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Notice of meeting

Children and Young People Select Committee

Thursday, 6th September, 2018 at 10.00 am,
Council Chamber, County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA

Please note that a pre meeting will be held 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting for members of the committee.

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Paul Matthews

Chief Executive / Prif Weithredwr

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Church)
M Fowler (Parent Governor Representative)
Vacancy (Catholic Church)

Added Members

**Members voting on Education Issues
Only**

Dr. A. Daly (Church in Wales)
M. Fowler (Parent Governor Representative)
Vacancy (Parent Governor Representative)
Vacancy (Catholic Church)

Added Members

Non Voting

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Aims and Values of Monmouthshire County Council

Our purpose

Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities

Objectives we are working towards

- Giving people the best possible start in life
- A thriving and connected county
- Maximise the Potential of the natural and built environment
- Lifelong well-being
- A future focused council

Our Values

Openness. We are open and honest. People have the chance to get involved in decisions that affect them, tell us what matters and do things for themselves/their communities. If we cannot do something to help, we'll say so; if it will take a while to get the answer we'll explain why; if we can't answer immediately we'll try to connect you to the people who can help – building trust and engagement is a key foundation.

Fairness. We provide fair chances, to help people and communities thrive. If something does not seem fair, we will listen and help explain why. We will always try to treat everyone fairly and consistently. We cannot always make everyone happy, but will commit to listening and explaining why we did what we did.

Flexibility. We will continue to change and be flexible to enable delivery of the most effective and efficient services. This means a genuine commitment to working with everyone to embrace new ways of working.

Teamwork. We will work with you and our partners to support and inspire everyone to get involved so we can achieve great things together. We don't see ourselves as the 'fixers' or problem-solvers, but we will make the best of the ideas, assets and resources available to make sure we do the things that most positively impact our people and places.

Monmouthshire Scrutiny Committee Guide

Role of the Pre-meeting

1. Why is the Committee scrutinising this? (background, key issues)
2. What is the Committee's role and what outcome do Members want to achieve?
3. Is there sufficient information to achieve this? If not, who could provide this?
 - Agree the order of questioning and which Members will lead
 - Agree questions for officers and questions for the Cabinet Member

Questions for the Meeting

Scrutinising Performance

1. How does performance compare with previous years? Is it better/worse? Why?
2. How does performance compare with other councils/other service providers? Is it better/worse? Why?
3. How does performance compare with set targets? Is it better/worse? Why?
4. How were performance targets set? Are they challenging enough/realistic?
5. How do service users/the public/partners view the performance of the service?
6. Have there been any recent audit and inspections? What were the findings?
7. How does the service contribute to the achievement of corporate objectives?
8. Is improvement/decline in performance linked to an increase/reduction in resource? What capacity is there to improve?

Scrutinising Policy

1. Who does the policy affect ~ directly and indirectly? Who will benefit most/least?
2. What is the view of service users/stakeholders? Do they believe it will achieve the desired outcome?
3. What is the view of the community as a whole - the 'taxpayer' perspective?
4. What methods were used to consult with stakeholders? Did the process enable all those with a stake to have their say?
5. What practice and options have been considered in developing/reviewing this policy? What evidence is there to inform what works?
6. Does this policy align to our corporate objectives, as defined in our corporate plan?
7. Have all relevant sustainable development, equalities and safeguarding implications been taken into consideration? For example, what are *the procedures that need to be in place to protect children*?
8. How much will this cost to implement and what funding source has been identified?
9. How will performance of the policy be measured and the impact evaluated.

Questions for the Committee to conclude...

Do we have the necessary information to form conclusions/make recommendations to the executive, council, other partners? If not, do we need to:

- (i) Investigate the issue in more detail?
- (ii) Obtain further information from other witnesses – Executive Member, independent expert, members of the local community, service users, regulatory bodies...
- (iii) Agree further actions to be undertaken within a timescale/future monitoring report...

General Questions....

Empowering Communities

- How are we involving local communities and empowering them to design and deliver services to suit local need?
- Do we have regular discussions with communities about service priorities and what level of service the council can afford to provide in the future?

Service Demands

- How will policy and legislative change affect how the council operates?
- Have we considered the demographics of our council and how this will impact on service delivery and funding in the future?

Financial Planning

- Do we have robust medium and long-term financial plans in place?
- Are we linking budgets to plans and outcomes and reporting effectively on these?

Making savings and generating income

- Do we have the right structures in place to ensure that our efficiency, improvement and transformational approaches are working together to maximise savings?
- How are we maximising income? Have we compared other council's policies to maximise income and fully considered the implications on service users?
- Do we have a workforce plan that takes into account capacity, costs, and skills of the actual versus desired workforce?

SUBJECT: SUPPORTING PEOPLE PROGRAMME GRANT – SERVICE UPDATE

MEETING: Children and Young People Select Committee

DATE: 6 September 2018

DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED: All

CABINET MEMBER: Councillor Martyn Groucutt

1. PURPOSE:

Whilst the Supporting People (SP) programme is predominately focused on adults, a significant number of younger people (16-25 yrs) are also supported. For consideration are:

1. The proposal to extend Supporting People contracts for a year from 1 April 2019 whilst whatever future funding arrangements Welsh Government makes are implemented.
2. Whether sufficient positive action is being taken in consideration of this protected characteristic (young age) through the age-specific services described by the providers in Appendix 8

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

To approve the proposal to extend contracts due for renewal on 1 April 2019 for a year whilst the implications of Welsh Government's decisions on future funding, to be made later in this financial year, are worked through and implemented.

To agree that the positive action in terms of funding and people supported reflects the Authority's objectives sufficiently.

3. KEY ISSUES:

3.1 Current Programme

SP is a service providing housing-based to support to people in Monmouthshire. The purpose of the support is to help vulnerable people to either live independently or to achieve the greatest degree of independence that their personal challenges will allow, with a significant focus on the prevention of homelessness.

In 2017, the services supported 2,550 people (Appendix 2) and contributed to the costs of circa 2,000 community based alarms (as in sheltered housing).

Monmouthshire's SP funding is £2.039m per annum, approximately 10% of the Gwent provision of £21m. Our service funding is approximately broken down into 14% accommodation based services (e.g. refuge, hostels and alarms), 10% Gateway assessment, intervention and brokerage service and 76% floating support. (Appendix 3)

The SP programme comprises 33 contracts and/or service level agreements with 12 providers. These contracts are due for renewal and/or extension on 1 April 2019, with the exception of 3 small contracts with a total value of circa £70k. Of these contracts, 3 are regional contracts

managed by other Authorities on behalf of MCC and 2 are regional managed by MCC on behalf of other Gwent Authorities.

SP outcomes are measured across a range of 11 outcomes, each of which can be assessed as relevant to the individual and assessed and recorded on a 5 step model. On average, over a year individuals make 5 positive steps of progress or the equivalent of achieving one outcome to full independence. The average cost of achieving this progress is circa £1,500, or £300 per positive step. The £1,500 is equivalent to 1.54 hours of weekly support. Welsh Government feedback confirms this to be a value for money provision, with at least two examples of best practice – the Gateway intervention, assessment and brokerage service and the place-based service delivery model.

SP provides support across the full range of outcomes, however, incidence of support relating to mental health demonstrates the complex nature of the vulnerabilities supported (44% of service users achieve positive progress in this area). Of the support issues that are traditionally considered housing support issues, 36% of service users achieve positive progress in respect of managing their money, 34% in respect of managing their accommodation and 30% in feeling safer (details are in Appendix 4)

In terms of basic demographics, 12.8% of those supported are “Younger” (<25yrs), 36.4% are “Older” (>55 yrs.), 47% (between 25 and 55yrs) and 3.8% not recorded. 58.2% are women, 41.3% are men and 0.5% not recorded. The details are shown in Appendix 5.

The age specific services for younger people, including the hostels, the CHYPS and Emphasis programmes, Young Person’s accommodation officer and the Youth Transition worker and account for £280,000 of the £2.04m SPPG funding ie 13.7%. {Descriptions by providers in Appendix 8}

Thus the effective positive action in respect of this client group is +32% based on population (16-24 yrs old are 9.7% of Monmouthshire population) and +41% based on the funding allocation. (Appendix 6)

3.2 The future operating environment options

During 2017 inter political party agreements assured SPPG funding at current levels until March 2020, with permission being granted to allow Authorities to apply flexible funding principles across SP, Flying Start, and Families First to a maximum of 15% (in Monmouthshire’s case).

Following these assurances, the funding environment has been made less certain. For 2018/19, Welsh Government has piloted flexible funding arrangements with 7 Local Authorities (Pathfinders) that enable the Authorities to vary funding between 10 funding streams which include the current 3 flexible funds mentioned above plus Communities for Work Plus, Promoting Positive Engagement for Young People, Childcare & Play, Homelessness Prevention, Rent Smart Wales, St David’s Day fund and Legacy Funding. This flexible fund has been called the Early, Intervention, Prevention and Support fund (EIPS) -

<https://gov.wales/docs/dsjlg/publications/180413-flexible-funding-leaflet-en.pdf>

If this piloted funding is extended to Monmouthshire, the potential fund comprises the details shown in Appendix 7 – totalling nearly £4.925m.

At this time evaluations are being undertaken to assess the impacts achieved by the Pathfinder organisations. Welsh Government has stressed that no decisions have been made as to whether this degree of flexibility will be rolled out to the other Authorities and they have suggested that announcements will be made towards the end of 2018.

There are further uncertainties in that the total EIPS may itself be subjected to budgetary pressure with increased provisions having to be made to meet the requirements of the increased childcare provisions that are also being piloted at the moment (circa £20m). - <https://gov.wales/newsroom/people-and-communities/2018/new-areas-to-pilot-welsh-government-free-childcare-offer/?lang=en>

A further complication has resulted from the Public Accounts Committee's review of SP following the Welsh Audit Office's review of SP. In their report (<http://www.assembly.wales/laid%20documents/cr-ld11557/cr-ld11557-e.pdf>), the committee challenges the robustness and inappropriate speed of the decision making processes associated with EIPS and challenges whether SP's basic purpose is supported by the flexible arrangements as piloted.

Whilst Welsh Government has implemented the Pathfinder pilots, and the National Audit Committee has been raising its concerns, the Regional Partnership Board has commissioned an option appraisal into the opportunities etc. associated with the possibility of a more regionalised approach to SP delivery. The outcome of which has yet to be reported back to the Board.

As discussions have developed over the summer, the possibility that Welsh Government will create 2 funds has become a realistic option – one housing related to include, Supporting People, Homelessness Prevention and Rent Smart and another, Tackling Poverty, to incorporate the other funds identified in the EIPS pilot. Presumably with local authorities having the ability to vary the allocations within each fund and also have the ability to move 15% between funds.

4. REASONS:

Until such time as the future funding arrangements are confirmed by Welsh Government, the recommendation is that the SP contracts, due to end on 31 March 2019, are extended for a year to allow whatever arrangements need to be implemented to take effect.

The reasons are:

1. Re-contracting the SP services from 1 April 2019 might not represent best value when taken into consideration with the whole EIPS fund and its diverse objectives and priorities.
2. A possible outcome from the current pilots and National Public Accounts Committee could result in one fund Tackling Poverty and one fund being associated with Housing and Homelessness Prevention. In this case the focus of SP is likely to change/alter and re-contracting in the short-term to the current SP priorities might, in hindsight, appear to have been ineffective effort.

3. Should the Regional Partnership Board decide to take a more regionalised approach to SP, this might have fundamental impacts on SP's priorities and on the administration and management of services. Again, there is the possibility of taking short-term actions that prove short-sighted in the future.

Further, learning from the experiences of other Authorities, if the use of future funding is to be optimised, a more collaborative way of working within these initiatives needs to be developed and this will have, potentially, governance and accountability implications. This changing culture would take time to implement.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

At the present time, with the assurances that have been given, SP will remain funded at its current levels for at least 2019/20. Under the current 15% flexibility arrangements, Welsh Government has explained that it is the expectation that funds from Flying Start and Families First could be used by SP to support common aims. However, should it be decided that funds from SP should be used to supplement one, or all, of the other 15% flexible funds, then separate approval has to be sought from Welsh Government.

Should Welsh government decide to implement the full EIPS proposal, then SP's £2.039m will be a part of a £4.9m flexible fund within Monmouthshire. The Authority will have the ability to allocate as appropriate to its priorities in achieving best value.

In this financial year there are already jointly funded services being implemented. In particular, with Housing and Children's Services, SP is providing a Young Person's Accommodation Officer, a new Supported Lodging pilot scheme and some additional support for those on Universal Credit.

6. WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS IMPLICATIONS (INCORPORATING EQUALITIES, SUSTAINABILITY, SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING):

The significant equality impacts identified in the assessment (Appendix 1) are summarised below for members' consideration:

Extending contracts for a year would effectively maintain the impacts submitted with the Local Supporting People Plan 2017 – 2020. This extension would provide the opportunities to optimise the use of EIPS, or the alternative dual funding, which would have an overall positive impact for protected characteristics.

When approvals for proposals relating to any funding associated with the EIPS portfolio are sought, they will have the appropriate assessments for Members' due consideration.

The actual impacts from this report's recommendations will be reviewed every year, or in line with the future funding cycles should that change. The main criteria for consideration will be how outcomes impact the relevant protected characteristics in terms of outcome progression and the volume of people supported.

7. CONSULTEES:

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Links to external information included in the report

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SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972
EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS

MEETING AND DATE OF MEETING:

TITLE OF REPORT:

AUTHOR:

I have considered grounds for exemption of information contained in the report referred to above and make the following recommendation to the Proper Officer:-

EXEMPTIONS APPLYING TO THE REPORT:

FACTORS IN FAVOUR OF DISCLOSURE:

PREJUDICE WHICH WOULD RESULT IF THE INFORMATION WERE DISCLOSED:

MY VIEW ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST IS AS FOLLOWS:

RECOMMENDED DECISION ON EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE:

Date:

Signed:

Post:

I accept/do not accept the recommendation made above

Proper Officer: _____

Date: _____



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Future Generations Evaluation (includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact Assessments)

Name of the Officer Chris Robinson Phone no: 07766160821 E-mail: chrisrobinson@monmouthshire.gov.uk	Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal To a proposal to extend supporting people contracts for a year from 1 April 2019
Name of Service Supporting People Programme Grant	Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed 22 May 2018





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7. Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below?

Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs	The proposal ensures the full utilization of Welsh Government's Supporting People Grant funding	
A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)	N/A	

Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood	The SPPG outcomes reflect the positive impact this service can have on physical and mental well-being	
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	The piloting of place-based support services is a very positive contributor to local communities	
A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing	The increasing prevention impact of SPPG has positive impacts in terms of cost-benefits at local, regional and national levels.	
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	No Change	
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	<i>Supporting People service funding allocations are increasingly focused on meeting need as opposed to any tenure or protected characteristic</i>	<i>Place based services are being developed and piloted through which people can access the support they need.</i>

2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritised the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle	Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
 <p>Long Term</p> <p>Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future</p>	<p>Within the limitations of a programme for which the funding is currently under review, short term need has been addressed whilst giving consideration to the impact on younger people</p>	
 <p>Collaboration</p> <p>Working together with other partners to deliver objectives</p>	<p>The development of place based services is a partnership between internal departments and external agencies</p>	
 <p>Involvement</p> <p>Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p>	<p>Regional and local stakeholder and service user engagement initiatives are part of the SP regional delivery programme.</p>	
 <p>Prevention</p> <p>Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p>	<p>Applying the flexi funding principles has already resulted in Housing providing SP with funding with which to pilot a supported lodging service</p>	

Sustainable Development Principle	Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
 <p>Considering impact on all wellbeing goals together and on other bodies</p>	<p>Proposals are considered by our local planning group and the \Regional Collaborative committee. The composition of both groups involving other partner agencies in the County and region/</p>	

3. **Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics?** Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below. For more detailed information on the protected characteristics, the Equality Act 2010 and the Welsh Language Standards that apply to Monmouthshire Council please follow this link:<http://hub/corporatedocs/Equalities/Forms/AllItems.aspx> or contact Alan Burkitt on 01633 644010 or alanburkitt@monmouthshire.gov.uk

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	No change		At this stage the proposal is to maintain a status quo in terms of SP funding for 2019/20. As such this decision would have no impact across the characteristics.
Disability	No Change		
Gender reassignment	No Change		

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Marriage or civil partnership	No Change		
Pregnancy or maternity	No Change		
Race	No Change		
Religion or Belief	No Change		
Sex	No Change		
Sexual Orientation	No Change		
Welsh Language	No Change		

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on important responsibilities of Corporate Parenting and safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities? For more information please see the guidance <http://hub/corporatedocs/Democratic%20Services/Safeguarding%20Guidance.docx> and for more on Monmouthshire's Corporate Parenting Strategy see <http://hub/corporatedocs/SitePages/Corporate%20Parenting%20Strategy.aspx>

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	No Change		The status quo proposals have no impact at this stage
Corporate Parenting	No change		

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

Supporting People outcome Returns to Welsh Government (every 6 months)
 The Gwent Needs Mapping database
 Demographic data developed for the Turning the World upside down initiative

6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

The proposal is to maintain services at their current levels and as such will have no changing impact on the protected characteristics. This proposal allows for work to be undertaken to optimize the use of the funding streams that Welsh Government will make decisions about later this financial year. It will be when presenting proposals to optimize the use of these funding streams that there will be impacts that need to be taken into consideration

7. ACTIONS: As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress
Consult with our EIPS (Flexible Funding) partners to ensure that: Duplications of effort are reduced Flexible Funding enables appropriate positive actions to be undertaken	Quarter 2&3 2018/19	SP is the lead as set out by Welsh Government's expectations (ie funds expected to flow from other initiatives into SP – funds going in opposite direction only after seeking Welsh Government approval)	Services being delivered by all flexible funding partners have been identified, yet to identify people receiving multi-services
Be involved with consultations within the Regional Collaborative Committee, SP information network, Regional Partnership Board and Public Services Board	Throughout 2018/19	SP Lead	SP Leads are members of RCC and SPIN and there are on-going links between these groups, SP National Advisory Board and Welsh Government

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8. MONITORING: The impacts of this proposal will need to be monitored and reviewed. Please specify the date at which you will evaluate the impact, and where you will report the results of the review.

The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:	Impacts will need to be taken into consideration before spendplans for 2019/20 are submitted to RCC in January 2019
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9. VERSION CONTROL: The Future Generations Evaluation should be used at the earliest stages of decision making, and then honed and refined throughout the decision making process. It is important to keep a record of this process so that we can demonstrate how we have considered and built in sustainable development wherever possible.

Version No.	Decision making stage	Date considered	Brief description of any amendments made following consideration
001	Adult Select Committee	19 June 2018	

Appendix 2

Supporting People 2017 Outcome returns to Welsh Government	Individuals with assessed & recorded outcomes in 2017 - Periods 11 & 12				All individuals in SPPG services in 2017	
	Period 11	Period 12	Total	%	In 2017	%
Alarm Services (including in sheltered/extra care).	2015	2009				
People with Mental health Issues	332	355	687	28.6%	716	28.1%
People over 55 years of age with Support needs	336	182	518	21.5%	529	20.8%
Women experiencing Domestic Abuse	169	123	292	12.1%	326	12.8%
People with Physical and/or Sensory Disabilities	69	122	191	7.9%	193	7.6%
Young People with Support Needs (16-24)	76	99	175	7.3%	187	7.3%
People with Learning Disabilities	54	46	100	4.2%	104	4.1%
Families with Support Needs	51	44	95	4.0%	106	4.2%
Single parent Families with Support needs	41	47	88	3.7%	96	3.8%
Generic Floating support to prevent homelessness	24	49	73	3.0%	86	3.4%
Single people with Support Needs (25-54)	27	25	52	2.2%	58	2.3%
People with Chronic Illnesses (including HIV, Aids)	24	14	38	1.6%	42	1.6%
People with Substance Misuse Issues (Alcohol)	13	16	29	1.2%	31	1.2%
People with Developmental Disorders (I.e. Autism.)	7	11	18	0.7%	20	0.8%
People with Substance Misuse Issues (Drugs & substances)	8	10	18	0.7%	19	0.7%
People with Criminal Offending History	9	7	16	0.7%	18	0.7%
Young People who are Care Leavers	6	0	6	0.2%	6	0.2%
Men Experiencing Domestic Abuse	3	2	5	0.2%	6	0.2%
People with Refugee Status	2	1	3	0.1%	5	0.2%
TOTAL	1,251	1,153	2,404		2,548	

NB: All > Individuals assessed as not all people in service had been assessed or reviewed

Can be varied by up to 10% of the funding against any client categorisation during the year. Variations >10% have to be agreed with RCC

Spend Plan collection period: Local Authority Spend Plan 2018-19

Regional Collaborative Committee: Gwent
 Local Authority: Monmouthsh
 SPPG Annual Allocation: 2,039,175

Client Spend Category (The category to which the service is primarily focused)	Fixed Site (Accommodation Based)		Floating Support (Community Based)		Totals		Annual Service users		Comparison to Previous Year	
	Units	Spend	Units	Spend	Units	Spend	Funding %	%	Units	Spend
Women experiencing Domestic Abuse	5	£102,960	25	£122,135	30	£225,095	11.0%	12.8%	0	£500
Men experiencing Domestic Abuse	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	0.2%	0	£0
People with Learning Disabilities	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	4.1%	0	£0
People with Mental health Issues	0	£0	50	£300,600	50	£300,600	14.7%	20.8%	0	£0
People with Substance Misuse Issues (Alcohol)	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	1.2%	0	£0
People with Substance Misuse Issues (Drugs and Volatile substances)	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	0.7%	0	£0
People with Criminal Offending History	0	£0	1	£6,670	1	£6,670	0.3%	0.7%	0	£0
People with Refugee Status	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	0.2%	0	£0
People with Physical and/or Sensory Disabilities	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	7.6%	0	£0
People with Developmental Disorders (I.e. Autism.)	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	0.8%	0	£0
People with Chronic Illnesses (including HIV, Aids)	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	1.6%	0	£0
Young People who are Care Leavers	0	£0	5	£22,000	5	£22,000	1.1%	0.2%	3	-£9,053
Young People with Support Needs (16-24)	21	£178,775	21	£71,601	42	£250,376	12.3%	7.3%	0	£0
Single parent Families with Support needs	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	2.3%	0	£0
Families with Support Needs	0	£0	2	£27,000	2	£27,000	1.3%	4.2%	0	£0
Single people with Support Needs not listed above (25-54)	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	2.3%	0	£0
People over 55 years of age with Support needs (this category must be exclusive of alarm services).	0	£0	26	£48,000	26	£48,000	2.4%	2080.0%	-1	-£1,203
Generic Floating support to prevent homelessness (tennacy support services which cover a range of user needs but which must be exclusive of fixed site support)	0	£0	246	£1,116,492	246	£1,116,492	54.8%	3.4%	25	£18,787
Alarm Services (including in shelter)	0	£0	1,802	£42,942	1,802	£42,942	2.1%		-150	-£9,031
Expenditure which does not directly link to the spend plan categories above. (Explanation required in accompanying email).	0	£0	0	£0	0	£0	0.0%	0.0%	0	£0
TOTALS	26	£281,735	2,178	£1,757,440	2,204	£2,039,175			-123	£0
		13.8%		86.2%						

Appendix 4

2017 - percentage of service users that achieved positive progress in an outcome.	
SPPG Outcome:	%
10 Mentally healthy	44%
6 Managing money	36%
3 Managing Accommodation	34%
1 Feeling Safe	30%
2 Contributing to the safety and well-being of themselves and of others	27%
9 Physically healthy	26%
4 Managing relationships	22%
5 Feeling part of the community	19%
11 Leading a healthy and active lifestyle	15%
7 Engaging in educational learning	10%
8 Engaging in employment/voluntary work	10%

Appendix 5

Analysis of Service Users assessed in Period 12 2017						
Age demographic by gender				Gender Split		
Age Band	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
16-19	3.4%	2.7%	3.1%	63.9%	36.1%	100%
20-24	8.6%	11.3%	9.7%	51.8%	48.2%	100%
Younger	12.1%	14.1%	12.8%			
25-39	28.8%	17.9%	24.1%	69.4%	30.6%	100%
>40-54	22.7%	23.5%	22.9%	57.6%	42.4%	100%
Working	51.4%	41.4%	47.0%			
55-84	26.4%	35.9%	30.4%	50.6%	48.9%	100%
>85,	7.5%	4.2%	6.1%	71.4%	28.6%	100%
Older	33.8%	40.1%	36.4%			
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	58.2%	41.3%	100%

Monmouthshire Young Person demographics			
	Persons	Males	Females
Age 16	1,330	716	614
Age 17	1,298	682	616
Age 18	1,109	571	538
Age 19	841	459	382
Age 20	842	492	350
Age 21	795	426	369
Age 22	906	490	416
Age 23	915	474	441
Age 24	853	452	401
Total Population	91,323	44,922	46,401

Young Person specific service		
Provider	Service	Annual funding
Llamau	CHYPS	£ 17,027
Llamau	Emphasis	£ 35,054
Solas	Hostels	£ 178,775
MCC	YP Accommodation	£ 36,000
MCC	Youth Transition	£ 13,000
Total		£ 279,856
% of SPPG annual grant		13.7%
Positive action		41%

Monmouthshire Young Person age and gender summary distribution						
	Persons		Males		Females	
Age 16&17	2,628	2.9%	1,398	3.1%	1,230	2.7%
Age 18-24	6,261	6.9%	3,364	7.5%	2,897	6.2%
Total	8,889	9.7%	4,762	10.6%	4,127	8.9%
SP service users		12.80%		14.10%		12.10%
Positive action		32%				

Appendix 6

Monmouthshire's draft outline flexible funding budget based on 2018/19 predicted grants						
Early Intervention, Prevention & Support Funding	Annual Funding 2018/19 (not confirmed)	Current Department	Day to Day Manager	Line Manager	Directorate	Cabinet Member
Supporting People	£2,039,175	Adult Social Care & Health	Chris Robinson	Julie Boothroyd	Social Care & Health	Penny Jones
Flying Start	£1,786,481	Attainment & Extended Services	Beth Watkins	Sharon Randall-Smith	Achievement and Learning	Richard John
Families First	£639,000	Community & Partnership	Sharran Lloyd	Cath Fallon	Enterprise	Bob Greenland
		Well-being Family Support & Safeguarding £185,410 TAF & £95,839 F2F	Charlotte Drury	Jane Rodgers	Social Care & Health	Penny Jones
Communities for Work Plus (formerly the Employability Grant)	£150,000	Economy & Enterprise.	Hannah Jones	Cath Fallon	Enterprise	Bob Greenland
Legacy Fund	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Promoting Positive Engagement for Young People	£137,768	Youth Offending Team	Tracey Davies	Jacalyn Richards	Social Care, & Health	Penny Jones
		Community & Partnership £16,300 ASB	Sharran Lloyd	Cath Fallon	Enterprise	Bob Greenland
Childcare and Play (formerly Out of School Childcare)	£70,785	Early Years	Susan Hall	Sharon Randall-Smith	Achievement and Learning	Richard John
Homelessness Prevention	£65,000	Planning & Housing	Ian Bakewell	Mark Hand	Enterprise	Bob Greenland
Rent Smart Wales Enforcement (formerly Independent Living)	£20,000	Public Protection	Huw Owen	David Jones	Social Care & Health	Penny Jones?
St David's Day Fund	£17,446	Children's Services	Eric Small	Rachael Palsler	Social Care & Health	Penny Jones
TOTAL	£4,925,655.00					Sara Jones?

£2,575,481
£386,322.15

Providers' descriptions of services

Service Title: Emphasis	Annual Funding: £35,054	Service provider: Llamau	Contract type: Block
Service for (eligibilities , incl. areas): 16 – 21yr olds		No: staff @ interface: 1 FTE	No: Concurrent cases: 7
<p>Service description:</p> <p>Emphasis offers support, advice and advocacy to young people aged 16-21 who have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantial difficulties in maintaining education, employment, training. • Difficulty successfully engaging with any other agencies. • Been asked to leave their home (homeless), or who may be asked to leave in the future (at risk of homelessness). <p>The project provides 'Early targeted help' which includes support around Mediation, re-engagement in education / training services, and immediate / crisis support for young people at risk of homelessness, or homeless.</p> <p>Emphasis also offers support to 'non-engaging' young people who are NEET / homeless or who are at risk of becoming NEET / homeless / exhibiting anti-social/offending behaviour. Helping them understand the reason(s) why this has happened and enabling them to take positive action to address these issues, turning their lives around in a positive and fulfilling way.</p> <p>Aims</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enable young people experiencing risk / threat of homelessness to maintain their home environment. • Enable young people to improve relationships within their family / home environment. • Provide services to young people with diverse needs and in particular those people who have a high likelihood of going through homelessness services at age 16 and 17, improving their coping strategies, resilience & prospects for the future. 			

- Enable young people who are NEET / at risk of being NEET to re-engage with education, training and employment opportunities. Thus improving ability to afford accommodation for their future, and avoiding benefits reliance.

Objectives

- Provide an advice and support service that will enable young people to avoid homelessness, remain / return to their home environment.
- Provide an advice and support service that will educate young people about the realities of youth homelessness and the impact of potential Welfare Reforms; provide an advice and support service for young people facing a crisis / immediate homelessness situation.
- Liaise with all relevant agencies to ensure a complete package of support, which is well coordinated, responsive to changing support needs and working towards re-re-engagement with Education and Training opportunities.

Outcomes:

Fewer Homelessness presentations from 16-21 age group.

Young People able to remain at home with ongoing support.

If unable to remain at home, the young person has been supported to acquire, maintain and sustain accommodation best suited to their needs.

Higher engagement in WTE

A better level of self-management, taking responsibility for their own actions / understanding potential consequences for the young person.

Ability to recognise the right time to ask for help to prevent a crisis for both the young person and caregiver i.e. better resilience.

