

FINAL ACCOUNTS 2018/19						
Adults, Health and Wellbeing Department	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<u>Adults Services</u>						
Older People Services						
Residential and Nursing - Homes	11,408	10,868	(540)	0	(540)	(306)
Home Care	6,241	5,931	(310)	0	(310)	(318)
Other	1,821	1,902	81	0	81	25
	19,470	18,701	(769)	0	(769)	(599)
Physical Disability Services	2,296	2,079	(217)	0	(217)	(210)
Learning Disability Services	16,812	16,571	(241)	0	(241)	(193)
Mental Health Services	3,443	3,413	(30)	0	(30)	57
Other Services (Adults)	2,937	2,939	2	0	2	40
<u>Adults Services Total</u>	44,958	43,703	(1,255)	0	(1,255)	(905)
<u>Provider Services (showing net budget)</u>						
Residential Care	(277)	(106)	171	0	171	274
Day Care	(91)	63	154	0	154	122
Community Care	469	1,033	564	0	564	552
Other	(14)	48	62	0	62	75
<u>Total Provider Services</u>	87	1,038	951	0	951	1,023

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<u>Other Services</u>						
Housing Services	1,844	1,933	89	0	89	138
Departmental Central Services <i>(including the Department's savings schemes)</i>	4,060	4,290	230	0	230	230
Use of Specific Reserve		0	0	0	0	(457)
<u>Total Other Services</u>	5,904	6,223	319	0	319	(89)
<u>Adults, Health and Wellbeing Total</u>	50,949	50,964	15	0	15	29

Adults, Health and Wellbeing

Older Peoples Services - receipt of a late grant and an increase in the residential and nursing income following assessments and an increase in numbers. Less demand for home care packages throughout the year.

Physical Disability Services - the trend in the reduced number of home care and residential and nursing packages continues.

Learning Disability Services - underspend on residential and nursing and supported accommodation being reduced by the overspend on day services, support schemes and field workers.

Provider Services - re-directing a grant at the end of the year in part easing the overspend. Additional staff costs is mainly responsible for the overspend with some of the reasons including homes having been in special measures, recommendations by Care Inspectorate Wales and staff appointments beyond the budget. Costs are higher than the income received on Community Care.

Housing Services - increasing pressure on temporary accommodation for the homeless and slippage in realising the savings scheme, however, the receipt of grants at the end of the year and higher income reduces the reported overspend.

Departmental Central Services - income received and vacant posts reduce the effect of the slippage in realising £372k of the 2017/18 savings schemes.

As the department's position is better than expected, contrary to the original proposal there is no need to make use of the funds of £457k, which is equivalent to the supporting social services grant received in 2017/18, to help alleviate the reported overspend.

Due to the level of the overspend by the Provider service, the Adults Cabinet Member and the Head of Department are looking into the root of the matter in order to reduce the overspend.

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Children and Families Department	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Service Management	609	589	(20)	0	(20)	(22)
Operational	2,059	2,370	311	0	311	273
Placement						
Out of County Placements	1,587	2,704	1,117	0	1,117	990
Agency Fostering	1,009	966	(43)	0	(43)	(2)
Internal Fostering	1,701	1,977	276	0	276	256
Support Services and Others	1,594	1,757	163	0	163	139
	5,891	7,404	1,513	0	1,513	1,383
Post-16	998	1,327	329	0	329	175
Specialist/Derwen	1,682	2,010	328	0	328	242
Youth Justice	239	195	(44)	0	(44)	(44)
Early Years	155	118	(37)	0	(37)	5
Youth	871	711	(160)	0	(160)	(179)
Others	1,584	1,560	(24)	0	(24)	52
Grant Received 2018/19		(552)	(552)	0	(552)	(552)
2018/19 Final Accounts Adjustment			0	(1,544)	(1,544)	0
Children and Families Total	14,088	15,732	1,644	(1,544)	100	1,333

Children and Families

Operational - the 2017/18 trend continues with staff costs above the budget level together with an increase in the number of children in care but not placed in more expensive placements, the area has received extra funding of £100k for 2019/20 onwards.

Placements - four new out of county placements, with an increase in the number of packages and cost averages, there was also a reduction in health contributions. Increasing overspend within Internal Fostering, 'Staying On' scheme and support services. A review of the out of county commitments has been undertaken, which has highlighted changes to the type of cases over recent years, and therefore the associated costs. The area will be the subject of a report from the Children's Department.

