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**Blaenau Gwent**

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**THIS IS A MEETING WHICH THE PUBLIC ARE ENTITLED TO ATTEND**

Date Not Specified Date Not Specified

Dear Sir/Madam

### **PWYLLGOR CRAFFU CORFFORAETHOL A PHERFFORMIAD**

A meeting of the Pwyllgor Craffu Corfforaethol a Pherfformiad will be held in virtually via MS Teams (if you would like to view this meeting please contact michelle.hicks@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk) on Dydd Mawrth, 20fed Medi, 2022 at 12.30 pm.

Yours faithfully

Damien McCann  
Interim Chief Executive

### **AGENDA**

### **Pages**

#### **1. CYFIEITHU AR Y PRYD**

Mae croeso i chi ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg yn y cyfarfod, mae angen o leiaf 3 diwrnod gwaith o hysbysiad ymlaen llaw os dymunwch wneud hynny. Darperir gwasanaeth cyfieithu ar y pryd os gwneir cais.

#### **2. YMDDIHEURIADAU**

Derbyn ymddiheuriadau.

Mae'r Cyngor yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg a Saesneg a byddwn yn cyfathrebu gyda chi yn eich dewis iaith, dim ond i chi rhoi gwybod i ni pa un sydd well gennych. Ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn creu unrhyw oedi.

The Council welcomes correspondence in Welsh and English and we will communicate with you in the language of your choice, as long as you let us know which you prefer. Corresponding in Welsh will not lead to any delay.

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To: J. Wilkins (Cadeirydd)  
Councillor J. Thomas (Is-gadeirydd)  
Councillor C. Bainton  
M. Day  
Councillor G. Humphreys  
Councillor E. Jones  
Councillor R. Leadbeater  
Councillor C. Smith  
T. Smith

All other Members (for information)  
Interim Chief Executive  
Chief Officers

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**COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT**

**REPORT TO: THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATE OVERVIEW SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: CORPORATE OVERVIEW SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY, 2022**

**REPORT OF: DEMOCRATIC & COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER**

**PRESENT: COUNCILLOR S. HEALY (CHAIR)**

Councillors: M. Cook  
 P. Baldwin  
 G.A. Davies  
 L. Elias  
 J. Hill  
 W. Hodgins (substitute Cllr J.P. Morgan)  
 J. Holt  
 H. McCarthy  
 C. Meredith  
 G. Paulsen  
 T. Smith  
 S. Thomas

**AND:** Managing Director  
 Corporate Director of Social Services  
 Corporate Director of Education  
 Head of Organisational Development  
 Service Manager Performance & Democratic  
 Service Manager Accountancy  
 Scrutiny & Democratic Officer / Advisor

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
No. 1	<p><b><u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u></b></p> <p>It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.</p>	

<p><b>No. 2</b></p>	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Collier and J.P. Morgan.</p> <p>Chief Officer Commercial &amp; Customer Head of Democratic Services, Governance &amp; Partnerships</p>	
<p><b>No. 3</b></p>	<p><b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></b></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest or dispensations reported.</p>	
<p><b>No. 4</b></p>	<p><b><u>CORPORATE OVERVIEW SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</u></b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Corporate Overview Scrutiny Committee Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 were submitted.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the Minutes be accepted as a true record of proceedings.</p>	
<p><b>No. 5</b></p>	<p><b><u>ACTION SHEET – 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2021</u></b></p> <p>The action sheet arising from the meeting of the Corporate Overview Scrutiny Committee held on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 was submitted.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the action sheet be noted.</p>	
<p><b>No. 6</b></p>	<p><b><u>BLAENAU GWENT COVID 19 RECOVERY PLAN</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director Regeneration and Community Services which was presented to set out and seek the views of the Scrutiny committee on the approach to be adopted to monitor the Recovery from the Covid 19 Pandemic across Council Services and the wider community.</p> <p>In the absence of the Corporate Director Regeneration and Community Services, the Service Manager Performance and Democratic presented the report and highlighted the main points contained therein.</p> <p>A Member referred to the 2018 town centre footfall numbers for Brynmawr and enquired if the data was accurate. He felt</p>	

	<p>that if the intention was to increase footfall numbers to pre-pandemic levels the data needed to be accurate. The Service Manager explained they had taken the data from the football counters in each of the town centres but would undertake to check the accuracy of the figures with Environment colleagues.</p> <p>As the Government’s furlough scheme was ending in March a Member enquired regarding the Authority’s consultation and engagement with local businesses. As Regeneration Officers had been unable to attend the meeting, the Service Manager Performance and Democratic responded that the economy had been identified as a key area of focus and an action plan led by economy colleagues was in place to support businesses across Blaenau Gwent. With regard to actual dialogue with businesses she would need to consult with the theme leads. She advised Members that this was a starting point and moving forward future reports presented to scrutiny committees could include more detail in relation to specific areas.</p> <p>A Member suggested that a progress report be presented to the relevant scrutiny committee to consider what support packages may be needed as a result of the furlough scheme ending. The Service Manager agreed that a progress report on identified themes could be put forward as a potential agenda item for the new committee cycle.</p> <p>The Managing Director suggested that as Regeneration Officers were not in attendance at the meeting the Member could raise his concerns with the Corporate Director of Regeneration and Community Services after the conclusion of the meeting to gain a better understanding of the work being undertaken with local businesses.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to recommend that the report be accepted and endorse Option 1; namely to recommend to Executive Committee that the approach set out to manage recovery from the Covid 19 Pandemic across Council Services and the wider community is taken forward.</p>	<p>Service Manager Performance &amp; Democratic</p>
<p>No. 7</p>	<p><b><u>FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE REPORT QUARTERS 1 AND 2 (APRIL 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 2021)</u></b></p>	

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Consideration was given to the report of the Service Manager Performance and Democratic which presented the Finance and Performance Report for Quarters 1 and 2 (April 2021 to September 2021).

The Service Manager Performance and Democratic presented the report and highlighted the main points contained therein.

A Member commented that it was disappointing that not all senior officers were in attendance to represent their service to address Members comments and felt that the report was overly positive. He felt that to give a true picture the report should include a synopsis at the start of each section compiled by the individual Corporate Directors. With regard to financial pressures, he felt that even with the improved funding received from the Welsh Government over the last five years, the Authority was still struggling financially and had to resort to the MRP to balance the budget. He referred to the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal and the Abertillery rail link and felt that the Authority should use City Deal funding to pursue other opportunities to develop projects.

The Chair also raised concerns regarding senior officers' attendance and felt that advanced notice should be given to the Chair if senior officers were unable to attend scrutiny meetings.

The Managing Director took this point on board and referred to the Members comments regarding the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal and advised that there were other projects being developed such as the housing viability project in Tredegar. There were also other City Deal projects coming forward across the region that were in the early stages of consideration with the Heads of the Valleys regions and Welsh Government City Deal colleagues.

A Member referred to the bus service and felt this could form an integrated transport system with the rail link.

Another Member felt that the report needed to be more balanced covering issues the Authority did well and issues that needed further work. He raised concerns regarding several issues i.e. communication with the public when systems were unavailable, IT connectivity, iTrent system,

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hospital discharges and CCTV. The Managing Director responded that the Authority had invested significantly in IT systems and had a strong partnership with SRS, other local authorities and Gwent police. The switch to homeworking had been almost seamless and a credit to the organisation. Last year Members had agreed an IT investment plan in order to keep IT systems continually upgraded, however, there would be challenges with systems failing from time to time but importantly there was a robust partnership with SRS to respond quickly to those issues. She felt that the organisation had moved incredibly effectively to working on IT platforms and overall the Authority's IT systems stood up extremely well.

With regard to IT connectivity in schools the Director of Education said there had been some challenges around school connectivity but this had been an all Wales issue relating to the All Wales Public Services Broadband Aggregate which sits outside of direct control of the SRS but had created varying levels of connectivity across a number of schools. The Director advised that the situation had stabilised and there were plans in place to secure connectivity for schools over the summer period and provided assurances that schools would be in a far more stable position moving forward.

With regard to delayed transfers of care the Director of Social Services said Blaenau Gwent was the best performing Authority in Gwent around delayed transfers of care and they were working hard to maintain those standards, unfortunately there was a UK wide issue in relation to recruitment to the care sector. Welsh Government was introducing the real living wage from April 2022 which would help to retain and recruit staff and he felt this was the start of a journey to try and improve wages and professionalism to recruit the right people into the sector. The Director confirmed there had been a waiting list for Domiciliary care packages recently and priority had been given to hospital discharges over the community, currently there were only a few people awaiting domiciliary care packages.

With regard to the iTrent system the Head of Organisational Development reported that the system was currently

	<p>operating fully and no issues had been reported where managers were unable to record sickness absence.</p> <p>The Chair commended officers on their outstanding work to keep front line services operational throughout a very difficult period.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to recommend that the report be accepted and endorse Option 2; namely that the information as presented be accepted.</p>	
<p><b>No. 8</b></p>	<p><b><u>TREASURY MANAGEMENT – TREASURY STRATEGY STATEMENT, INVESTMENT STRATEGY &amp; MRP POLICY STATEMENT 2022/2023 (INCLUDING PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS)</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Officer Resources which was presented to give Members the opportunity to scrutinise the Treasury Strategy, Investment Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Policy (including prudential indicators) to be adopted for the 2022/2023 financial year, prior to formal recommendation to Council.</p> <p>The Service Manager Accountancy presented the report and highlighted the main points contained therein.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED to recommend that the report be accepted and endorse Option 2; namely that Members considered the Annual Treasury Strategy Statement &amp; Annual Investment Strategy &amp; MRP Policy Statement for 2022/2023 financial year and the Treasury Management Prudential Indicators contained therein (APPENDIX A) and did not consider any amendments, prior to submission to Council for formal approval.</p>	
<p><b>No. 9</b></p>	<p><b><u>CAPITAL STRATEGY 2022/2023</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Officer Resources which was presented to give Members the opportunity to consider the Capital Strategy (attached at Appendix 1) following the annual review, to be adopted for the financial year 2022/2023.</p> <p>The Service Manager Accountancy presented the report and highlighted the main points contained therein.</p>	

<p>The Committee AGREED to recommend that the report be accepted and endorse Option 1; namely that Members considered the Capital Strategy for the 2022/23 financial year (attached as appendix 1) and did not consider any amendments, prior to submission to Council for formal approval.</p>	
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<p>As this was the last meeting of the Corporate Overview Scrutiny Committee in the Committee cycle, the Chair thanked Members and Officers for their contribution and support over the last 5 years.</p>	
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**Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council**

**Action Sheet**

**Corporate Overview Scrutiny Committee – 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Action to be Taken</b>	<b>By Whom</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>
4	<p><b><u>Minutes – 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021</u></b></p> <p><b>CCTV Delivery Model Proposals</b> – An update to be provided on progress in relation to the development of a partner service delivery model and SLA for the CCTV function.</p>	Bernadette Elias	A report to be included in the Place Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23
6	<p><b><u>Blaenau Gwent Covid-19 Recovery Plan</u></b></p> <p>In relation to Appendix 1c – Economy Recovery Plan – A Member raised concerns regarding the Town Centre Footfall figures for 2018 for Brynmawr being the highest, and asked that these be clarified.</p> <p>A Member enquired what communication the Council has had with businesses in preparation for furlough ending and the support that the Council could provide.</p> <p>A Member enquired if a data report could be provided to the Committee during the first quarter of the new cycle.</p>	<p>Owen Ashton</p> <p>Owen Ashton</p> <p>Leads</p>	<p>A briefing note will be provided at the next Town Centre Task and Finish Group meeting with Members, outlining the footfall methodology. A report will also be incorporated into the new Regeneration Scrutiny forward work programme.</p> <p>The Council’s Regeneration Department worked collaboratively in administrating grant support programmes to local businesses both within and beyond the furlough funded period. The Regeneration Department worked closely with the Business Wales and Welsh Government throughout the pandemic to help shape the support programmes available for businesses and continues to do so.</p> <p>Updates on the COVID-19 Recovery Plan to be included within the Joint Finance and Performance quarterly reporting for 2022/23.</p>

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**Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council**

**Action Sheet**

**Joint Budget Scrutiny Committee – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Action to be Taken</b>	<b>By Whom</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>
8	<b><u>Capital Budget Monitoring</u></b>  Charges for the survey that was carried out on the Civic Centre.  <b>Pit Head Baths</b> – Terms and Conditions of the funding for the demolition of the Pit Head Baths to be provided.	Rhian Hayden  Ellie Fry	Condition Survey undertaken in 2018 – cost £3,340.37 plus VAT  Offer Letter from WG with Terms and Conditions attached and circulated to Members on 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2022.  <b>To note: since receiving the offer letter Welsh Government has moved the funding into 2022/23</b>

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Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

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Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council  
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12 October 2021

Dear Bethan McPherson

**Award of Funding in relation to Land Building Development Fund:  
Advance the regeneration of Pit Head Baths**

**1. Award of Funding**

- (a) We are pleased to inform you that your Application has been successful and funding of up to £224,878 (two hundred and twenty four thousand eight hundred and seventy eight pounds) is awarded to you for the Purposes (as defined in Condition 4(a)).
- (b) The Funding relates to the period 6 May 2021 to 31 March 2022 and must be claimed in full by 31 March 2022 otherwise any unclaimed part of the Funding will cease to be available to you.
- (c) This letter shall become effective on the date of signature evidencing acceptance by you as set out in the acceptance page below.
- (d) If you have any queries in relation to this award of Funding or the Conditions please contact the Welsh Government Official who will be happy to assist you.

**2. Statutory authority**

- (a) This award of Funding is made on and subject to the Conditions and under the authority of the Rebecca Evans MS, Minister for Finance and Trefnydd, one of the Welsh Ministers, acting pursuant to functions transferred under section 58A of the Government of Wales Act 2006 statutory grant scheme.

### 3. Interpreting the Conditions

Any reference in the Conditions to:

**'you'**, **'your'** is to Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council

**'we'**, **'us'**, **'our'** is to the Welsh Ministers;

**'Welsh Government Official'** is to

Geraint Williams  
Tel:07901716882  
Email:geraint.williams3@wales.gsi.gov.uk

or such other Welsh Government official as we may notify you.

**'Project Manager'** is to

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**'Application'** is to your 2021/22 Land Building Development Fund document

**'Business Day'** is to a day other than a Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a bank holiday in Wales under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971;

**'Conditions'** is to the terms and conditions set out in this letter and the Schedules;

**'Costs Incurred'** is to the cost of goods and/or services you have received regardless of whether you have paid for them by the date of your claim;

**'Costs Incurred and Paid'** is to the invoiced cost of goods and/or services you have received and which have been paid for by you in cleared funds by the date of your claim;

**'Notification Event'** is to any of the events listed in Schedule 3;

**'Personnel'** is to your management/employees and suppliers or any other person appointed or engaged by you in relation to the Purposes;

**'Schedule'** is to the schedules attached to this letter;

and

**any reference to any legislation** whether domestic or international law will include all amendments to and substitutions and re-enactments of that legislation in force from time to time.

#### **4. Use of the Funding**

- (a) You must use the Funding solely for the purposes set out in Schedule 1 (the “**Purposes**”)
- (b) You must achieve the targets and outcomes set out in Schedule 2 (the “**Targets**”).
- (c) Any change to the Purposes or Targets will require our written consent which must be obtained from us in advance of implementing any change. Please note that we are not obliged to give our consent but we will consider all reasonable written requests.
- (d) You must not use any part of the Funding for any kind of activity which in our opinion could bring us into disrepute, including but not limited to (1) party political purposes, (2) the promotion of particular secular, religious or political views; (3) gambling, (4) pornography, (5) offering sexual services, or (6) any kind of illegal activities.
- (e) You must not use any part of the Funding for: (1) purchasing capital equipment (other than as specified in the Purposes), (2) your legal fees in relation to this letter, (3) Costs Incurred or Costs Incurred and Paid by you in the delivery of the Purposes prior to the period referred to in Condition 1(b).

#### **5. Funding pre-conditions**

- (a) We will not pay any of the Funding to you until you have provided us with the following information and documentation:
  - i) this letter signed by you;
  - ii) documentary evidence that you have put in place all staff and other resources detailed in the Application as required to commence and complete the Purposes;
- (b) Where you are required to provide information and documentation to us as evidence that you have satisfied a particular pre-condition, Condition or in support of a claim, the information and

documentation must be in all respects acceptable to us. We reserve the right to reject any information and documentation which is for any reason not acceptable to us, and/or request any further or additional information and/or documentation in support of the request for Funding

## **6. How to claim the Funding**

- (a) You may claim the Funding quarterly in arrears based on Costs Incurred and defrayed by you in the delivery of the Purposes.
- (b) You must submit your claims for payment of Funding to the Welsh Government Official.
- (c) You must use our claim pro-forma (which is available from the Welsh Government Official) and attach the following information and documentation to each claim
  - i) confirmation that you are operating in all respects in accordance with your constitution; and
  - ii) confirmation that you have appropriate financial, risk and control systems in place before utilising any part of the Funding to provide a grant to or procure any goods or services from third parties;
- (e) We will aim to pay all valid claims as soon as possible and typically within 20 Business Days of receipt of a valid claim being made in accordance with the provisions of this letter, and provided always that the Funding pre-conditions set out in Condition 5 above have been satisfied and that on both the date of the claim and the date the Funding is to be paid to you:
  - i) the declarations made in Condition 8 below are true and correct and will be true and correct immediately after the relevant Funding has been paid to you; and
  - ii) no Notification Event is continuing or might result from the proposed Funding.