Service Title: MYPS (Hill House & Woodstock House)	Annual Funding: 178,775	Service provider: Solas (Pobl)	Contract type: Block
Service for (eligibilities, incl. areas): Tenancy related support services working with young people towards all 11 SP outcomes for clients referred into the Monmouthshire hostels. Supporting young vulnerable people to move on and live independent lives		No: staff @ interface: 9	No: Concurrent cases: Hill House = 9 Woodstock = 12
<p>Pobl's approach to support is based on delivering bespoke, person-centred services, recognising that in every setting and service, people engage better when the service is relevant for their needs and aspirations. We deliver services that are flexible and tailored to meet individual need, developed through partnerships and delivered through a person centred approach.</p> <p>Pobl involve clients in the design and delivery of services including the recruitment of staff and strategic planning. This approach has helped us develop a wealth of experience around what works and what doesn't and builds confidence in the client's own ability to resolve issues which compliments the support planning process. Our young clients are diverse and their needs differ in relation to levels and type of involvement and we recognise this. Clients have different needs and therefore require support in many different areas, such as education, mental and physical health, social skills, confidence, living skills, developing relationships. As a result our services are holistic, flexible and dynamic and not set in stone.</p> <p>In our experience, support is most effective where it has the flexibility to respond to our clients' individual needs and respond to these needs as they change over time. There may be periods, particularly at the start of a move into a community, where people need intensive support, but services should be generally geared towards a gradual, managed reduction as the people we work with achieve greater independence. Similarly, if a client experiences a crisis or period of personal challenge whilst we are supporting them, then we may need to increase the level and intensity of support we offer in agreement with Monmouthshire Supporting People. Maximum flexibility which responds to the needs of the service user at any given time is the basis of our support model. We encourage people to take part in a range of confidence boosting and horizon expanding activities to increase potential and reduce isolation, including: <i>volunteering, fitness activities, accredited courses, apprenticeships, social enterprise and employment link work</i> – all designed to increase confidence, skills and long term financial capacity, tenancy sustainment and independence.</p>			

Service Title: Youth Enterprise	Annual Funding: £13,000	Service provider: Youth Enterprise	Contract type: Block/Volume/Spot
Service for (eligibilities , incl. areas): Transition Support		No: staff @ interface: 2	No: Concurrent cases:
<p>Service description: Monmouthshire County Council Youth Enterprise is an integral part of the Business and Enterprise team. We work with young people and adults across the county supporting them through education, employment and training. We engage with the business sector, offering advice and support and help create local employment and entrepreneurial opportunities.</p> <p>Our Post 16 team work with young people 16 -25 years at risk of becoming NEET (not in education, employment or training) or are actually NEET. The team offer a range of support and provisions from one to one employability support covering CV writing, completing application forms and interview preparation to structured group sessions offering accredited qualifications such as Entry 3 BTEC Work Skills, Level 1 Vocational Studies and Level 2 British Safety Council Health and Safety in the Work Place. The team deliver and facilitate Work Based Learning opportunities through the Engagement and Traineeship programme enabling young people to gain valuable work experience, employer references, skills and confidence, while receiving a training allowance of £30.00 - £50.00 per week.</p> <p>The Post 16 team compliment the work of Solas and Llamau in assisting young people to develop independent living skills, to manage a budget, to sustain a positive future pathway and encourage good work ethics. The relationship between the team and young people is built through youth work ethos and values enabling empowerment and informed choices. Young people have access to a wider range of services and support, for example Face to Face Counselling Service.</p> <p>We have established a clear pathway to ensure that every young people who needs it has support with the education, employment and training. We monitor this through our monthly Keeping in Touch group (a multi-agency group of post 16 providers), ensuring an effective referral and reporting system is maintained, identifying common areas of work, avoid duplication and sharing information with other services.</p> <p>We have continued to access our business enterprise networks, training providers, employers and local knowledge to create new training and employment opportunities and to ensure that a range of options are available to our young people. We also offer entrepreneurial and enterprise opportunities, supporting young people that are keen to start up their own business.</p>			

Service Title: CHYPS	Annual Funding: 17,027	Service provider: Llamau	Contract type: Block
Service for (eligibilities , incl. areas): 16 – 18 year olds. Generic support in Monmouthshire area		No: staff @ interface: 3	No: Concurrent cases: 6
<p>Service description: Floating support provision across Monmouthshire. Assessment to identify and rate the levels of support needed for each individual Making sure that the individual feels safe in their own home, support to build skills around ability to maintain a tenancy, including understanding the responsibilities of being a tenant, a good neighbour and a valued member of the local community. Supporting the individual with maximising their income, and ensuring they are receiving everything they are entitled to, budget planning, and supporting to deal with issues around debts and bills payments / repayment agreements. Support individuals to identify their aspirations in terms of meaningful use of time, including accessing and attending training / education as a pathway to employment, or maintaining work whilst dealing with 'in work poverty' and making sure entitlements to working family benefits is achieved. Provision of effective, enabling & skills support to ensure individuals build the skills and experience they need to deal with issues themselves, and avoid the need to constantly re-refer to services every time they reach another challenge / set back. Throughout support we often see large increases in self-esteem and confidence, which has an effect on feelings of well-being. Alongside which we also support people to better cope with / manage any Physical and Mental health issues they may have, including engagement with specialist services, when people meet the thresholds for these.</p>			

Service Title: Young Person accommodation officer	Annual Funding: 36,000	Service provider: MCC	Contract type: Block
Service for (eligibilities , incl. areas): Younger people 16-24		No: staff @ interface: 1	No: Concurrent cases: 9-10
<p>Service description: From Job Description associated with new service introduced in 2018/19</p> <p>Purpose: To provide support and advice, and improve the availability and allocation of good quality and appropriate accommodation for vulnerable young people (16 – 25) including homeless, potential homeless, care leavers, young people experiencing domestic abuse, young single parent, young people with substance misuse, young people who offend, and unaccompanied asylum seeking young people</p> <p>The purpose of the role is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> To provide support and advice, and improve the availability and allocation of good quality and appropriate accommodation for vulnerable young people (16 – 25) including homeless, potential homeless, care leavers, young people experiencing domestic abuse, young single parent, young people with substance misuse, young people who offend, and unaccompanied asylum seeking young people. <input type="checkbox"/> To obtain a positive and sustainable outcome for any Young Person who requires accommodation. <input type="checkbox"/> To create and implement a new protocol for referrals and placements into all Young People’s supported accommodation throughout the County in line with current policies and legislative requirements. <input type="checkbox"/> To ensure the most suitable accommodation is matched and allocated to the Young Person based on their assessed needs. <input type="checkbox"/> To ensure that Monmouthshire County Council are fully compliant with the legislative requirements of providing accommodation for young homeless people in times of crisis and to protect the Authority from adverse publicity and claims of misadministration through the delivery of this service. <input type="checkbox"/> To deliver new accommodation provision in line with relevant legislation and need <p>Expectation and Outcomes of this Role:-</p> <p>The post holder will provide support and advice, and improve the availability and allocation of good quality and appropriate accommodation for vulnerable young people (16 – 25) including homeless, potential homeless, care leavers, young people experiencing domestic abuse, young single parents, young people with substance misuse, young people who offend, and unaccompanied asylum seeking young people.</p> <p>The post holder will work with young people to provide high quality focussed housing advice, support and assistance to ensure that all necessary steps and actions are undertaken to prevent homelessness from occurring whenever possible</p>			

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**Supporting People
Programme Grant in
Monmouthshire
2018-20**

Chris Robinson
Supporting People

Supporting People – The Purpose

“..... to enable vulnerable people to gain and retain independence by remaining in their own homes. “



Supporting People timeline

- 1999 – 2000 Various legal challenges around abuse of Housing benefit
- 2003 Introduction of Supporting People dual funds – SPG and SPRG
- 2010 Aylward Review
- 2012 Introduction of SPPG (& Outcomes)
- 2017 Introduction of 15% funding flexibility
- 2018 Early Intervention, Prevention & Support pilot
- 2019 ?????

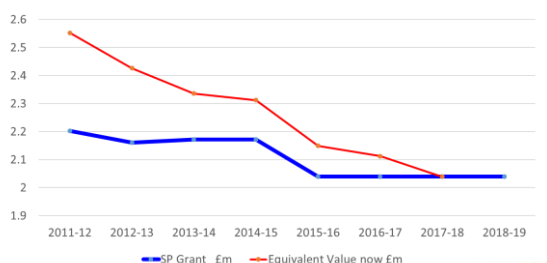


Supporting People – Funding journey overview

- In 2003/4, total SP for MCC was £2.8m (pdv = £4.2m) administered and managed by 5.3 staff
- In 2013/14 following introduction of SSP, MCC funding £2.172m (pdv = £2.34m) managed by 3.4 staff
- In 2018/19 basic SPPG is £2.09m managed by 2 staff, but with flexibility option for a further £386k from Families First, Flying Start and Communities into Work



SPPG funding history



The main changes in SP focus since SPPG (Lead Need)

Client Categorisation	2012	2018
People with Mental health Issues	8.0%	28.6%
People over 55 years of age	55.7%	21.5%
Women experiencing Domestic Abuse	3.8%	12.1%
People with Physical &/or Sensory Disabilities	1.9%	7.9%
Young People with Support Needs (16-24)	2.3%	7.3%
People with Learning Disabilities	2.1%	4.2%
Families with Support Needs	0.1%	4.0%
Single parent Families with Support needs	1.4%	3.7%
Generic Floating support	22.2%	3.0%
Single people with Support Needs (25-54)	0.4%	2.2%



Performance Headlines

- In 2017/18:
 - The average person was assessed as needing support towards 4 outcomes.(circa 5,000 outcomes at any one time) – **complex needs**
 - They positively progressed in 2.5 outcomes
 - The average cost of a “step of progress” was £300, £1,500 per independent outcome involving circa 1.5 hours of support per week
 - Intervention and prevention services cost about 25% of the average to achieve the same progress



Performance

- Of note:
 - Having “Generic floating support” as a client categorisation confuses the statistics
 - As a service, “Generic” ensures that services are accessible by all protected characteristics – **really important with limited funding**
 - Despite the considerable effective reduction in funding since 2012, the number of outcomes being supported at any one time has increased from 2,130 to 4,875, with the same number of people being supported (circa 1,200 at any one time)



Conclusions

- MCC's SP is developing into a place-based service, providing support based on need.
- The services address complex needs and do this in a cost effective way
- For the future, more resource may have to be focused on younger people and their accommodation, the impact of Universal Credits, homelessness prevention and mental health.



Funding Uncertainties

- To be resolved:
 - SP as part of the EIPS flexible funding proposal
 - SP as part of a housing-based grant with Homelessness
 - SP a regionalised resource – fully or more so
 - Budgetary pressure on the whole EIPS portfolio
 - Impact of increased childcare pilot



Opportunities

- Any developments in our funding streams present opportunities to:
 - Work more collaboratively across initiatives – avoiding duplication of services, and offering business efficiency savings
 - To further develop the place-based support model – towards the “one-stop-support-worker” concept
 - Ensure that the benefits achieved through the various funding streams optimises the outcomes for people in Monmouthshire.



MCC's Place-based model





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Members Briefing Autumn 2018



What does the EAS do on behalf of and in partnership with LAs?

EAS will enable LAs to meet their statutory responsibility through governance and scrutiny of Business Plan delivery and impact

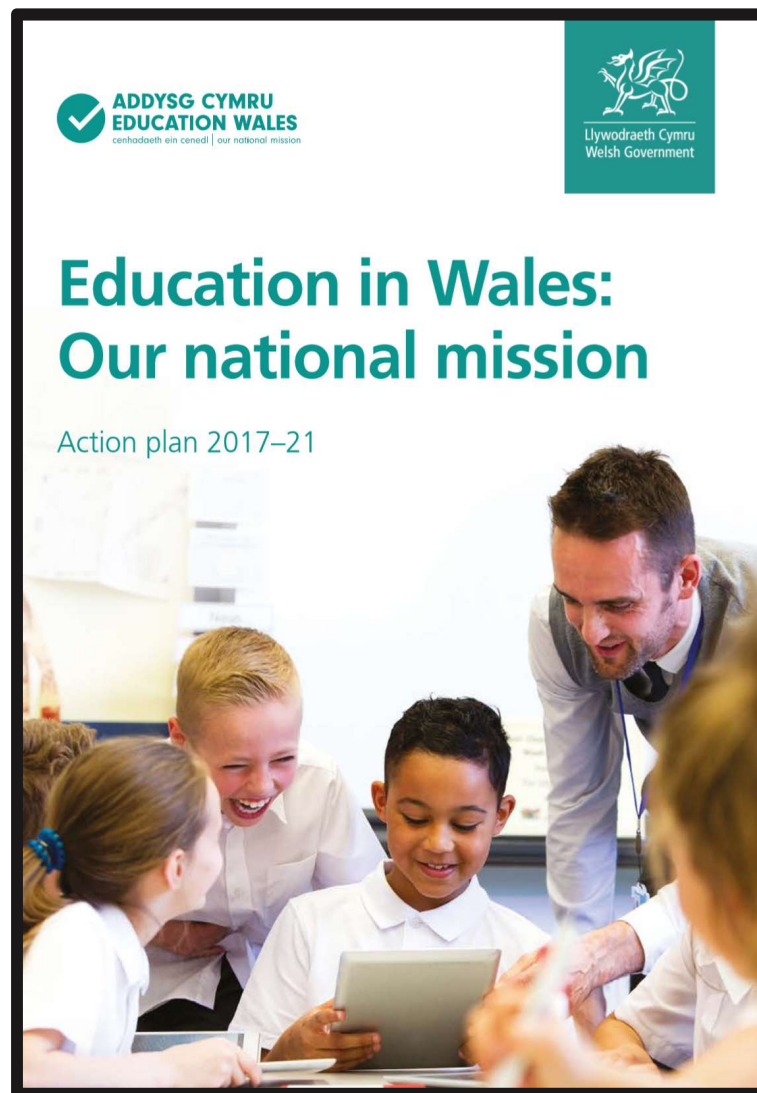


National Reviews / Policies: Rationale for change

- OECD: The Welsh Education Reform Journey (A Rapid Policy Assessment) 2014 and 2017
- Successful Futures Independent Review of Curriculum and Assessment Arrangements in Wales (Professor Graham Donaldson, February 2015)
- Teaching Tomorrow's Teachers: Options for the future of initial teacher education in Wales (John Furlong, March 2015)
- Changes to Teachers Pay and Conditions and Professional Standards
- A Learning Inspectorate: Independent review of Estyn (Graham Donaldson, June 2018)
- Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act 2018 and the ALN Transformation Programme

A period of significant ongoing change for education in Wales

The strategic plan and direction



Enabling Objectives

“It is clear that the successful realisation of our new transformational curriculum and assessment arrangements will require well-coordinated, enabling reforms. These reforms are being developed in collaboration with education professionals, and are benefitting from engagement with excellent practice from around the world. The realisation of a new curriculum will require a clear focus on the following four key enabling objectives.”

1

Developing a high-quality education profession.

2

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3

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4

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Curriculum Reform and EAS Support Programme



Key Dates – Curriculum Reform

- April 2019 – Draft curriculum available for all schools (opportunity for feedback, refinement)
- April 2020 – Final curriculum published
- September 2022 – new Curriculum for Wales a statutory requirement for all schools

A statement detailing how the AoLE supports the four purposes

This provides a justification of how the AoLE contributes to the four purposes of the curriculum and why it is important. The statement also provides a 'way in' to the AoLE and the related What Matters statements

What Matters statements and their accompanying rationales

Together, these statements outline the essential aspects of learning in the AoLE i.e. 'what matters', drawing on key disciplinary and instrumental knowledge and skills and making links with the four purposes

Guiding Principles to help turn **What Matters** into practice.

These will inform curriculum planning at school level and support practitioners in the delivery of the AoLE. In the context of the AoLE, the principles may relate to:

signature pedagogies;
assessment;
exemplification.

Further guidance on how Cross-Curriculum Elements could be addressed and references to where learners' Welsh language skills might be developed could also be included here.

