Community Total</u>	11,389	11,356	(33)	0	(33)	(26)

Economy and Community

The latest forecasts suggest an underspend of (£33k) by the year end by the Economy Department. Within this position, it is forecasted that some services will overspend, including Marine, Galleries and Museums, but balanced by an underspend in other areas such as Country Parks, Business Support and Halls.

Community Learning - and underspend of (£40k) is envisaged, which is a combination of an underspend of (£20k) on the Youth Service, as there is a reduction in the youth club provision, and (£20k) on Community Regeneration due to staff turnover.

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Highways and Municipal Department (including Trunk Roads Agency)	Proposed Budget 2017/18	Estimated Final Position 2017/18	Estimated Overspend / (Underspend) 2017/18	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend)	Net Overspend / (Underspend) Quarter 1
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Highways Services (including Trunk Roads)	9,938	10,213	275	0	275	71
Engineering Services	401	490	89	0	89	13
Municipal Services						
Waste	9,324	9,537	213	0	213	48
Other	3,713	3,762	49	0	49	17
Municipal Provider Units	(14)	(40)	(26)	0	(26)	0
<u>Highways and Municipal Total (including Trunk Roads Agency)</u>	23,362	23,962	600	0	600	149

Highways and Municipal (including Trunk Roads Agency)

Highways Services - forecasts suggest that income from external contracts will be less than the target, together with slippage on Highways and Lighting savings.

Engineering Services - a combination of failure to realise savings schemes, staffing matters and loss of an external contract are responsible for the overspend of £89k forecasted.

Waste - a number of matters responsible for the overspend, including lack of income, increasing recycled material handling and transport costs.

In the first quarter review, it was reported there was an expectation that the Highways and Municipal Cabinet Member and the Head of Department would take decisive steps during the year to ensure they operated within the budget. As the financial position has deteriorated considerably, it is therefore requested that the Cabinet Member reports on the matter directly to Cabinet.

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Environment Department	Proposed Budget 2017/18	Estimated Final Position 2017/18	Estimated Overspend / (Underspend) 2017/18	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend)	Net Overspend / (Underspend) Quarter 1
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Department Management	539	526	(13)	0	(13)	0
Planning Services						
Development Control	372	351	(21)	0	(21)	0
Other	(39)	(54)	(15)	0	(15)	0
	333	297	(36)	0	(36)	0
Street Works and Transport Services						
Forward Planning	2,439	2,439	0	0	0	0
Road Safety	255	222	(33)	0	(33)	0
Traffic and Statutory Arrangenets	567	504	(63)	0	(63)	0
Parking and Parking Enforcement	(1,429)	(1,428)	1	0	1	(134)
Integrated Transport	2,069	1,934	(135)	0	(135)	0
Enforcement and Traffic	175	131	(44)	0	(44)	0
	4,076	3,802	(274)	0	(274)	(134)
Countryside and Access Services	999	1,020	21	0	21	0
Joint Planning Policy Unit	288	288	0	0	0	0
Public Protection Services	1,745	1,675	(70)	0	(70)	0
Catering, Cleaning and Caretakers	3	2	(1)	0	(1)	0
Property	32	23	(9)	0	(9)	0
Budget Harvesting				282	282	0
Environment Total	8,015	7,633	(382)	282	(100)	(134)

Environment

Street Works and Transport Services - a one-off underspend of (£274k) is forecasted which is a combination of a number of vacant posts as part of the proposed re-structuring together with exceeding the income target.

Public Protection - income in excess of budget mainly responsible for the underspend (£70k) forecasted, with various underspends on service running costs also responsible for the favourable financial position.

As a result of the promising one-off forecast this year by the Department, it is suggested that (£282k) of the underspend that is in excess of (£100k) should be released for the Council purposes.

It is recommended, with the approval of the Head of Environment Department, that (£282k) from the Environment Department is transferred to the Financial Strategy Reserve.

