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Fees & Charges (APPENDIX 7a)					
<i>Community Services</i>					
Residential Charging - Increased Income From Demand	0.100		✓		It will not be known for sure until the end of the financial year if this efficiency has been met.
Mental Health Service Users	0.018	✓			
TOTAL	0.118				
Service Change (APPENDIX 7b)					
<i>Community Services</i>					
Reablement in the level of extra care	0.100	✓			
Preserved Rights - reduced activity levels	0.053	✓			
External Funding for Existing Post - Children's Services	0.043	✓			
Family Placement Team - revision of existing practices	0.040	✓			
Early Retirement - Non replacement of staff - CSA	0.015	✓			
General Office Administration Review	0.021	✓			
Housing Efficiency Savings	0.028	✓			
Homelessness - Timing of presentations	0.106	✓			

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Youth Justice - Appropriate adult service	0.010	✓				
Legal Fees - Use of solicitors / barristers	0.010		✓			Due to the unpredictable nature of Legal Fees it will not be known if this efficiency has been achieved until later in the financial year.
Children's Services - Transport costs efficiency	0.015	✓				
Children's Services - FAST team budget reduction	0.010		✓			The FAST team is currently showing an overspend of £0.031.
Preventative foster care service - day care	0.005	✓				
TOTAL	0.456					
Procurement (APPENDIX 7c)						
<i>Community Services</i>						
PARIS - post implementation expenditure review	0.030	✓				
Housing Services - Supplies and Services	0.003	✓				
Social Care - Supplies and Services	0.075	✓				
Procurement Hub - regional procurement of high cost low volume placements	0.020	✓				
Children's Services - out of county placements - improved procurement practice	0.533	✓				As at month 3 this budget was showing an underspend of £(0.344). However due to change in service user circumstances this budget is now showing an overspend of £0.248

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Transport Review - revised contracts	0.025	✓				
TOTAL	0.686					
Organisational Design (APPENDIX 7d)						
<i>Community Services</i>						
Review of Supported Living Service	0.350			✓		The efficiency has been partly achieved in 2013/14 (£0.086m) and is expected to be fully achieved in 2014/15. It should be noted that the non-achievement of this efficiency is being offset with underspends elsewhere within the Directorate.
Service Review of Warden Service	0.018	✓				
Children's Services - Removal of one team manager post	0.040	✓				
Development and Resources - Rationalisation of Management Team	0.050	✓				
TOTAL	0.458					

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Fees & Charges (APPENDIX 7a)					
<i>Environment</i>					
Agricultural Estate rentals	0.008		✓		Agricultural Estates currently reporting a surplus income position.
Public Protection - increase to market rates	0.025		✓		Fees for both Licensing and Bereavement Services were increased from 1st June 2013
Markets Service - increased lettable space	0.019		✓		Markets currently reporting a surplus income position.
Traffic Regulation order Notices	0.013		✓		Budget Reduction met from within Highways Policy Budget
Streetscene - leachate processing	0.075		✓		It is anticipated that the new income target will be met in 2013/14
TOTAL	0.140				
Service Change (APPENDIX 7b)					
<i>Environment</i>					
Street Lighting - non-residential areas post midnight turn-off	0.050		✓		The new Street Lighting policy has been adopted and this efficiency will be achieved in full
Highways Asset Management Plan (HAMP) -rephasing of full implementation	0.225		✓		Previous approved pressure that was not required in 2013/14 and 2014/15 due to Local Government Borrowing Initiative (LGBI)

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Public Conveniences - revisit of strategy	0.050			✓		Tower Gardens, Holywell didn't close until 30th April 2013 and Cilcain and Caerwys have been further delayed with ongoing consultation necessary and under achievement on the efficiency by £21k is likely.
Streetscene - implementation of Part III agreement	0.300				✓	The achievement of this efficiency is dependant on the implementation of Single Status so is anticipated to be achieved in 2014/15. The 2013/14 shortfall is being met from the Single Status reserve.
Waste Services - vehicle savings from full roll out of Saturday collection	0.140				✓	The achievement of this efficiency is dependant on the implementation of Single Status so is anticipated to be achieved in 2014/15. The 2013/14 shortfall is being met from the Single Status reserve.
Business Development team - agile working	0.004		✓			Budget Monitoring Position at Period 4 indicates achievement of this efficiency.
Staff travel - reduced mileage payments	0.003		✓			Budget Monitoring Position at Period 4 indicates achievement of this efficiency.
Directorate Support & Performance - Supplies and Stationery - Streamline current processes	0.008		✓			Budget Monitoring Position at Period 4 indicates achievement of this efficiency.
TOTAL	0.780					
Procurement (APPENDIX 7c)						
<i>Environment</i>						
Waste Services - Tender Transport arrangements for waste disposal	0.050		✓			New Transport arrangements have been awarded as part of a tender process and are now in place.
Transportation Services - Review of subsidised Bus Service Contracts and re-tender	0.036		✓			Efficiency absorbed within service budget