Knowledge, Skills & Experiences identified as key to achieving each What Matters

To support the development of school level curriculum in relation to the relevant What Matters statement, there will be two sections to this element:

- An indication of 'content' that is essential to be covered at some point on the continuum to reach the What Matters statement
- An outline of progression that articulates the general nature of change across the continuum of learning to achieve the What Matters statement

In articulating these elements, for each What Matters we draw on the following:

- Key knowledge, skills & experiences that reflect relevant disciplines and domains within the scope of the AoLE (this includes disciplinary and instrumental knowledge)
- Sequencing where appropriate
- Cross-Curriculum Responsibilities & Wider Skills
- Welsh dimension and international perspective where appropriate

Links to other What Matters within the AoLE as well as other AoLEs will also be made where appropriate

Progression Steps/Achievement Outcomes

- Progression Steps will be described at five points in the learning continuum, relating broadly to expectations at ages 5, 8, 11, 14 and 16.
- Progression Steps will take the form of a range of Achievement Outcomes.
- By signalling an emphasis on achievement in a broad sense, these outcomes broaden the scope of what we value in children and young people's learning.
- Achievement Outcomes will be described from the learner's point of view, using terms like 'I have...' for experiences and 'I can...' for outcomes.
- Achievement Outcomes will include:
 - Knowledge, Skills & Experiences
 - CCR and wider skills
 - Welsh dimension & international perspective where appropriate
- The Achievement Outcomes will contribute to achieving the What Matters and four purposes.

To be used as reference points for individuals, not universal expectations of all children at fixed points.

Progression Framework

The detailed work currently being undertaken for each What Matters. This will be the basis for developing the Achievement Outcomes over the coming months. It will also form the basis for the outline progression described in the key knowledge, skills and experiences element above.

Cross – Curriculum Elements

The Cross-Curriculum Responsibilities; wider skills; Welsh dimension and international perspective; enrichment and experiences and elements of Careers and the World of Work are to be referenced where appropriate.

Regional Support for Curriculum Reform

- Each school funded to engage with education reform support programme (£5882 per school)
- 2 part programme
- **Part 1** - 4 day introductory workshop for nominated Professional Learning Lead
- **Part 2** - Professional enquiry sequence to support school-based curriculum development
- **All** support materials made available to all staff through the EAS regional Hwb site

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Changes to: Teacher Assessment Reporting at Foundation Phase, Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3

Implications for Target Setting

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Key Changes to the use of Teacher Assessment for Accountability Purposes – from September 2018

- Teacher Assessment can be used for information purposes only e.g. to develop school improvement policies etc., but not for school accountability purposes below national level.
- All Wales Core Data Sets (Performance) will no longer be provided by WG for: Foundation Phase , Key Stage 2, Key Stage 3.
- There will be no change to the collection process and schools still have to report data to Welsh Government.
- Data will be shared with Local Authorities and Consortia who have systems in place to analyse data, but comparison with other LAs / Consortia will not be possible.

Changes for schools

What will cease to be available for schools?

- School Comparative Report (including National Tests)
- AWCDS - FP, KS2, KS3 performance packs
- 'My Local School' updates – FP, KS2, KS3

What will be available for schools?

- For 2018/2019 the EAS will continue to provide a slightly reduced EAS School Data Profile to assist with internal school self-evaluation activity only.
- This will continue to include a National Test summary for school level information only.

Changes for LAs

- For 2018/2019 the EAS will provide a reduced standard scrutiny report for teacher assessment outcomes. The main changes are:
 - No comparison with other LAs (rank positions)
 - No individual school level data as part of the standard report
 - No benchmark summaries

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There will still be a range of available data to enable effective scrutiny (to include):

- National Categorisation (this is based upon school performance)
- The progress of schools causing concern
- Estyn inspection outcomes and progress of schools in categories
- School engagement in the curriculum reform programmes



Implications for Target Setting

- For Autumn 2018 target setting remains a statutory process for LAs to undertake.
- The region has a comprehensive online system (EASi Targets) for collecting targets at pupil level. This produces helpful school level summaries to assist with school improvement and pupil tracking activity.
- Target setting is about more than meeting statutory requirements – the key purpose is to set high expectations at the earliest opportunity:
 - Getting to know pupils' potential and challenging expectations
 - Ensuring pupil progress towards targets is the responsibility of everyone
 - Implementing effective intervention, where pupils fall behind

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Key points that are still to be resolved at a national level:

1. The use of school level targets to be aggregated to LA and Regional Targets
2. How school level targets are to be used for accountability purposes



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Key Stage 4 Reporting

Changes in 2017

Changes in 2018

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KS4 Measures – Summary from 2017

Indicator	Definition	Abbreviation
Level 1 Threshold	Formerly 5 GCSE at A*-G, but including a range of approved vocational equivalents	L1
Level 2 Threshold	Formerly 5 GCSE at A*-C, but including a range of approved vocational equivalents	L2
Level 2 Threshold including E/W&M	L2 but including English / Welsh and Mathematics or Numeracy GCSE, whichever is the learner's best	L2+
Capped Points Score <i>(A*=58, A=52 ... G=16, U=0)</i>	Measures the quality of the best 9 qualifications the average learner in a school achieves. Must now include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCSE English / Welsh Language • GCSE Mathematics – Numeracy • GCSE Mathematics • Best science qualification • Second best science qualification 	CPS
No Qualifications	The % of pupils in a school that leave with no recognised qualification	NQ

Key messages from Cabinet Secretary

- From 2017, no **one main** measure to be focused on at school level, instead a suite of measures considered, including:
 - Level 2 inclusive (Welsh Baccalaureate Foundation & National measures from 2018)
 - Level 2 threshold (2017 only)
 - Level 1 threshold (2017 only)
 - Capped Points Score (the revised, 'Capped 9' measure from 2017).
- The changes to performance measures are in line with recommendations contained within Successful Futures and will have the positive effect of widening curriculum choice.

Key changes to measures - 2017

- Any non-GCSE Level 1 or Level 2 qualification will be worth a maximum of **two GCSEs**. *Current qualifications can continue to be taken but performance value capped at equivalent of two GCSEs.*
- The Core Subject Indicator will **no longer be published** as a performance measure.
- The following new GCSEs will be used as the literacy and numeracy elements of the Level 2 Inclusive measure:
 - English Language / Welsh Language
 - Mathematics or Mathematics Numeracy (whichever is the learners best)
- Literature qualifications will not count towards the literacy requirements of measures, but can still count towards the non-subject specific measures.

The 'new' Capped Point Score

- The score will be based on nine rather than eight qualifications. Five of the nine qualifications used to calculate the score will be:
 - GCSE English Language or GCSE Welsh Language (whichever is the learner's best, literature will not count)
 - GCSE Mathematics – Numeracy and GCSE Mathematics
 - The learner's best two science qualifications (from 2018, their best two science GCSEs)
- The other four qualifications will be the learner's best (highest grade) other qualifications. These could be GCSEs, vocational qualifications or the Skills Challenge Certificate (the core of the new Welsh Baccalaureate).

Summary of changes from 2018 (current Year 11 learners)

- For science only GCSE qualifications will count towards subject specific requirements of the capped points score.

Non-GCSE science qualifications no longer count towards science components but can still count towards a learner's 'other 4' best qualifications.

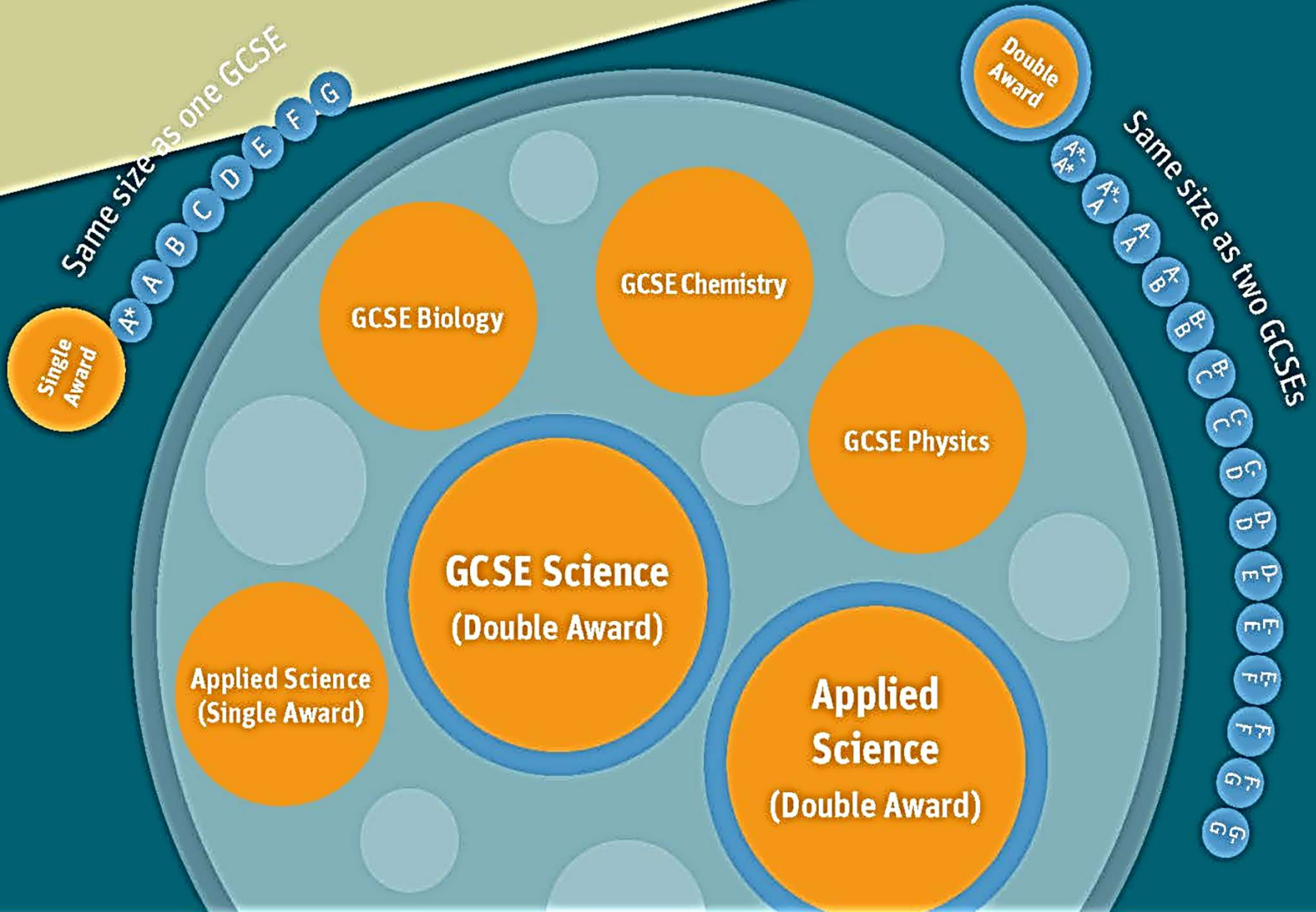
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New measures will be introduced relating to the attainment of the new Welsh Baccalaureate at Foundation and National levels (Levels 1 and 2).

These new measures will replace the current Level 1, Level 2 and Level 2 Inclusive threshold measures.

New Science GCSEs for Wales

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GCSE Science (Double Award)

GCSE Biology

GCSE Chemistry

GCSE Physics

These qualifications provide a suitable foundation for the study of science at AS and A level.

All of the new GCSE Science qualifications are unitised (modular).

Units can be taken at the end of Year 10 or Year 11. The combined outcome of the units results in an overall grade for the qualification.

These new GCSEs are different from previous GCSEs and other science qualifications:

- The content and assessment have been updated;
- Practical work still counts towards the final grade.

Applied Science (Double Award)

Applied Science (Single Award)

These qualifications look at science in a more practical and work-based context.

They are not designed to prepare for progressing to AS and A level science qualifications.

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GCSE specification changes: Risks 2017/2018

New qualifications for first teaching:

- **September 2015:** English Language; Welsh Language; mathematics; mathematics numeracy
- **September 2016:** art and design; drama; food and nutrition; geography; French; German; Spanish; music, physical education and a science suite.
- **September 2017:** business; computer science; design & technology; history; media studies; religious studies; and Welsh second language.

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- New qualifications bring significantly increased uncertainty. Schools' and individual teachers ability to set accurate targets and subsequently track pupils' progress towards meeting them may be affected by a number of factors.
- Changes to Early Entry arrangements
- Changes to science specifications



Interim Performance Measures (2019/2018)

“The Cabinet Secretary for Education released a statement giving a high level overview of planned changes to Key Stage 4 school performance measures for implementation in 2019 as an interim arrangement whilst development of the future Evaluation and Improvement Arrangements for schools in Wales is ongoing.

We are working on these long-term future arrangements with OECD and they will be published alongside the curriculum for feedback in April 2019, for implementation in 2022.” (May 2018)

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Proposed changes for 2019

- Work collaboratively with schools to move the focus from C/D borderline and raise aspiration for all learners
- Base new measures on points score (like CPS)
- Update the 'Capped 9' to include only 3 measures at it's core all using average points scores

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Subject Areas	Learning Measure
Literacy	Best of English Language, Welsh First Language, English Literature or Welsh Literature
Numeracy	Best of mathematics or numeracy
Science	Best of science

Proposed changes for 2019

- Compare the performance of groups of learners:
 - Boys / Girls
 - eFSM / non eFSM (eligible for Free School Meals)
- The cohort of each school will be divided into thirds showing average score for each third
- Comparisons with similar schools
- Participation in subjects
- Implications for target setting

- 1 Developing a high-quality education profession.
- 2 Inspirational leaders working collaboratively to raise standards.
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- 4 Robust assessment, evaluation and accountability arrangements supporting a self-improving system.



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Post-16 Developments



Developing consistent measures for post-16

Current:

- A Level performance (A*-A, A*-C, A*-E) across the school
- Level 3 Threshold (2 A*-E) or equivalent
- Makes it difficult to make meaningfully comparisons
- Currently consultation with the sector on broader measures
- Will included destination information for learners

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National Categorisation and Self Evaluation



National Categorisation 2018-2019

Arrangements for the National School Categorisation System

- The process for categorisation will be kept the same for 2018-19.
- Regional Moderation (December 2018) and National Verification (early January 2019);
- Quality and Standards Group (QSG) – Guidance updated.
- Welsh Government guidance will be updated to reflect the refinements also made to the QSG guidance.

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WG are working on developing a new framework for evaluation and improvement, and will be considering the evolving role of school categorisation alongside the recommendations coming out the review of Estyn, in which there are also implications for the role of the Challenge Adviser going forward.



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Future National Developments



Future Developments

- A National Self Evaluation Toolkit (working title): Being developed with Estyn, OECD and practitioners.
- A National 'score card': Being developed by WG in collaboration with stakeholders.
- Confirmation of the outcome measures for KS4 (taking into account a wider range of indicators) and KS5.
- Further details on how school level targets will be used in 2018/2019
- Implications for the education sector following the review of Estyn
- Further details on the specifications within the ALN Bill
- Implications following the review of teachers pay and conditions



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Any Questions?

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REPORT

SUBJECT	REVENUE & CAPITAL MONITORING 2018/19 OUTTURN STATEMENT
DIRECTORATE	Resources
MEETING	Children & Young People Select Committee
DATE	6th September 2018
DIVISIONS/ WARD AFFECTED	All Authority

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members with information on the revenue and capital outturn position of the Authority at the end of reporting period 1 which represents the financial outturn position for the 2018/19 financial year based on May inclusive activities.
- 1.2 This report will also be considered by Select Committees as part of their responsibility to,
- assess whether effective budget monitoring is taking place,
 - monitor the extent to which budgets are spent in accordance with agreed budget and policy framework,
 - challenge the reasonableness of projected over or underspends, and
 - monitor the achievement of predicted efficiency gains or progress in relation to savings proposals.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS PROPOSED TO CABINET

- 2.1 That Members consider a net revenue forecast of £471,000 overspend.
- 2.2 Members consider a capital outturn spend of £35.7m, which accords with budget provision for the year, after proposed slippage of £75,000. This describes a breakeven position not uncommon for this early in the year, although there is a potential for additional 21c schools costs in respect of additional asbestos removal and treatment costs not anticipated, which colleagues indicate could be the order of £350,000.
- 2.3 Considers the use of reserves proposed in para 3.8.1,
- 2.4 Members note that the low level of earmarked reserves will notably reduce the flexibility the Council has in meeting the challenges of scarce resources going forward.
- 2.5 Members note the extent of movements in individual budgeted draws on school balances, and acknowledge a reported net forecast deficit of £622k resulting, and support the amendments to MCC's Fairer Funding Regulations as described in para 3.8.13 for onward engagement with schools forum and governing bodies

3. MONITORING ANALYSIS

3.1 Revenue Position

3.1.1 Revenue budget monitoring information for each directorate's directly managed budgets is provided together with information on corporate areas.

