

Risk Code	Issue Risk	Responsible Person	Reporting Period	Next Review Date	Initial Risk Assessment	Current Risk Assessment	Risk Trend	Status
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The four major (red) Improvement Plan risks in September 2015 were: -

**Priority: Appropriate and Affordable Homes**

**Risk: The supply of affordable housing will continue to be insufficient to meet community need**

The Housing Regeneration & Strategy Service continues to work closely with the Planning Service and Grwp Cynefin for the delivery of affordable housing. Applications to the affordable housing register remain steady and an increasing number of affordable housing units (both gifted and equity share) are being provided through Section 106 Planning Agreements.

An Affordable Housing Officer and Private Sector Manager have been appointed and are working together to facilitate the supply of affordable housing requirements within the county. In addition, work continues to progress the NEW Homes business plan which includes the purchase of eight additional affordable homes and the transfer of 13 new build units during 2015/16.

**Priority: Skills & Learning (Modernised and High Performing Education)**

**Risk: Limited funding to address the backlog of known repair and maintenance works in Education and Youth assets will be further reduced to meet new pressures on the Education and Youth Budgets**

School Modernisation remains a key tool in enabling the Authority to invest appropriately in its school portfolio. This will involve a reduction in schools within the Council's portfolio (therefore reducing the backlog) and a reduction of unfilled places.

**Priority: Modern and Efficient Council (Improving Resource Management)**

**Risk: The scale of the financial challenge.**

The level of anticipated funding from Welsh Government is still uncertain and will not be confirmed until receipt of the Final Settlement announcement. The Spending Review announcement is scheduled for the 25th November although the amount of funding likely to be received locally will not be known until the receipt of the Provisional Local Government Settlement on 9th December 2015.

The announcement is later than previous years due to the next UK Spending Review and notification of the final amount of funding will not be known until the Welsh budget is approved in March 2016.

Part 2 of the MTFS 'Meeting the Financial Challenge' was published in September 2015 which set out how the Council plans to meet the challenge.

**Priority: Modern and Efficient Council (Improving Resource Management)**

**Risk: The capacity and capability of the organisation to implement necessary changes**

The extensive programme to consider alternative delivery models across a range of services will continue to impact on available resources across portfolios. Corporate support will need to be prioritised for those services progressing to the feasibility stage. Additional/external support may be needed as the commissioning stage approaches.