## **7. Your general obligations to us**

You must:

- (a) safeguard the Funding against fraud generally and, in particular, fraud on the part of your Personnel and notify us immediately if you have reason to suspect that any fraud within your organisation has

occurred or is occurring or is likely to occur whether or not it relates to the Funding. You must also participate in such fraud prevention initiatives as we may require from time to time;

- (b) maintain appropriate procedures for dealing with any conflicts of interest in relation to the Funding whether actual, potential or perceived;
- (c) comply with all applicable domestic or international laws or regulations or official directives;
- (d) maintain adequate insurances to cover against the risks which may arise in connection with any property or any activity undertaken in delivery of the Purposes. We reserve the right to require you to provide proof of your insurance;
- (e) maintain appropriate financial, risk and control systems before utilising any part of the Funding to provide a grant to or procure any goods or services from third parties;
- (f) co-operate fully with the Welsh Government Official and with any other employee of the Welsh Government or consultant appointed by us to monitor your use of the Funding and your compliance with the Conditions;
- (g) inform us immediately if any of the declarations made in Condition 8 is incorrect in any respect or, if repeated at any time with reference to the facts and circumstances then existing, would be incorrect;
- (h) notify us of any funding received by you from any source which is procured or utilised in conjunction with the Funding to directly support the Purposes including but not limited to your insurance provider (cancellation/business disruption insurance), the UK Government's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and/or any Welsh Government fund/scheme and any other funders. The intention of this Condition is to avoid any duplication of funding in respect of the Purposes.

## **8. Declarations**

You declare that:

- (a) you have the power to enter into and to perform the obligations set out in the Conditions and you have taken all necessary action to authorise the entry into and performance of the obligations under the Conditions;

- (b) no limit on your powers will be exceeded as a result of claiming the Funding, or the grant of any security contemplated by the Conditions;
- (c) the entry into and performance by you of, and the transactions contemplated by, this letter do not and will not contravene or conflict with:
  - i) your constitutional documents;
  - ii) any agreement or instrument binding on you or your assets or constitute a default or termination event (however described) under any such agreement or instrument; or
  - iii) any law or regulation or judicial or official order, applicable to you;
- (d) no Notification Event is continuing or might reasonably be expected to result from the provision of the Funding and no other event or circumstance is outstanding which constitutes (or, with the expiry of a grace period, the giving of notice, the making of any determination or any combination thereof, would constitute) a default or termination event (howsoever described) under any other agreement or instrument which is binding on you or to which any of your assets is subject;
- (e) no litigation or arbitration or administrative proceeding is current or pending or, so far as you are aware, threatened, which has or could have an adverse effect on your ability to perform and comply with any of the Conditions;
- (f) you have disclosed to us all material facts or circumstances which need to be disclosed to enable us to obtain a true and correct view of your business and affairs (both current and prospective) or which ought to be provided to any person who is considering providing funding to you;
- (g) any information, in written or electronic format, supplied by you to us in connection with the Funding was, at the time it was supplied or at the date it was stated to be given (as the case may be):
  - i) if it was factual information, complete, true and accurate in all material respects;
  - ii) if it was a financial projection or forecast, prepared on the basis of recent historical information and on the basis of reasonable assumptions and was arrived at after careful consideration;

- iii) if it was an opinion or intention, made after careful consideration and was fair and made on reasonable grounds; and
  - iv) not misleading in any material respect, nor rendered misleading by a failure to disclose other information, except to the extent that it was amended, superseded or updated by more recent information supplied by you to us.
- (h) you have discussed and agreed the Targets with us and you are confident that they are realistic and achievable;
  - (i) there are no conflicts of interest in relation to the Funding whether actual, potential or perceived;
  - (j) acceptance of this award of Funding will not result in duplicate funding in respect of the activities required to deliver the Purposes. This includes but is not limited to any payments received by you in relation to the effects of the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) from your insurance provider (cancellation/business disruption insurance), the UK Government's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and/or any Welsh Government fund/scheme and any funders.
  - (k) You will be deemed to repeat the declarations in this Condition 8 on each date you may have any liability to repay the award of Funding to us, and by reference to the facts and circumstances existing on each such date.

## **9. Notification Events and their consequences**

- (a) You must notify us immediately if a Notification Event has occurred or is likely to occur but we also reserve the right to notify you where we believe a Notification Event has occurred or is likely to occur.
- (b) We will either:
  - i) notify you that we, at our absolute discretion, consider the Notification Event is not capable of remedy; or
  - ii) if we consider, at our absolute discretion, that the Notification Event is capable of being remedied, seek to discuss the Notification Event with you with a view to agreeing a course of action to be taken to address the Notification Event.
- (c) We will be entitled to take any of the actions listed in Condition 9(d) if:

- i) despite our efforts we have been unable to discuss the Notification Event with you; or
  - ii) we notify you that the Notification Event is not, in our opinion, capable of remedy; or
  - iii) a course of action to address and/or remedy the Notification Event is not agreed with you; or
  - iv) a course of action to address and/or remedy the Notification Event is agreed with you but you fail to follow it, or any conditions attached to it are not met (including without limitation the timescale for such course of action) to our satisfaction; or
  - v) the course of action fails to remedy the Notification Event to our satisfaction.
- (d) If any of the circumstances set out in Condition 9(c) occurs we may, at our absolute discretion, by notice to you:
- i) withdraw the award of Funding; and/or
  - ii) require you to repay all or part of the Funding; and/or
  - iii) suspend or cease all further payment of Funding; and/or
  - iv) make all further payments of Funding subject to such conditions as we may specify; and/or
  - v) deduct all amounts owed to us under the Conditions from any other funding that we have awarded or may award to you; and/or
  - vi) exercise any other rights against you which we may have in respect of the Funding.
- (e) All repayments of Funding must be made to us within 20 Business Days of the date of our demand.

## **10. Monitoring requirements**

You must:

- (a) provide us with such documents, information and reports which we may reasonably require from time to time in order for us to monitor your compliance with the Conditions including :
  - i) project progress reports
  - ii) estimated project completion date
- (b) meet with the Welsh Government Official and such other of our representatives as we may from time to time reasonably require
- (c) ensure that the Project Manager (or such other person as we may agree) together with any other person we may require attends all meetings with the Welsh Government Official.



## 11. Audit Requirements

- (a) You must:
- i) maintain complete, accurate and valid accounting records identifying all income and expenditure in relation to the Purposes;
  - ii) without charge, permit any officer or officers of the Welsh Government, Wales Audit Office or any UK subsidy enforcement body at any reasonable time and on reasonable notice (in exceptional circumstances, such as the prevention or detection of fraud, it may not be practicable to provide you with reasonable notice) being given to you to visit your premises and/or to inspect any of your activities and/or to examine and take copies of your books of account and such other documents or records howsoever stored as in such officer's reasonable view may relate in any way to your use of the Funding. This undertaking is without prejudice and subject to any other statutory rights and powers exercisable by the Welsh Government, Wales Audit Office or any UK subsidy enforcement body or any officer, servant or agent of any of the above;
  - iii) retain this letter and all original documents relating to the Funding until we inform you in writing that it is safe to destroy them;
- (b) Under paragraph 17 of Schedule 8 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 the Auditor General for Wales has extensive rights of access to documents and information relating to monies provided by the Welsh Government. They and their officials have the power to require relevant persons who control or hold documents to give any assistance, information and explanation that they may require; and to require those persons to attend before them for such a purpose. The Auditor General and their staff may exercise this right at all reasonable times.

## 12. Third party obligations

- (a) Nothing in the Conditions imposes any liability on us in respect of any liability incurred by you to any third party (including, without limit, employees and contractors).
- (b) You must indemnify us against any liabilities, claims, proceedings, demands, losses, costs and expenses suffered or incurred by us directly or indirectly arising as a result of or in connection with any

failure by you to perform fully or in part any obligation you may have to a third party.

### **13. Intellectual property rights and publicity**

- (a) Nothing in the Conditions transfers to us any rights in any intellectual property created by you as a result of the Purposes.
- (b) You must acknowledge our support in relation to the Purposes. Such acknowledgement(s) must be in a form approved by us and must comply with the Welsh Government's branding guidelines.
- (c) You must provide the Welsh Government Official with details of all the acknowledgement(s) referred to in Condition 13(b) for our approval before any such acknowledgements are used and you may not use such acknowledgments without our prior written approval. We will endeavour to respond to all written requests for approval within 7 Business Days.
- (d) You agree that from the date of this letter until 5 years from the date of the final payment of Funding we may include details about your organisation and business, the Funding and the Purposes in Welsh Government promotional materials and you further agree to cooperate with our reasonable requests to achieve the production of such materials.

### **14. Information**

- (a) You acknowledge that we are subject to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "FOIA"), the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (the "EIR"), the Data Protection Act 2018 (the "DPA") and the retained EU law version of the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679) (the "UK GDPR").
- (b) You acknowledge that we are responsible for determining in our absolute discretion whether:
  - i) to disclose any information which we have obtained under or in connection with the Funding to the extent that we are required to disclose such information to a person making a disclosure request under the FOIA or the EIR; and/or
  - ii) any information is exempt from disclosure under the FOIA or the EIR.
- (c) You acknowledge that we may share any data you provide to us with fraud prevention agencies and third parties for the purposes of

preventing and detecting fraud. Any personal data we collect will be managed in accordance with our Privacy Notice which is available to view here [Privacy notice: Welsh Government grants | GOV.WALES](#)

## 15. Buying goods and services

- (a) If you decide to buy any goods and/or services to deliver the Purposes, they must be purchased in a competitive and sustainable way so as to demonstrate that you have (i) achieved best value in the use of public funds, and (ii) complied with your conflict of interest policy at the relevant time.
- (b) We may from time to time request evidence from you to demonstrate your compliance with this Condition 15. Such evidence may take the form of evidence of your:
  - i) compliance with any procurement regulations, legislation or guidance in place from time to time to which you, or any person carrying out a business or function of the same or similar nature to you, is subject; or
  - ii) compliance with your procurement policy in place at the relevant time; or
  - iii) obtaining a minimum of three written quotations for the relevant goods and/or services.

You must supply such evidence to us promptly following our written request for such evidence.

## 16. Giving notice

- (a) Where notice is required to be given under the Conditions it must be in writing (this does not include email but may include a letter attached to an email) and must prominently display the following heading:

***Notice in relation to the LBDF: Advance the regeneration of the Pit Head Baths***

- (b) The address and contact details for the purposes of serving notice under the Conditions are as follows

You: the Project Manager at the address stated in Condition 3.

Us: the Welsh Government Official at the address stated in Condition 3.

A notice will be deemed to have been properly given as follows:-

Prepaid first class post:	on the second Business Day after the date of posting.
By hand:	upon delivery to the address or the next Business Day if after 4pm or on a weekend or public holiday.
By email attachment:	upon transmission or the next Business Day if after 4pm or on a weekend or public holiday.

## **17. Equality**

You must have in place and apply equality policies covering employment, use of volunteers and provision of services, in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

## **18. Welsh language**

- a) The Welsh Government is committed to supporting the Welsh language and culture and The Cymraeg 2050: A million Welsh speakers Welsh language strategy (Cymraeg 2050) provides a vision for the growth and further development of the Welsh language.
- b) Where the Purposes include or relate to the provision of services in Wales, they must be provided in Welsh and English unless it would be unreasonable or disproportionate to do so. They must be provided in such a way as to not treat the Welsh language less favourably than English, in accordance with the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011.
- c) Where the provision of services forms part of the Purposes, you must act in accordance with the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 and the aims of Cymraeg 2050. In practice, this will include the following:
  - i) Ensure that any written material produced, including digital material, is bilingual.

- ii) Ensure that any signage is bilingual.
  - iii) Ensure that any training or public events are held bilingually.
  - iv) Actively promote and facilitate the Welsh language (including providing services and increasing opportunities to use the Welsh language) within funded activities.
- d) For general advice on providing services bilingually and for information on which organisations are able to support you, please contact the Welsh language advice service “Helo Blod” on 03000 258888 or e-mail [heloblod@gov.wales](mailto:heloblod@gov.wales) with your query.

## **19. Sustainable development**

Your use of the Funding must contribute to the achievement of the Welsh Government’s well-being objectives contained in the Welsh Government’s Programme for Government. You must work in a sustainable way (sustainable development principle) in delivering the Purposes so as to ensure you are working in a preventative, integrated, long-term and collaborative way that involves people that reflect the diversity of Wales. Please refer to Schedule 1 for further information.

## **20. Welsh Ministers’ functions**

You acknowledge that the Welsh Ministers have a range of functions which will continue to accrue and be amended and that decisions in relation to each such function are obliged to be taken in the light of all relevant and to the exclusion of all irrelevant considerations. You agree that nothing contained or implied in, or arising under or in connection with, the Conditions will in any way prejudice, fetter or affect the functions of the Welsh Ministers or any of them nor oblige the Welsh Ministers or any of them to exercise, or refrain from exercising, any of their functions in any particular way.

## **21. General**

- (a) If at any time any of the Conditions are deemed to be or become invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect under any law, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions will not in any way be affected or impaired.
- (b) No failure or delay on our part to exercise any power, right or remedy under the Conditions will operate as a waiver of any such power, right or remedy or preclude its further exercise or the

exercise of any other power, right or remedy. The powers, rights or remedies hereby provided are cumulative and not exclusive of any powers, rights or remedies provided by law.

- (c) Any amendment or variation to the Conditions must be in writing and signed by us and you in the same manner as this letter (or as otherwise agreed by us in writing from time to time).
- (d) You may not assign or otherwise dispose of in any way your rights, benefits, obligations or duties under the Conditions.
- (e) Conditions 7, 9, 11, 13, 14, and 21(e) and such other Conditions which by implication need to continue in force beyond the final payment of Funding will so continue in full force and effect.
- (f) The award of the Funding is to you alone and no one else is entitled to make any claim in respect of the Funding or seek to rely on or enforce any of the Conditions.
- (g) In circumstances where you comprise two or more persons or bodies, the liabilities of such persons or bodies shall be joint and several and the default of one of such persons or bodies shall be deemed to be the default of all.
- (h) The Conditions and any disputes or claim (including any non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with it its formation or its subject matter are to be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Wales and England as applied in Wales and the parties hereto submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Wales and England.

## **22. How to accept this award of Funding**

- (a) To accept this award of Funding you must sign and return a copy of this letter to the Welsh Government Official. None of the Funding will be paid to you until we have received your signed letter.
- (b) We must receive your signed letter within 14 days of the date of this letter, or this award of Funding will automatically be withdrawn.

Yours faithfully

Signed by  
Richard Baker, Deputy Director Land Division

under authority of Rebecca Evans MS, Minister for Finance and Trefnydd  
one of the Welsh Ministers.

**SCHEDULE 1**  
**The Purposes**

The Purpose of the Funding is to e.g. enable you or support you

<b>Description</b>	<b>Value (£)</b>
Advance the regeneration of the Pit Head Baths, situated within the Ebbw Fach Valley of Blaenau Gwent. The project would involve the acquisition, demolition and clearance for the site in order to facilitate residential development as a proposed end use. Land released will be developed for 14 social homes.	£224,878



**SCHEDULE 2  
The Targets**

Description of the Target	Date by when it should be achieved?	Evidence required
The project would involve the acquisition, demolition and clearance for the site in order to facilitate residential development as a proposed end use.	31 March 2022	Copies of completion reports
On-site construction for 14 social homes.	November 2024	Evidence report

### **SCHEDULE 3**

#### **Notification Events**

The Notification Events referred to in Condition 9 are listed below:

1. repayment of any part of the Funding is required in accordance with any relevant legislation;
2. you fail to comply with any of the Conditions;
3. the Funding, in full or in part, is not being used for the Purposes;
4. you fail to achieve any or all of the Targets;
5. there is unsatisfactory progress towards completing the Purposes, including meeting the Targets;
6. you fail to provide information about the Purposes requested by us or any UK subsidy enforcement body or any of its auditors, agents or representatives;
7. we have reason to believe that you and/or any of your Personnel are involved in fraudulent activity or have been involved in fraudulent activity [whilst the Purposes are/were being carried out];
8. we have made an overpayment of Funding to you;
9. there is a duplication of funding in respect of any part of the Purposes. This includes but is not limited to any payments received by you in relation to the effects of the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) from your insurance provider (cancellation/business disruption insurance), the UK Government's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and/or any Welsh Government fund/scheme
10. any declaration made in Condition 8 is, or proves to be, incomplete untrue or misleading incorrect in any respect or, if repeated at any time with reference to the facts and circumstances then existing, would be incorrect;
11. there has been a modification (qualification, adverse or disclaimer) to the auditor's opinion on your financial statements;
12. an event or circumstance has occurred and is outstanding which constitutes (or, with the expiry of a grace period, the giving of notice, the making of any determination or any combination thereof, would constitute) a default or termination event (howsoever described) under any other agreement or instrument which is binding on you or to which any of your assets is subject;

13. a moratorium in respect of all or any of your debts or assets or a composition or an agreement with your creditors is agreed, applied for, ordered or declared;
14. you stop or suspend payment of any debts or are unable, or admit in writing your inability, to pay your debts as they fall due;
15. the value of your assets is less than your liabilities (taking into account contingent and prospective liabilities);
16. you commence negotiations, or enter into any composition, compromise, assignment or arrangement, with one or more of your creditors with a view to rescheduling any of your indebtedness (because of actual or anticipated financial difficulties).
17. any action, proceedings, procedure or step is taken in relation to you in relation to:
  - (a) the suspension of payments, a moratorium in respect of any indebtedness, winding up, dissolution, administration or reorganisation (using a voluntary arrangement, scheme of arrangement or otherwise); or
  - (b) a composition, compromise, assignment or arrangement with any of your creditors; or
  - (c) the appointment of a liquidator, receiver, administrative receiver, administrator, compulsory manager or other similar officer in respect of you or any of your assets.
18. a statutory demand is issued against you;
19. you cease, or threaten to suspend or cease, to carry on all or a material part of your business;
20. there is a change in your constitution, status, control or ownership and/or your external auditors resign;
21. you fail to comply with any statutory reporting obligations which are applicable to you (including, but not limited to, filing requirements at Companies House, the Charity Commission, the Financial Conduct Authority);
22. there is any change, whether permanent or temporary, in your shareholders, directors, trustees or partners and/or Personnel which may affect your ability to deliver the Purposes;

23. any event occurs or circumstances arise which in our opinion gives reasonable grounds for believing that providing the Funding and/or the continuation of the arrangements contemplated by this letter could bring us into disrepute;
24. any event occurs or circumstances arise which in our opinion gives reasonable grounds for believing that you may not, or may be unable, to perform or comply with any of your obligations under the Conditions.