3.1.2 Responsible Financial Officer's Summary of Overall Position Period 1

Table 1: Council Fund 2018/19 Outturn Forecast Summary Statement at Outturn

Service Area	Initial 2018-19 Annual Budget	Virements to budget	Period 2 Annual Budget	Revised Forecast Outturn	Forecast Over/ (Under) @ Month 2	Forecast Over/ (Under) @ Outturn
	£'000			£'000	£'000	£'000
Adult Services	7,501	0	7,501	7,573	72	242
Children Services	11,373	0	11,373	11,655	282	1,578
Community Care	22,704	0	22,704	22,572	-132	-1,020
Commissioning	1,631	0	1,631	1,583	-48	-156
Partnerships	366	0	366	366	0	25
Public Protection	1,417	0	1,417	1,435	18	-58
Resources & Performance	676	0	676	660	-16	-25
Total Social Care & Health	45,668	0	45,668	45,844	176	586
Individual School Budget	43,620	0	43,620	43,620	0	169
Resources	1,440	0	1,440	1,440	0	-85
Standards	5,113	0	5,113	5,495	382	93
Total Children & Young People	50,173	0	50,173	50,555	382	177
Business Growth & Enterprise	1,456	0	1,456	1,464	8	7
Governance, Democracy and Support	3,893	0	3,893	3,882	-11	-75
Planning & Housing	1,815	0	1,815	1,815	0	54
Tourism Life & Culture	3,445	0	3,445	3,503	58	289
Total Enterprise	10,609	0	10,609	10,664	55	275
Legal & Land Charges	458		458	455	-3	-23
Operations	15,394	47	15,441	15,652	221	615
Total Chief Executives Unit	15,852	47	15,899	16,117	218	592
Finance	2,486	0	2,486	2,439	-47	-231
Information Communication Technology	2,679	0	2,679	2,733	54	4
People	1,680	-47	1,633	1,667	34	-9

Commercial and Corporate Landlord Services	844	0	844	1,002	158	-79
Total Resources	7,689	-47	7,642	7,841	199	-315
Precepts and Levies	18,467	0	18,467	18,467	0	-4
Corporate Management (CM)	120	0	120	61	-59	-135
Non Distributed Costs (NDC)	669	0	669	669	0	-21
Strategic Initiatives	493	0	493	43	-450	-318
Insurance	1,333	0	1,333	1,333	0	-173
Total Corporate Costs & Levies	21,082	0	21,082	20,573	-509	-632
Net Cost of Services	151,073	0	151,073	151,594	521	683
Fixed Asset disposal costs	153	0	153	153	0	0
Interest and Investment Income	-56	0	-56	-61	-5	-136
Interest payable & Similar Charges	3,326	0	3,326	3,331	5	-729
Charges required under regulation	4,500	0	4,500	4,500	0	-117
Contributions to Reserves	224	0	224	224	0	-221
Contributions from Reserves	-1,408	0	-1,408	-1,408	0	349
Capital Expenditure funded by revenue contribution			0	0	0	0
Appropriations	6,739	0	6,739	6,739	0	-854
General Government Grants	-63,091		-63,091	-63,091	0	0
Non Domestic rates	-30,177		-30,177	-30,177	0	0
Council Tax	-70,838	0	-70,838	-70,838	0	-270
Council Tax Benefits Support	6,294		6,294	6,244	-50	-211
Financing	-157,812	0	-157,812	-157,862	-50	-481
Net Council Fund (Surplus) / Deficit	0	0	0	471	471	-652

3.1.3 The outturn variances reported by way of last year's surplus and this year's forecast deficit may seem a significant amount, but putting such variances in context, they both equate to less than 0.5% variation against the net cost budget before financing. This is an incredibly close correlation given the volume of budget holders involved in the process, the volatility in pressures and savings proposals experienced during the year and the need to secure compensatory savings to mitigate adverse positions highlighted earlier in the year. Clearly a surplus is more attractive to the Council than an equivalent deficit, so the use of periodic monitoring as a tool for change during the year should not be underestimated.

3.1.4 A comparison of the Net Council fund line against previous years activity indicates the following,

Net Council Fund Surplus	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Period 1	471 deficit	164 deficit	1,511 deficit	867 deficit	219 deficit
Period 2		62 deficit	839 deficit	1,066 deficit	116 deficit
Period 3			79 surplus	162 deficit	144 deficit
Outturn		652 surplus	884 Surplus	579 surplus	327 surplus

3.2 A summary of main pressures and under spends within the Net Cost of Services Directorates include,

3.2.1 Stronger Communities Select Portfolio (£142k net underspend)

- Chief Executives Unit (£218k overspend)

Legal division exhibited a small **£3k surplus**, due to staff and service savings exceeding loss in reported income. **Operations anticipates a collective £221k deficit**. The position for each of main Operations areas is as follows, Highways £39k surplus, catering £42k deficit, cleaning and transport administration breakeven, Passenger Transport £100k deficit, Waste and Streetscene £118k deficit.

- Resources Directorate (£199k overspend)

Finance Division predict an underspend of £47k, predominantly predicted savings in Revenues and Exchequer sub division and saving in management cost. **IT predicts an £54k overspend**, due to overestimation of SRS reserve returned to MCC at year end, and a degree of salary savings not yet delivered within SRS. **People services predicts £34k deficit**, mainly the result of sickness and maternity cover within the division. **Landlord division anticipates a £158k deficit**, predominantly the effect of procurement gateway review savings not yet delivered.

- Corporate (£509k underspend)

The net effect of the unutilised redundancy budget (£450k), together with rate refund receipts (£59k) in respect of Council's buildings.

- Appropriations (breakeven)

Net use of reserves is currently predicted as budgeted. The usual annual beneficial treasury position has been forecast as being on budget, as an explicit saving was agreed as part of 2018-19 budget process. The actual outturn will be influenced by progress with the capital programme spends, any need for temporary borrowing in advance of capital receipts funding being available, and the interest rates experienced. Treasury consultants predict an increase in such rates starting in autumn 2018.

- Financing (£50k underspend)

The net effect from anticipated Council tax benefit payments, however this will need to be closely monitored throughout the year **Page 68** significant changes being implemented

around universal credit introducing a potential volatility in demand for other support mechanisms.

RESOURCES DIRECTOR CONTEXT & COMMENTARY

The overspend reported at this early stage of the year signals some early pressures within services and equal risks of certain savings proposals having the potential to not fully deliver. However, a targeted focus on procurement savings together with continued efforts to curtail non essential spend aims to look to improve the forecast position for the directorate as the financial year progresses.

HEAD OF OPERATIONS CONTEXT & COMMENTARY

Obviously month 2 is early in the financial year and the accuracy of forecasts reflect this. There is a relatively small overspend already being forecast for catering due to increased refuse collection costs and inability to achieve the staff saving inherent in all budget preparation/modelling. The Waste and Street Scene budget incorporated £100k income from BGCBC to offset civic amenity/recycling centre costs in Llanfoist attributable to BGCBC residents using the site. However BGCBC eventually declined to make this contribution to costs, hence an overspend forecast, ideally to be recovered elsewhere within the waste budget during the year although this service will encounter massive change at the end of the year as the new system is rolled out county wide. Such a major investment and change has potential to impact upon the budget. Finally the PTU budget in 18/19 included several income and budget savings assumptions including personal transport budgets, increased 'in house' SEN transport provision, reduced contract costs etc. totalling around £370k in year. A great deal of work has been undertaken to deliver these budget assumptions but the major benefit assumed by tendering will not be known until late July. There is also some volatility as some aspects out perform e.g. personal transport budgets whereas others are not gaining the financial benefit assumed. The situation will be much clearer at month 7 but at this time a forecast that indicates £100k overspend for PTU would seem appropriate until modelling improves during the year."

Monitoring Division element of Deputy Chief Executive's Combined Directorate

The position for DCEO brief at Month 2 is slighter better than in the comparable period in previous years, on account of income targets being met, staffing changes and adjustments bedding in and a small element of 'growth' in the budget to address continual and historic pressures associated with frontline functions.

The impact of changes and improvements will be a continuing theme in year, with advances in customer care, automation and digitisation. I believe the section is off to a strong start and will continue the important work to drive efficiency and effectiveness both within the service and in supporting activity across the wider Council.

3.2.2 Economy & development Select Portfolio (£73k net overspend)

- Enterprise Directorate (£55k net overspend)

Business growth and enterprise predict a net **£8k overspend**, being the windfall effect of community partnership grant (58k) funding compensating in part for another net annual deficit introduced by Events function (40k). A report is currently being prepared for

Cabinet to indicate the future of Events and how it could be made sustainable, recognising it was advocated to members as a way of sustaining the core activities of the council, rather than creating a further pressure.

Governance, democracy and support predict a net **£10k underspend**, caused by savings in policy and partnerships (£10k), and £53k savings in democratic services (mainly the effect of windfall funding from Cabinet office) compensating for £51k pressure from Contact Centre costs in the form of extra IT and switchboard costs disputed.

Planning & Housing (breakeven) – Development control has historically experienced a significant deficit in income against budget. The extent of some larger sites coming online during the year allows the service to predict higher than usual income levels. The pressure accommodated in respect of lodging scheme as part of 2018-19 budget process, allows the Housing service to predict a breakeven position.

Tourism, leisure & culture (£58k overspend) - £40k of overspend is artificial to the MCC bottom line as it relates to the Outdoor Education service which transfers any surpluses or deficit to its trading reserve.

The pressure within Outdoor Education relates to an eroding income base as historic partners look to withdraw their core support. This has been known for the last 3 years with little change being introduced by service, despite prompts.

The net pressure within Tourism, Leisure and Culture is only £18k, and relates to a staffing pressure of £8k within Tourism and Museums, together with £10k job evaluation regrading consequence in Youth. It wouldn't be intuitive that pressures in TLC division were only £18k, given the focus on Trust consideration, and the extra costs being identified to facilitate the resulting outsourcing. The pressure at outturn for this division was £289k, however pressures in the form of reduced income from Monmouth leisure centre (£49k), and £143k extra budget to facilitate Trust creation were accommodated in 2018-19 budget process. It still feels that there ought to be a net pressure within Tourism, Leisure and Culture, and that the service forecast is perhaps understated, so close monitoring of any costs prior to service transfer will be key, so as not to introduce further volatility in forecasting.

- Social Care & Health (£18k overspend)

Public Protection (£18k overspend) – predominantly the net effect of overtime anticipated in respect of Registrars services, at a level consistent with previous year.

ENTERPRISE element of Deputy Chief Executive's Combined Directorate

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3.2.3 Adult Select Portfolio (net £124k underspend)

- Social Care & Health

Adult Services (£72k overspend) – a drop off in community meals income of £14k is anticipated , together with staffing pressures (sickness cover and ERS pension saving not realised) within direct care establishments (Severn View and Mardy Park).

Community Care (£132k underspend) – net savings within Mental Health Care team budget compensate for the inherent pressure to external agreement costs as recharge agreements are historic in nature and haven't kept pace with periodic inflation. Standby service and GWICES budgets are subject to new arrangements, so cost burdens have been predicted based on 2017-18 levels whilst limited activity data is available for 2018-19.

Commissioning (£48k underspend) – predominantly a part year saving to commissioning staffing, and a continued savings within Drybridge Gardens service area.

Resources (£16k underspend) – disposal of vehicle in favour of more cost effective provision.

SCH DIRECTOR'S CONTEXT & COMMENTARY

Given the recent vacancy in Director position, no commentary is provided with the report, and members can instead expect a verbal update at meeting from a management representative.

3.2.4 Children & Young People Select Portfolio (net £664k overspend)

- Social Care & Health (£282k overspend)

Children's Services (net £282k overspend) – this can be a fairly volatile area to manage budget wise, with individual placements potentially having a significant effect. In comparison to 2017-18 activity which was £1.6m overspend, the 2018-19 forecast indicates a significantly improving position. The service did receive net £534k extra resourcing as part of 2018-19 budget process. The service's forecast assumptions also presume circa £390k funding from Health for 2 continuing care cases, reduced activity in external placements (a reduction of 7 whole time equivalents against 58 placements in 2017-18) and encouragingly by the end of June the service should have only 5 agency staff (with the last one expected to leave on 19th August) as numbers having been reducing in recent months due to a planned exit strategy. The M2 position includes a total agency forecast of £145k (part year only due to the expected elimination of agency staff by mid-August). This compares to a 2017/18 outturn on agency staff of over £600k which clearly represents more agency staff in post last year and agency costs having arisen throughout the whole of the year not just for part of it.

Youth offending team partnership (breakeven) – this partnership is managed in a similar fashion to Outdoor Education, in so far as surpluses or deficits do not affect MCC outturn position and are instead transferred to their trading account. The Board overseeing the management of the service has agreed to hold the combined surplus at £150k, which means that circa £99k beneficial effect will be redirected back through to partners at year end. It is not recommended to use this windfall in balancing 2018-19 position as it is also understood that should the partnership balance fall below £150k in future years as a result of overspends these will need to be borne by increased partner contributions. It is proposed to hive any extraordinary credit off to an MCC specific reserve to mitigate any future volatility.

- Children and Young People (net £382k overspend)

Service colleagues report **School Budget Funding and Resources Divisions** are anticipated to incur a **breakeven position** at end of year. **Standards subdivision** exhibits a **£382k overspend** reported as largely the consequence of reduced residential place numbers at Mouton House as MCC considers the future use for the facility. Also several pupils currently utilising out of county educational placements are anticipated to take up post 16 educational study opportunities.

SCH DIRECTOR'S CONTEXT & COMMENTARY

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CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE DIRECTOR'S CONTEXT & COMMENTARY

The Directorate's Month 2 position is a forecasted overspend of £382,000. This represents a significant concern for the whole directorate. All parts of the directorate are working to reduce those areas of pressure and bring the budget back to a balanced position.

The most significant risk remains the Additional Learning Needs budget which is under significant pressure due to the requirement to support more of our pupils with complex needs. This is a particularly challenging budget given the volatility of children arriving into the area and younger children requiring more complex packages of support. We are continuing to develop a new ALN offer within the County and this will be taken through Cabinet in September 2018. The pressure is currently being experienced in the '*in-county*' element of the budget as we try to ensure that children and young people receive their education as close to home as possible but still receive the support they need.

Schools are facing a challenging financial settlement and have again budgeted to be in a collective deficit by the end of the year. This forecasted position has worsened since budgets were set, in the majority of cases this is due to increasing pupil numbers and the need to employ further staff, overtime the funding will be increased to reflect this. We will continue to work closely with our school colleagues to ensure their plans are as robust as possible to minimise any impact whilst continuing to improve standards for our young people.

