

COUNCIL FUND - REVENUE BUDGET 2012/13
FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL



Budget Monitoring (Month 11)
Summary of Movement from Month 10

	£m	£m
Month 10		
Out of County Ringfenced Budget	(1.318)	
Service Directorates	0.350	
Central and Corporate Finance	(0.337)	
Variance as per Executive Report		(1.305)
Month 11		
Out of County Ringfenced Budget	(1.287)	
Service Directorates	(0.711)	
Central and Corporate Finance	(0.336)	
Variance as per Directorate Returns		(2.334)
Change Requiring Explanation		(1.029)

Community Services

- Professional Support (Children Services) - the main movements from month 10 are an increase in projected legal and court costs (£0.035m) together with an increase in agency staff costs within the Duty and Assessment Team (£0.035m). 0.076
- Support Services (Mental Health Service) - the movement from month 10 is mainly due to an increase in the underspend against the Residential and Domiciliary Care Service due to one service user leaving the service unexpectedly (-£0.021m). The balance is made up of small variances across a number of services totalling -£0.010m. (0.031)
- Substance Misuse (Mental Health Service) - the movement from month 10 is mostly due to the Welsh Government allowing Substance Misuse Action Fund underspend to be allocated against existing spend (-£0.020m) together with one residential placement that was expected to occur did not (-£0.012m). These are offset by various small variances totalling £0.002m. (0.029)
- Resource and Regulated Service (Disability Service) - the movement from month 10 has changed the position from an underspend (-£0.092m) to an overspend (£0.031m). This is due to an increased overspend against in-house Supported Living due to a combination of small movements within 14 of the properties totalling £0.058m together with a reduction (£0.058m) in the cost of client packages within Independent Sector Purchased Care. The balance of £0.008m is made up of a number of smaller variances. 0.124
- Business Services Income - Development & Resources, a year end review of the bad debt provision has determined that (£0.099m) can be reduced. (0.099)
- Vulnerable Adults and Disability Service (Disability Service) - the movement from month 10 is mostly due to an underspend (-£0.524m) being identified against transition following a review of individual placements. The balance (-£0.034m) is made up of a number of smaller variances within the Service. (0.555)
- Locality Teams (Localities) - the movement from month 10 is mostly due to an increase in the underspend on purchased residential care (-£0.122) and purchased domiciliary care (-£0.055m) offset by an increase in spend on minor adaptations (£0.032m). The balance (-£0.021m) is made up of a number of smaller variances. (0.166)
- Homelessness Ring-fenced Budget (Customer & Housing Services) - the movement from month 10 reflects current demand for the service. (0.046)

• Resources and Regulated Services (Intake and Reablement) - the movement from month 10 reflects the impact on this year of the transport contract re-tendering exercise (£0.031m), a further increase in the underspend for in-house domiciliary care (£0.033m) together with an increase in the underspend on the Mold Extra Care scheme (£0.050m) following a reduction in the expected in year spend offset by an increase in the overspend on staff pay (£0.011m) within Professional Support.	(0.100)
• Reablement Services (Intake and Reablement) - the movement from month 10 reflects an additional contribution to the NE Wales Community Equipment Service for additional equipment purchases to reflect increased activity.	0.036
• Other minor changes of less than £0.025m	0.039
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Environment**Winter Maintenance**

- There was a sustained period of winter weather throughout January, including snow and sub zero temperatures continuing through February. However following the major snow event on the 22nd March, extensive costs in relation to salt provision, contractors, overtime and fuel have been incurred. 0.078

Agricultural Estates

- Following the appointment of the Land Agent, this has led to the successful follow up of outstanding rent arrears. This additional income and reprofiled expenditure commitments are reflected at period 11. (0.032)

Planning Control

- The costs associated with Planning appeals i.e specialist advice and legal fees have been offset by Planning fee income in excess of target at period 11. 0.036
- Other minor changes of less than £0.025m (0.024)

0.058
Lifelong Learning**Leisure Services**

- The projected outturn for Leisure Centres & Pools has increased by £0.100m since month 10. This relates to increased expenditure on repairs and maintenance and supplies and services. 0.100
- The estimated underspend on the Leisure Services repairs and maintenance has reduced by £0.023m. 0.023
- Efficiencies of £0.053m on Recreational Grounds and Amenities have been partially offset by a pressure of £0.038m on Play Development. (0.015)

Development & Resources

- A saving of £0.100m against Cymorth/Flying Start relates to some corrections to accounting arrangements on the Childcare in Wales budget (£0.063m) and to vacancy savings made in the Children & Young People's Partnership Team (£0.037m). These savings have arisen at this stage because we've recharged an element of management and admin time to the Families First grant to utilise grant funding where there has been slippage on other projects. (0.100)
- There has been an increase in the projected expenditure for Youth & Community Services of £0.016m which relates to several minor variances. 0.016
- An underspend of £0.201m is expected on Student Transport. £0.125m of the underspend relates to procurement/contract savings and £0.076m relates to local bus service reallocation. A review of Student Transport budgets is ongoing to analyse which elements of the savings relate to specific contracts negotiated by the procurement unit so that budgets can be adjusted accordingly. (0.201)
- The increase of £0.085m on the Catering projection relates mostly to additional expenditure on staff uniforms £0.013m and new kitchen equipment which exceeded capital budgets £0.032m. The remainder relates to reduced income and to increased food costs which has been offset by slight improvements on Head Office, Cleaning and Security (£0.044). 0.041
- The reduction in the Management & Admin projection relates to lower costs than anticipated towards year end on Insurance claims. (0.036)
- Other Minor Variances 0.038

(0.134)

Corporate Services

• HR and Organisational Development - reduced pressure on CRB (£0.021m), reduced pressure external income (£0.021m), reduced pressure corporate training (£0.010m), Occupational Health efficiency (£0.131m), provision for HR Service Review transitional arrangements £0.085, minor variances £0.026m.	(0.072)
• Chief Executives Department - superannuation correction (£0.012m), employee safety measures underspend (£0.019m), other minor variances (£0.019m)	(0.050)
• Other Minor Variances	(0.081)
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Central and Corporate

• Other Minor Variances	0.001
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Total changes

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