**TWO SIGNATORIES ARE REQUIRED**

We declare we are duly authorised to accept the award of Funding Land Building Development Scheme: Advance the regeneration of Pit Head Baths and the Conditions relating to the Funding.



Signature

An authorised signatory of [**Name of Funding Recipient**]

Richard Crook Name

Corporate Director of Regeneration and Community Services Job Title

14/10/2021 Date



Signature

An authorised signatory of [**Name of Funding Recipient**]

Rhian Hayden Name

Chief Officer Resources Job Title

14/10/2021 Date

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# Agenda Item 7

*Executive Committee and Council only*

Date signed off by the Monitoring Officer:

Date signed off by the Section 151 Officer:

Committee: **Corporate and Performance Scrutiny Committee**  
Date of Meeting: **13<sup>th</sup> September 2022**  
Report Subject: **Timing of Meetings Survey Results**  
Portfolio Holder: **Leader / Executive Member Corporate and Performance**  
Report Submitted by: **Elizabeth Thomas, Scrutiny and Democratic Officer**

Reporting Pathway								
Directorate Management Team	Corporate Leadership Team	Portfolio Holder / Chair	Audit Committee	Democratic Services Committee	Scrutiny Committee	Executive Committee	Council	Other (please state)
		05.09.22						

## 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To present to Members the results of the Timing of Meetings survey for the Corporate and Performance Scrutiny Committee.

## 2. Scope and Background

- 2.1 As set out under Section 6 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011, councils are required to review the times, frequency and length of meetings at least once in every term. The survey should be carried out no later than six months following elections.
- 2.2 When considering the timing of council meetings Members should consider the impact on the diversity of the membership of the council and the impact on the council's ability to make decisions which are informed by and reflect the diversity of people living in the council area. Decision making should be informed by people of all ages and backgrounds as decisions are then likely to be more balanced and have more focus on sustainable and long term solutions in keeping with the principles set out in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.
- 2.3 The Measure states that it is important that councils do not simply continue to hold their meetings at the same time, in the way as they always have done. What may have been tradition or an arrangement which suited the previous cohort of councillors will not necessarily serve the interests of the current one.
- 2.4 Members should have regard to equality and diversity issues when considering the length, times, intervals and locations of meetings which are convenient to its members. Some Members may find attending, sometimes lengthy meetings, in the day is incompatible with their paid employment and certain times of day are challenging for people with caring responsibilities such as young children.

2.5 All scrutiny committee meetings will initially be offered on a hybrid basis and members and officers are to inform Democratic Services of their preference.

2.6 As part of the cycle of meetings the Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee is scheduled to be held on a Friday with the timing of the meeting to be agreed as part of this report.

### 3. **Options for Recommendation**

3.1 From the results of the survey the preferred meeting start time for Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee was 9.30am for the Agenda Management Discussion meeting with the formal meeting commencing at 10.00am.

3.2 However, owing to work commitments the Chair of the Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee is unable to attend meetings on a Tuesday and Friday morning. Alternative options are set out below for the committee's consideration.

#### 3.3 **Option One**

To agree to hold the committee meeting on a different day (not Friday), taking into consideration other democratic meeting scheduled days, as agreed at the AGM in May, at the preferred time of 9.30am for the Agenda Management Discussion, the formal meeting commencing at 10.00am.

#### **Option Two**

To agree to the committee meeting being held on a Friday but at a time in the afternoon.

### 4. **Evidence of how does this topic supports the achievement of the Corporate Plan / Statutory Responsibilities / Blaenau Gwent Well-being Plan**

This report is required as set out in the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011, and supports the principles set out in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

### 5. **Implications Against Each Option**

#### 5.1 ***Impact on Budget (short and long term impact)***

There are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

#### 5.2 ***Risk including Mitigating Actions***

If a timing of meetings survey is not completed within six months of an election, the Council will not meet its statutory obligations as set out in the Local Governance (Wales) Measure 2011.



### 5.3 **Legal**

The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 requires the Council to undertake a Timing of meetings survey at least once every term, following an election.

### 5.4 **Human Resources**

5.4.1 There are no direct implications in relation to staffing.

Staff work flexible working hours, therefore, any changes to timing of meetings would not impact on staff.

## 6. **Supporting Evidence**

6.1 A Timing of Meeting survey was undertaken with all Elected Members during June 2022. **6** (67%) out of 9 members of the Corporate and Performance Scrutiny Committee responded to the survey and the results are shown below:

<b>Meeting Start Time</b>							
<b>9.00 /9.30</b>	<b>9.30/ 10.00</b>	<b>1.30 /2.00</b>	<b>4.00 /4.30</b>	<b>After 5.00</b>	<b>Alternate</b>	<b>Rotate</b>	<b>Don't mind</b>
1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1

Note: some responses highlighted more than one preferred time.

6.2 The preferred meeting start time was 9.30 for the Agenda Management Discussion meeting with the formal meeting commencing at 10.00am.

### 6.2 **Expected outcome for the public**

By giving consideration to holding meeting at different times of the day would support equality and diversity issues, providing the opportunity for any members of the public to attend a democratic meeting which would take into consideration personal circumstances, i.e. working hours, childcare issues, similar to that of Elected Members.

### 6.3 **Involvement (consultation, engagement, participation)**

The intention of this survey is to consult with all Elected Members to seek their views.

### 6.4 **Thinking for the Long term (forward planning)**

Having more flexible meeting times, may encourage more participation from young people and those who are working or have caring responsibilities.

### 6.5 **Preventative focus**

Being more flexible with the timing of meetings should prevent dis-engagement from Elected Members who may find attending some meetings

at certain times of the day more difficult owing to caring or working responsibilities.

6.6 ***Collaboration / partnership working***

All Elected Members have been consulted on the timing of meetings survey.

6.7 ***Integration (across service areas)***

All Council services are involved with the democratic functions of the Council. Flexible meetings times may also support officers in their work / life balance.

6.8 ***Decarbonisation and Reducing Carbon Emissions***

All democratic meetings are offered on a 'hybrid' basis to both officers and Members and will, therefore, reduce the need to travel to meetings.

6.9 ***Integrated Impact Assessment***

IAA attached at Appendix 1.

7. **Monitoring Arrangements**

The timing of meetings is considered annually at individual democratic committee meetings and monitored by the Head of Democratic Services.

**Background Documents /Electronic Links**

- Appendix 1

## **Integrated Impact Screening Template**

The purpose of undertaking an Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) is to consider the impact of proposed strategies, policies, or service reviews and developments against the full range of our statutory obligations:

- Equality Act (2010)
- Well-being of Future Generations Act (2015)
- Welsh Language Act

IAs are an important tool that can be used to improve equality and diversity; sustainable development and the use of the Welsh language by ensuring impacts are considered collectively and not in isolation.

IAs need to be completed as early as possible during any policy development or service review process. The IIA screening template has been designed to help you consider whether a policy, for example, has a positive or negative impact on specific groups of people. It also aims to help assess whether there are any negative impacts and whether their significance is low or high. If negative impacts with a high significance are identified, then a full Integrated Impact Assessment is required to identify how these impacts can be minimised by introducing any mitigating measures or options.

The IIA Screening Template consists of 2 parts:

- Part I: Screening exercise to identify positive or negative impacts
- Part II: Integrated Impact Assessment required – Guidance note

Finally, the outcome of your IIA Screening Exercise needs to be briefly noted in Section 6.9b of the Corporate Report template and attached as an appendix to your report. Similarly, if a full IIA is undertaken then the key findings need to be summarised in section 6.9b of the Corporate Report template, along with the outcome of the assessment, and the full IIA needs to be attached as an appendix to your report.

## **PART 1: SCREENING EXERCISE TO IDENTIFY POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE IMPACTS**

**Description of Assessment** *(Briefly provide details of the policy development or service review being assessed and the option being presented)*

Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee

People Scrutiny Committee

Place Scrutiny Committee

Partnership Scrutiny Committee

Timing of Meetings Survey for all the above Scrutiny Committee meetings

**Responsible Directorate** *(Please specify)*

Corporate Services

**Responsible Officer** *(Please specify)*

Elizabeth Thomas

**Assessment Date** *(Please specify)*

24<sup>th</sup> August 2022

**Staff Involved in Assessment** *(Please specify)*

<p><b>Does this 'Option' have a <u>positive or a negative impact</u> on any of the following protected characteristics?</b></p> <p><i>Please complete as applicable</i></p>		<p><b>Please describe what the impact will be?</b></p>	<p><b>What is the significance of the impact?</b></p> <p><i>For example, a 'high' negative impact would have a significant disproportionate impact on a specific group</i></p>	<p><b>Negative impacts identified</b></p> <p><i>If 'low' please explain the reason for this significance rating.</i></p> <p><i>If 'high' please state 'Integrated Impact Assessment' required and refer to Part II</i></p>	
<p><b>Race</b> <i>(people from black, Asian and minority ethnic communities and different racial backgrounds)</i></p>	<p>Positive X</p> <p>Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u> All persons can participate in democratic meetings.</p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
<p><b>Disability</b> <i>(people with disabilities/ long term conditions)</i></p>	<p>Positive X</p> <p>Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u> As above</p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
<p><b>Sex</b> <i>(women and men, girls and boys and those who self-identify their gender)</i></p>	<p>Positive X</p> <p>Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u> As above</p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	

<p><b>Does this 'Option' have a <u>positive or a negative impact</u> on any of the following protected characteristics?</b></p> <p><i>Please complete as applicable</i></p>			<p><b>Please describe what the impact will be?</b></p>	<p><b>What is the significance of the impact?</b></p> <p><i>For example, a 'high' negative impact would have a significant disproportionate impact on a specific group</i></p>	<p><b>Negative impacts identified</b></p> <p><i>If 'low' please explain the reason for this significance rating.</i></p> <p><i>If 'high' please state 'Integrated Impact Assessment' required and refer to Part II</i></p>
<p><b>Age</b> <i>(people of all ages)</i></p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Negative X</p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u> The proposed time of scrutiny committee meetings could impact on a young person being able to take part in the meetings.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High X Low</p>	<p>Reasonable adjustment: The report gives options to ensure young people can attend meetings alongside their educational needs, in discussion with the Participation Team.</p>
<p><b>Sexual Orientation</b> <i>(lesbian, gay, bisexual, heterosexual, other)</i></p>	<p>Positive X</p> <p>Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u> All persons can participate in democratic meetings.</p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	

<b>Religion and Belief</b> <i>(people with different religions and beliefs including people with no beliefs)</i>	Positive X	Negative <input type="checkbox"/>	→	<u>Positive</u> As above  <u>Negative</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low  <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low
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<b>Gender</b> <i>(anybody who's gender identity or gender expression is different to the sex they were assigned at birth)</i>	Positive X                  Negative <input type="checkbox"/>	→	<u>Positive</u> All persons can participate in democratic meetings.  <u>Negative</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low  <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low	
<b>Marriage and Civil Partnership</b> <i>(people who are married or in a civil partnership)</i>	Positive X                  Negative <input type="checkbox"/>	→	<u>Positive</u> All persons can participate in democratic meetings.  <u>Negative</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low  <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low	
<b>Pregnancy and Maternity</b> <i>(women who are pregnant and/or on maternity leave)</i>	Positive X                  Negative <input type="checkbox"/>	→	<u>Positive</u> Democratic meetings can be attended in person or via MS Teams. Meetings are also recorded and uploaded to the	<input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low  <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low	



			BGCBC website to view following the meeting.  <u>Negative</u>		
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**Welsh Language**

The Welsh Language Act 1993 places a legal duty on public authorities to promote the use of the Welsh Language and to treat the Welsh and English languages equally. It offers the public the right to choose which language to use in their dealings with the Council. It recognises that Members of the public can express their views and needs better in their preferred language. It recognises that enabling the public to use their preferred language is a matter of good practice, not a concession. It sets out how the Council will implement that principle in the provision of bilingual services to the public in Wales, taking account of the developing linguistic nature of the County Borough.

<p><b>Does this 'Option' have a <u>positive or a negative impact</u> ?</b></p> <p><i>Please complete as applicable</i></p>		<p><b>Please describe what the impact will be?</b></p>	<p><b>What is the significance of the impact?</b></p> <p><i>For example, a 'high' negative impact would have a significant disproportionate impact on a specific group</i></p>	<p><b>Negative impacts identified</b></p> <p><i>If 'low' please explain the reason for this significance rating.</i></p> <p><i>If 'high' please state 'Integrated Impact Assessment' required and refer to Part II</i></p>	
<p><b>Welsh Language</b> The Welsh Language Measure 2011 and the <a href="#">Welsh Language Standards</a> require the</p>	<p>Positive X      Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u> Simultaneous translation is available on request 3 days prior for all democratic meetings.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	

<p><i>Council to have 'due regard' for any positive or negative impacts that proposal may have on opportunities to use the Welsh language.</i></p>			<p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Low</p>	
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**Socio-economic Duty (Strategic Decisions Only)**

The [Socio-economic Duty](#) provides a framework in order to ensure tackling inequality is at the forefront of decision making. The duty requires the Council, when making strategic decisions, to consider how decisions can help reduce inequality of outcomes.

The duty defines **socio-economic disadvantage** as “living in less favourable social and economic circumstances than others living in the same society”.

The duty generally defines **strategic decisions** as “decisions which effect how the Council fulfils its intended statutory purpose over a significant period of time and not routine day-to-day decisions”. Examples of strategic decisions includes those which are statutory; happen over a significant time; not routine; have strategic intent; strategies or the setting of strategic objectives; service delivery and improvement plans;

medium to long-term plans etc. **Please consider these additional vulnerable group and the impact your proposal may or may not have on them:**

- *Single parents and vulnerable families*
- *People with low literacy/numeracy*
- *Pensioners*
- *Looked after children*
- *Homeless people*
- *Carers*
- *Armed Forces Community*
- *Students*
- *Single adult households*
- *People misusing substances*
- *People who have experienced the asylum system*
- *People of all ages leaving a care setting*
- *People living in the most deprived areas in Wales (WIMD)*
- *People involved in the criminal justice system*

<b>Does this 'Option' have a <u>positive or a negative impact</u> on any of the following themes?</b>		<b>Please describe what the impact will be?</b>	<b>What is the significance of the impact?</b>  <i>For example, a 'high' negative impact would have a significant disproportionate impact on a specific group</i>	<b>Negative impacts identified</b>  <i>If 'low' please explain the reason for this significance rating.</i>  <i>If 'high' please state 'Integrated Impact Assessment' required and refer to Part II</i>
<p><i>Please complete as applicable</i></p>				

<p><b>SED-Education</b> The capability to be knowledgeable</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/>      Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
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<p><b>SED-Work</b> The capability to work in just and favourable conditions</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/>      Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
<p><b>SED-Living Standards</b> The capability to enjoy a comfortable standard of living</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/>      Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
<p><b>SED-Health</b> The capability to be healthy, physically, and mentally</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/>      Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	

<p><b>SED-Justice &amp; Security</b> The capability to avoid premature mortality</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/>      Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
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<p><b>SED-Participation</b> The capability to participate in decision making and in communities, accessing services</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/>      Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	

**Children’s Rights Approach - [The Right Way](#)**

The Children’s Rights Approach – The Right Way is a framework for working with children, grounded in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). It places the UNCRC at the core of planning and service delivery and integrates children’s rights into every aspect of decision-making, policy and practice. The Right Way focuses on three main them Participation, Provision and Protection.