3.2.5 Redundancy costs

Members are commonly keen to understand the extent of any redundancy payments made during the year, as staffing remains the most significant and controllable expense to most service areas. Traditionally the expectation is that services absorb the cost of any redundancies in the first instance, only making a call upon the corporate budget where necessary. To date this early in the financial year, there are no approvals or caveated use of redundancy budget agreed by Members, so the full extent of redundancy budget is shown as £450k underspend compensating in part for the net costs of services anticipated. However whilst this report is being written, it is understood that Cabinet are likely to receive a report at its 4th July meeting, to consider management structure changes to the Attractions function within Tourism Leisure and Culture facilitating the Council's Leisure Trust aspirations in providing a more responsive management structure. Costs are not currently indicated, and no prejudgement or allowance for this has been made to the month 2 outturn forecast.

3.3 Given the financial challenges that will continue to face the Authority for the foreseeable future, Chief Officers continue to be tasked with ensuring that services live within the budgets and savings targets set for the current financial year.

3.3.1 It isn't particularly usual for a Senior Finance Officer to proffer symptomatic considerations as part of the periodic monitoring report in addition to Directors comments, but it would be sensible to highlight,

- The financial environment facing Councils over the next 4 years will be very challenging. It will be increasingly difficult to find additional remedial savings through the year in addition to those required to allow a balanced budget to be established every February. This volatility risk is traditionally mitigated by a heightened accountability culture whereby service managers are reminded of the need to comply within the budget control totals established by members, and are more responsible for any variances to SLT and Cabinet and equally for Select Committees to exhibit a more focussed reflection upon the adequacy of budget monitoring being applied. Members may wish to re-enforce such accountabilities and review any remedial action proposed by service managers to resolve adverse situations.
- The budget process this year involved the late consideration and development of additional savings caused predominantly by national 2% pay award agreed during the budget process introducing an extra £1m volatility into the usual budget process. By necessity some of the late savings were less robust, and less certain than earlier ones, as evidenced in the savings matrix below. A prudent approach has been adopted in the savings progress reported, as some of the intentions, whilst laudable, will always have an inherent speculative aspect, so for instance in relation to social care activities there is a presumption of colleagues negotiating effectively with other public sector colleagues to passport costs or secure funding/contribution where the nature of service is more reflective of health rather than care. They have been quite successful in such deliberations previously, but probability suggests, they won't win every case.
- An increasing feature for all Councils is how to sustain core services rather than reduce them. This does lend itself to the consideration of activities not traditional to Councils, often described as innovative, commercial or private sector influenced. Experience of such activities within MCC suggest the implementation phase is key to the success or otherwise of such initiatives. Commercial skills aren't necessarily commonplace to a local authority, such that when faced with considering such, members should increasingly test out the practicalities involved and establish a tolerance to any business case received after which officers are required to re-report to members. This

is necessary as the Council has a different duty in the protection of public funds that wouldn't apply in private sector, and the private sector can more easily respond to a deficient project by dropping or amending the proposal. It isn't as easy to do that at pace in a public entity which is problematic as Councils have limited capacity to absorb the effect of deficient projects, so instead public sector will commonly look to reassess the success of the scheme against an alternate lens, most commonly the social benefit when instead the proposal was volunteered to members primarily as a financial benefit.

- Relatedly, there's an unusual degree of work being undertaken by a multi discipline team known as "hit squad" and targeted managers to consider the financial viability of commercial type services e.g. Borough Theatre, Events, PTU, procurement etc. These may have knock on consequences to reserve usage and costs to the Council not currently captured in annual budget agreed by members or evaluated in the current monitoring position.
- Similarly, Members have registered support for the provision of a Leisure Trust to become active during this financial year, acknowledging that there will be an additional cost to this facilitation approved by members to a ceiling of £155,000, to be afforded by one off reserve usage. Any additional costs volunteered during the process to best position the shadow organisation to succeed or reflect responsibilities captured in the future management agreement between new organisation and council e.g. the destabilising effect to Council's central support functions with budgets moving to the Trust, or the prioritising of capital expenditure towards Leisure establishments, aren't yet quantified or factored into current monitoring, but could be anticipated to add to the financial churn this year and the budget process for next.

3.4 2018/19 Budget Savings Progress

3.4.1 This section monitors the specific savings initiatives and the progress made in delivering them during 2018-19 as part of the MTFP budgeting process.

In summary they are as follows,

Disinvestment by Directorate 2018-19	2018/19 Budgeted Savings	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn	Delayed Savings	Savings deemed Unachievable YTD
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
REVENUE MONITORING 2018-19						
Children & Young People	(631)	(631)	0	0	0	0
Social Care & Health	(925)	(880)	0	0	(30)	(15)
Enterprise	(242)	(144)	0	0	(98)	0
Resources	(771)	(450)	0	0	(272)	(50)
Chief Executives Units	(1,296)	(1,035)	0	0	(91)	(170)
Corporate Costs & Levies	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appropriations	(396)	(396)	0	0	0	0
Financing	(800)	(800)	0	0	0	0
DIRECTORATE Totals	(5,061)	(4,336)	0	0	(490)	(235)

3.4.2 Mandated saving performance is running at 86% of budgeted levels, with currently £235,000 being deemed potentially unachievable, and a further £490,000 to be delayed to later years.

- 3.4.3 The emphasis of reporting savings has changed from previously where savings were reported when they were manifest, however the judgement is now whether saving is forecast to be achieved.
- 3.4.4 Consequently the savings appendix (appendix 1) also has a traffic light system to indicate whether savings are likely to be achieved or have justifiable reasons explaining delayed implementation. The following summary of savings mandates are highlighted as requiring further work to crystallise or exhibit an anticipated degree of volatility.

3.4.5 Stronger Communities Select Portfolio

Resources Directorate

- Delayed savings are anticipated in respect of the likely introduction of the Revenues sub division's new document image system (£10k), the Procurement gateway review £150k appears to exhibit little progress to date, savings from more zealous use of duplicate payment software (£25k), and the reviewing of technology and systems and introduction of chatbot functionality (£87k) all report delays in implementation and the timing when savings crystallise. An unachievable saving has been identified in the disparity between the assumption to reduce our SRS contribution by £50k in salary savings and the basis of SRS budget preparation.

Chief Executive's Office

- Approved car park price increases weren't introduced in April reducing the anticipated income levels (£20k).
- General postage costs reduction of £5k and external property service fee income £19k, presumed during budget process, aren't yet manifest.
- The savings agenda within PTU is significant and wide ranging and involves significant officer time outside of core PTU team. Latest anticipation from a current retendering exercise suggests a £29k shortfall on the £171k estimated. The £30k saving from reducing payments to contractors but providing a more timely cashflow has been reviewed, as it potentially discourages take up, and perpetuates a need for multiple approaches. The service is still trialling a payment on account process, with the intention of moving all contractors across to it from September, but has instead chosen to take an increased saving from the successful pilot of personal transport budgets. The extended provision of in-house ALN transport service designed to deliver £41k, is not as advanced as other PTU practice changes currently, and the saving of £49k from Raglan training is only anticipated to deliver £20k additional income this year.
- The proposal to effectively sell Recycling activity targets to a neighbouring authority to avoid their penalisation hasn't been progressed, as they've received a relaxation to potential sanctions.

3.4.6 Economy & Development Select Portfolio

Enterprise (ENT) Directorate

- A Council wide target, overseen by Future Monmouthshire colleagues, to reduce agency costs by £80k is reported unlikely to be delivered. Similarly the presumption to reduce Council travel costs by £72k this year is likely to fall short of aspiration by circa £18k.

3.4.7 Adult Select Portfolio

Social Care & Health (SCH) Directorate

- Adult social care proposals are anticipated to the full extent of proposed £638k efficiencies.
- The additional income predicted from Meals on wheels (£15k) and Registrars (£12k) isn't yet manifest, and the increasing cost of meals on wheels has had a perceived reduction in demand.

3.4.8 Children and Young People Select Portfolio

Social Care & Health (SCH) Directorate

- Whilst not a true net saving, a 4 year financial improvement target was established to compensate for £560k pressure volunteered by the service. As present predictions suggest an outturn of only £282k deficit, which would be an improvement above the level established for the year, however this remains one of the more volatile budgets within the Council, where individual decisions can result in significant consequences, so the position will need to be closely monitored through the year.

Children and Young People (CYP) Directorate

- Directorate colleagues report current year savings are anticipated to be delivered in full, although Members may wish to check the progress with breakfast club charging and Mouton House fee increases given their "yellow" Rag status.

3.5 Capital Position

3.5.1 The summary Capital position at Month 2 is as follows

MCC CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING 2018-19 at Month 2 by SELECT COMMITTEE						
SELECT PORTFOLIO	Forecast Spend at Outturn	Slippage Brought Forward	Total Approved Budget 2018/19	Forecast Capital Slippage to 2019/20	Revised Capital Budget 2018/19	Capital Expenditure Variance
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Children & Young People	22,062	9,359	22,062	0	22,062	0
Adult	23	0	23	0	23	0
Economic & Development	1,185	98	1,185	0	1,185	0
Strong Communities	12,491	2,376	12,566	(75)	12,491	0
Capital Schemes Total 2018-19	35,761	11,833	38,836	(75)	35,761	0

3.5.2 Capital expenditure at month 2 is predominantly being forecast to budget. The main aspect of this year's capital programme remains the completion of Monmouth and Caldicot Comprehensive Future schools programme. The project lead has recently left the organisation, Property Services indicates the projects will be largely completed on budget. However, whilst not included in the analysis above, indications are a potential overspend of circa £350k presently to address the extent of asbestos clean-up required from old school building demolition and in the ground which couldn't be easily anticipated at contract letting stage.

3.5.3 Slippage to 2019-20

Total Provisional Slippage at Month 2 is (£75,441) due to delays in regard to the New Playing Field Pitches at Clydach Juniors S106 scheme (£53k) that cannot proceed due to delays on the Heads of Valley road dual-ing project, and security of tenure delays on the S106 Llanelly Hill Welfare Car Park scheme (£22k).

3.6 Capital Financing and Receipts

3.6.1 Given the anticipated capital spending profile reported in para 3.5.1, the following financing mechanisms are expected to be utilised.

MCC CAPITAL FINANCING BUDGET MONITORING 2018-19 at Month 2 by FINANCING CATEGORY						
CAPITAL FINANCING SCHEME	Annual Financing	Slippage Brought Forward	Total Approved Financing Budget 2018/19	Provisional Budget Slippage to 2019/20	Revised Financing Budget 2018/19	Forecast Capital Financing Variance 2018/19
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Supported Borrowing	2,410	0	2,410	(0)	2,410	0
General Capital Grant	1,467	0	1,467	0	1,467	0
Grants and Contributions	8,881	4,725	8,881	(0)	8,881	0
S106 Contributions	740	650	815	(75)	740	(0)
Unsupported borrowing	10,859	1,231	10,859	(0)	10,859	(0)
Earmarked reserve & Revenue Funding	174	169	174	(0)	174	(0)
Capital Receipts	11,196	5,024	11,196	(0)	11,196	(0)
Low cost home ownership receipts	34	34	34	0	34	(0)
Unfinanced	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Financing Total 2018-19	35,761	11,833	35,836	(75)	35,761	(0)

3.7 Useable Capital Receipts Available

3.7.1 In the table below, the effect of the changes to the forecast capital receipts on the useable capital receipts balances available to meet future capital commitments is shown. This is also compared to the balances forecast within the 2018/22 MTFP capital budget proposals.

Movement in Available Useable Capital Receipts Forecast

TOTAL RECEIPTS	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Balance b/f 1 st April	3,411	4,104	6,824	12,570
Add:				
Receipts received in YTD	0			
Receipts forecast received	11,565	3,065	6,091	1,000
Deferred capital receipts	324	164	164	164
Less:				
Receipts to be applied	(11,196)	(509)	(509)	(509)
Set aside	0	0	0	0
Predicted Year end receipts balance	4,104	6,824	12,570	13,225
Financial Planning Assumption 2018/22 MTFP Capital Budget	856	6,122	8,861	10,599
Increase / (Decrease) compared to MTFP Capital Receipts Forecast	3,248	702	3,709	2,626

3.7.2 The balances forecast to be held at the 31st March each year are higher than forecast in the MTFP due to a re-profiling of the LDP receipts for land at Undy (Rockfield Farm).

3.7.3 There is still an increasingly significant risk to the Council resulting from the need to utilise capital receipts in the same year that they come into the Council. This provides no tolerance or flexibility should the receipts be delayed, which isn't uncommon, and would necessitate compensatory temporary borrowing which is more costly than utilising capital receipts and impacts the extent of treasury savings traditionally secured to compensate for any deficit in net cost of services.

3.7.4 At Month 2, there are no forecasted capital receipt funded schemes to be slipped

3.8 Reserves

Reserve Usage

3.8.1 Revenue and Capital monitoring reflects an approved use of reserves. At month 2, service managers' presumptions are to fully utilise the reserve funding conveyed to them in 2018-19 budget.

	01/04/2018	Contribution to Reserves	Contribution from Reserves - revenue	Contribution from Reserves - capital	31/03/2019
Sub Total Council Fund	-7,286,303	0	0	0	-7,286,303
<i>Earmarked Reserves:</i>					
Sub-Total Invest to Redesign	-1,302,343	-170,681	401,714	0	-1,071,310
Sub-Total IT Transformation	-734,881	0	215,913	0	-518,969
Sub-Total Insurance and Risk Management	-1,046,416	0	0	0	-1,046,416
Sub-Total Capital Receipt Generation	-347,139	0	153,415	0	-193,724
Sub Total Treasury Equalisation	-990,024	0	0	0	-990,024
Sub-Total Redundancy and Pensions	-496,813	0	163,978	0	-332,835
Sub-Total Capital Investment	-648,336	0	0	17,999	-630,337
Sub-Total Priority Investment	-686,751	0	386,751	0	-300,000
<i>Other Earmarked Reserves:</i>					
Museums Acquisitions Reserve	-55,885	0	0	0	-55,885
Elections Reserve	-58,183	-25,000	0	0	-83,183
Grass Routes Buses Reserve	-146,084	-5,000	0	0	-151,084
Youth Offending Team	-248,989	0	98,989	0	-150,000
Building Control trading reserve	-22,254	0	0	0	-22,254
Outdoor Education Centres Trading Reserve	-129,500	0	40,000	0	-89,500
CYP maternity	-142	0	0	0	-142
Plant & Equipment reserve (Highways)	-150,000	0	0	0	-150,000
Homeless Prevention Reserve Fund	-9,536	0	0	0	-9,536
Solar Farm Maintenance & Community Fund	-23,000	-23,000	0	0	-46,000
Rural Development Plan Reserve	-277,665	0	86,471	0	-191,194
Total Earmarked Reserves	-7,373,942	-223,681	1,547,231	17,999	-6,032,393
Total useable revenue reserves	-14,660,245	-223,681	1,547,231	17,999	-13,318,696

3.8.2 Earmarked reserves remain at limited levels unlikely to provide any material capacity/headroom to meet unanticipated volatility or significantly facilitate future service re-engineering and design.

As a useful reminder, with regard to the allocation of bottom line surplus to replenish reserves, the Sc151 officer's considered advice at outturn was

Priority Investment Fund	£155k (to extinguish ADM deficit)
Capital Receipts Generation Reserve	£70k (Capital receipts generation reserve part funds Valuation team's cost, and a top up is necessary to accord with their indicative 2018-19 costs.)
Balance Invest to Redesign Reserve	£448k
Total	£653k

3.8.3 Despite those top ups, the current predicted use of the Priority investment reserve means that it will likely expire by the end of 2018-19 as a funding source, as the £300k year end balance is earmarked/allocated to local development plan purposes. Given the forecast use of earmarked reserves, Cabinet has previously approved a policy on earmarked reserves to ensure that earmarked reserves are focused on investment in areas where they can achieve most impact hence putting the balance for redistribution into "Invest to Re-design".