Post-16 - cases transferred from out of county placements are responsible for the overspend, with two expensive packages responsible for a substantial amount of the cost.

Specialist/Derwen – further increase in the overspend to £328k, £212k of the overspend on Support schemes following an increase in the demand for service and specialist support, along with £95k as a result of a number of factors by the Hafan Y Sêr Unit.

Youth – transitional period in providing youth services with savings being realised in advance.

An increase in overspend is noted on a number of budget headings since the previous review, which has lead to a gross overspend of £2.2m by the end of the financial year. In December, the Council received a grant of £552k from the Welsh Government in order to support sustainable social services, due to the financial position of the Children's Department, it's appropriate that the money should be used to try and reduce the gross overspend of £2.2m to £1.6m.

In view of the Department's overspend level, in accordance with the Cabinet's decision of 22 January 2019, the Chief Executive, Head of Finance and the Corporate Director will meet with the Cabinet Member and the Head of the Children and Families Department to address the financial matters of the Department.

It is **recommended** that the Children and Families departement receive a one-off partial financial assistance of £1,544k to restrict the level of overspend that will be carried forward Department to £100k, to support them to move on to face the challenges of 2019/20.

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Education Department	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gor / (Tan) Wariant GrosGross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Delegated Schools	72,430	72,430	0	0	0	0
Schools Quality Services	(341)	(656)	(315)	0	(315)	(140)
Infrastructure and Support Services						
Transport	4,606	4,971	365	0	365	447
Ancillary Services	500	543	43	0	43	204
Other	(133)	(253)	(120)	0	(120)	(10)
	4,973	5,261	288	0	288	641
Leadership and Management	2,124	2,147	23	0	23	47
Additional Learning Needs and Inclusion	4,140	4,260	120	0	120	193
Account Closure Adjustments 2018/19				(16)	(16)	0
Education Total	83,326	83,442	116	(16)	100	741

Education

Schools Quality Services - an increase in underspend following the receipt of a grant and approval from the Welsh Government to re-direct another grant at the end of the year. Staff turnover and a reduction in costs also contributed towards the favourable position.

Transport - an overspend of £365k, with School Buses overspending £196k, Taxis £170k and an underspend (£1k) on the Post-16 Transport Income. A reduction (£82k) in the overspend trend with a reduction in the expenditure on school taxis which is mainly responsible for the move since the previous review. An increase in the overspend on School Buses transport because of adjustments and additions to contracts.

The transport service has been subject to a review to try and control the increase in expenditure by the department during the year. Further resource has been allocated to the department for this service in 2019/20, which is a partial resolution but the need for further work continues. Furthermore, the Education Department and the Environment Department intend to work together in the future to take advantage of efficiency opportunities.

Infrastructure and Support Services - Ancillary Service - receipt of a late grant has helped to alleviate the lack of income from school meals, the care element of the breakfast scheme, and an overspend on staffing matters and sickness in Catering, Cleaning and Caretaking of schools.

Infrastructure and Support Services - Other - less demand on a number of various budgets including a budget of £54k being released following a service level agreement between the Welsh authorities and the examinations board WJEC coming to an end.

Additional Learning Needs and Inclusion - re-directing the use of a grant at the end of the year has reduced the effect of the overspend during the transitional period to the new regime by the Before School Units ABC. The overspend which relates to the circumstances in one specific centre and on Education apart from in School is being reduced by an underspend by the Additional Learning Needs Units and on various budgets.

It is **recommended** that the Education Department receive a one-off partial financial assistance of £16k to limit the overspend that will be carried forward by the Department to £100k, to support them to move on to face the challenges of 2019/20.

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Economy and Community Department	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Management	335	334	(1)	0	(1)	0
Community Learning	1,676	1,591	(85)	0	(85)	(44)
Tourism and Heritage	1,071	1,084	13	0	13	23
Economy and Community	131	126	(5)	0	(5)	6
Healthy Communities	866	1,129	263	0	263	202
Account Closure Adjustments 2018/19				(157)	(157)	0
Economy and Community Total	4,079	4,264	185	(157)	28	187

Economy and Community

Community Learning - underspend due to vacant posts and savings being realised in advance.

Tourism and Heritage - a reduction in the overspend reported which is a combination of a £72k overspend by Storiell on staffing costs and lack of income, but an underspend on the Arts and Archives helps the financial situation.

Economy and Community - Overspend by Hafan, Pwllheli and Doc Fictoria, Caernarfon, but is lessened by the underspend on country parks and more income from beaches.