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Consultancy Department	Proposed Budget 2017/18	Estimated Final Position 2017/18	Estimated Overspend / (Underspend) 2017/18	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend)	Net Overspend / (Underspend) Quarter 1
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Roads and Engineering Services	(66)	(106)	(40)	0	(40)	10
Building Services	39	109	70	0	70	73
Flood Risk Management Unit Services	935	935	0	0	0	0
Building Control	200	205	5	0	5	2
Consultancy Total	1,108	1,143	35	0	35	85

Consultancy

Roads and Engineering Services - the latest forecasts suggest an underspend of (£40k) following the Department's success in attracting additional income through a combination of internal and external work.

Building Services - the service continues to tender for work from external establishments to attract income, but based upon the current position, a shortfall of income of £70k is forecasted by the end of the year, which is £30k better than this period last year.

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Central Departments	Proposed Budget 2017/18	Estimated Final Position 2017/18	Estimated Overspend / (Underspend) 2017/18	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend)	Net Overspend / (Underspend) Quarter 1
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Management Team and Legal	667	596	(71)	0	(71)	0
Finance	850	782	(68)	0	(68)	(40)
Corporate Support	357	203	(154)	54	(100)	(20)
Central Departments Total	1,874	1,581	(293)	54	(239)	(60)

Central Departments

Corporate Management Team and Legal - a forecasted underspend of (£71k) with (£52k) of this from receipt of additional income by the Legal Unit, and (£9k) of savings realised early and (£9k) within Emergency Planning.

Finance (and Information Technology) - one-off underspend on staff costs within the Department continues, together with attracting income in excess of the budget.

Corporate Support - an increase in the underspend forecasted to (£154k), which is a combination of one-off staffing savings as a result of staff turnover and the success of the department in attracting external income in excess of the budget in numerous areas. As the level of the forecasted underspend is in excess of (£100k), it is recommended that (£54k) is harvested from the favourable position forecasted to assist with the changes facing us as a Council.

It is recommended, with the approval of the Head of Corporate Support Department, that the underspend of (£54k) by Corporate Support is transferred to the Financial Strategy Reserve.

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Corporate (Only reflects headings where an overspend/(underspend) position is forecasted)	Proposed Budget 2017/18	Estimated Final Position 2017/18	Estimated Overspend / (Underspend) 2017/18	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend)	Net Overspend / (Underspend) Quarter 1
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Council Tax	*	*	(200)	200	0	(380)
Council Tax Reduction	*	*	(800)	800	0	0
Net Interest Receipts	*	*	(7)		(7)	0
Savings Realised Early	*	*	(406)	406	0	0
Bids returned by Departments	*	*	(444)	444	0	0
Other	*	*	(1,055)	697	(358)	0
Corporate Total	*	*	(2,912)	2,547	(365)	(380)

Corporate

A favourable position is forecasted from the higher level of Council Tax (£200k) as a result of a reduction in the number of exemptions to reduce Council Tax, including single person discounts. An underspend of (£800k) on the Council Tax Reduction scheme, with a reduction in the number of applications, a trend also seen by other North Wales Councils. Various savings realised early were (£406k), and (£444k) of bids that will not be used this year, mainly (£317k) in Adults, Health and Wellbeing, were released.

The latest projection suggests it will be possible to release £697k as a result of a change in legislation/grant after setting the budget, including an increase in the cap on fees in the elderly care field (£198k), receipt of a grant from the Welsh Government means it will be possible to release the adult demography budget (£300k) and the land charges litigation budget (£50k).

It is recommended to harvest (£200k) from the favourable Council Tax receipts, (£800k) from the underspend on Council Tax Reduction, (£406k) savings realised early, (£444k) one-off underspend on bids and (£697k) from favourable conditions on other Council budgets, with these being transferred to the Financial Strategy Reserve to assist with unavoidable one-off pressures on the Council's budgets.