Schools Reserves

3.8.4 Each of the Authority's Schools is directly governed by a Board of Governors, which is responsible for managing their school's finances. However, the Authority also holds a key responsibility for monitoring the overall financial performance of schools.

3.8.5 The net effect of an individual school's annual surplus or deficit is shown in a ring-fence reserve for the particular school. Details of which for each school are included in Appendix 2, together with an indication of any recovery plan targets agreed and how close the Governing Body is in satisfying that responsibility in current year.

3.8.6 In summary form the anticipated outturn school balances are predicted to be,

	Opening Reserves 2018-19 (surplus)/deficit	In year position at Month 2 (surplus)/deficit	Anticipated Outturn Position (surplus)/deficit
Combined balance	(£175,225)	£797,703	£622,478

3.8.7 Whilst any extraordinary funding from WG and beneficial revisions to budgeted draw on reserves will sustain the reserve situation for longer than is often predicted, it remains unlikely that the collective level of reserves will sustain the traditional annual draw by schools on reserves in recent years, which will add additional focus by schools to address the need to remain within budget going forward rather than passporting the consequences to their reserves, given that collective flexibility is now pretty much exhausted.

3.8.8 The following table exhibits the net trend in use, indicating collectively schools are using reserves at a considerably faster rate recently than they are replenishing.

Financial Year-end	Net level of School Balances
2011-12	(965)
2012-13	(1,240)
2013-14	(988)
2014-15	(1,140)
2015-16	(1,156)
2016-17	(269)
2017-18	(175)
2018-19 forecast	£622

3.8.9 There are however weaknesses in the forecasting approaches of individual schools, such that the budgeted outturn use of reserves seldom matches the reality.

As an example, during last year's monitoring, schools reported predicted use of reserves initially was £823k, and necessitated at month 2, the Director of CYP prepare a report outlining to Cabinet his strategy for address.

Subsequently whilst an extraordinary Welsh Government grant of £344k in the last quarter of 2017-18 would have had a beneficial effect on balance levels, collectively they only actually used £94k of their reserves for the year, a £900k variation in original forecasting. That sort of volatility potentially makes it very difficult for senior colleagues and Members to predict the necessary action from year to year.

3.8.10 But based on those school predictions, general trends can be extrapolated, so 12 schools started this year in deficit. There is an increasing trend of schools entering deficit, (net further 6 predicted at present by schools), and that position looks particularly acute in 3 out of the 4 secondary schools, and that 4th comprehensive school has had a very close monitoring regime applied to it during its recovery period, building upon the ownership and responsibility of the Governing body supported by headteacher, bursar and management team to end last year with £180k surplus. It is highly questionable whether that level of engagement and interaction would be possible/likely in respect of 18+ scenarios. CYP colleagues will be prioritising the most significant aspects, but it can be seen from the recovery plan indicators included alongside the reserve position in Appendix 2, that some of the schools starting the year in deficit still had no agreed recovery plan, whilst others showed a perverse agreement to an increasing deficit.

3.8.11 Our Fairer Funding Regulations adopted by Council and Governing Bodies have traditionally precluded governing bodies from planning for a deficit position. This was changed in 2016-17, (which coincides quite closely with declining net balance above) to allow licensed deficits where a recovery plan is agreed and followed. However this flexibility only extended as far as there being a collective schools reserve surplus.

3.8.12 As a result of last year's month 2 monitoring, Cabinet agreed to a request by Director of CYP to temporarily suspend that revised arrangement in favour of providing even greater flexibility to the effect that.

- *Members allow an exception to the breach of the Fair Funding (Scheme for Financing Schools) Regulations for the financial year 2017-18.*

3.8.13 The approval was 1 year specific, so in agreeing the individual sc52 budgets for each school in 2018-19, schools and LEA colleagues are operating outside of Fairer Funding Regulations requirement again, but that shouldn't be unanticipated given the relatively small flexibility they have in collective surplus levels. But to avoid their need to constantly report a need for a variation annually, it is advocated that the following amendments to MCC's Fairer Funding Regulations be introduced.

Delete the following clause

"4.7.2 There is an arrangement in place whereby schools are allowed to plan for a deficit budget funded by a collective surplus of school balances held by the authority on behalf of schools."

and amend the following clauses (underlined to helpfully highlight the improvements to the control environment consistent with removing the above prescription),

4.1 Carry Forward of Balances

"4.1.1 Schools will be able to carry forward from one financial year to the next any shortfall in expenditure relative to the school's budget share for the year, plus or minus any balance brought forward from the previous year. Where the periodic monitoring exercise predicts this shortfall would move the school into a net deficit position, the Governing body is required to meet and provide a Recovery Plan consistent with "Planning for Deficit Balances" in para 4.3.1 below, within 6 weeks of the deficit anticipation becoming known."

Planning for Deficit Balances

"4.3.1 This scheme allows governing bodies to plan for a budget deficit, only where a recovery plan has been prepared and submitted alongside and at the same time as the deficit budget is presented. A Recovery Plan being defined as a Governing Body prepared multi year budget, to be considered and agreed with Cabinet Member Children and Young People, indicating the quantified financial improvement actions to remove the deficit within 3 years, or longer by specific agreement with Cabinet Member Resources."

4.4 Obligation to carry forward Deficit Balances

"4.4.1 Where a school has a deficit balance at the end of the year, such deficit will be carried forward into the next financial year. The recovery plan will be monitored on a termly basis at minimum, but in material cases this will be monitored monthly. Governing body representatives may be required to report periodically to the Council on the progress of recovery actions. The

authority has the right to withdraw the delegated budget and powers of the governing body should the plan not be followed.

“4.7.1 The authority will only support licensed deficits where a recovery plan is in place, as detailed in paragraph 4.3.1. The governing body must request a licenced deficit from the Cabinet Member Children and Young People.

3.8.14 These changes are anticipated to have a twofold benefit in allowing the potential for deficits to be considered in a more timely fashion than at present, and better recognises the accountability for schools financial arrangements rests with Governing Bodies rather their headteachers, who have their financial responsibility delegated to them by Governing Body.

3.8.15 It also helpfully recognises that the problem is not so much with schools actual use of reserves but more to do with their forecast or budgeted draw. The bringing forward of Recovery Plan submissions, to be consistent with annual budget consideration, is designed to provide a better quality of data/information on which to consider the approval of any deficit budget, and would be reassuring to Members that any annual deficit volatility is accommodated within a multi year budget strategy.

4 REASONS

4.1 To improve budget monitoring and forecasting information being provided to Senior Officers and Members.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 As contained in the report.

6 EQUALITY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The decisions highlighted in this report have no equality and sustainability implications.

7 CONSULTEES

Strategic Leadership Team
All Cabinet Members
All Select Committee Chairs
Head of Legal Services

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

Outturn Monitoring Reports (Period 1)

<http://corphub/initiatives/Budgetmon/20182019/Forms/AllItems.aspx?InitialTabId=Ribbon%2ERead&VisibilityContext=WSSTabPersistence>

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Appendices (attached below)

Appendix 1 Mandated Savings Progress Report






Appendix 2 School Reserves

Appendix 1 – Savings Matrix

Disinvestment by Directorate 2018-19	2018/19 Budgeted Savings	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn	Delayed Savings	Savings deemed Unachievable YTD
REVENUE MONITORING 2018-19	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Children & Young People	(631)	(631)	0	0	0	0
Social Care & Health	(925)	(880)	0	0	(30)	(15)
Enterprise	(242)	(144)	0	0	(98)	0
Resources	(771)	(450)	0	0	(272)	(50)
Chief Executives Units	(1,296)	(1,035)	0	0	(91)	(170)
Corporate Costs & Levies	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appropriations	(396)	(396)	0	0	0	0
Financing	(800)	(800)	0	0	0	0
DIRECTORATE Totals	(5,061)	(4,336)	0	0	(490)	(235)

Children & Young People	2018/19 Budgeted Savings	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn	Delayed Savings	Savings deemed Unachievable	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Federated school model	(32)	(32)					
General 5% reduction on supplies & services	(132)	(132)					
Reduce school premature retirement budget	(50)	(50)					
CYP - Increased fee & charges income - Breakfast clubs	(125)	(125)					
CYP Acceleration of ALN review	(107)	(107)					
CYP - Mouton House Increase Charges	(68)	(68)					
CYP - Reduction in ISB for new schools maintenance budget reduction	(117)	(117)					
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE Budgeted Savings Total	(631)	(631)	0	0	0	0	




Social Care & Health	2018/19 Budgeted Savings £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2 £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7 £000	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn £000	Delayed Savings £000	Savings deemed Unachievable £000	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment £000
Adult Disability Services	(638)	(638)					
Childrens Services (Saving £680k, pressure £561k, net saving in yr 4 £119k)	(113)	(113)					
SCH - Increased fee & charges income - Meals on wheels	(15)	0				(15)	
SCH - Increased fee & charges income - Registrars	(12)	0			(12)		
SCH Targetted reduction high cost placements posts	(147)	(129)			(18)		
SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH Budgeted Savings Total	(925)	(880)	0	0	(30)	(15)	

Enterprise	2018/19 Budgeted Savings £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2 £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7 £000	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn £000	Delayed Savings £000	Savings deemed Unachievable £000	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment £000
ENT (Fut Mon) Increased fee & charges income - Further 2.5% increase for	(32)	(32)					
ENT (Fut Mon) Targetted reduction in agency costs	(80)	0			(80)		
ENT (Fut Mon) Decrease travel costs (travel free weeks, digital use, car sharing, pool car use)	(72)	(54)			(18)		
ENT (Fut Mon) Targetted reduction in overtime	(28)	(28)					
ENT Community hubs- vacant post freeze and software savings	(30)	(30)					
ENTERPRISE Budgeted Savings Total	(242)	(144)	0	0	(98)	0	

Chief Executive's Unit	2018/19 Budgeted Savings	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn	Delayed Savings	Savings deemed Unachievable	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Car Parks Net 7.5% increase in charges above 2.5% RPI (10% in total)	(100)	(83)			(17)		
Car Parks 10% increase in permits	(10)	(9)			(1)		
Car Parks Increase resident permits from £40-£60	(3)	(3)					
Car Parks Penalties increase to £70 discounted £35	(9)	(7)			(2)		
Grounds/waste - Reduced opening hours at all CA sites	(13)	0			(13)		
Grounds/waste - Stop Bailey park bowls maintenance	(10)	(10)					
Grounds/waste - Rationalise shrub bed maintenance	(12)	(12)					
Grounds/waste - 1 year freeze of Head of waste post	(40)	(40)					
Property - School meals Price Increase (net after 2.5% RPI)	(23)	(23)					
Property income - External Fees (net after 2.5% RPI)	(19)					(19)	
Property - Council wide Postage savings	(5)					(5)	
Highways - Road Traffic Incident recovery of costs	(15)	(15)	0				
Highways - Improved Plant utilisation/recovery	(40)	(40)					
Passenger Transport - Route 65 changes	(25)	(25)					
Passenger Transport - CPC Staff Training	(9)	(9)					
Passenger Transport - S106 Funding to support Sunday Routes 74, 69, 83, 60	(26)	(26)					

Chief Executive's Unit	2018/19 Budgeted Savings £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2 £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7 £000	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn £000	Delayed Savings £000	Savings deemed Unachievable £000	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment £000
CEO/OPS - PTU Improved payment terms at 2.5% reduction in costs	(30)	0					
CEO/OPS - PTU- DPS retendering and route optimisation	(171)	(142)			(29)		
CEO/OPS - TRANS - Independent fleet review	(20)	(20)					
CEO/OPS - PTU Introduction of personal transport budgets	(31)	(61)					
CEO/OPS - PTU extended provision of MCC inhouse ALN transport service	(41)	0				(41)	
CEO/OPS Highways - Insuring Full overhead recovery on all works	(140)	(140)					
CEO/OPS Highways - displace core costs with grant	(200)	(200)					
CEO/OPS Raglan Training Centre income increase	(49)	(20)			(29)		
CEO/OPS - Catering Increased fee & charges income - School meals, extra 25p per meal in addition to 2.5% annual increase agreed for fees & charges	(100)	(100)					
CEO/OPS -PTU school transport concessionary fares increase from £390 to £440 pa.	(16)	(16)					
CEO/OPS Apportionment of Waste Recycling (BGCBC)	(100)	0				(100)	
CEO/OPS Seasonal Garden Waste	(40)	(35)			0	(5)	
CHIEF EXECUTIVES' UNIT Budgeted Savings Total	(1,296)	(1,035)	0	0	(91)	(170)	

Resources	2018/19 Budgeted Savings	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn	Delayed Savings	Savings deemed Unachievable	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Schools based Revenues SLA (to reflect actual)	(39)	(39)					
Comino system change	(10)	0			(10)		
Housing Benefit team savings	(8)	(8)					
Insurance staff saving	(26)	(26)					
IT Equipment budget saving	(30)	(30)					
IT saving	(50)					(50)	
Public Sector Broadband Agreement PSBA saving (£155k-£22k)	(133)	(133)					
RES (Corp Lan) Commercial Property investment income	(30)	(30)					
RES (Procurement - freeze, cease or consolidate non essential spend)	(155)	(155)					
RES (Procurement - third party supplier spend reduction)	(29)	(29)					

Resources	2018/19 Budgeted Savings £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2 £000	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7 £000	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn £000	Delayed Savings £000	Savings deemed Unachievable £000	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment £000
RES (Procurement - Gateway Review)	(150)	0			(150)	0	
RES (Procurement - supplementary duplicate payment review)	(25)				(25)		
RES (Reviewing Technology and Systems and Utilisation of Automation and AI)	(87)	0			(87)		
RESOURCES Budgeted Savings Total	(771)	(450)	0	0	(272)	(50)	

Appropriations	2018/19 Budgeted Savings	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn	Delayed Savings	Savings deemed Unachievable	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Interest Payable	(533)	(533)					
Interest Receivable	136	136					
MRP	51	51					
APP - Utilise more short term variable borrowing	(50)	(50)					
APPROPRIATIONS Budgeted Savings Total	(396)	(396)	0	0	0	0	

Financing	2018/19 Budgeted Savings	Value of Saving forecast at Month 2	Value of Saving forecast at Month 7	Value of Saving achieved at Outturn	Delayed Savings	Savings deemed Unachievable	Traffic Light based Risk Assessment
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Council Tax Increase from Base changes (net of CTRS)	(435)	(435)					
FIN - Council tax gain upon completions	(220)	(220)					
CTRS	(95)	(95)					
FIN - Further Reduction in Council tax reduction scheme budget	(50)	(50)					
FINANCING Budgeted Savings Total	(800)	(800)	0	0	0	0	

Appendix 2 – Individual Schools Reserves

	Opening reserves 2018-19 (Surplus)/Deficit	In Year position at Month 2 (Surplus)/Deficit	Projected carry forward at year end 2018-19 (Surplus)/Deficit	Notes	Recovery Plan Y/E target balance 2018- 19	Recovery Plan Y/E target balance 2019- 20	Recovery Plan Y/E target balance 2020- 21	Recovery Plan Y/E target balance 2021- 22	Recovery Plan Comments
Abergavenny cluster									
E003 King Henry VIII Comprehensive	162,460	(36,687)	125,773	Recovery Plan Meetings held and recovery path agreed - awaiting signed copy of plan for years 4 and 5.	No recovery target identified for year despite starting year in deficit	105,232	125,533	137,424	5 year recovery plan required and confirmation of Education Achievement Service income awaited.
E073 Cantref Primary School	(65,965)	28,556	(37,409)						
E072 Deri View Primary School	(40,000)	41,836	1,836	Support Staff pay award between 9.191% and 3.734% between SCP 6 and SCP19		(30,402)	(7,690)		Senior Teacher Secondment and Support Staff reorganisation
E035 Gilwern Primary School	(52,253)	10,580	(41,673)	Increased Teaching Costs and additional Support Staff. Also Building Improvement Project (School Extension/Reception)					
E037 Goytre Fawr Primary School	(10,803)	28,317	17,514	Month 3 and Recovery Plan meeting scheduled for 10th of July 2018.					
E093 Llanfoist Fawr Primary School	(49,580)	29,823	(19,757)						
E044 Llantillio Pertholey CiW Primary School (VC)	(4,440)	16,094	11,655	Teachers salary protections are continuing.		(2,866)	(17,755)		Full year effect of 3 Teaching Assistant redundancies.
E045 Llanfychan Crucorney Primary School	(511)	(14,358)	(14,869)	Additional Support Staff hours plus revision of contract cleaning price estimate	(4,857)				
E090 Our Lady and St Michael's RC Primary School (VA)	7,084	16,328	23,412		No recovery target identified for year despite starting year in deficit	10,182	(1)		Additional pupil numbers, Full Year Effect of Staff changes and revised contracts.
E067 Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni	(58,965)	27,418	(31,547)	Agency Support Staff costs for Additional Learning Needs pupil.					

