

Budget Monitoring 2012/13 (Month 12)

Service	Revised Budget (£m)	Projected Outturn (£m)	Variance (£m)	Variance Period 11 (£m)	Cause of Variance	Action Required
Agricultural Estates	(0.158)	(0.200)	(0.042)	(0.032)	Following the appointment of the Land Agent, this has led to the successful follow up of outstanding rent arrears. Period 12 figures show the additional income and reprofiled expenditure commitments.	
Industrial Units	(1.479)	(1.398)	0.081	0.091	Shortfall of Industrial Unit Rental Income, due in the main to Gaz de France decommissioning the Shotton Power Station site. Income shortfalls are partly mitigated by savings in vacant posts at Deeside Enterprise Centre. At period 12 additional budget was provided from Non Standard Inflation for Electricity	Keep Unit rental income closely monitored throughout 2013/14.
Property Holdings	0.090	0.067	(0.023)	(0.038)	Budget provision at the former Ty'r Binwydden site has been utilised to finance additional R&M at Custom House CP, dilapidation works at Glanrafon and legal fees for the Bailey Hill site.	Review of site budgets necessary in line with asset management programme
Property Asset & Development	0.530	0.449	(0.081)	(0.082)	Net Vacancy Savings plus £20k professional fees received from National Grid in relation to the sale of Site C at Period 11.	

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Car Parks	0.025	0.082	0.057	0.059	Car Park income shortfalls at Holywell and Mold are partially offset by a reduced maintenance programme. The figures also include anticipated back pay for Car Park Attendants regarding overtime payable at an enhanced rate for Saturday working.	
Transportation	1.646	1.538	(0.108)	(0.021)	Reallocation of costs to the School Transport budget and additional expenditure on Bus Stops and Shelters that was intended to be financed from base budget was claimed from TAITH. In addition, Concessionary Travel expenditure incurred under Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) was eligible for claiming from WG under the Free Concessionary Travel Scheme	

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Winter Maintenance	1.276	1.385	0.109	0.078	There was a sustained period of winter weather through January, including snow, together with 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. This is likely to result in total winter maintenance costs of £1.630m. The total salt usage is expected to be 13,000 tonnes, with 3,270 used since the 22nd March. In addition the projected repair bill for the clear up and impact on the road network into 2013/14 for pothole repairs, patching, tree clearance and fencing repairs is currently being evaluated	The Council is currently compiling a bid to Welsh Government for assistance under the Emergency Financial Assistance Scheme (EFAS). The outturn figures now reflect use of £277k of Contingency Reserves and £245k of the Winter Maintenance Reserve as approved by Cabinet in May.
Highways Maintenance	2.712	2.785	0.073	0.070	Increasing cost associated with attending flooding events following substantial rainfall throughout the financial year.	

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Waste Disposal & Waste Collection	9.139	9.389	0.250	0.250	<p>Delivery of the new Streetscene Service resulted in unexpected additional operational costs which have been mitigated by increased recycling levels, which not only reduce landfill and tipping charges but increases the level of recycling income received.</p> <p>One off Agency and staff backfilling costs as a result of the on-going investigation within Waste have been incurred and in addition, the energy generation from Gas at the landfill sites has been affected by problems with the performance of the Gas Engines at both landfill sites. This has resulted in a £145k shortfall against the income target.</p> <p>Work to realign budgets across the service is on-going and will be in place for 2013/14 onwards.</p>	
Fleet Services	(0.026)	(0.053)	(0.027)	(0.033)	<p>Minor over recovery of Fleet Recharge costs which will be reflected in service area budgets.</p>	
Planning Control	0.367	0.412	0.045	0.036	<p>The costs associated with Planning appeals i.e. specialist advice and legal fees have been offset by Planning fee income in excess of target.</p>	

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Service Development & Support	0.236	0.216	(0.020)	(0.020)	Part time salary savings	
Management Support & Performance	1.164	1.021	(0.143)	(0.116)	Vacancy Savings relating to 5 posts (2 x Sc4, Sc6, SO1 & M6) ahead of Service Review implementation offset by the cost of Modern Apprentices from September 2012. Anticipated Period 12 commitments did not get incurred for Data Protection Training (online training provision used) and subscriptions that were reviewed and determined not to be required.	Provision will be made within Service budgets for the Modern Apprentice costs in 2013/14.
Public Protection	3.543	3.320	(0.223)	(0.228)	Net Vacancy Savings ahead of the Service Review being implemented, offset by income shortfalls in Pollution Control.	
Markets	(0.099)	(0.085)	0.014	0.014	Rental income shortfalls from outdoor pitches & car boot events due to poor weather conditions.	
Other variances (aggregate)	12.845	12.831	(0.014)	(0.029)	A number of variances of no more than £0.042m individually.	
Total :	31.811	31.758	(0.053)	(0.001)		