<p><b>Does this ‘Option’ have a <u>positive or a negative impact on children &amp; people’s participation, provision or protection.</u></b></p> <p><i>Please complete as applicable</i></p>		<p><b>Please describe what the impact will be?</b></p>	<p><b>What is the significance of the impact?</b></p> <p><i>For example, a ‘high’ negative impact would have a significant disproportionate impact on a specific group</i></p>	<p><b>Negative impacts identified</b></p> <p><i>If ‘low’ please explain the reason for this significance rating.</i></p> <p><i>If ‘high’ please state ‘Integrated Impact Assessment’ required and refer to Part II</i></p>	
<p><b>Participation</b> (child or young person as someone who actively contributes to society as a citizen)</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
<p><b>Provision</b> (the basic rights of children and young people to survive and develop)</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	
<p><b>Protection</b> (children and young people are protected against exploitation, abuse or discrimination)</p>	<p>Positive <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Negative <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>→</p>	<p><u>Positive</u></p> <p><u>Negative</u></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>High <input type="checkbox"/>Low</p>	

## **PART2: INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT REQUIRED – GUIDANCE NOTE**

Where any negative impacts of ‘high’ significance have been identified as part of the screening exercise then an IIA needs to be undertaken. The IIA consists of 7 sections and a series of questions to help further understand the impacts in more depth through a thorough examination of evidence and available research which will help you to identify how any detrimental impacts can be mitigated:

Section 1 – Protected Characteristics

Section 2 – Welsh Language

Section 3 – Socio-economic Duty (Strategic Decisions Only)

Section 4 - Children’s Rights Approach – The Right Way

Section 5 – Data

Section 6 – Consultation

Section 7 - Decision

You are only required to complete Section 1, 2, 3 or 4, if relevant, and it is appropriate to do so.

You must complete sections 5,6 & 7 as they are mandatory.

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# Agenda Item 8

*Executive Committee and Council only*

Date signed off by the Monitoring Officer: N/A

Date signed off by the Section 151 Officer: N/A

Committee: **Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee**

Date of meeting: **13<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

Report Subject: **Proposed Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme 2022-23**

Portfolio Holder: **Leader / Executive Member Corporate Overview and Performance**

Report Submitted by: **Democratic and Scrutiny Officer**

Reporting Pathway								
Directorate Management Team	Corporate Leadership Team	Portfolio Holder / Chair	Audit Committee	Democratic Services Committee	Scrutiny Committee	Executive Committee	Council	Other (please state)
July 2022	25.08.22	05.09.22			13.09.22	Executive FWP – 14.09.22	Council FWP – 29.9.22	

1. **Purpose of the Report**
  - 1.1 To present the Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Work Programme for 2022-23 (Appendix 1) and to seek approval from Committee.
2. **Scope and Background**
  - 2.1 The Scrutiny Work Programmes are key aspects of the Council's planning and governance arrangements and support the requirements of the Constitution.
  - 2.2 The topics set out in the Forward Work Programme link to the strategic work of the Council as identified by the Council's Corporate Plan, agreed by the Council in July 2020, corporate documents and supporting business plans.
  - 2.3 The Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programmes are also aligned to the Governance and Audit Committee, Executive Committee and Council Forward Work Programmes.
  - 2.4 The Work Programme is a fluid document and there is flexibility to allow for regular review between the Chair and the Committee.
  - 2.5 The Work Programmes have been discussed with Chairs and Vice-Chairs of individual committees, prior to presentation to the respective scrutiny committees for consideration and approval.
3. **Options for Recommendation**
  - 3.1 The work programmes have been endorsed by the relevant departments of the Council.

3.2 **Option 1**

To agree the Forward Work Programme for the Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee.

**Option 2**

To suggest any amendments prior to agreeing the Forward Work Programme.

**Corporate and Performance Scrutiny Committee  
DRAFT Forward Work Programme**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Executive / Council</b>
<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>	Proposed Forward Work Programme 2022/23	<b>Approval</b> To agree the Forward Work Programme for 2022/23, recognising the fluidity of the document.	Chair	N/A
	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2022/23	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To provide members with an expenditure forecast at the end of quarter 1 across all portfolios.	Rhian Hayden	Executive – 14.09.22
	Forecast Capital Expenditure 2022/23	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To provide details of each portfolio's forecast capital expenditure against allocation at the end of quarter 1	Rhian Hayden	Executive – 14.09.22
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022</b>	Cost of Living Discretionary Scheme	<b>Pre-Decision</b> Member to consider and recommend adoption by the Executive	Rhian Hayden	Executive – 26.10.22
	Review of staffing arrangements	<b>Performance Monitoring</b> To consider the annual review of staff sickness absence.	Andrea Prosser	Executive – 26.10.22
<b>INFORMATION ITEMS</b>				
	Welsh Language Annual Report	<b>Information</b> Members to receive the report for information.	Emma Scherptong	
	Annual Health and Safety Report	<b>Information</b> Member to receive the Annual Health and Safety report.	Andrea Prosser	

Dates	Topic	Purpose	Lead	Executive / Council
<b>Special Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022</b>	Annual Self-Assessment of Council Performance 2021/22 <b>To be published by 31<sup>st</sup> October each year</b>	<b>Pre-Decision</b> To consider and endorse the Annual Self-Assessment of Council performance 2021/22 against the Corporate Plan prior to approval by Council.	Gemma Wasley	Special Council – 26.10.22  Special Governance and Audit – 20.10.22
	Treasury Management – Outturn 2021/22	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> Provides the Treasury Management out-turn position for the 2021/22 financial year, including details of all Treasury management activities undertaken during the year.	Rhian Hayden	Council – 14.11.22

Dates	Topic	Purpose	Lead	Executive / Council
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b>	Joint Finance and Performance report	<b>Performance Monitoring</b> Members to receive quarter 1 for consideration.	Gemma Wasley	Executive – 07.12.22
	Welsh Language Promotion Strategy	<b>Pre-Decision</b> To consider the Strategy and recommend approval by the Executive Committee	Emma Scherptong	Executive – 07.12.22
	Workforce Strategy Review and year 2 action plan	<b>Pre-Decision</b>	Andrea Prosser	Council – 14.11.22

Dates	Topic	Purpose	Lead	Executive / Council
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2022/23	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To provide members with an expenditure forecast at the end of quarter 2 across all portfolios.	Rhian Hayden	Executive - 18.01.23
	Forecast Capital Expenditure 2022/23	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To provide details of each portfolio's forecast capital expenditure against allocation at the end of quarter 2	Rhian Hayden	Executive – 18.01.23
	Review of the Agile Working Policy	<b>Performance Monitoring</b> To consider progress of the Agile Working Policy.	Andrea Prosser	Executive - 18.01.23

Dates	Topic	Purpose	Lead	Executive / Council
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2023	Medium Term Financial Strategy / Bridging the Gap	<b>Performance Monitoring</b> To provide Members with an update on the MTFS / Bridging the Gap programme.	Rhian Hayden Bernadette Elias	Executive – 01.03.23
	Treasury Management – Mid-Year Review	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To scrutinise the Treasury Management activities carried out by the Authority during the first half of the 2022/23 financial year.	Rhian Hayden	Council – 30.03.23
	Procurement Strategy	<b>Pre-Decision</b> To consider the strategy prior to approval by the Executive.	Bernadette Elias	Executive – 01.03.23

Dates	Topic	Purpose	Lead	Executive / Council
<b>Special Meeting Date to be confirmed</b>	Revenue Budget 2023/24	Members to consider the proposed Revenue Budget for 2023/24.	Rhian Hayden	Executive Council

Dates	Topic	Purpose	Lead	Executive / Council
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>	Treasury Management – Strategy Statement 2023/24	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To present the Treasury Management Strategy, Investment Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy recommended for adoption in the 2023/24 financial year.	Rhian Hayden	Council - 30.03.23
	Capital Strategy Review	<b>Performance Monitoring</b> To consider the implementation of the Capital Strategy 2023/24.	Rhian Hayden	Council - 30.03.23
<b>Additional Meeting end of March early April – date TBC</b>	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2022/23	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To provide members with an expenditure forecast at the end of quarter 3 across all portfolios.	Rhian Hayden	Executive – 19.04.23
	Forecast Capital Expenditure 2022/23	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> To provide details of each portfolio’s forecast capital expenditure against allocation at the end of quarter 3.	Rhian Hayden	Executive – 19.04.23

Dates	Topic	Purpose	Lead	Executive / Council
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023</b>	Joint Finance and Performance report	<b>Performance Monitoring</b> Members to receive quarter 3 for consideration.	Gemma Wasley	Executive

Member Briefing Sessions			
Date	Topic	Purpose	Lead Officer
Quarterly	Directorate Briefings	<p>A closely focused directorate update session to provide information and detail on service areas in order to raise the interest and enthusiasm of members. This also provides a legitimate avenue to raise local issues outside of the scrutiny process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual Health and Safety report</li> </ul>	All
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2022 10.00am – 11.30am	Session 1 – Performance Management and Data – The Basics	To inform Elected Members of the characteristics of performance management within the Local Authority and how it can be used.	<p>External Provider – Data Cymru</p> <p>Head of Democratic Services, Governance and Partnerships</p> <p>Service Manager – Performance and Democratic</p>
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 2.00pm – 3.30pm	Session 2 – Performance Management and Data – The Basics	<p><b>Using Data to Inform Service Delivery and Improvement.</b></p> <p>A session for Elected Members to look at data, how to use and interpret it, including questions to ask to interrogate data and inform service improvement.</p>	<p>External Provider – Data Cymru</p> <p>Head of Democratic Services, Governance and Partnerships</p> <p>Service Manager – Performance and Democratic</p>



Date	Topic	Purpose	Lead Officer
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2022 9.30am – 12.30pm (includes 15 minute break)	Diversity in Democracy – Women’s Rights and Gender Equality Training for Councillors	Case studies and exercises to reflect on how this applies to the various roles of Members and the Council and will cover: 1. A brief history of women’s rights in Wales and the UK. 2. Key equalities legislation. 3. Wales’ current situation in key areas like finance, health, care and violence against women. 4. What is intersectionality and why does it matter. 5. What you can do	External Provider – Women’s Equality Network (WEN) Wales
Early September 2022 – date TBA	Budget Provisional Outturn 2021/22	To provide an update to Members of the Provisional Outturn 2021/22 for Revenue, Capital and General Services	Rhian Hayden
TBC	Commercially minded Organisation (TBC)		Bernadette Elias

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# Agenda Item 9

*Executive Committee and Council only*

Date signed off by the Monitoring Officer:

Date signed off by the Section 151 Officer:

Committee: **Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee**

Date of meeting: **13<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

Report Subject: **Revenue Budget Monitoring - 2022/2023,  
Forecast Outturn to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022)**

Portfolio Holder: **Cllr S Thomas – Leader of the Council & Executive  
Member Corporate Overview & Performance**

Report Submitted by: **Rhian Hayden – Chief Officer Resources**

Reporting Pathway								
Directorate Management Team	Corporate Leadership Team	Portfolio Holder / Chair	Audit Committee	Democratic Services Committee	Scrutiny Committee	Executive Committee	Council	Other (please state)
	25/08/22	05.09.22			13/09/22	14/09/22		

## 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to provide Members with the forecast financial outturn position across all portfolios for the financial year 2022/2023 (as forecast at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022).

## 2. Scope and Background

- 2.1 This report provides details on the following:
- Forecast financial position to the end of March 2023 across all portfolios
  - Budget virements actioned during the period April to June 2022
  - Forecast outturn for Fees & Charges
  - Forecast of Reserves to be applied during the period
- 2.2 This report forms part of the Council's financial reporting framework to members.

## 3. Options for Recommendation

### 3.1 Option 1 (Recommended Option)

- Members to consider and provide appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report.
- Recommend Approval of the budget virements, detailed in paragraph 5.1.14 & Appendix 4, in excess of £250,000 in line with the constitution.
- Note the application of reserves

### 3.2 Option 2

Members do not accept the report and do not approve the budget virements.

## 4. Evidence of how does this topic supports the achievement of the Corporate Plan / Statutory Responsibilities / Blaenau Gwent Well-being Plan

4.1 This report supports the Council Corporate Plan proposed outcome statement 2020/2022 “An ambitious and innovative council delivering the quality services we know matter to our communities”.

## 5. Implications Against Each Option

### 5.1 *Impact on Budget (short and long term impact)*

5.1.1 The overall forecast outturn across all portfolios as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022, is an adverse variance of £0.57m before net transfers to specific reserves (of £0.62m) and a small favourable variance of £0.05m after net transfers to specific reserves.

5.1.2 The forecast overall financial position across all portfolios at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 is shown in the table below:

Table 1 – Portfolio Summary

Portfolio/ Committee	2022/2023 Revised Revenue Budget	2022/2023 Forecast Outturn @ 30 June 2022	Favourable/ (Adverse) Variance	Favourable/ (Adverse) Variance (after Net transfers to Specific Reserves)	Append ref:
	£m	£m	£m	£m	
Corporate Services & Financial Management & Strategy	17.92	17.79	0.13	0.39	1a
Social Services	49.94	49.88	0.06	0.31	1b
Education & Leisure	68.30	68.52	(0.22)	(0.22)	1c
Economy	1.79	1.85	(0.06)	(0.06)	1d
Environment	29.66	30.13	(0.48)	(0.38)	1e
Planning	1.44	1.44	0.00	0.00	1f
Licensing	0.13	0.14	0.00	0.00	1f
<b>Total</b>	<b>169.19</b>	<b>169.76</b>	<b>(0.57)</b>	<b>0.05</b>	

5.1.3 The forecast includes a number of assumptions, the main ones being:

- The proposed pay award of £1,925 on all pay points from 1 April 2022 for NJC & JNC officers
- 20% uplift to Home to School contractors will continue to March 2023
- The impact of inflation on prices will continue to March 2023

#### 5.1.4 **Use of Reserves**

5.1.5 The net transfer from individual portfolios to specific reserves total £0.62m and this includes:

- £234,960 from the Supporting Additional Capacity Reserve (which includes additional resources for areas such as Health & Safety, Civil Contingencies, Payroll, Decarbonisation and Digital)
- £32,180 from the Community Safety & CCTV Reserve (to support a new Policy Officer for CCTV until the SLA with Caerphilly CBC is established)
- £56,298 from the Infrastructure Staffing Reserve (to support new Welsh Government Legislation requirements)
- £45,458 from the Homelessness Transitional Funding Reserve (to fund a specialist EHO for empty properties)
- £249,243 from Social Services Displaced Expenditure Reserve (relating to displaced grant expenditure and cost of living increases in excess of grant allocation in relation to Early Years Childcare)

#### 5.1.6 **Pay & Pay Contingency**

5.1.7 The current local government employers pay proposal for 2022/23 is a £1,925 increase on all pay scales. If agreed this will result in pay increases ranging from 4% to 10%. The average increase will be 6.3%

5.1.8 The impact of the proposed pay award will increase costs (compared to 2021/22) by £3m. When compared to the Council's agreed budget of an assumed 4% increase there is a cost pressure of £1.15m relating to pay.

5.1.9 The pay award contingency has been reallocated to portfolios forecasting an overall adverse variance for the year.

5.1.10 With the exception of the use of reserves identified in 5.1.5, as the overall forecast is a small favourable variance, it has been assumed that the additional costs, related to the pay award (in excess of the agreed budget) and the impact being seen as a result of the cost of living crisis, is funded from within underspending budgets, and not specific reserves. Virements from underspending budgets have been actioned and where these are in excess of £250,000 they have been highlighted in section 5 and Appendix 4.

#### 5.1.11 **Budget Virements**

5.1.12 Budget virements are actioned to address in year overspends, cost pressures or to realign budgets to reflect service needs.

5.1.13 The Constitution requires budget virements in excess of £250,000 between portfolios to be approved by the Executive, Table 2 details the virements actioned during the period April to June 2022 relating to the Pay Award contingency, with Appendix 4 identifying further budget virements actioned subject to approval.

5.1.14 Table 2 – Budget Virements – Pay Award Contingency

<b>Portfolio</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>Reason</b>
<b>From:</b> Corporate Services	877,540	Allocating pay award contingency budget to services to meet the cost of the expected pay award
<b>To:</b> Education	58,890	
Environment	739,110	
Economy	41,380	
Planning	31,310	
Licensing	6,850	

5.1.15 **Portfolio Analysis**

5.1.16 An analysis of significant adverse variances per Portfolio are detailed below.

5.1.17 **Corporate Services – Council Tax Collection (£0.305m adverse variance)**

5.1.18 There is currently a cost pressure on Council Tax Collection, due to forecasted increase in the provision for bad debts (at this point in time).

This cost pressure has been offset by a budget virement from the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS). The underspend on CTRS has arisen due to:-

- The budget incorporates as assumed increase on Council Tax Levels of 4% (in line with the MTFS assumptions) however the actual average Council Tax increase agreed by Council was approx.1% (in respect of Police & Community Councils precepts) and
- The number of claimants claiming CTRS reducing back to pre covid levels (although this will need to be monitored during the year as the Cost of Living Crisis could attract more claimants).

