

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Adults, Health and Well-being Department</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b><u>Adults Services</u></b>						
Older People's Services						
Residential and Nursing - Homes	15,077	15,613	536	0	536	(607)
Domiciliary Care	7,100	6,925	(175)	0	(175)	(869)
Others	(249)	965	1,214	0	1,214	1,132
	21,928	23,503	1,575	0	1,575	(344)
Physical Disabilities Services	2,374	2,352	(22)	0	(22)	(122)
Learning Disabilities Services	19,568	19,370	(198)	0	(198)	444
Mental Health Services	3,554	3,424	(130)	0	(130)	(147)
Other Services (Adults)	3,095	3,063	(32)	0	(32)	(48)
<b><u>Adults Services Total</u></b>	<b>50,519</b>	<b>51,712</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>(217)</b>
<b><u>Provider Services (shows net budget)</u></b>						
Residential Care	105	409	304	0	304	(67)
Day Care	15	255	240	0	240	339
Community Care	69	655	586	0	586	397
Others	22	65	43	0	43	(43)
<b><u>Provider Services Total</u></b>	<b>211</b>	<b>1,384</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>626</b>

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<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Other Services</b>						
Departmental Central Services ( <i>including Department savings</i> )	3,040	3,422	382	0	382	11
Covid-19 expenditure in the Adults Care field			860		860	
Use of specific reserve						(420)
<b>Other Services Total</b>	<b>3,040</b>	<b>3,422</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>(409)</b>
<b>Adults, Health and Well-being Total</b>	<b>53,770</b>	<b>56,518</b>	<b>3,608</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,608</b>	<b>0</b>
<i>Grant Receipts from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>				(1,722)	(1,722)	
<b>Adults, Health and Well-being Adjusted Total</b>					<b>1,886</b>	

## **Adults, Health and Well-being**

**Older People's Services** - pressure on the residential and nursing care provision, with numbers considerably higher than the level two years ago. The impact of Covid-19 contributed to a reduction in the demand for domiciliary care packages. Failure to realise £1,144k worth of savings under the 'Others' heading and an overspend of £363k on Supported Accommodation, with the costs of the Hafod y Gest scheme responsible for a substantial proportion of the relevant overspend.

**Learning Disabilities Services** - Underspend on residential and nursing and the impact of Covid-19 contributed to additional expenditure by the service, but also to a reduction in the demand for support plans this year.

**Mental Health Services** - less pressure on the support plan provision along with staff turnover.

**Provider Services** - additional costs associated with Covid-19 are responsible for the overspend anticipated for Residential Care. Staffing above budget level is a matter within Day and Community Care, and on top of this, a reduction in Community Care income, partly due to Covid-19.

**Departmental Central Services** - receipt of a grant and income and reducing expenditure reduced the impact of the slippage in realising £563k worth of savings schemes.

The impact of Covid-19 has had a significant repercussion on the Adults, Health and Well-being department this year, with £2.2 million spent up to the end of August, and £1.722 million having already been received from Welsh Government towards the relevant additional costs up to the end of July. Before considering the impact of Covid-19, an overspend of £1.886 million is anticipated for this year, with a failure to realise savings worth £1.751 million being a contributory factor to the situation.

This year, the department received bids to a value of over £1.8 million to address the increasing pressure on the 2020/21 budget, including for the fields of Learning Disabilities, Residential Care in the Provider Unit, and Older People's Residential and Nursing Care.

The Chief Executive has already commissioned work to obtain a better understanding of the matters and a clear response programme, in order to obtain a better understanding of the complex details of the picture in adults' care.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Children and Families Department</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Service Management	590	584	(6)	0	(6)	(18)
Operational	2,101	2,170	69	0	69	153
Placements						
Out-of-County Placements	2,965	4,556	1,591	0	1,591	1,624
Fostering through an Agency	1,179	1,626	447	0	447	501
Fostering – Internal	2,161	2,535	374	0	374	588
Support Services and Others	1,825	1,784	(41)	0	(41)	113
	8,130	10,501	2,371	0	2,371	2,826
Post-16	1,054	1,468	414	0	414	260
Specialist/Derwen	1,819	2,088	269	0	269	357
Youth Justice	253	215	(38)	0	(38)	(78)
Early Years	158	106	(52)	0	(52)	(74)
Youth	898	734	(164)	0	(164)	(136)
Others	1,721	1,705	(16)	0	(16)	69
Adjustment - Closure of 2019/20 Accounts						(3,259)
<b>Children and Families Total</b>	<b>16,724</b>	<b>19,571</b>	<b>2,847</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,847</b>	<b>100</b>
Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency				(68)	(68)	
<b>Children and Families Adjusted Total</b>					<b>2,779</b>	

## **Children and Families**

**Operational** - the overspend on staff costs, with £50k of this as a result of employing additional temporary workers to respond to the Covid-19 emergency.