Healthy Communities - overspend of £157k due to the slippage in the timescale of establishing 'Cwmni Byw'n Iach' to run the leisure facilities. Overspend on staff costs and a reduction in the income of the leisure centres also contribute to the overspend of £263k.

It is **recommended** to compensate the Economy and Community Department £157k, the sum of the overspend due to the slippage of establishing 'Cwmni Byw'n Iach' to run the leisure centres, which limits the overspend that will be carried forward by the Department to £28k.

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Highways and Municipal Department (including Trunk Roads Agency)	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Highways Services (including Trunk Roads)	9,274	9,368	94	0	94	39
Engineering Services	498	493	(5)	0	(5)	(1)
Municipal Services Waste	10,491	10,994	503	0	503	470
Other	3,588	3,614	26	0	26	81
Account Closure Adjustments 2018/19				(518)	(518)	0
<u>Highways and Municipal Total (including Trunk Roads Agency)</u>	23,851	24,469	618	(518)	100	589

Highways and Municipal (including Trunk Roads Agency)

Highways Services - reduction in income from external contracts on road works and lighting. Although the winter was relatively mild, there was an overspend as a result of a number of storms.

Waste - increase in the overspend to £503k, with an overspend on staffing costs and costs associated with illness. Higher operational costs were seen on transport, fleet maintenance and transporting recycling material. Although the Department has taken steps to reduce costs by changing shifts and collection route arrangements, changes that were expected to be effective from November 2018 in Dwyfor and in 2019/20 in Arfon and Meirionnydd, there has been a slippage in the implementation timetable to 2019/20.

Other Municipal Services - although the cost of running and hiring vehicles remains to be a problem, higher income from cremation and burials and underspending on various budgets has reduced the level of overspend by the end of the year.

Although some steps have already been taken on the waste side during the year to ensure measures to operate within the budget, it is noted that there was a delay in the implementation this year.

It is **recommended** that the Highways and Municipal Department receive a one-off partial financial assistance of £518k, which limits the overspend that will be carried forward by the Department to £100k, to support them to face the challenges of 2019/20.

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Environment Department	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Department Management	518	468	(50)	0	(50)	(81)
Planning Services						
Development Control	73	(72)	(145)	0	(145)	82
Other	192	174	(18)	0	(18)	(17)
	265	102	(163)	0	(163)	65
Street Works and Transport Services						
Network Management (Transport)	749	493	(256)	0	(256)	(128)
Parking and Parking Enforcement	(1,965)	(1,974)	(9)	0	(9)	(19)
Integrated Transport	1,703	1,794	91	0	91	(48)
	487	313	(174)	0	(174)	(195)
Countryside and Access	709	719	10	0	10	5
Public Protection	1,712	1,632	(80)	0	(80)	(29)
Property, Caretaking, Catering and Cleaning	1,436	1,401	(35)	0	(35)	66
Account Closure Adjustments 2018/19			0	392	392	0
Environment Total	5,127	4,635	(492)	392	(100)	(169)

Environment

Management - savings in advance in the department has led to one-off savings on the management heading.

Planning Services - considerable increase in the income by the end of the year in the Development Control Service as a result of two large applications as well as work by officers on a project with the National Grid and Horizon company. Underspend on services, supplies and transport.

Streetworks and Transport Services - Over achievement of income and a notable increase in the income from road closures, which are part of the Departments savings plan for 2019/20 onwards, as well as staff underspend.

In Integrated Transport, underspend on staff costs and excelling in income has reduced the effect of additional costs deriving from re-tendering bus journeys by two operators. Because the department on the whole is underspending, there are no further plans to use the Fund that was ring-fenced in 2017/18 towards increasing costs. The department is in the process of reviewing public transport and have commissioned research from the University to review the provisions.

Protecting the Public - income and further grants as well as underspend on many of the budget headings.

Property, Caretaking, Catering and Cleaning - a positive shift of £100k as a result of reduced costs on staffing including secondments and maternity.

In accordance with the Financial Regulations, it is **recommended** that the usual procedure be followed so that the Environment Department can retain (£100k) of its underspend, and to move (£392k), the sum above (£100k), and use it to assist the departments that have overspent in 2018/19.

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Consultancy Department	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Roads and Engineering Services	(196)	(259)	(63)	0	(63)	(2)
Building Services	(93)	(92)	1	0	1	(3)
Flood Risk Management Unit Services	433	417	(16)	0	(16)	1
Building Control	52	71	19	0	19	(7)
Consultancy Total	196	137	(59)	0	(59)	(11)

Consultancy

Roads and Engineering Services - positive shift of (£61k) since the last review, work on projects by other Councils and The Welsh Government at the end of the year has led to higher income than forecasted.

