

MEETING: **AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

DATE: **29 NOVEMBER 2018**

TITLE: **REVENUE BUDGET 2018/19 –  
END OF AUGUST 2018 REVIEW**

PURPOSE: **Monitoring Report on the Latest Financial Position**

ACTION: **Receive the information, consider the risks arising from the forecast expenditure against the budget, and scrutinise the Cabinet's decisions regarding budget management by the Council and its departments.**

CONTACT OFFICER: **DAFYDD L EDWARDS, HEAD OF FINANCE**

CABINET MEMBER: **COUNCILLOR PEREDUR JENKINS**

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1. In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011, the Audit and Governance Committee is expected to scrutinise some financial matters, including budget monitoring reports, as appropriate.
2. The attached report (Revenue Budget 2018/19 – End of August Review) was submitted to the Cabinet on 16 October 2018.
3. The Cabinet Member for Finance and the Chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee have asked us to present this report to the Audit and Governance Committee to be scrutinised, together with the relevant decision notice which is on the next page.
4. The Audit and Governance Committee is requested to note the situation and the relevant risks regarding the budgets of the Council and its departments, consider the Cabinet's decisions and comment as necessary.

**Appendices:**

Cabinet Decision Notice 16/10/2018

Revenue Budget 2018/19 – End of August 2018 Review (Cabinet 16/10/2018)

## **GWYNEDD CABINET DECISION NOTICE**

**Date of Cabinet Meeting:** 16 October 2018

**The Decision will come into force** and implemented, unless the decision is called in, in accordance with section 7.25.1 of the Gwynedd Council Constitution.

31 October 2018

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 13: REVENUE BUDGET 2018/19 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW

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### **DECISION**

- To accept the report on the end of August 2018 review of the Revenue Budget and consider the latest financial situation regarding the budgets of each department/service.
  - To ask the Cabinet Members for Children, Education and Highways and Municipal services to ensure that the departments have a clear implementation plan to reduce the financial deficit and to discuss those plans with me so that I can be confident that they are reasonable.
  - Reimburse the Economy and Community Department £40k which is the income loss resulting from the closure of the Arfon swimming pool over the summer.
  - Harvest (£1,904) of the net underspend on Corporate budgets with (£40k) to be used to reimburse the Economy and Community Department for the income loss while the Arfon swimming pool was closed. With the remaining (£1,864) to be transferred to the Supporting the Financial Strategy Reserve to support the inevitable one-off pressure on the Council's budget.
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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

It is the Cabinet's responsibility to take action, as necessary, in order to secure appropriate control over the Council's budgets (e.g. approval of significant virements or supplementary budgets).

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### **DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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### **ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION**

The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which have been included in the report.

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