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Fees & Charges (APPENDIX 7a)					
<i>Lifelong Learning</i>					
Library Service - Fines	0.001		✓		
Library - Hire charges increase	0.001		✓		
Leisure Services - increased charges	0.175			✓	Tariffs were increased on the 1st January as agreed but as income targets are not expected to be met, the efficiency is also not likely to be fully achieved. Estimated amount achievable £0.164m.
Review of post 16 distance limit	0.030			✓	The amendment to the proposal to continue to provide transport to Colleg Cambria means that only £0.010m of the efficiency can be achieved. Work is ongoing to confirm this. However, we do not anticipate a pressure on the Transport budget at this time.
TOTAL	0.207				
Service Change (APPENDIX 7b)					
<i>Lifelong Learning</i>					
Operational efficiencies	0.025		✓		
Youth Service - reduction of senior area workers	0.032		✓		The budget for area workers had previously been reduced. This efficiency created a budget flow which has been addressed as part of the Youth Strategy by retaining part of the £0.050m below on a recurring basis. We do not anticipate a pressure on Youth S

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Youth Service - term time only contracts	0.026			✓	This change is being introduced as part of the Youth Strategy and has not yet been implemented though negotiations have started. At this stage it is anticipated that a saving of £0.007m will be made in this financial year.
Youth Service - Service reconfiguration	0.012		✓		
Youth Service - Building costs savings	0.011		✓		
Youth Service - Building rationalisation	0.005		✓		
Youth Service - Holding back £50k (CC 1/3/13)	(0.050)	✓			This additional contribution is expected to be fully utilised.
Facilities - Management / Central Office - structure review	0.015		✓		
Facilities - County Hall revised opening hours - reduced energy / overtime costs	0.025				✓ Although we do not expect a pressure on the Facilities budget this year, the decision to revise the County Hall opening hours has not yet been made.
LL ICT - Interim Service review - post reduction	0.025				✓ The Schools ICT Service Review has now been combined with the Corporate ICT Review. We do not anticipate a pressure on the schools ICT budget at this time.
Leisure Services - removal of swimming subsidy	0.023		✓		
Directorate Management Team Restructure	0.043	✓			
TOTAL	0.192				

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Reduction in use of consultants	0.013		✓			Efficiency absorbed within service budget
Reduction in influenceable spend	0.025		✓			Efficiency absorbed within service budget
Streamline current processes within Directorate Support	0.020		✓			Efficiency absorbed within service budget
TOTAL	0.144					
Organisational Design (APPENDIX 7d)						
<i>Environment</i>						
Review Management Recharge to the Communities First Programme	0.020		✓			It is anticipated that this will be achieved as part of the Communities First Grant Claim for 2013/14
TOTAL	0.020					
Other Efficiencies (APPENDIX 7e)						
<i>Environment</i>						
Agricultural Estates - balance not required	0.025	✓				Specific Directorate Balance in the Environment Balance Sheet
Licensing / Health & Safety - balance not required	0.025		✓			Specific Directorate Balance in the Environment Balance Sheet
TOTAL	0.050					

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Procurement (APPENDIX 7c)					
<i>Lifelong Learning</i>					
Reduction of Postage within the Library Service	0.001		✓		
Out of County - Improved procurement through framework agreements and monitoring of placements.	0.385		✓		
School Transport Service - Operational efficiencies	0.080		✓		
TOTAL	0.466				

Organisational Design (APPENDIX 7d)					
<i>Lifelong Learning</i>					
Libraries - Flexible retirement	0.015	✓			
Libraries - Library Service Review	0.037	✓			
TOTAL	0.052				

Other Efficiencies (APPENDIX 7e)					
Demographic Change in Schools (pupil numbers)	0.132	✓			
TOTAL	0.132				