<b>Date</b>	<b>Number of Cases</b>
01/06/22	8,525
01/06/21	9,226
01/06/20	9,203
01/06/19	8,818

5.1.19 **Education – Home to School Transport (£0.502m adverse variance)**

5.1.20 The 20% temporary uplift currently being awarded to contractors as a result of the fuel crisis is currently forecast to cost £0.5m for the full financial year. Fuel prices are starting to reduce and the uplift will be reviewed in line with reductions in fuel costs, so this pressure may reduce over the remainder of the financial year.

It was previously agreed that the identified cost pressure would be funded from the inflation and service cost pressure reserve, however, given that the overall forecast position is favourable funding from specific reserves have not been applied at this time.

5.1.21 **Environment – Catering (£0.54m adverse variance)**

5.1.22 The cost of living crisis is having a significant impact on the cost of provisions for the school meals services, with forecast costs increasing by £965,406, (83%) when compared to 2021/2022.

The Council's largest food supplier is indicating significant cost increases in products e.g. some commodities have increased by as much as 54%, this coupled with increased fuel costs is impacting upon overall costs.

This variance does not take account of the anticipated increase in uptake from September when Universal Free School Meals (UFSM's) is rolled out to Nursery and Infant children. It has been assumed that this will be fully funded by Welsh Government.

5.1.23 **Fees & Charges**

5.1.24 The 2022/2023 portfolio estimates include income budgets in relation to fees & charges (excluding Council Tax) of £14m across all portfolios. Attached at Appendix 2 is an analysis of income against budget for the financial year for individual portfolios. The forecast provisional outturn is reporting an adverse variance of £0.70m, primarily relating to lost income: -

- Sale of properties £0.289m & Fees and charges in respect of Care £0.268m (This shortfall is being offset by the overall underspend within the Social Services Portfolio).

5.1.25 Whilst the analysis of fees and charges is useful, it should not be considered in isolation, as elements of any shortfall within Portfolios can be inextricably linked to underspends in expenditure within the same budget heading. Where this is the case, budget holders should action budget virements to ensure that the income targets reflect more accurately expected income. Likewise, any over achievement in income which offset overspends in expenditure within the same budget, should be treated in the same way.

5.2 ***Risk including Mitigating Actions***

5.2.1 Grants form a significant element of the Council's income and support the delivery of priority services to the people of Blaenau Gwent. There is a risk that

- a reduction or cessation of grant funding will result in service levels reducing or services no longer being delivered.
- 5.2.2 A grants register has been developed and is being maintained and will be considered as part of the Medium Term Financial Strategy.
- 5.2.3 There is a risk that Action Plans will not address the cost pressures identified.
- 5.2.4 Action Plans have been developed, identifying actions to mitigate the forecast cost pressures. The Action Plans will be monitored as part of the Budget Monitoring and Reporting Framework and the impact reported to the Corporate Overview & Performance Scrutiny Committee, Executive Committee and the Cost of Living Working Group.
- 5.3 **Legal**  
N/A
- 5.4 **Human Resources**  
N/A
6. **Supporting Evidence**
- 6.1 **Performance Information and Data**
- 6.1.1 A summary page for each portfolio is contained in Appendices 1a to 1g.
- 6.2 ***Expected outcome for the public***
- 6.2.1 The report details the financial implications for the Council in providing services to the communities of Blaenau Gwent.
- 6.3 ***Involvement (consultation, engagement, participation)***
- 6.3.1 CLT have considered the forecast financial position for 2022/23 (as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022).
- 6.4 ***Thinking for the Long term (forward planning)***
- 6.4.1 For new and emerging cost pressures identified during the financial year, budget holders have produced Action Plans which should address the cost pressure during the year. These Action Plans will form part of the quarterly budget reports and will be submitted to the Cost of Living Working Group for scrutiny, challenge and monitoring.
- 6.4.2 Cost Pressures are also considered as part of the Medium Term Financial Plan.
- 6.5 ***Preventative focus***
- 6.5.1 Existing, new and emerging cost pressures are considered as part of the annual budget setting process and additional funding awarded where it is likely that the cost pressure will continue into future years.
- 6.6 ***Collaboration / partnership working***
- 6.6.1 Accountancy works closely with budget holders during the financial year in producing the financial forecast, identifying cost pressures and in developing Action Plans



6.7 ***Integration (across service areas)***

N/A

6.8 ***Decarbonisation and Reducing Carbon Emissions***

6.8.1 The Council is committed to the Decarbonisation Plan to achieve a carbon neutral public sector by 2030 and the Bridging the Gap programme includes a Strategic Business Review, Low Carbon.

6.9 ***Integrated Impact Assessment***

No impact on the protected characteristics.

7. **Monitoring Arrangements**

7.1 Financial reporting to Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny and the Executive Committees is carried out on a quarterly basis. Where services are reporting significant cost pressures, there will be a requirement for Budget Holders to develop and implement Action Plans these will be reported to the Cost of Living Working Group, on a quarterly basis.

**Background Documents / Electronic Links**

*Appendix 1a – Corporate Services and Financial Management Portfolio*

*Appendix 1b – Social Services Portfolio*

*Appendix 1c – Education Portfolio*

*Appendix 1d – Economy Portfolio*

*Appendix 1e – Environment and Infrastructure Portfolio*

*Appendix 1f – Planning and Licensing Committee*

*Appendix 2 – Fees and Charges*

*Appendix 3 – Summary of Reserves*

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## CORPORATE SERVICES PORTFOLIO

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Forecast Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b>SUMMARY</b>			
<b><u>DEPARTMENTAL AND OTHER RECHARGEABLE SERVICES</u></b>			
Corporate Services Department	(95,990)	167,400	(263,390)
Resources Department	0	100,595	(100,595)
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>(95,990)</b>	<b>267,995</b>	<b>(363,985)</b>
<b><u>COMMERCIAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Archives	148,670	153,844	(5,174)
Festival Park	102,570	108,557	(5,987)
Housing Benefit	(116,270)	(100,566)	(15,704)
ICT Service	0	0	0
Cross Cutting	(59,310)	(59,310)	0
Community Hubs	196,320	204,611	(8,291)
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>271,980</b>	<b>307,136</b>	<b>(35,156)</b>
<b><u>LEGAL &amp; CORPORATE COMPLIANCE SERVICES</u></b>			
Registration of Electors	17,860	17,860	0
Conducting Elections	0	0	0
Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths	48,100	64,172	(16,072)
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>65,960</b>	<b>82,032</b>	<b>(16,072)</b>
<b><u>GOVERNANCE &amp; PARTNERSHIP SERVICES</u></b>			
Corporate Management (inc Audit Fees)	109,510	109,522	(12)
Democratic Representation and Management	1,323,130	1,288,797	34,333
CCTV Cameras	208,680	208,689	(9)
Civil Contingencies	106,890	104,273	2,617
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>1,748,210</b>	<b>1,711,281</b>	<b>36,929</b>
<b><u>RESOURCES SERVICES</u></b>			
Corporate Management	355,790	349,625	6,165
Non Distributed Costs	940,920	930,874	10,046
Apprenticeship Levy	358,430	354,215	4,215
Council Tax Collection	(1,165,020)	(1,160,418)	(4,602)
Council Tax Reduction Scheme	10,004,370	9,837,104	167,266
N.N.D.R. Collection	(106,820)	(111,456)	4,636
Grants and Subscriptions	88,410	88,410	0
Cross Cutting Budget	1,085,640	501,840	583,800
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>11,561,720</b>	<b>10,790,193</b>	<b>771,527</b>
<b><u>CORPORATE CHARGES</u></b>			
Corporate Recharges	4,366,000	4,366,000	0
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>4,366,000</b>	<b>4,366,000</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>CORPORATE SERVICES TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>17,917,880</b>	<b>17,524,637</b>	<b>393,243</b>

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## SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Forecast Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b>SUMMARY</b>			
<b><u>SOCIAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Children's Services - Commissioning and Social Work	3,939,340	4,054,656	(115,316)
Looked After Children	7,494,490	7,328,392	166,098
Family Support Services	192,370	207,831	(15,461)
Youth Justice	237,580	250,930	(13,350)
Other Children's and Family Services	2,407,710	2,384,354	23,356
Older People Aged 65 or Over	7,147,410	7,119,257	28,153
Adults Aged Under 65 with a Physical Disability or Sensory Impairment	18,290	18,210	80
Adults Aged Under 65 with Learning Disabilities	3,721,690	3,732,286	(10,596)
Adults Aged Under 65 with Mental Health Needs	556,660	597,634	(40,974)
Other Adult Services	463,570	497,839	(34,269)
Community Care	17,341,130	17,018,344	322,786
Support Service and Management Costs	934,170	949,494	(15,324)
Corporate Recharges	5,487,140	5,487,140	0
Social Services COVID-19 Costs	0	(17,268)	17,268
<b>SOCIAL SERVICES TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>49,941,550</b>	<b>49,629,098</b>	<b>312,452</b>

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## EDUCATION PORTFOLIO

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Forecast Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b>SUMMARY</b>			
<b>SCHOOLS BUDGET</b>			
Individual Schools Budget	50,430,260	50,430,260	0
Education Improvement Grant	267,730	267,715	15
Other Costs	725,420	736,864	(11,444)
Supporting Special Education Needs	1,730,430	1,599,258	131,172
<b>Schools Budget Total Expenditure</b>	<b>53,153,840</b>	<b>53,034,097</b>	<b>119,743</b>
<b>LEA BUDGET</b>			
Strategic Management	2,264,410	2,275,610	(11,200)
Assuring Access to Schools	2,439,820	2,918,246	(478,426)
Facilitating School Improvement	396,350	395,131	1,219
Supporting Special Education Needs	380,730	319,986	60,744
<b>LEA Budget Total Expenditure</b>	<b>5,481,310</b>	<b>5,908,973</b>	<b>(427,663)</b>
<b>OTHER EDUCATION SERVICES</b>			
Further Education and Training	135,960	88,899	47,061
Youth Service	345,390	365,278	(19,888)
Other Expenditure	143,850	129,619	14,231
Education Departmental Budget	195,970	154,020	41,950
<b>Other Education Services Total Expenditure</b>	<b>821,170</b>	<b>737,816</b>	<b>83,354</b>
<b>CORPORATE CHARGES</b>			
Corporate Support Recharges	4,671,690	4,671,690	0
Reserve Funding - Cost of Living & Service Pressures	0	0	0
<b>Corporate Charges Total Expenditure</b>	<b>4,671,690</b>	<b>4,671,690</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Education Total Expenditure</b>	<b>64,128,010</b>	<b>64,352,576</b>	<b>(224,566)</b>
<b>LEISURE TRUSTS</b>			
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Aneurin Leisure Trust	2,875,550	2,879,785	(4,235)
Awen Leisure Trust	198,900	205,725	(6,825)
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>3,074,450</b>	<b>3,085,510</b>	<b>(11,060)</b>
<b>RETAINED SERVICES</b>			
Corporate Recharges	1,102,170	1,082,947	19,223
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>1,102,170</b>	<b>1,082,947</b>	<b>19,223</b>
<b>Lesire Trusts Total Expenditure</b>	<b>4,176,620</b>	<b>4,168,457</b>	<b>8,163</b>
<b>EDUCATION PORTFOLIO TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>68,304,630</b>	<b>68,521,033</b>	<b>(216,403)</b>

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## ECONOMY PORTFOLIO

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Forecast Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b>SUMMARY</b>			
<b><u>DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Economic Strategy and Development - Departmental Budget	92,940	92,961	(21)
Estates Management - Rechargeable	12,030	149,763	(137,733)
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>104,970</u>	<u>242,724</u>	<u>(137,754)</u>
<b><u>ECONOMY SERVICES</u></b>			
Affordable Housing	0	0	0
Aspire	0	0	0
Community Benefits Investment	0	0	0
CSCS	(10,200)	(424)	(9,776)
Destination Management	10,200	10,202	(2)
DRIVE	0	0	0
Financial Support to Business	4,410	4,409	1
General Offices	(24,360)	(24,361)	1
Industrial Land	7,390	7,390	0
Inspire	0	0	0
Nursery Units/Misc. Industrial Premises	(793,750)	(880,791)	87,041
Pentagon	0	0	0
Regeneration Projects	5,100	6,179	(1,079)
Resilient Project	0	0	0
Estates Management Non Rechargeable	(96,590)	(96,593)	3
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>(897,800)</u>	<u>(973,989)</u>	<u>76,189</u>
Corporate Recharges	2,583,380	2,583,380	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<u><u>1,790,550</u></u>	<u><u>1,852,115</u></u>	<u><u>(61,565)</u></u>

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## ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b>SUMMARY</b>			
<b><u>COMMUNITY SERVICES</u></b>			
<b><u>DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Environment Department - Corporate Division	179	(40,490)	40,669
Environmental Services Division	0	(1,017)	1,017
Technical Services - Engineering & Property Management	78,740	78,741	(1)
Enforcement	25,280	19,184	6,096
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>104,199</u>	<u>56,418</u>	<u>47,781</u>
<b><u>WASTE COLLECTION</u></b>			
Household and Trade Waste Collection	644,738	493,643	151,095
Recycling Collection	2,640,000	2,848,122	(208,122)
Bulky Waste Collection	2,523	11,994	(9,471)
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>3,287,261</u>	<u>3,353,759</u>	<u>(66,498)</u>
<b><u>WASTE TRANSFER</u></b>			
Civic Amenity Sites	358,009	322,592	35,417
HWRC Roseheyworth	319,653	284,077	35,576
Transfer Station	1,033,557	988,836	44,721
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>1,711,219</u>	<u>1,595,505</u>	<u>115,714</u>
<b><u>WASTE DISPOSAL</u></b>			
Disposal Of Waste	1,101,830	1,250,368	(148,538)
Recycling Disposal	382,649	50,878	331,771
Trade Waste Collection, Transfer & Disposal	(13,845)	0	(13,845)
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>1,470,634</u>	<u>1,301,246</u>	<u>169,388</u>
<b><u>WASTE SERVICES</u></b>			
<b><u>PUBLIC SERVICES</u></b>			
County Borough Cleansing	1,150,994	1,203,428	(52,434)
Cemeteries / Crematorium	(173,378)	(121,087)	(52,291)
Grounds Maintenance	1,035,374	1,031,517	3,857
Countryside Recreation Sites	37,419	37,419	0
General Entertainment	2,489	3,879	(1,390)
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>2,052,898</u>	<u>2,155,156</u>	<u>(102,258)</u>
<b><u>FACILITIES MANAGEMENT</u></b>			
Corporate Landlord	1,730,142	1,727,665	2,477
Corporate Property	30,073	25,167	4,906
Building Cleaning	317,924	316,294	1,630
Catering Account	311,105	847,534	(536,429)
Appetite For Life	44,585	44,585	0
School Breakfast Club	439,699	462,999	(23,300)
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>2,873,528</u>	<u>3,424,244</u>	<u>(550,716)</u>

## ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b><u>HIGHWAYS &amp; ROADS SERVICES</u></b>			
Highways - Street Care Team	9,010	2,220	6,790
Non Operational Land	1,490	0	1,490
Licensing (Highway Permits)	(52,211)	(52,211)	0
Shopping Arcade, Abertillery	2,834	2,834	0
Road and Street Works Acts	(16,589)	(16,589)	0
Multi-Storey Car Parks	277,154	277,154	0
On Street Parking	1,122	1,122	0
Surface Car Parks	32,421	32,421	0
Public Transport Co-Ordination	924	924	0
Bridges	79,145	79,145	0
Structural Maintenance (Principal and Other Roads)	176,688	183,698	(7,010)
Environmental Maintenance (Principal and Other Roads)	19,831	19,831	0
Safety Maintenance (Principal and Other Roads)	73,142	73,336	(194)
Routine Repairs (Principal and Other Roads)	861,912	888,386	(26,474)
Street Lighting	1,260,145	1,260,143	2
Winter Maintenance	399,947	402,017	(2,070)
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>3,126,965</b>	<b>3,154,431</b>	<b>(27,466)</b>
<b><u>TRANSPORT SERVICES</u></b>			
Traffic Orders	(16,841)	(16,841)	0
Highways Adoptions	(9,950)	(9,950)	0
Traffic / Accident Research	16,001	16,001	0
Traffic Management	6,895	6,895	0
Civil Parking Enforcement	2,100	20,632	(18,532)
Road Safety Education	22,939	23,156	(217)
Crossing Patrols	177,836	178,782	(946)
Concessionary fares and Support to Operators	284,395	265,852	18,543
Local Transport Plans	2,680	2,680	0
Home to School Transport	0	0	0
Transport and Heavy Plant	139,656	139,658	(2)
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>625,711</b>	<b>626,865</b>	<b>(1,154)</b>
<b><u>CULTURAL &amp; ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES</u></b>			
General Administration and Markets	(25,868)	(9,107)	(16,761)
Countryside Programme and Management	1,718	1,718	0
Landscaping and Afforestation	20,716	20,716	0
Reservoirs, Tips, Quarries and Mines	10,333	10,333	0
Flood Defence And Land Drainage	56,488	56,488	0
ENRaW	0	0	0
City Deal	99,144	99,144	0
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>162,531</b>	<b>179,292</b>	<b>(16,761)</b>
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>15,414,946</b>	<b>15,846,916</b>	<b>(431,970)</b>

## ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b><u>PUBLIC PROTECTION</u></b>			
<b><u>DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Environmental Health	46,788	56,746	(9,958)
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>46,788</u>	<u>56,746</u>	<u>(9,958)</u>
<b><u>CARAVAN SITES</u></b>			
Cwmcraehen Caravan Site	(41,092)	(28,308)	(12,784)
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>(41,092)</u>	<u>(28,308)</u>	<u>(12,784)</u>
<b><u>ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH</u></b>			
Food Safety	6,395	(848)	7,243
Control of Pollution	9,578	16,422	(6,844)
Dog Wardens	0	1,843	(1,843)
Animal Health and Welfare	23,827	0	23,827
Pest Control	63,240	69,133	(5,893)
Littering and Dog Control Orders	0	0	0
Health and Safety at Work (Commercial Prem.)	1,540	(2,865)	4,405
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>104,580</u>	<u>83,685</u>	<u>20,895</u>
<b><u>HOUSING SERVICES</u></b>			
Homelessness	275,616	239,010	36,606
20 Church Street	16,116	16,116	0
General Properties	(8,160)	(6,642)	(1,518)
Housing Access	69,263	66,023	3,240
Works in Default	(255)	(287)	32
Disabled Facilities Grants	1,061	0	1,061
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>353,641</u>	<u>314,220</u>	<u>39,421</u>
<b><u>TRADING STANDARDS</u></b>			
Trading Standards	16,015	3,868	12,147
Inspection and Enforcement	4,437	1,330	3,107
<i>Sub Total</i>	<u>20,452</u>	<u>5,198</u>	<u>15,254</u>
<b>PUBLIC PROTECTION TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<u>484,369</u>	<u>431,541</u>	<u>52,828</u>
<b><u>CORPORATE CHARGES</u></b>			
Fire Service	3,551,477	3,547,672	3,805
Coroner's Court	125,123	125,123	0
Corporate Recharges	10,080,865	10,080,865	0
<b>CORPORATE CHARGES TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<u>13,757,465</u>	<u>13,753,660</u>	<u>3,805</u>
<b>Overall Portfolio Total</b>	<u>29,656,780</u>	<u>30,032,117</u>	<u>(375,337)</u>

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## PLANNING COMMITTEE AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Forecast Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b>PLANNING COMMITTEE SUMMARY</b>			
<b><u>BUILDING CONTROL</u></b>			
<b><u>DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Building Control	10,240	10,237	3
<b><u>BUILDING CONTROL SERVICES</u></b>			
Building Regulations	19,220	19,219	1
Dangerous Structures	23,100	23,099	1
<i>Building Control Total Expenditure</i>	<u>52,560</u>	<u>52,555</u>	<u>5</u>
<b><u>DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT</u></b>			
<b><u>DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Development Management	16,890	16,875	15
<b><u>DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES</u></b>			
Dealing with Applications	(202,311)	(202,312)	1
Planning Appeals	3,319	3,320	(1)
Enforcement	(10)	0	(10)
<i>Development Management Total Expenditure</i>	<u>(182,112)</u>	<u>(182,117)</u>	<u>5</u>
<b><u>DEVELOPMENT PLANS</u></b>			
<b><u>DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES</u></b>			
Development Plans	5,084	5,087	(3)
<b><u>DEVELOPMENT PLANS SERVICES</u></b>			
Development Plans	100,460	100,460	0
<i>Development Plans Total Expenditure</i>	<u>105,544</u>	<u>105,547</u>	<u>(3)</u>
Corporate Recharges	1,465,230	1,465,230	0
<b>PLANNING COMMITTEE TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<u><u>1,441,222</u></u>	<u><u>1,441,215</u></u>	<u><u>7</u></u>

**PLANNING COMMITTEE AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Item	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Total Forecast Expenditure to March 2023	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
	£	£	£
<b>LICENSING COMMITTEE SUMMARY</b>			
Licensing	83,592	85,979	(2,387)
Internal Recharges	51,166	51,166	0
<b>LICENSING COMMITTEE TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>134,758</b>	<b>137,145</b>	<b>(2,387)</b>



## Fees and Charges Forecast 2022/2023 (As at June 2022)

Portfolio	Service	Description of Income	Income Source	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Forecast	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
				£	£	£
<b>Fees &amp; Charges</b>						
Corporate Services	Communications	Advertising	Fees & Charges	3,000	2,082	(918)
Corporate Services	Business Support	External Printing and photocopying charges.	Fees & Charges	8,160	3,237	(4,923)
Corporate Services	Legal Fees	Legal Charges	Fees & Charges	14,330	3,156	(11,174)
Corporate Services	Corporate Support	Land Charges	Fixed - Set Locally	32,150	44,493	12,343
Economy	General Offices	Rental Income	Fees & Charges	810	8,313	7,503
Economy	Departmental	Reimbursement of staff costs and receipts for external works	SLA	70,469	70,469	0
Environment	Household & Trade Waste Collection	Trade Waste Collection & Disposal Income - Commercial	Fees & Charges	0	0	0
Environment	Enforcement Team		Fees & Charges	2,030	2,030	0
Environment	Recycling Collection	Recycling Collection & Disposal Income - Commercial Customers	Fees & Charges	259,820	353,676	93,856
Environment	Trade Waste	Trade Waste Collection & Disposal Income - Commercial Customers	Fees & Charges	298,818	218,706	(80,112)
Environment	Bulky Waste Collection	Bulky Waste Collection	Fees & Charges	71,690	65,296	(6,394)
Environment	Recycling Disposal	Sale of Recyclate Materials	Fees & Charges	879,384	862,445	(16,939)
Environment	County Borough Cleansing	C&CR - External Cleansing Works	Fees & Charges	23,940	32,341	8,401
Environment	Cemeteries / Crematorium	Burial Fees	Fees & Charges	494,814	455,419	(39,395)
Environment	Cemeteries / Crematorium	General Properties	Fees & Charges	3,000	3,000	0
Social Services	Meals On Wheels	Sale of Meals	Fees & Charges	175,280	164,889	(10,391)
Environment	Grounds Maintenance	Income from Letting of Playing Fields, Ground Rent & Way Leaves	Fees & Charges	76,395	130,994	54,599
Environment	General Properties	Rental Income	Fees & Charges	8,160	6,642	(1,518)
Environment	Cwmcrachen Caravan Site	Rental	Fees & Charges	113,948	117,373	3,425
Environment	Dog Wardens - now in	Byelaw Enforcement Fees	Fees & Charges	0	0	0
Environment	Corporate Landlord	Civic Centre - Rental of Land	Miscellaneous	184	309	125
Environment	School Catering Service	Sale of Meals		954,054	841,840	(112,214)
Financial Management and Strategy	Accountancy Division	Administration charges for administering Appointeeships	Fees & Charges	26,030	18,148	(7,882)
Infrastructure	Technical Services - Engineering & Property Management	Reimbursement of staff costs and receipts for external works	Fees & Charges	427,317	427,317	0
Infrastructure	FEP - Increase in Income	Fees	Fees & Charges	0	0	0
Infrastructure	Licensing (Highway Permits)	Skips & Scaffolding Permits	Fees & Charges	52,369	52,369	0
Infrastructure	General Administration and Markets	Rental income	Fees & Charges	30,351	30,351	0
Infrastructure	Traffic Orders	Income from contractors, Welsh Water etc. for road	Fees & Charges	25,307	25,307	0
Infrastructure	Road and Street Works Acts	Inspection fees, section 74's, FPN, coring, Dropped kerbs etc.	Fees & Charges	36,261	36,261	0
Infrastructure	Highways Adoptions	Highway Searches	Fees & Charges	9,950	9,950	0
Infrastructure	Multi-storey Carparks	Charge to Coleg Gwent	Fees & Charges	30,000	30,000	0
Infrastructure	Civil Parking Enforcement	FPN's	Fees & Charges	105,000	60,120	(44,880)
Infrastructure	Public Transport Co-Ordination	Charge to bus companies for use of Brynmawr Bus Station	Fees & Charges	234	234	0
Licensing	Hackney Carriages	Licence Fees	Fees & Charges	46,931	39,664	(7,267)
Licensing	Private Hire Vehicles	Licence Fees	Fees & Charges	1,830	4,222	2,392
Licensing	Scrap Metal	Sale of Scrap Metal	Fees & Charges	600	3,083	2,483
Planning	Enforcement	Enforcement Fees	Fees & Charges	610	0	(610)
Planning	Development Plans	Heritage Officer Income	Fees & Charges	0	0	0
Social Services	Other Children's and Family Services	Training Fees (Early Years tied in with expenditure which is set	Fees & Charges	0	0	0
Social Services	Older People aged 65 or over	Fees & Charges in respect of Care (Cwrt Mytton, Home Care, Extra Care & Joint Day Care Unit)	Fees & Charges	598,350	603,934	5,584
Social Services	Adults aged under 65 with Learning Disabilities	Fees & Charges in respect of Care (Augusta, Supported Living Bungalows & Community Options)	Fees & Charges	341,150	73,108	(268,042)
Social Services	Adults aged under 65 with Mental Health Needs	Fees & Charges in respect of Care (Vision House & Ysbyty'r Tri Chwm)	Fees & Charges	25,420	1,174	(24,246)
Social Services	Support Service and Management Costs	Fees & Charges in respect of Piper Alarms (IAA)	Fees & Charges	0	0	0
			<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>5,248,146</b>	<b>4,801,951</b>	<b>(446,195)</b>

## Fees and Charges Forecast 2022/2023 (As at June 2022)

Portfolio	Service	Description of Income	Income Source	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Forecast	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
				£	£	£
<b>Fees &amp; Charges - Set Nationally</b>						
Corporate Services	Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths	Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths	Fixed - Set Nationally	94,770	86,095	(8,675)
Environment	Food Safety	Hygiene ratings & Health Certificates	Fixed - Set Nationally	2,162	13,414	11,252
Environment	Control of Pollution	Environmental Permits	Fixed - Set Nationally	17,228	10,378	(6,850)
Environment	Health and Safety at Work (Commercial Prem.)	Petroleum + Tattoo Licences	Fixed - Set Nationally	0	2,565	2,565
Environment	Trading Standards	Explosives Licences	Fixed - Set Nationally	0	0	0
Licensing	Licence Fees	Various (Gambling, Premises/ Clubs & Street Trading)	Fixed - Set Nationally	56,968	56,282	(687)
Planning	Dealing with Applications	Planning Application Fees	Fees & Charges	213,360	213,360	0
Planning	Building Regulations	Building Regulation Fees	Fixed - Set Nationally	95,620	95,620	0
Social Services	Older People aged 65 or over	CHC Income (Home Care)	Fixed - Set Nationally	0	44,671	44,671
Social Services	Adults aged under 65 with Learning Disabilities	CHC Income (Augusta House; Supported Living Bungalows; Community Options)	Fixed - Set Nationally	50,000	73,288	23,288
Social Services	Community Care	Fees & Charges in respect of Care	Fixed - Set Nationally	2,896,975	2,857,578	(39,397)
Social Services	Older People aged 65 or over	Sale of Property (Cwrw Mytton)	Fixed - Set Nationally	0	44,671	44,671
Social Services	Community Care	Sale of Property	Fixed - Set Nationally	292,340	3,741	(288,599)
Social Services	Community Care	CHC Income	Fixed - Set Nationally	690	0	(690)
Social Services	Support Service and Management Costs	CHC Income (Adult Service Managers)	Fixed - Set Nationally	0	0	0
			<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>3,720,113</b>	<b>3,501,663</b>	<b>(218,451)</b>
<b>Fees &amp; Charges - In Line with Local Agreements</b>						
Economy	Industrial Land	Ground rent and commercial bookings	Fixed - Set Locally	2,750	2,750	0
Economy	Nursery Units/Misc. Industrial Premises	Rental income for industrial units	Fixed - Set Locally	808,200	895,280	87,080
Economy	Estates - Non Rechargeable	Ground Rent	Fixed - Set Locally	145,110	118,200	(26,910)
Economy	Financial Support to Business	Ground rent and commercial bookings	Fixed - Set Locally	2,650	2,650	0
Economy	CSCS	Charges for Construction Skills Certificates	Fixed - Set Locally	10,200	434	(9,766)
Environment	Corporate Landlord	Little Stars Nursery - Rent (Recovery of costs)	Miscellaneous	8,839	13,287	4,448
Education	Inter Authority Recoupment	Charges to other Local Authorities for SEN placements within Blaenau Gwent Schools	Fixed - Set Locally	301,930	369,150	67,220
			<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>1,279,679</b>	<b>1,401,751</b>	<b>122,072</b>
			<b>TOTAL - FEES &amp; CHARGES</b>	<b>10,247,938</b>	<b>9,705,365</b>	<b>(542,573)</b>
<b>SLA</b>						
Aneurin Leisure Trust	SLA Income	Provision of Support Services	SLA	213,410	213,410	0
Environment	Grounds Maintenance	SLA	SLA	168,220	167,748	(472)
Financial Management and Strategy	Accountancy Division	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	185,480	185,480	0
Corporate Services	Organisational Development, Payroll & Health & Safety	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	319,620	319,620	0
Corporate Services	Legal Fees & GDPR	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	41,980	41,980	0
Corporate Services	Communications	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	3,250	3,250	0
Corporate Services	Performance (SIMS Support)	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	77,270	77,270	0
Corporate Services	Business Support (Courier)	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	5,770	5,770	0
Financial Management and Strategy	Creditors Division	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	6,480	6,480	0
Corporate Services	ICT	Support Services SLA with Schools	SLA	0	0	0
Environment	School Catering	SLA with Schools (excludes Corporate Landlord)	SLA	1,161,439	1,161,439	0
Environment	Cleaning Services	SLA with Schools	SLA	1,113,217	1,113,217	0
Infrastructure	CPM - Schools Biodiversity SLA	SLA with Schools	SLA	14,566	23,200	8,634
Infrastructure	Winter Maintenance	SLA with LA's for salt Storage	SLA	13,260	13,260	0
			<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>3,323,962</b>	<b>3,332,124</b>	<b>8,162</b>

## Fees and Charges Forecast 2022/2023 (As at June 2022)

Portfolio	Service	Description of Income	Income Source	Revised Estimate 2022/2023	Forecast	Variance Favourable / (Adverse)
				£	£	£
<b>Court Fees/Fixed Penalty Notices/Fines</b>						
Corporate Services	Corporate Services and Strategy	Legal income and land charges. Advertising.	Court Fees/FPN/Fines/Legal	10,000	2,640	(7,360)
Education	Welfare Service	Fixed Penalty Notices	Court Fees/FPN/Fines/Legal	2,190	1,927	(263)
Environment	Littering and Dog Control Orders -	Income in relation to FPNs	Court Fees/FPN/Fines/Legal	0	0	0
Corporate Services	Payroll Division	Attachment Orders	Court Fees/FPN/Fines/Legal	1,020	343	(677)
Financial Management and Strategy	Council Tax Collection	Court Costs	Court Fees/FPN/Fines/Legal	162,680	162,680	0
Financial Management and Strategy	NNDR	Court Costs	Court Fees/FPN/Fines/Legal	1,800	0	(1,800)
Corporate Services	Housing Benefits Account	Admin Penalties	Court Fees/FPN/Fines/Legal	25,000	0	(25,000)
			<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>202,690</b>	<b>167,590</b>	<b>(35,100)</b>
<b>Consortium Arrangements</b>						
Economy	General Offices	Annual Service & Rental Charge to Torfaen CBC in relation to Archives	Consortium Arrangements	49,970	49,970	0
Environment	Disposal Of Waste	Contribution from SVWS	Consortium Arrangements	110,000	0	(110,000)
Environment	Cemeteries / Crematorium	Crematorium Income - Reallocation of surplus at year end	Consortium Arrangements	41,925	41,925	0
Environment	20 Church Street	Housing Advice Centre Contribution	Consortium Arrangements	12,454	13,550	1,096
Environment	Housing Access	Income from Housing Associations in relation to Administration of the Common Housing Register	Consortium Arrangements	110,760	120,843	10,083
Environment	Environmental Health	Public Protection Collaboration with Torfaen CC	Consortium Arrangements	0	0	0
			<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>325,109</b>	<b>226,288</b>	<b>(98,821)</b>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>						
Education	Supporting Special Educational Needs	Internal Income - Recovery of pupil lead funding from schools.	Internal Income	104,040	69,296	(34,744)
Corporate Services	Cross Cutting	Rebates - Energy & Randstad	Miscellaneous	32,500	32,500	0
Corporate Services	Cross Cutting	Purchase Card Income	Miscellaneous	26,810	26,810	0
Infrastructure	L&A - Invasive Weeds	Contribution from Caerphilly for Treatment of Knotweed	Miscellaneous	10,200	10,200	0
			<b>Sub - Total</b>	<b>173,550</b>	<b>138,806</b>	<b>(34,744)</b>
			<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>14,273,249</b>	<b>13,570,173</b>	<b>(703,076)</b>

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Summary of Reserve Movements 2022-2023