**Placements** - despite additional funding of £1.8m having been allocated to this field for 2020/21 in order to meet the increasing pressure, the overspend continues, with an anticipated overspend of £2.4m by the end of the financial year. Within the heading, there are savings to the value of £688k which are yet to be realised and which now look unlikely to be realised.

The demand for the range of services is further intensifying, with the majority of the overspend deriving from five new out-of-county placements this year, along with the impact of a full year of seven cases that commenced during 2019/20, with the average number of placements having increased to 21.6 from 18.1 for 2019/20. Fostering through an agency: three new cases this year and the impact of a full year of 12 cases that commenced in 2019/20. Overspend deriving from the impact of an increase in the number of internal fostering placements last year (166 on 31.3.20, 139 on 31.3.19). Following a review of the out-of-county commitments, it became apparent there had been a change in the type of cases in recent years and, therefore, to the associated costs.

**Post-16** - this year's high initial support costs derive from three cases opened since the start of the financial year, along with the full year impact of two cases from last year.

**Specialist/Derwen** - the impact of the increased demand for support schemes and specialist support over the past years is responsible for the overspend, but this has been reduced by underspend on travel costs as a result of Covid-19 restrictions.

**Early Years** – the use of grants funded core expenditure, with the receipt of grants in the childcare field responsible for the underspend.

**Youth** – the receipt of grants was higher against core expenditure for this year, along with underspend following the remodelling of the service.

Given the department's tendency to increasingly overspend, a Children's Budget Task Force has been commissioned by the Chief Executive to address the serious financial matters of the Department.

Up to the end of August, the Department has faced additional costs to the value of £68k as a result of Covid-19, which has been reflected in the figures above.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Education Department</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Devolved Schools	80,455	80,455	0	0	0	0
Secondary School Meals Income (Devolved)	0	230	230	0	230	0
Schools Quality Services	(541)	(760)	(219)	0	(219)	(406)
Infrastructure and Support Services			0			
Transport	4,906	4,457	(449)	0	(449)	158
Ancillary Services	500	1,034	534	0	534	356
Others	2,912	2,771	(141)	0	(141)	(167)
	8,318	8,262	(56)	0	(56)	347
Leadership and Management	2,276	2,216	(60)	0	(60)	(49)
Additional Learning Needs and Inclusion	4,537	4,561	24	0	24	12
<b>Education Total</b>	<b>95,045</b>	<b>94,964</b>	<b>(81)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(81)</b>	<b>(96)</b>
<i>Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>				(230)	(230)	
<b>Education Adjusted Total</b>					<b>(311)</b>	

## Education

**Secondary School Meals Income** - loss of income from school meals as a result of the Covid-19 emergency, for which an application has been made for compensation from Welsh Government.

**Schools Quality Services** - a combination of receiving grants, staff turnover, reducing expenditure and a drop in demand for certain budgets over the lockdown period is responsible for the underspend anticipated.

**Transport** - contrary to the usual trend of overspending, an underspend of (£449k) is anticipated for transport this year following the closure of schools over the summer term; this includes underspend of (£392k) on school buses and (£134k) on taxi and train transportation, but is reduced by a deficit of £77k in Post-16 Transport ticket sales during the lockdown period..

The Transport field has been the subject of a strategic review to try to control the increase in expenditure, with the need for further work by the Education Department and the Environment Department continuing, so that it is possible to take advantage of efficiency opportunities.

**Infrastructure and Support Services - Ancillary Services** - loss of income from school meals and the care element of the breakfast clubs as a result of the emergency, along with an increase in the numbers who claim free school lunches. Furthermore, there was additional expenditure on school cleaning due to requirements associated with Covid-19.