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Fees & Charges (APPENDIX 7a)					
<i>FINANCE - Corporate Services</i>					
Revenues - increased number of Council Tax fines	0.027		✓		
<i>ICT & CUSTOMER SERVICES - Corporate Services</i>					
Registrars - increased fees	0.019		✓		
Network Services - income from hosting PSBA equipment	0.004	✓			
<i>LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC - Corporate Services</i>					
External Fees - conveyancing / S106 agreements	0.015		✓		
TOTAL	0.065				
Service Change (APPENDIX 7b)					
<i>Chief Executive - Corporate Services</i>					
Corporate Comms - reduced workforce bulletins	0.003		✓		
<i>HR & OD - Corporate Services</i>					
CRB checks - review of options	0.035		✓		
<i>LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC - Corporate Services</i>					
Democratic Services - reduced paper usage	0.010		✓		
Members Allowances (Basic Allowance) - no inflationary increase	0.010		✓		
Members Allowances - Special Responsibility Allowances - reduction of number allocated	0.070		✓		
Members Allowances - NI contributions reduction linked to reduced number of Special Responsibility allowances	0.010		✓		
TOTAL	0.138				

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Procurement (APPENDIX 7c)						
<i>Chief Executive - Corporate Services</i>						
Employee / Residents Consultations - reduction in number	0.003		✓			
Supplies and Services	0.010		✓			
Joint Working - costs reduction	0.002		✓			
Alterations / Improvements reductions - future agile working	0.002		✓			
Employee Safety Measures - reduced demand on budget	0.010		✓			
Conferences/Seminars/Lectures - reduced attendance	0.001		✓			
ICT & CUSTOMER SERVICES - Corporate Services						
Training Budget - Procurement via new solutions	0.001		✓			
Reduced maintenance costs due to new security equipment	0.025		✓			
Networking Hardware - reduced procurement	0.002		✓			
ICT Cabling - reduction enabled by IPT solution	0.002		✓			
Leasing - budget adjustment	0.006		✓			
Software Licensing - Microsoft licences procured through other agreements	0.010		✓			
Hardware Maintenance - letting of MFD contracts	0.001		✓			

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Reduce influencable spend by 3%	0.004		✓			
Reduced ICT Expenditure	0.003		✓			
Rationalisation of third party software costs	0.013		✓			
Avoidance of inflationary rises - software maintenance costs	0.020		✓			
Reduced licence costs - via renegotiation	0.018		✓			
Supplies and Services	0.061		✓			
Training budget reduction - build around training solutions	0.001		✓			
Alterations & Improvements - Datacentres	0.004		✓			
Other Consumables - reduction in expenditure	0.001		✓			
Hardware Maintenance - new technology with warranty	0.015		✓			
Listing Paper - More use of electronic means	0.002		✓			
Enterprise Servers - hardware	0.003		✓			
Services work and Consultancy	0.004		✓			
Supplies & Services	0.009		✓			
FINANCE - Corporate Services						

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Supplies & Services	0.012		✓			
TOTAL	0.245					
Organisational Design (APPENDIX 7d)						
<i>Chief Executive - Corporate Services</i>						
Reduction in mileage travelled - Emergency Planning	0.001		✓			
TOTAL	0.001					

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Service Change (APPENDIX 7b)						
<i>Central & Corporate Finance</i>						
Clwyd Theatr Cymru - agreed reduction to contribution	0.015	✓				
TOTAL	0.015					
Procurement (APPENDIX 7c)						
<i>Central & Corporate Finance</i>						
Flintshire Futures - E-procurement and improved processes	0.102		✓			
Flintshire Futures - Internal Fleet Review	0.160	✓				
TOTAL	0.262					
Other Efficiencies (APPENDIX 7e)						
<i>Central & Corporate Finance</i>						
Reduced contingencies - one-off investment costs	0.240	✓				
Reduced contingencies - NDR	0.077	✓				
Reduction in Fire Levy due to formula changes	0.027	✓				
Flintshire Futures Assets Workstream - Facilities Management	0.060		✓			

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Flintshire Futures - Customer Workstream Contact Centre	0.100		✓		
Flintshire Futures - Customer Workstream face to face customer contact	0.100		✓		
Flintshire Futures - Customer Workstream Channel Shift	0.100		✓		
TOTAL	0.704				