

Council Fund Variances

MONTH 8 - SUMMARY

Service	Movement between Periods (£m)	Narrative for Movement between Periods greater than £0.025m
Social Services		
Older People		
Localities	-0.155	This month residential care costs increased by £0.067m due to demand. Homecare reduced by (£0.230m) but this was due to including (£0.429m) Winter Pressures 2024/25 WG grant income. Minor variances accounted for the balance.
Minor Variances	0.015	
Adults of Working Age		
Resources & Regulated Services	0.174	There was an increase in the Physical Disabilities and Sensory Impairment service of £0.031m due to net changes to care packages. The in-house supported living service costs have increased by £0.026m and the Learning Disability service costs increased by £0.119m due to changes in care packages. Day service costs reduced by £0.002m.
Children to Adult Transition Services	0.034	This is due to changes to estimated costs of care packages.
Minor Variances	-0.073	
Children's Services		
Professional Support	0.065	There has been a £0.065m increase in the Direct Payments for children with disabilities
Minor Variances	-0.004	
Safeguarding & Commissioning		
Charging Policy income	-0.034	Projected client contribution income has increased
Minor Variances	0.023	
Total Social Services (excl Out of County)	0.045	
Out of County Placements		
Children's Services	0.058	Various new placements, offset by ending placements and an increase to Home Office income, has caused an adverse movement in period 8.
Education & Youth	0.226	A number of new Education placements have been agreed, causing an adverse movement in period 8.
Total Out of County Placements	0.284	
Education & Youth (Non-Schools)		
Minor Variances	0.007	
Total Education & Youth (Non-Schools)	0.007	
Schools	-0.002	
Streetscene & Transportation		
Service Delivery	0.032	Workforce Response to Storm Darragh
Highways Network	0.276	Impact of the snow in November and Storm Darragh clean up costs
Other Minor Variances	0.018	
Total Streetscene & Transportation	0.326	
Planning, Environment & Economy		
Development	0.050	Revised projection on Planning Fee Income levels
Minor Variances	-0.043	Cumulative minor variances across the portfolio
Total Planning & Environment	0.006	
People & Resources		
HR & OD	0.003	
Corporate Finance	-0.003	
Total People & Resources	0.000	
Governance		
Customer Services	0.125	Approval requested for carry forward of underspend to the Digital Strategy Reserve.
Minor Variances	-0.046	Cumulative minor movements in Legal Services and ICT
Total Governance	0.079	
Assets		
Minor Variances	0.018	
Total Assets	0.018	
Housing and Communities		
Housing Solutions	0.050	Increase in Temporary Accommodation costs
Total Housing and Communities	0.050	
Chief Executive's	0.002	
Central & Corporate Finance	-3.331	A further improvement on the Central Loans and Investment Account (CLIA) of (£0.150m) from reduced short term borrowing costs and increasing income from investments, together with additional funding to support pay pressures from Welsh Government totalling (£3.255m) including the 2024-25 Teachers Pay Deal.
Grand Total	-2.515	