**Infrastructure and Support Services - Others** - reduced demand on various budgets, especially during lockdown.

**Leadership and Management** - receipt of grant funding and underspend on various headings within the budget.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Economy and Community Department</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Management	356	350	(6)	0	(6)	3
Community Regeneration and Support Programmes	367	367	0	0	0	10
Maritime and Country Parks	16	663	647	0	647	9
Leisure Contracts	1,502	1,468	(34)	0	(34)	79
Sports Programmes	59	33	(26)	0	(26)	(60)
Economic Development Programmes	(83)	(83)	0	0	0	(26)
Marketing and Events	260	265	5	0	5	0
Gwynedd Libraries	1,618	1,531	(87)	0	(87)	(7)
Gwynedd Museums, Arts and Archives	858	987	129	0	129	59
<b><u>Economy and Community Total</u></b>	<b>4,953</b>	<b>5,581</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>67</b>
<i>Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>				<b>(475)</b>	<b>(475)</b>	
<b><u>Economy and Community Adjusted Total</u></b>					<b>153</b>	



## Economy and Community

**Maritime and Country Parks** - a loss of income as a result of the Covid-19 emergency has had a significant impact on this field, contributing to an overspend of £547k on Maritime and £100k on Country Parks. The most evident loss of income is to be seen at Hafan, Pwllheli, with a projected deficit of £433k. A combination of a notable increase in visitor numbers to beaches following the lockdown period and good weather extending the season in September means that the anticipated loss of income is lower than expected.

**Leisure Contracts** - the Leisure provision was transferred to the Byw'n Iach Company on 1 April 2019, but responsibility for the running costs of properties remained with the Council. With the centres having been closed for part of the year as a result of Covid-19, a one-off reduction in the leisure centres' running costs is anticipated for this year.

**Gwynedd Libraries** - a number of vacant posts and a reduction in expenditure while the libraries were closed over the lockdown period.

**Museums, Arts and Gwynedd Archives** - problems continue in Storiol with a predicted deficit of £86k by the end of the financial year, which is a combination of overspend in staff costs and income deficit. The work of renovating Neuadd Dwyfor has commenced and as a result there is no way of generating income this year, while the impact of Covid-19 has led to a loss of income at the Lloyd George Museum. Expenditure cuts have led to underspend by the Arts.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Highways and Municipal Department (including Trunk roads)</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Highways Services (including Trunk roads)	9,941	9,882	(59)	0	(59)	(54)
Engineering Services	383	447	64	0	64	(12)
Municipal Services						
Waste	11,022	11,688	666	0	666	851
Others	3,877	4,531	654	0	654	(238)
Adjustment - Closure of 2019/20 Accounts						(447)
<b>Highways and Municipal Total</b>	<b>25,223</b>	<b>26,548</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>100</b>
<i>Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>				(488)	(488)	
<b><i>Highways and Municipal Adjusted Total</i></b>					<b>837</b>	

**Highways and Municipal (including Trunk roads)**

**Highways Services** - Covid-19 restrictions during the early months of the year have caused underspend on the roadworks budget for this year; vacant posts and underspend on various headings also contributed to the anticipated underspend situation.

**Engineering Services** - a delay in realising the savings scheme, but discussions are ongoing to find a solution.

**Waste** - a number of matters are responsible for the overspend anticipated, but the overspend has mainly gone on waste and recycling collection. Although the department had taken action to reduce costs by changing shifts and waste collection circuit arrangements, there was a delay in operations. The new arrangements have now come into force in Dwyfor and more recently in Arfon but there was a further slippage in the timetable to implement the new system in Meirionnydd, this being pushed back to March 2021; there were therefore transitional costs associated with staffing and sickness costs this year.

The service faced additional costs and loss of income as a result of Covid-19, and a significant reduction was also seen in the prices received for selling recycling materials, which has halved since last year's levels. The trend of failing to realise savings also continues.