Appendix 3

Name of Reserve	Balance B.Fwd	Increase	Decrease	Risk Assessed Adjustment	Forecast Expenditure	Balance C.Fwd	Utilised march provisional out turn		Other Not Included in Management		Balance
							As per Management A/c's		A/c's		
							Actual Expenditure	Anticipated Expenditure	Actual Expenditure	Anticipated Expenditure	
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
<b>Earmarked for Capital Purposes</b>											
Capital Inflation & Service Cost Pressure	1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00
Corporate Landlord	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150,000.00
Deminimus Capital Works	101,575.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	101,575.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	101,575.46
Facilities	118,769.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	118,769.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	118,769.00
Energy Centre	270,383.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	270,383.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	270,383.20
Industrial Units	240,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240,000.00
IT Infrastructure	225,811.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225,811.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225,811.79
New Operating Model	492,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	492,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	492,000.00
The Hive	419,715.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	419,715.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	419,715.00
WRAP Regional Vehicles	253,359.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	253,359.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	253,359.85
<b>Total Earmarked for Capital Purposes:</b>	<b>3,271,614.30</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,271,614.30</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,271,614.30</b>
<b>Usable Earmarked Revenue Reserves</b>											
Budget Contingency Fund / Invest to Save	64,351.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	64,351.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	64,351.89
Business Support Hybrid Model	53,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	53,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	53,000.00
Corporate Landlord Building Rationalisation	73,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	73,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	73,000.00
COVID19 Response & Recovery	1,526,920.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,526,920.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,526,920.00
Customer Services	95,892.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	95,892.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	95,892.05
Discretionary Housing Payments	111,865.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	111,865.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	111,865.87
Displaced Expenditure - Social Services	201,700.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	201,700.52	(16,815.00)	(59,535.00)	0.00	(46,803.00)	78,547.52
Downsizing & Redundancy	183,038.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	183,038.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	183,038.71
Election Costs	176,228.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	176,228.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	176,228.83
Financial Planning / Resilience	3,554,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,554,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,554,000.00
Future Interest Rate	644,055.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	644,055.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	644,055.89
General/ Voluntary Sector Grants	27,680.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,680.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,680.00
ICT	1,388,225.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,388,225.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,388,225.46
ISB Reserve	117,469.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	117,469.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	117,469.81
Inflation & Service Cost Pressure	1,361,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,361,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,361,000.00
Insurance Liabilities	3,198,250.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,198,250.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,198,250.21
Invest to Save	1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00
Local / Strategic Development Plans	143,512.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	143,512.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	143,512.54
Match Funding Regeneration Projects	114,386.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	114,386.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	114,386.57
Members Local Grants	22,468.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,468.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,468.79
Payroll Project Management	23,529.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,529.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,529.97
PRC Funding	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100,000.00
Rail Loan Interest	38,188.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38,188.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38,188.00
Re-fit Loan Repayments	263,878.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	263,878.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	263,878.66
Specialist Commercial Advice (Silent Valley)	72,816.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	72,816.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	72,816.50
Social Services - Legal Costs	400,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400,000.00
Social Services - RIF (ICF)	600,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600,000.00
Stock Conditions Survey	12,137.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,137.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,137.34
Strategic Business Reviews	168,553.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	168,553.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	168,553.27
Superannuation	600,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600,000.00
Supporting Additional Capacity	369,300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	369,300.00	(42,510.59)	(192,449.41)	0.00	0.00	134,340.00

Taxation	133,913.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	133,913.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	133,913.08
Technology Park Feasibility Study	26,017.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,017.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,017.00
Test, Trace, Protect Service	4,514.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,514.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	(4,514.40)	0.00
Transport Oncost	147,470.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	147,470.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	147,470.00
Waste Services Reserve	120,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120,000.00
Winter Maintenance	200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200,000.00
<b>Total Usable Earmarked Revenue Reserves:</b>	<b>17,337,365.36</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>17,337,365.36</b>	<b>(59,325.59)</b>	<b>(251,984.41)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(51,317.40)</b>	<b>16,974,737.96</b>
<b>Unusable Earmarked Revenue Reserves</b>											
Building Control Fees	38,239.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38,239.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38,239.34
Cardiff Capital Region City Deal	670,361.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	670,361.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	670,361.00
Deposits and Bonds	3,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,200.00
Land & Property Charges	117,199.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	117,199.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	117,199.90
LMS Balances	6,213,861.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,213,861.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,213,861.65
Section 106 Agreements	191,988.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	191,988.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	191,988.51
SEW Adoption Collaboration	712,028.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	712,028.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	(28,000.00)	684,028.21
Social Services - Gwent Regional Development (SP)	40,110.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40,110.30	(2,040.00)	(4,974.64)	0.00	0.00	33,095.66
Workforce Development Collaboration	340,124.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	340,124.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(90,124.00)	250,000.00
<b>Total Unusable Earmarked Revenue Reserves:</b>	<b>8,327,112.91</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>8,327,112.91</b>	<b>(2,040.00)</b>	<b>(4,974.64)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(118,124.00)</b>	<b>8,201,974.27</b>
<b>Revenue Grants and Contributions Unapplied</b>											
All Age School Forum	131,659.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	131,659.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	131,659.01
Aneurin Bevan Health Board - Education	18,225.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,225.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,225.89
Community Safety & CCTV	71,606.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	71,606.15	0.00	(32,180.00)	0.00	0.00	39,426.15
Contribution to Crematorium Infrastructure Works	63,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	63,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	63,000.00
Discretionary Cost of Living Scheme	897,428.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	897,428.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	897,428.00
Early Action Together Programme	3,196.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,196.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,196.38
Early Years Grant	298,277.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	298,277.83	0.00	(165,878.42)	0.00	0.00	132,399.41
Education - Gypsy Travellers	40,804.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40,804.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40,804.42
Food Risk Management	132,729.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	132,729.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	132,729.00
Head 4 Arts	71,062.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	71,062.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	71,062.00
Homelessness Transitional Funding	140,917.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	140,917.78	(307.95)	(45,150.49)	0.00	0.00	95,459.34
Individual Electoral Register	46,494.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46,494.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46,494.30
Infrastructure Staffing	186,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	186,600.00	(13,155.00)	(43,143.00)	0.00	0.00	130,302.00
LEA / ALN Grant	141,379.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	141,379.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	141,379.16
Participatory Budget	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Period Poverty	77,687.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	77,687.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	77,687.05
Planning WAG Grant - Planning Committee	2,103.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,103.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,103.66
Regen General Contributions Unapplied (Town Centre Management)	51,172.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	51,172.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	51,172.25
Rights of Way Diversions	20,255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,255.00
Scrutiny Development	7,867.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,867.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,867.15
Small & Rural Schools Grant	7,601.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,601.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,601.00
SMIFFs	2,688.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,688.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,688.84
Syrian Resettlement Programme	184,530.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	184,530.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	184,530.38
Tai Calon Highways Maintenance (Commutated Sums)	396,058.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	396,058.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	396,058.80
Youth Service	256,433.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	256,433.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	256,433.34
<b>Total Revenue Grants and Contributions Unapplied:</b>	<b>3,249,777.39</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,249,777.39</b>	<b>(13,462.95)</b>	<b>(286,351.91)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,949,962.53</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>32,185,869.96</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>32,185,869.96</b>	<b>(74,828.54)</b>	<b>(543,310.96)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(169,441.40)</b>	<b>31,398,289.06</b>

New

# Agenda Item 10

*Executive Committee and Council only*

Date signed off by the Monitoring Officer:

Date signed off by the Section 151 Officer:

**Committee:** Corporate Overview & Performance Scrutiny  
**Date of meeting:** 13<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
**Report Subject:** Capital Budget Monitoring, Forecast For 2022/2023 Financial Year (As at 30 June 2022)  
**Portfolio Holder:** Cllr Thomas – Leader & Executive Member Corporate Overview & Performance  
**Report Submitted by:** Rhian Hayden – Chief Officer Resources

Reporting Pathway								
Directorate Management Team	Corporate Leadership Team	Portfolio Holder / Chair	Audit Committee	Democratic Services Committee	Scrutiny Committee	Executive Committee	Council	Other (please state)
	24/08/2022	05.09.22			13/09/22	14/09/22		

## 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To provide Members with an overview of each Portfolio's actual and forecast capital expenditure against funding approvals for the 2022/2023 financial year, as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

## 2. Scope and Background

- 2.1 This report provides details on the following:

- Forecast financial position to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 across all portfolios
- Details of any significant adverse and/or favourable variances

- 2.2 This report forms part of the Council's financial reporting framework.

## 3. Options for Recommendation

### 3.1 Option 1 (Recommended Option)

To accept the report and

- Provide appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report.
- Continue to support appropriate financial control procedures agreed by Council.
- To note the budgetary control and monitoring procedures in place within the Capital & Corporate Team, to safeguard Authority funding.

### 3.2 Option 2

Do not accept the report.

## 4. Evidence of how does this topic supports the achievement of the Corporate Plan / Statutory Responsibilities / Blaenau Gwent Well-being Plan

- 4.1 This report supports the Forward Looking Corporate Plan 2020/22 as it ensures effective forward financial planning arrangements are in place to support the

Council's financial resilience. This is a key element to achieving "An ambitious and innovative council delivering the quality services we know matter to our communities"

## 5. Implications Against Each Option

### 5.1 *Impact on Budget (short and long term impact)*

5.1.1 The current capital programme is approximately £134m and is funded by: -

Wales Government Grant - £108m  
 Other grant funding - £6m  
 Council Resources - £22m

It is forecast that expenditure of £65.7m will be incurred on capital projects / schemes during 2022/23, with the remainder allocated for use in future years.

The overall financial position as forecast at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 indicates a breakeven position against a total in year capital budget of £65.69m.

The overall position across all Portfolios is shown below: -

Total Approvals Q1 (June 2022)	Future funding	In year funding	Forecast Expenditure to 31/03/2023	Actual Expenditure to 30/06/2022 (Month 3)	Forecast Variance underspent / (overspent)
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
134,353	68,661	65,692	65,692	7,598	-

### 5.2 Risk including Mitigating Actions

5.2.1 Expenditure against external funding approvals needs to be maximised in order to avoid loss of funding. If significant delays in capital expenditure are anticipated or contract costs rise due to the impact of Covid-19, inflation pressures and the cost of living crisis, liaison with funding bodies will be required at the earliest opportunity in order to secure approval for funding re-profile.

5.2.2 There is a high level of uncertainty surrounding the impact the cost of living crisis will have on costs, particularly where contracts have yet to be let / awarded.

5.2.3 If funding re-profile cannot be agreed and capital schemes are not kept within budget, then capital reserves may be committed beyond affordable levels, with the consequence that projects that have not yet commenced may be deferred or not undertaken, so impacting upon future Capital Programmes.



- 5.2.4 If capital schemes do not achieve the required level of expenditure within the correct financial year and further peaks of the Covid-19 pandemic results in projects facing significant delay, funding may be lost to the Authority and be detrimental to the Authority's chances of securing future funding.
- 5.2.5 The aforementioned risks are mitigated as far as possible through close working relationship with Budget Holders, Technical Services and external funding bodies such as Welsh Government. This ensures that where possible, funding is maximised or funding amendments are secured should the need arise.
- 5.2.6 Where overall funding approvals are likely to be exceeded and additional compensatory funding sources cannot be identified, budget holders in consultation with the Capital & Corporate Accounting Team, will initially report the consequences to the Corporate Leadership Team, including proposals to defer/delete other approved schemes.

5.3 **Legal**  
n/a

5.4 **Human Resources**  
N/A

## 6. **Supporting Evidence**

### 6.1 ***Performance Information and Data***

6.1.2 The Capital Expenditure Report is attached at Appendix 1.

### 6.2 ***Expected outcome for the public***

6.2.1 The report details the financial implications for the Council in providing capital investment for the communities of Blaenau Gwent.

All forecast overspends and underspends are managed in order that secured funding approvals are not lost and to mitigate any potential adverse impact upon future Capital investment in Blaenau Gwent.

### 6.3 ***Involvement (consultation, engagement, participation)***

The Capital Programme is developed to support the Council's strategic priorities and is considered and agreed by full Council. Corporate Overview & Performance Scrutiny and Executive Committees consider the budget monitoring reports on a quarterly basis and provide challenge as appropriate.

### 6.4 ***Thinking for the Long term (forward planning)***

It is essential that all forecast overspends and underspends are managed in order that secured funding approvals are not lost and to mitigate any potential adverse impact upon the future capital programme.

- 6.5 ***Preventative focus***  
The Capital & Corporate Team will continue their close working relationship with budget holders and external funding bodies to ensure that funding is maximised or funding amendments are secured in future financial years.
- 6.6 ***Collaboration / partnership working***  
The Capital & Corporate Team works closely with budget holders in producing the financial forecast and with external funding bodies to ensure that where possible funding is maximised or funding amendments are secured should the need arise.
- 6.7 ***Integration (across service areas)***  
N/A
- 6.8 ***Decarbonisation and Reducing Carbon Emissions***  
The Council is committed to the Decarbonisation Plan to achieve a carbon neutral public sector by 2030. The Capital Programme currently contains schemes which promote the reduction of carbon emissions such as ReFIT, Electric Vehicle Charge Points, Innovation for Decarbonisation - WBRID and the purchase of Ultra Low Emission Vehicles. New Council buildings should be designed to the latest energy efficiency standards.
- 6.9 ***Integrated Impact Assessment***  
N/A
7. ***Monitoring Arrangements***  
The Corporate Leadership Team, Corporate Overview & Performance Scrutiny and Executive Committees consider the budget monitoring reports on a quarterly basis and provide challenge as appropriate.

#### **Background Documents /Electronic Links**

Appendix 1 – Capital Programme Expenditure

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Capital Programme Funding Estimates Summary

<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Total Funding</i>	<i>In Year Budget</i>	<i>Future Funding</i>	<i>Expenditure To: June 2022</i>	<i>Remaining in Year Budget</i>	<i>Forecast Expenditure</i>	<i>Forecast Variance (Adv)/Fav</i>
Corporate Services Portfolio	2,142,610	334,385	1,808,225	12,385	322,000	334,385	0
Social Services Portfolio	5,525,471	3,431,099	2,094,372	143,123	3,287,976	3,431,099	0
Economy Portfolio	16,809,300	8,787,260	8,022,040	714,119	8,073,141	8,787,260	0
Education and Active Living	31,666,885	14,047,231	17,619,654	306,714	13,740,517	14,047,231	0
Environment Portfolio	4,952,622	640,501	4,312,121	149,914	490,587	640,501	0
Infrastructure Portfolio	68,868,699	38,448,077	30,420,622	6,254,894	32,193,183	38,448,077	0
All Portfolios	4,387,240	3,576	4,383,664	3,576	0	3,576	0
<b>Total Capital Funding</b>	<b>134,352,827</b>	<b>65,692,129</b>	<b>68,660,698</b>	<b>7,584,725</b>	<b>58,107,404</b>	<b>65,692,129</b>	<b>0</b>

End of Report

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<i>Code</i>	<i>Scheme</i>	<i>Total Funding</i>	<i>In Year Budget</i>	<i>Future Funding</i>	<i>Expenditure to: June 2022</i>	<i>Remaining in Year Budget</i>	<i>Forecast Expenditure</i>	<i>Forecast Variance (Adv)/Fav</i>
<b>Corporate Services Portfolio</b>								
<b>Corporate Services</b>								
327102	Corporate Properties H&S and Capital Wo	341,080	144	340,936	144	0	144	0
327103	Civic Centre Decommissioning	993,507	12,241	981,266	12,241	0	12,241	0
327104	Democratic & Community Hubs	44,412	0	44,412	0	0	0	0
327106	ICT Roadmap	763,611	322,000	441,611	0	322,000	322,000	0
<b>Corporate Services</b>		<b>2,142,610</b>	<b>334,385</b>	<b>1,808,225</b>	<b>12,385</b>	<b>322,000</b>	<b>334,385</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Corporate Services Portfolio</b>		<b>2,142,610</b>	<b>334,385</b>	<b>1,808,225</b>	<b>12,385</b>	<b>322,000</b>	<b>334,385</b>	<b>0</b>

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**Social Services Portfolio**

**Childrens Services**

323152	Beaufort Road - Extension Training Flat	38,978	12,670	26,308	0	12,670	12,670	0
324719	Flying Start - Cwm 2	30,000	30,000	0	0	30,000	30,000	0
324721	Flying Start - Ebbw Vale North	2,082	2,082	0	0	2,082	2,082	0
324724	Flying Start - Sirhowy Primary	3,840	3,840	0	0	3,840	3,840	0
324728	Flying Start - Blaina ICC	235,000	235,000	0	0	235,000	235,000	0
324735	Flying Start Brynithel FS Centre	606	606	0	0	606	606	0
324736	Flying Start Additional Works	85,153	85,153	0	17,931	67,222	85,153	0
324737	Flying Start Capital (Covid-funding)	12,863	12,863	0	0	12,863	12,863	0
324738	FS Covid Recovery - Cwm Dev. Garden S	109,150	109,150	0	520	108,630	109,150	0
324739	FS Covid Recovery - Scout Hall	49,671	49,671	0	493	49,178	49,671	0
324771	Childcare Offer - Badminton Scheme	1,500,000	1,500,000	0	0	1,500,000	1,500,000	0
324772	Childcare Offer - Blaina ICC Scheme	1,101,552	428,936	672,616	0	428,936	428,936	0
324773	Childcare Offer - Swfryd Scheme	726,632	726,632	0	7,256	719,376	726,632	0
324775	Childcare Offer - Brynmawr	532,230	0	532,230	0	0	0	0
<b>Childrens Services</b>		<b>4,427,757</b>	<b>3,196,603</b>	<b>1,231,154</b>	<b>26,200</b>	<b>3,170,403</b>	<b>3,196,603</b>	<b>0</b>