Flood Risk Management Unit Service - additional grants for work on drainage systems has surpassed the targeted income.

Building Control - lack of income responsible for the overspend at the end of the year following the unit's staff working on a project that didn't attract an income, namely the Ffordd Gwynedd Review with a view to improving future arrangements.

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Central Departments	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Management Team and Legal	1,817	1,741	(76)	0	(76)	(93)
Finance (& Information Technology)	5,892	5,833	(59)	0	(59)	(53)
Corporate Support	7,851	7,790	(61)	0	(61)	(59)
Central Departments Total	15,560	15,364	(196)	0	(196)	(205)

Central Departments

Corporate Management Team and Legal - underspend of (£76k) by the end of the year, which is a combination of additional income by the Legal Unit, reduction in costs in the Emergency Planning field and a vacant post. These savings will form part of the savings proposals from 2019/20 onwards.

Finance (and Information Technology) - one-off underspend on posts across the Department is the main contributor to the underspend, along with attracting additional income. Higher income receipt since the November Review which includes an additional grant from The Welsh Government for administering business rate relief. The savings achieved in advance have been planned in preparation to contribute towards the savings plans from 2019/20 onwards.

Corporate Support - the underspend is a combination of one-off staff savings due to vacant posts, along with the Department's success in attracting external income in excess of the budget which includes Occupational Health and Translating, with the intention of using it as part of the savings plans from 2019/20 onwards.

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Corporate (Only reflecting the variances)	Proposed Budget 2018/19	Final Position 2018/19	Gross Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Overspend / (Underspend) 2018/19	Net Overspend / (Underspend) End of November
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Council Tax	*	*	(24)		(24)	0
Council Tax Premium	*	*	(19)	19	0	0
Council Tax Reduction	*	*	(265)		(265)	0
Net Interest Received	*	*	(139)		(139)	8
Capital Costs	*	*	(551)	551	0	0
Corporate Maintenance	*	*	(738)	738	0	0
Budgets Returned by Departments			(937)		(937)	0
Other	*	*	(651)		(651)	(55)
Account Closure Adjustments 2018/19 - <i>to general balances</i>				173	173	
				1,481		
Account Closure Adjustments 2018/19 - <i>to finance overspend</i>				1,843	1,843	0
Corporate Total	*	*	(3,324)	3,324	0	(47)

Corporate

Council Tax and Council Tax Premium - a favourable situation of additional tax of (£24k) on the Council Tax and (£19k) Council Tax Premium. An increase of over 60% this year in the amount of properties the Valuation Office have allowed to be transferred from the Council Tax register to Non Domestic Rates, which is 453 properties (282 in 2017/18, and 199 in 2016/17). We will continue to draw the attention of the Welsh Government and the Valuation Office of this unsatisfactory situation.

Council Tax Reduction - underspend of (£265k) as the number of applications for the Council Tax Reduction (benefit) generally is at it's lowest level in comparison to the previous two years across North and Mid Wales.

Net Interest Receipt - recent changes in the treasury management field has allowed Welsh Councils to invest in property investment which has led to higher returns.

Capital Costs - present treasury management policy means that external borrowing can be avoided this year which creates an underspend against the capital costs budget. Following the recent setting up of the Asset Management Plan for 2019/20 onwards, it is recommended that this underspend is moved to a fund specifically to aid the funding of the capital programme.

Corporate Maintenance - as the Council is awaiting a decision on a grant from Welsh Government which is to be spent on numerous school sites, part of this year's maintenance budget has been earmarked as corresponding money to attract the grant. It is recommended that the money should be moved to a specific fund for this purpose.

Budgets Returned by Departments - following the receipt of a grant from The Welsh Government to finance the increase in teacher's salaries at the end of December it was possible to release budget of (£617k) and the demand wasn't as intense as a result of pension auto-enrolment.

Other - underspend as the pressure on a number of budget headings was not as much as anticipated.

It is **recommended** that (£19k) linked with the Council Tax Premium is earmarked to a specific fund to be considered for the housing strategy, (£551k) relating to capital costs to be transferred to a capital programme finance fund, (£738k) on repair and maintenance to be transferred to a repair and maintenance fund. Use (£1,843k) of the net underspend on the Corporate budget to support departments that have overspent in 2018/19 with the remaining (£173k) to go to the Council's general balances.