**Other Municipal Services** - the effects of Covid-19 have also led to loss of income, including within the commercial waste field, as businesses were closed during the lockdown period. Additional requirements and changes to working arrangements in order to comply with Covid-19 regulations and social distancing have caused additional costs. A failure to realise savings also contributes to the situation.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Environment Department</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Department Management	419	331	(88)	0	(88)	(58)
Planning and Building Control Service	415	563	148	0	148	34
Street Works and Transport Services			0			
Network Management (Transport)	711	565	(146)	0	(146)	(236)
Parking and Parking Enforcement	(1,786)	(798)	988	0	988	116
Integrated Transport	1,685	1,978	293	0	293	(29)
	610	1,745	1,135	0	1,135	(149)
Countryside and Access	654	641	(13)	0	(13)	33
Public Protection	1,604	1,602	(2)	0	(2)	(15)
Adjustment - Closure of 2019/20 Accounts						70
<b><u>Environment Total</u></b>	<b>3,702</b>	<b>4,882</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,180</b>	<b>(85)</b>
<i>Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>				(876)	(876)	
<b><u>Environment Adjusted Total</u></b>					<b>304</b>	

## Environment

**Management** - general underspend and the department's advance savings have led to one-off savings under the Management heading.

**Planning and Building Control Service** - the general trend of income loss continues again this year, though mitigated somewhat by staff underspend and lower spending on various budgets including statutory notices and appeals.

### **Street Works and Transport Services**

**Network Management (Transport)** - a combination of vacant posts, underspend on a number of budget headings including works including the Forward Planning field, but a loss of income from streetworks fees.

**Parking and Parking Enforcement** - the significant impact of Covid-19 restrictions is responsible for an £886k loss of parking income over just the first quarter of the financial year; Welsh Government has already compensated the Council for this loss. Further losses of income are anticipated for the remainder of the year, but these are reduced by underspend on various budgets.

**Integrated Transport** - overspend on public bus contracts; although the department is in the process of conducting a review of public transport, with the University already having been commissioned to review the provision, this has been delayed due to the Covid-19 emergency.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Consultancy Department</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2020/21</b>	<b>Estimated 2020/21 Position</b>	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	<b>Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments</b>	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	<b>Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20</b>
<b>Field:-</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
Roads and Engineering Services	(705)	(639)	66	0	66	29
Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems Unit (SuDS)	2	2	0	0	0	0
Flood Risk Management Unit	596	596	0	0	0	(3)
Building Service	(15)	21	36	0	36	(52)
<b>Consultancy Total</b>	<b>(122)</b>	<b>(20)</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>(26)</b>
<i>Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>				0	0	
<b>Consultancy Adjusted Total</b>					<b>102</b>	

### **Consultancy**

**Roads and Engineering Services** - the income from the first months of the financial year was hindered due to the impact of Covid-19; an application to compensate the net income loss of £140k has been made to Welsh Government, which is yet to be approved. The service continues to apply for work and therefore attracts further income on various schemes by external organisations, such as other councils and Welsh Government.

**Building Service** - income deficit reduced by lower expenditure on services and supplies.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Housing and Property Department</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Management	381	401	20	0	20	74
Housing Services			0			
Homelessness	1,161	1,851	690	0	690	251
Private Sector Housing	417	387	(30)	0	(30)	(87)
Others	355	304	(51)	0	(51)	(42)
	1,933	2,542	609	0	609	122
Property Services						
Property	3,158	3,146	(12)	0	(12)	(89)
Care-taking, Catering and Cleaning	2	(21)	(23)	0	(23)	(24)
	3,160	3,125	(35)	0	(35)	(113)
<b>Housing and Property Total</b>	<b>5,474</b>	<b>6,068</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>83</b>
<i>Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>				<b>(237)</b>	<b>(237)</b>	
<b><i>Housing and Property Adjusted Total</i></b>					<b>357</b>	

### Housing and Property

**Management** - A Savings Scheme which is yet to be realised is mainly responsible for the overspend, but this is reduced by underspend on other headings.

**Housing Services** - significant pressure on the Temporary Accommodation budget in terms of Homelessness, with a substantial proportion of this as a result of the emergency and the need to take homeless people off the street. It is anticipated that it will be possible for the Council to be compensated by Welsh Government for this additional expenditure. Underspend on staff costs in the Homelessness Unit and Private Sector Housing and underspend in the Gypsies and Travellers field under 'Others', which helps mitigate the overspend reported for the Housing Service.

**Property Services** - vacant posts and secondments are mainly responsible for the underspend anticipated as well as overspend on services and supplies.