**Adult Services**

323003	Health & Safety	35,121	35,121	0	33,972	1,149	35,121	0
323005	Tackling Food Poverty - WLGA	34,279	4,535	29,744	4,535	0	4,535	0
323120	Disabled equipment	285,000	0	285,000	0	0	0	0
323144	ICF Main Capital Programme	85,862	2,205	83,657	2,205	0	2,205	0

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323147	Intermediate Care Fund	3,133	0	3,133	0	0	0	0
323149	Better Care Capital Project	3,789	2,442	1,347	2,442	1	2,442	0
323151	Augusta House - Enablement Pods	463,197	2,860	460,337	2,860	0	2,860	0
323154	WLGA - Care & Support Equipment & Ada	187,333	187,333	0	70,909	116,424	187,333	0
	<b>Adult Services</b>	<b>1,097,714</b>	<b>234,496</b>	<b>863,218</b>	<b>116,923</b>	<b>117,573</b>	<b>234,496</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Social Services Portfolio</b>	<b>5,525,471</b>	<b>3,431,099</b>	<b>2,094,372</b>	<b>143,123</b>	<b>3,287,976</b>	<b>3,431,099</b>	<b>0</b>

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<b>Economy Portfolio</b>								
<b>Tredegar Regeneration</b>								
326163	Tredegar HLF	524,123	0	524,123	0	0	0	0
	<b>Tredegar Regeneration</b>	<b>524,123</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>524,123</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Ebbw Vale Town Centre</b>								
326191	TRI - Urban Centre Commercial Property I	170,792	170,792	0	170,792	0	170,792	0
326192	TRI- Urban Centre Residential Property E	122,660	122,660	0	0	122,660	122,660	0
	<b>Ebbw Vale Town Centre</b>	<b>293,452</b>	<b>293,452</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>170,792</b>	<b>122,660</b>	<b>293,452</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Valleys Regional Park</b>								
326200	VRP Ebbw Fach Trail	899	0	899	0	0	0	0
326205	VRP - Discovery Gateway	19,778	0	19,778	0	0	0	0
326207	Parc Bryn Bach - Co Working Space	298	0	298	0	0	0	0
	<b>Valleys Regional Park</b>	<b>20,975</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20,975</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>The Works Site</b>								
325097	Big Arch	960,057	960,057	0	290,587	669,470	960,057	0
325103	Learning Works	37,985	0	37,985	0	0	0	0
325220	Site Investigation Works	19,001	0	19,001	0	0	0	0
	<b>The Works Site</b>	<b>1,017,043</b>	<b>960,057</b>	<b>56,986</b>	<b>290,587</b>	<b>669,470</b>	<b>960,057</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Other Regeneration</b>								

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326006	Tech Valley s Initiative	403,604	0	403,604	0	0	0	0
326180	Lime Avenue Business Park	430,679	5,018	425,661	5,018	0	5,018	0
326181	Lime Avenue Employment park	2,495,101	0	2,495,101	0	0	0	0
326182	Box Works	5,251	5,251	0	5,251	0	5,251	0
326183	Regain 2	5,122,418	5,122,418	0	25,228	5,097,190	5,122,418	0
326184	Brexit Schemes	419,465	0	419,465	0	0	0	0
326193	TRI - Town Centre COVID-19 recovery ad:	488,710	6,225	482,485	6,225	0	6,225	0
326194	TT - Trinity Chapel & Abertillery Librar	1,150,388	1,150,388	0	0	1,150,388	1,150,388	0
326225	Heat Networks Project	17,385	0	17,385	0	0	0	0
326227	Innovation for Decarbonisation - WBRID	201,240	201,240	0	138,900	62,340	201,240	0
326251	Constrained Units	190,000	0	190,000	0	0	0	0
326252	Constrained Units - Roseheyworth	6,409	0	6,409	0	0	0	0
326265	Victoria Business Park - Development	8,747	0	8,747	0	0	0	0
326266	Brynmawr Retail Development	747,929	747,929	0	0	747,929	747,929	0
326267	Blaenau Gwent Digital	36,218	13,766	22,452	13,766	0	13,766	0
326268	Covid Recovery for Town Centres	55,902	18,133	37,769	18,133	0	18,133	0
326269	HIVE – Hi Value Engineering Centre - Mor	2,951,095	40,217	2,910,878	40,217	0	40,217	0
326271	Land Release Fund - Pithead Baths	223,166	223,166	0	0	223,166	223,166	0
	<b>Other Regeneration</b>	<b>14,953,707</b>	<b>7,533,751</b>	<b>7,419,956</b>	<b>252,739</b>	<b>7,281,012</b>	<b>7,533,751</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Economy Portfolio</b>	<b>16,809,300</b>	<b>8,787,260</b>	<b>8,022,040</b>	<b>714,119</b>	<b>8,073,141</b>	<b>8,787,260</b>	<b>0</b>



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<b>Education and Active Living</b>								
<b>Education Services</b>								
324125	Education Minor Works	5,360	5,360	0	4,123	1,237	5,360	0
324138	Education Capital Maintenance	44,142	44,142	0	2,600	41,542	44,142	0
324139	Education Capital Maintenance 20/21	209,053	209,052	1	0	209,052	209,052	0
324141	Bryn Bach - Kitchen Rep & Classroom ren	30,000	30,000	0	0	30,000	30,000	0
324142	Georgetown Windows & Boiler Replaceme	6,206	6,206	0	0	6,206	6,206	0
324143	Rhos-y-fedwyn - Refurbishment	3,945	3,945	0	1,053	2,892	3,945	0
324144	St Marys - Refurbishment	187,270	187,270	0	0	187,270	187,270	0
324145	Tredegar Comp - Food & Technology	30,070	30,070	0	0	30,070	30,070	0
324146	Deighton - Kitchen	57,851	57,851	0	0	57,851	57,851	0
324147	Tredegar Comp Upgrade Services and Ac	3,450	3,450	0	0	3,450	3,450	0
324148	Coed y Garn Roof & Remedial Works	58,261	58,261	0	0	58,261	58,261	0
324149	Brynbach Primary Disabled Adaptations	60,061	60,061	0	0	60,061	60,061	0
324150	Ebbw Fawr - Developing 3/4 classrooms, t	100,000	100,000	0	0	100,000	100,000	0
324151	Tredegar Comp Upgrade Electrical Supply	10,625	10,625	0	0	10,625	10,625	0
324152	Brynmawr Refurbishment	61,198	61,198	0	18,699	42,499	61,198	0
324154	Abertillery Learning Community	193	193	0	0	193	193	0
324155	Brynmawr Comp Lift	110,000	110,000	0	0	110,000	110,000	0
324156	River Centre Boiler	3,367	3,367	0	0	3,367	3,367	0
324157	Tredegar Comprehensive Kitchen Electric	48,273	48,273	0	0	48,273	48,273	0
324161	Pen Y Cwm – Refurbishment Works	54,133	54,133	0	6,087	48,046	54,133	0
324166	Beaufort Hill Boiler	98,274	98,274	0	411	97,863	98,274	0

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324167	Soffryd Boiler	50,000	50,000	0	411	49,589	50,000	0
324168	St Marys Boiler	99,213	99,213	0	822	98,391	99,213	0
324170	Deighton Fire Alarm	11,453	11,453	0	0	11,453	11,453	0
324171	Abertillery LC Doors	26,565	26,565	0	26,565	0	26,565	0
324172	Brynmawr Foundation Doors	41,982	41,982	0	0	41,982	41,982	0
324174	River Centre Windows/Ventilation	2,343	2,343	0	0	2,343	2,343	0
324182	Brynmawr Running Track	120,000	120,000	0	0	120,000	120,000	0
324183	Swffryd	120,000	120,000	0	0	120,000	120,000	0
324184	Tredegar Track	15,000	15,000	0	0	15,000	15,000	0
324185	Glanhowy Ramp	100,000	100,000	0	0	100,000	100,000	0
324201	Class Size - Willowtown	5,444	5,444	0	0	5,444	5,444	0
324203	Period Poverty	5,028	5,028	0	0	5,028	5,028	0
324206	Georgetown S106	69,557	0	69,557	0	0	0	0
324252	Electrical Upgrade - Glanhowy	9,498	9,498	0	9,498	0	9,498	0
324253	Universal Free School Meals Equipment	336,407	336,407	0	32,068	304,339	336,407	0
324260	Electrical Kitchen Upgrade-Sofrydd Prima	98	98	0	98	0	98	0
324519	Digital 2030 Capital Grant - Post 16	4,621	0	4,621	0	0	0	0
324530	ALN	22,299	0	22,299	0	0	0	0
324532	Ebbw Fawr ASD	3,890	0	3,890	0	0	0	0
324560	Schools IT Infrastructure	2,809	2,809	0	2,809	0	2,809	0
324580	Brynmawr 3G Pitch	173,004	173,004	0	112,786	60,219	173,004	0
324590	Tredegar Comp 3G Pitch	79,359	0	79,359	0	0	0	0
324743	21st Century Schools Six Bells Project	326,624	326,624	0	137	326,487	326,624	0

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324750	Band B - Welsh Medium New Build	9,853,337	5,433,331	4,420,006	24,659	5,408,672	5,433,331	0
324751	Band B - New Primary Ebbw Fawr Valley	8,569,508	4,895,000	3,674,508	0	4,895,000	4,895,000	0
324752	Band B - Secondary Remodelling Brynma	3,179,737	200,000	2,979,737	0	200,000	200,000	0
324753	Band B - Secondary Remodelling Abertille	3,197,316	200,000	2,997,316	0	200,000	200,000	0
324754	Band B - Secondary Remodelling Tredega	3,196,970	200,000	2,996,970	0	200,000	200,000	0
324755	Band B - Welsh Medium Remodelling Bro	751,111	431,058	320,053	3,244	427,814	431,058	0
324756	Band B - Rhosyfedwen	6,758	6,758	0	6,758	0	6,758	0
	<b>Education Services</b>	<b>31,561,663</b>	<b>13,993,346</b>	<b>17,568,317</b>	<b>252,829</b>	<b>13,740,517</b>	<b>13,993,346</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Active Living Services</b>							
329088	Bryn Bach Park Roof	12,439	0	12,439	0	0	0	0
329092	ALC - Changing Room Refurbishment	20,000	0	20,000	0	0	0	0
329095	AWPOG - Play Equipment	64,778	45,880	18,898	45,880	0	45,880	0
329097	Play Equipment	8,005	8,005	0	8,005	0	8,005	0
	<b>Active Living Services</b>	<b>105,222</b>	<b>53,885</b>	<b>51,337</b>	<b>53,885</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>53,885</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Education and Active Living</b>	<b>31,666,885</b>	<b>14,047,231</b>	<b>17,619,654</b>	<b>306,714</b>	<b>13,740,517</b>	<b>14,047,231</b>	<b>0</b>

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<b>Environment Portfolio</b>								
<b>Environmental Services</b>								
327039	Kerbside Collections	2,052	0	2,052	0	0	0	0
327044	AHP Waste Collections	52,380	0	52,380	0	0	0	0
327045	BRC Decommissioning Project	191,777	0	191,777	0	0	0	0
327046	Repair Cafe	1,066	0	1,066	0	0	0	0
327061	CATS	80,000	0	80,000	0	0	0	0
327065	Re:Fit	2,064,888	1,620	2,063,268	1,620	0	1,620	0
327067	Market Hall - Asbestos Removal	18,606	0	18,606	0	0	0	0
327068	Cemeteries Investment Programme	9,137	0	9,137	0	0	0	0
327070	WRAP Cymru Capital Funding	3,792	0	3,792	0	0	0	0
327071	Education Centre	297,265	59,019	238,246	59,019	0	59,019	0
327074	New Vale HWRC Refurbishment Works	145,439	0	145,439	0	0	0	0
327080	Cemetery Capacity - Cefn Golau Tredegar	527,028	877	526,151	877	0	877	0
327081	Cemetery Capacity - Dukestown Tredegar	218,834	0	218,834	0	0	0	0
327082	Cemetery Capacity - Brynmawr	133,334	0	133,334	0	0	0	0
327083	Cemetery Capacity - Brynithel Abertillery	96,334	0	96,334	0	0	0	0
327090	Fly Tipping CCTV	961	0	961	0	0	0	0
327110	Allotment Support Grant	30,698	25,576	5,122	2,156	23,420	25,576	0
<b>Environmental Services</b>		<b>3,873,591</b>	<b>87,092</b>	<b>3,786,499</b>	<b>63,672</b>	<b>23,420</b>	<b>87,092</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Housing Environmental Health</b>								
328221	Remediation of Contaminated Land/Dereli	152,564	0	152,564	0	0	0	0

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350510	Improvement grants - new scheme	<b>608,254</b>	<b>407,256</b>	<b>200,998</b>	<b>76,526</b>	<b>330,730</b>	<b>407,256</b>	<b>0</b>
350550	Support for Independent Living	<b>159,283</b>	<b>139,186</b>	<b>20,097</b>	<b>2,749</b>	<b>136,438</b>	<b>139,186</b>	<b>0</b>
350560	Empty Property Grants	<b>158,930</b>	<b>6,967</b>	<b>151,963</b>	<b>6,967</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,967</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Housing Environmental Health</b>	<b>1,079,031</b>	<b>553,409</b>	<b>525,622</b>	<b>86,242</b>	<b>467,167</b>	<b>553,409</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Environment Portfolio</b>	<b>4,952,622</b>	<b>640,501</b>	<b>4,312,121</b>	<b>149,914</b>	<b>490,587</b>	<b>640,501</b>	<b>0</b>

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<b>Infrastructure Portfolio</b>								
<b>Engineering Services</b>								
328149	SRIC - Tredegar Footway Improvements	25,000	25,000	0	26,675	(1,675)	25,000	0
328310	Local Transport Fund	1,925	1,925	0	1,925	0	1,925	0
328315	Local Transport Fund - Project Retention	16,020	0	16,020	0	0	0	0
328318	Active Travel Fund	783,487	783,362	125	20,455	762,907	783,362	0
328323	Resilient Roads Fund	79,001	79,001	0	37,972	41,029	79,001	0
328340	LTF Metro Plus	772,337	772,337	0	36,682	735,655	772,337	0
328344	LTF Bus Stop Infrastructure	387,813	387,813	0	144,931	242,882	387,813	0
328360	Rail Infrastructure Programme	66,293,022	36,000,000	30,293,022	5,983,587	30,016,413	36,000,000	0
328370	20mph Core Allocation	230,054	230,054	0	0	230,054	230,054	0
<b>Engineering Services</b>		<b>68,588,659</b>	<b>38,279,492</b>	<b>30,309,167</b>	<b>6,252,227</b>	<b>32,027,265</b>	<b>38,279,492</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Highways Network Management</b>								
328063	Bridge Strengthening Works	1,857	0	1,857	0	0	0	0
328270	Highways Improvement Works	165,918	165,918	0	0	165,918	165,918	0
328334	LGBI - Trinant Hall	11,402	2,667	8,735	2,667	0	2,667	0
328404	Flood Damage - Emergency Repairs	828	0	828	0	0	0	0
328405	Aberbeeg Road Repairs	100,035	0	100,035	0	0	0	0
<b>Highways Network Management</b>		<b>280,040</b>	<b>168,585</b>	<b>111,455</b>	<b>2,667</b>	<b>165,918</b>	<b>168,585</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Infrastructure Portfolio</b>		<b>68,868,699</b>	<b>38,448,077</b>	<b>30,420,622</b>	<b>6,254,894</b>	<b>32,193,183</b>	<b>38,448,077</b>	<b>0</b>

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<b>All Portfolios</b>								
<b>All Portfolios</b>								
300300	City Deal	3,662,700	0	3,662,700	0	0	0	0
303990	OS Capital Admin/Design & Supervision	524,000	0	524,000	0	0	0	0
321112	Disabled Access - Special Programme	3,576	3,576	0	3,576	0	3,576	0
324672	The Company Shop - Tred	196,964	0	196,964	0	0	0	0
<b>All Portfolios</b>		<b>4,387,240</b>	<b>3,576</b>	<b>4,383,664</b>	<b>3,576</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,576</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>All Portfolios</b>		<b>4,387,240</b>	<b>3,576</b>	<b>4,383,664</b>	<b>3,576</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,576</b>	<b>0</b>

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<b>Total Capital Funding</b>		<b>134,352,827</b>	<b>65,692,129</b>	<b>68,660,698</b>	<b>7,584,725</b>	<b>58,107,404</b>	<b>65,692,129</b>	<b>0</b>

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