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Caldicot cluster									
E001 Caldicot School	100,637	(30,109)	70,528		No recovery target identified for year despite starting year in deficit	30,645			Meeting with the school at Month 3. It is anticipated that sufficient efficiencies will be identified to bring school back into surplus by end of 19-20.
E068 Archbishop Rowan Williams CiW Primary School	(79,455)	43,852	(35,603)						
E094 Castle Park Primary School	43,659	(9,000)	34,659		18,544	34,659	28,975	28,394	Recovery plan being updated as Head Teacher leaving at end of summer term. This will generate additional savings that should see school back in surplus.
E075 Dewstow Primary School	(105,626)	54,807	(50,819)						
E034 Durand Primary School	(71,665)	48,820	(22,845)						
E048 Magor CiW Primary School (VA)	19,227	55,731	74,958	Additional agency cover costs partially offset by maternity savings of a teaching post	No recovery target identified for year despite starting year in deficit				Recovery Plan meeting scheduled for 11th of July 2018.
E056 Rogiet Primary School	(26,145)	37,247	11,102						Meeting with the school at Month 3. It is anticipated that sufficient efficiencies will be identified to keep school in surplus in 18-19.
E063 Undy Primary School	28,221	31,650	59,871	Replacement teaching staff on Upper Pay Spine not Newly Qualified with an additional Foundation Phase Teaching required to be employed from 1/9/18. Also two Additional Learning Needs	8,023	10,342	(25,894)		Key Stage 1 top up and additional pupil numbers funding
E069 Ysgol Gymraeg Y Ffin	37,616	(35)	37,581	As per budget - on track for month 2	75,056				Admission numbers are significantly reduced so we are working with the school to further update the recovery plan in order to devise a way of helping the school return to a break even position.

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Chepstow cluster									
E002 Chepstow School	(158,456)	(444)	(158,900)						
E091 Pembroke Primary School	(181)	16,214	16,033	Education Achievement Service income now anticipated and Information Technology Budget revised.		15,141	20,875		Six support staff leaving 31/8/18. Further recovery plan refinement required at Month 3.
E057 Shirenewton Primary School	(118,599)	62,810	(55,789)						
E058 St Mary's Chepstow RC Primary School (VA)	(6,055)	40,222	34,167	Head teacher absence and the employment of a replacement has added unforeseen pressure to the					
E060 The Dell Primary School	(22,165)	22,060	(105)						
E061 Thornwell Primary School	9,565	8,595	18,160	Welsh Government class size funding means capacity for the School to increase its pupil roll and trigger additional funding from 2019/2020.	No recovery target identified for year despite starting year in deficit	9,058	(10,981)		Additional Pupil Numbers anticipated to be on roll January 2019.

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Monmouth cluster									
E004 Monmouth Comprehensive	423,951	51,343	475,294		No recovery target identified for year despite starting year in deficit	240,781	56,720	(67,015)	School presented recovery plan in June 2018 to Cabinet Member. Currently on target.
E032 Cross Ash Primary School	(59,356)	45,211	(14,145)						
E092 Kymin View Primary School	(34,657)	34,640	(17)	Staff changes required for the new academic year have resulted in a projected overspend. These changes include: part time deputy headteacher being replaced with a full time deputy; a class teacher on main pay scale leaving and being replaced by a teacher on					
E039 Llandogo Primary School	12,449	10,984	23,433		(1,141)	(1,141)			
E074 Osbaston CiW Primary School (VC)	(635)	597	(38)						
E051 Overmonnow Primary School	(28,389)	14,744	(13,645)						
E055 Raglan CiW Primary School (VC)	147,743	(32,079)	115,664	Agreed long term recovery plan in operation.	No recovery target identified for year despite starting year in deficit	62,644	35,366	17,177	Recovery plan projects surplus of £24,921 in 2022/23
E062 Trellech Primary School	(87,650)	53,782	(33,868)						
E064 Usk CiW Primary School (VC)	(62,920)	81,025	18,105	Additional Foundation Phase teacher to be employed from 1/9/18 which has resulted in a planned deficit. Additional Key Stage 1 top up funding will be triggered in 2019/20 and there will be an					Meeting with the school at Month 3. It is anticipated that sufficient efficiencies will be identified to keep school in surplus in 18-19.
	(151,857)	790,574	638,717						
Special Schools									
E020 Mounton House Special School	33,584	(41,284)	(7,700)	Some staff savings due to a member of staff finishing in August and not being replaced.	28,968	4,947	(39,683)		Month 2 indicates school will return to surplus this financial year.
E095 PRU	(56,951)	48,413	(8,538)						
	(23,367)	7,129	(16,238)						
	(175,225)	797,703	622,478						

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Children and Young People Select Committee Actions

28th June 2018

Agenda Item:	Subject	Officer	Outcome and Responses provided by Officers to Committee Members between meetings
7	A Great Start for All	Hannah Jones	Addition that increased apprenticeship opportunities to be available within the Council
8	ALN Review	Will McLean	Consultation to be extended by one month

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Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2018

Children and Young People's Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
6th September 2018	Education Achievement Service ~ briefing	Briefing on changes to accountability and curriculum reform.	Education Achievement Service (EAS)	Performance Monitoring
	Annual Performance report 2017/18	Scrutiny of progress against the Council's well-being objectives set for 2017/18 and the monitoring of performance against national performance indicators.	Richard Jones	Performance Monitoring
	Supporting People Service Review 2018-19	Usual reporting focusses on funding for the next financial year, however, this year we are delivering a status quo funding budget in line with Welsh Government's intention to maintain Supporting People budgets for the forthcoming year. A service review in 2018/19 will lead to the utilisation of the flexible funding options recently announced by Welsh Government.	Chris Robinson	Performance Monitoring
	Budget Monitoring	Scrutiny of the Budget Monitoring Outturn Report for the Children and Young People's Directorate.	Mark Howcroft	Budget Monitoring
18th October 2018	Support for Refugee Children	<p>Presentation: An evaluation of the support and provided by schools for refugee children.</p> <p>King Henry Comprehensive, Deri View Primary and Gwent Ethnic Minority Service invited.</p>	Will Mclean	Performance Monitoring

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2018

Children and Young People's Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
	Wales Audit Office Safeguarding Report	Presentation of the recent inspection report and scrutiny of the proposals to meet the report's recommendations.	Julie Boothroyd Wales Audit Office Richard Jones	Performance Monitoring
29 th November 2018	South East Wales Adoption Service	Report on performance 17/18 and briefing on regional financial policy.	Susan Radford, Blaenau Gwent CBC	Performance Monitoring
	Play Action Plan and Play Sufficiency Assessment	Progress on delivery of the current plan (including the summer play schemes etc.) and proposals for the new Play Action Plan and Play Sufficiency Assessment for completion by March 2019.	Matthew Lewis	Pre-decision Scrutiny
	Project 5 (possibly need to be taken on 18th October)	Scrutiny of proposals for PROJECT 5 - a Multi-agency resource hub to provide therapeutic fostering for children and young people with complex needs.	Jane Rodgers	Policy Development
Special Select Committee Meeting November/December 2018 ~ Date TBC	Budget Scrutiny	Pre-decision Scrutiny of the draft budget proposals for 2019-20.	Mark Howcroft Peter Davies	Budget Scrutiny

Future Agreed Work Programme Items: Dates to be determined

- 2nd Phase Family Support Review
- School Placement Capacity ~ numbers in the south of the county considering the new housing developments planned.

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2018

- **Nursery provision** - the plans for welsh government to give 30 hours free childcare for nursery age - report back when the remit of delivery has been finalised by Welsh Government.
- **Verbal update report on Free School Meal assessment (via the Benefits Team).**
- **Additional Learning Needs** - Review and provision/ALN Bill/Readiness and training
- **Schools in terms of outcomes** - quality indicators from new inspection framework/how categorisation works and actions taken to support improvement/EIB and Intervention Monitoring/ Donaldson Report on Successful Futures. Review of 21st Century Schools.
- **Service Pressures** for the council and schools.
- **Inclusion updates** - wellbeing/attitudes to learning/supporting the pupil voice
- **Non-maintained/Early Years** - provision/outcomes/childcare offer
- **National Categorisation/Estyn outcomes** -Progress towards addressing recommendations
- **Post 16 education provision/Apprenticeships/Engagement and progression**
- **Welsh Education Strategic Plan** - annual update
- **Childcare sufficiency** - annual update
- **Children's Mental Health and Counselling Services**
- **Well-being reporting (obesity, eating disorders etc)**
- **Young Carers Strategy** ~ Implementation of the first year
- **Flying Start** ~ presentation for information

Joint Scrutiny with Children and Young People's Select Committee:

- ✓ **"Information, Advice and Assistance Service** ~ responsibility of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 ~ (January/February 2018)
- ✓ **The implementation of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014** ~ (October 2017)
- ✓ **Mental Health and Learning Disabilities** ~ linked to implications of the DOLS (Deprivation Liberty Safeguards) Grant
- ✓ **Well-being** ~ responsibilities of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 around connected communities and meeting needs

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Cabinet, Council and Individual Cabinet Member Decisions (ICMD) Forward Plan

Monmouthshire County Council is required to publish a forward plan of all key decisions to be taken. Council and Cabinet items will only be considered for decision if they have been included on the planner no later than the month preceding the meeting, unless the item is considered urgent.

Committee / Decision Maker	Meeting date / Decision due	Subject	Purpose	Author	Date item added to the planner	Date item originally scheduled for decision
Cabinet	06/06/19	Budget Monitoring report - month 12 (period 3) - outturn	The purpose of this report is to provide Members with information on the forecast outturn position of the Authority at end of month reporting for 2018/19 financial year.	Joy Robson/Mark Howcroft	17/04/18	
Cabinet	03/04/19	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 9 held on the 7th March 2019.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Cabinet	06/03/19	2019/20 Education and Welsh Church Trust Funds Investment and Fund Strategies	The purpose of this report is to present to Cabinet for approval the 2019/20 Investment and Fund Strategy for Trust Funds for which the Authority acts as sole or custodian trustee for adoption and to approve the 2018/19 grant allocation to Local Authority beneficiaries of the Welsh Church Fund.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Cabinet	06/02/19	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 8 held on the 17th January 2019.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Cabinet	09/01/19	Final Draft Budget Proposals or recommendation to Council.		Joy Robson	17/04/18	
Cabinet	09/01/19	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 7 held on the 13th December 2018.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Cabinet	09/01/19	Budget Monitoring report - month 7 (period 2)	The purpose of this report is to provide Members with information on the forecast outturn position of the Authority at end of month reporting for 2018/19 financial year.	Joy Robson/Mark Howcroft	17/04/18	
Council	13/12/18	Final approval of MonLife and MonLife Plus		Tracey Thomas	09/08/18	
Cabinet	05/12/18	Reorganisation of ALN and Inclusion Services update	Cabinet consider objections received on the Reorganisa	Debbie Morgan	25/05/18	

Cabinet	05/12/18	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 6 held on the 25th October 2018.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Cabinet	05/12/18	Council Tax Base 2019/20 and associated matters	To agree the Council Tax Base figure for submission to the Welsh Government, together with the collection rate to be applied for 2019/20 and to make other necessary related statutory decisions	Sue Deacy/Ruth Donovan	17/04/18	
Cabinet	05/12/18	Reviews of Fees and Charges	To review all fees and charges made for services across the Council and identify proposals for increasing them in 2019/20	Mark Howcroft	17/04/18	
Cabinet	07/11/18	MTFP and Budget Proposals for 2019/20	To provide Cabinet with Revenue Budget proposals for 2019/20 for consultation purposes	Joy Robson	17/04/18	
Cabinet	07/11/18	Corporate Plan: Progress Report		Matthew Gatehouse	10/07/18	
Cabinet	07/11/18	Capital Budget Proposals	To outline the proposed capital budget for 2019/20 and indicative capital budgets for the 3 years 2020/21 to 2022/23	Joy Robson	17/04/18	
ICMD	10/10/18	Extension of Lease for Gilwern Library	To seek approval to extend the council's lease of space within Gilwern Community Centre for the continued provision of a library service beyond the end of the current agreement which expires in March 2019	Matthew Gatehouse	03/08/18	
Cabinet	03/10/18	Welsh Church Funding Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of applications 2018/19, Meeting 5 held on the 20th September 2018.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Council	20/09/18	A40 Wyebridge Highway Improvement Scheme		Paul Keeble	12/07/18	
Council	20/09/18	Well-being Objectives and Statement Annual Report 2017/18	For Council to approve the Annual Report 2107/18 on MCCs wellbeing objectives and statement	Richard Jones	30/05/18	
Council	20/09/18	Fairtrade		Hazel Clatworthy	24/05/18	
Council	20/09/18	Abergavenny Hub	Final business case to proceed with the creation of a Hub at Abergavenny Town Hall	Deb Hill Howells	17/07/18	

Council	20/09/18	County Hall Accommodation	Seeking approval to undertake borrowing to fund the refurbishment works to County Hall	Deb Hill-Howells	17/07/18	
Council	20/09/18	J Block Proposals		Deb Hill-Howells		
Council	20/09/18	Proposal to create a development company		Deb Hill-Howells		
ICMD	12/09/18	Amendments to cemeteries management practice to withdraw burial plot reservations.		Deb Hill-Howells	17/07/18	
Cabinet	05/09/18	Childcare Offer		Rebecca Davis	12/06/18	
Cabinet	05/09/18	Targeted Regeneration Investment - South Monmouthshire		Cath Fallon	13/07/18	
Cabinet	05/09/18	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 4 held on the 26th July 2018	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Cabinet	05/09/18	Recommendations on the review of ALN & Inclusion Services	Cabinet to receive recommendations based on the cons	Debbie Morgan	25/05/01	
Cabinet	05/09/18	Regional Safeguarding Board Annual Report	Deferred	Claire Marchant		
Cabinet	05/09/18	ICM Phase 2 Implementation of Family Support Services - post statutory threshold		Jane Rodgers	01/08/18	
Cabinet	05/09/18	NEET		Hannah Jones	09/08/18	
Cabinet	05/09/18	Management of obstructions in the public highway	For Cabinet to approve recommendations made by Strong Communities Select on 30th July	Roger Hoggins	09/08/18	

Cabinet	05/09/18	S106 Procedure Note and S106 Guidance Note	DEFERRED from May	Mark Hand		
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