<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Central Departments</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Management Team and Legal	1,764	1,733	(31)	0	(31)	(50)
Finance (and Information Technology)	6,649	6,564	(85)	0	(85)	(70)
Corporate Support	7,286	7,358	72	0	72	(100)
<b>Central Departments Total</b>	<b>15,699</b>	<b>15,655</b>	<b>(44)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(44)</b>	<b>(220)</b>
<i>Grant received from Welsh Government to compensate for expenditure/loss of income due to the Covid-19 emergency</i>						
<i>Finance (and Information Technology)</i>				<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	
<i>Corporate Support</i>				<i>(21)</i>	<i>(21)</i>	
<b>Central Departments Adjusted Total</b>					<b>(65)</b>	

### **Central Departments**

**Corporate Management Team & Legal** - the latest projections suggest an underspend of (£31k), with a portion of the underspend on the vacant Corporate Director post being diverted to fund improved well-being provision in Council offices. The impact of the emergency has led to a reduction in the income received by the Legal Unit.

**Finance (and Information Technology)** – combination of reasons responsible for the underspend, including one-off underspend due to vacant posts, secondments and income received in several fields. Additional costs were incurred by the department as a result of the emergency in terms of business grant administration and also in the information technology field.

**Corporate Support** - Covid-19 restrictions leading to loss of income is responsible for the projected overspend of £72k, including an loss of income of £80k in the field of marriage registration and £7k on passport interviews during the first quarter of the financial year. The impact of Covid-19 has also had negative implications for the internal income of the Printroom, with a deficit of £135k anticipated by the end of the financial year. Underspend on posts, services and provisions across the department is helping the situation.

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21 - END OF AUGUST REVIEW</b>						
<b>Corporate (Reflects variances only)</b>	Proposed Budget 2020/21	Estimated 2020/21 Position	<b>Estimated Gross Over / (Under) Spend 2020/21</b>	Use of Other Sources or Other Recommended Adjustments	<b>Adjusted Estimated Over / Under Spend 2020/21</b>	Net Over/(Under) Spend Final Position 2019/20
<b>Field:-</b>	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Council Tax	*	*	(441)	441	0	(495)
Council Tax Reductions	*	*	(297)	297	0	(183)
Capital Costs	*	*	(250)	250	0	0
Interest Received			300		300	0
Provision for realising corporate savings	*	*	(1,644)		(1,644)	0
Others including Budgets and Bids returned by Departments	*	*	(689)	389	(300)	(334)
Adjustment - Closure of 2019/20 Accounts						1,012
<b>Corporate Total</b>	*	*	<b>(3,021)</b>	<b>1,377</b>	<b>(1,644)</b>	<b>0</b>
<i>Grant returns from Welsh Government not required by the departments</i>				<b>(422)</b>	<b>(422)</b>	
<b>Corporate Adjusted Total</b>					<b>(2,066)</b>	

## Corporate

**Council Tax and Council Tax Premium** - in light of the Covid-19 emergency and therefore in order to avoid possible financial hardship, all recovery actions on unpaid Council Tax bills were suspended for three months until the start of July; at present, therefore, we anticipate a favourable situation of additional tax to the value of (£441k) on Council Tax. The Council has planned to receive £2.7m of Council Tax Premium during 2020/21, which is to be allocated to be considered for the Housing Strategy.

**Council Tax Reductions** - An underspend of (£297k) is anticipated following a trend of annual reduction in the number of applications to the Council Tax Reductions (Benefits) scheme over the past four years, with the 2019/20 figures at their lowest across North and Mid-Wales Councils; an increase of 4% was seen in the numbers for Gwynedd in the first quarter of 2020/21 following the Covid-19 emergency.

**Capital costs** - current treasury management policy means that external borrowing can be avoided, creating underspend against the capital costs budget. It is recommended that the underspend should be diverted to a fund, which should be used to assist in funding the capital programme.

**Interest Received** - following the impact of Covid-19 on the financial markets, a reduction in the expected interest received is anticipated.

**Provision for realising corporate savings** - following the failure of certain departments to realise savings in some fields, a corporate provision has been set up for the purpose, which is available for appropriate distribution.

**Others including Budgets and Bids returned by Departments** - Returning parts of bids following grant returns, one-off savings of a corporate nature and pressure across a number of budgets not as much as anticipated and, therefore, underspending this year.

**It is recommended** that (250k) relating to capital costs should be allocated to a capital programme fund, with the remainder of the net underspend on Corporate budgets, a sum of (£1,127k) being transferred to the Council's balances to assist in addressing the financial challenge facing the Council, especially in light of the Covid-19 emergency.