

CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

Date of Meeting	Thursday 11th February, 2021
Report Subject	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2020/21 Month 9 and Capital Programme Monitoring 2020/21 Month 9
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Finance
Report Author	Corporate Finance Manager
Type of Report	Operational

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with the Revenue Budget Monitoring 2020/21 (Month 9) Report and the Capital Programme 2020/21 (Month 9).

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1	That the committee considers and comments on the Revenue Budget Monitoring 2020/21 (Month 9) report. Any specific matters for attention will be noted and reported back to the Cabinet when it considers the report.
2	That the committee considers and comments on the Capital Programme 2020/21 (Month 9) report. Any specific matters for attention will be noted and reported verbally to the Cabinet when it considers the report.

REPORT DETAILS

1.00	EXPLAINING THE REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING POSITION 2020/21 (MONTH 9), CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21 (MONTH 9)
1.01	The Revenue Budget Monitoring 2020/21 (Month 9) report will be presented to Cabinet on Tuesday 16th February, 2021. A copy of the report is attached as Appendix A to this report.

1.02	The Capital Programme 2020/21 (Month 9) report will be presented to
	Cabinet on Tuesday 16th February 2021. A copy of the report is attached
	as Appendix B to this report.

2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	As set out in Appendix A; Revenue Budget Monitoring 2020/21 (Month 9), Capital Programme 2020/21 (Month 9).

3.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT
3.01	None required.

4.00	RISK MANAGEMENT
4.01	As set out in Appendix A; Revenue Budget Monitoring 2020/21 (Month 9); in Appendix B; Capital Programme 2020/21 (Month 9).

5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	Appendix A; Revenue Budget Monitoring 2020/21 (Month 9) Appendix B; Capital Programme 2020/21 (Month 9).

6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	None required.
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7.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
7.01	Revenue: a term used to describe the day to day costs of running Council services and income deriving from those services. It also includes charges for the repayment of debt, including interest, and may include direct financing of capital expenditure.
	Budget: a statement expressing the Council's policies and service levels in financial terms for a particular financial year. In its broadest sense it includes both the revenue budget and capital programme and any authorised amendments to them.
	Capital Programme: The Council's financial plan covering capital schemes and expenditure proposals for the current year and a number of future years.

It also includes estimates of the capital resources available to finance the programme.



CABINET

Date of Meeting	Tuesday, 16th February, 2021
Report Subject	Revenue Budget Monitoring Report 2020/21 (Month 9)
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Finance
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monthly report provides the latest detailed revenue budget monitoring position 2020/21 for the Council Fund and Housing Revenue Account for the financial year and presents the position, based on actual income and expenditure, as at Month 9. This report projects how the budget would stand at the close of the financial year if all things remain unchanged; it also takes into account the latest position on Welsh Government Emergency Grant Funding announcements.

The projected year end position, without new actions to reduce cost pressures and/or improve the financial return on efficiency planning and cost control is:

Council Fund

- An operating surplus of £0.372m (excluding the impact of the pay award which will be met by reserves), which is a favourable movement of £0.102m from the surplus figure of £0.270m reported at Month 8.
- A projected contingency reserve balance as at 31st March, 2021 of £1.787m

Housing Revenue Account

- Net in-year revenue expenditure forecast to be £1.641m lower than budget
- A projected closing balance as at 31st March, 2021 of £3.814m

As reported in previous reports and to assist with mitigating the overall projected overspend the following measures were introduced from Month 5:-

- 1) All non-essential spend be reviewed and challenged with a view to ceasing/delaying where able and
- 2) Further Portfolio Management Team challenge of recruitment to vacancies i.e. ceasing/delaying.

RECO	MMENDATIONS
1	To note the overall report and the projected Council Fund contingency sum as at 31 st March 2021.
2	To note the projected final level of balances on the Housing Revenue Account (HRA).
3	To approve the carry forward requests included in paragraph 1.22

REPORT DETAILS

1.00	EXPLAINING THE MONTH 9 POSITION
1.01	Council Fund Projected Position
	The projected year end position, without mitigation to reduce cost pressures and improve the yield on efficiency planning, is as follows:
	 An operating surplus of £0.372m (excluding the impact of the pay award which will be met by reserves)
	 A projected contingency reserve available balance as at 31 March 2021 of £1.787m.
	To assist with mitigating the overall projected overspend the following measures have been introduced:-
	1) All non-essential spend is being reviewed and challenged with a view to ceasing/delaying where able and
	2) Introduction of a vacancy management process to consider new recruitment requests
	The outcome of this work is shown within the report and will continue as part of the robust challenge of the future monthly monitoring position.

1.02 **Table 1. Projected Position by Portfolio**

The table below shows the projected position by portfolio:

Portfolio/ Service Area	Approved Budget	Projected Outturn	In-Year Over / (Under) spend
	£m	£m	£m
Social Services	68.465	68.629	0.164
Out of County Placements	11.940	12.571	0.631
Education & Youth	8.770	8.174	(0.596)
Schools	98.728	98.728	0.000
Streetscene & Transportation	30.650	31.446	0.796
Planning & Environment	5.762	6.071	0.310
People & Resources	4.491	4.350	(0.141)
Governance	9.193	9.112	(0.081)
Strategic Programmes	4.943	4.677	(0.266)
Housing & Assets	16.149	15.426	(0.723)
Chief Executive	2.748	2.429	(0.319)
Central & Corporate Finance	24.147	24.002	(0.145)
Total	285.986	285.615	(0.372)

The reasons for the favourable net movement of £0.102m from the previous month are shown in Appendix 1. The reasons for the overall projected variances are summarised within Appendix 2 showing the detail of all variances over £0.050m and a summary of minor variances for each portfolio.

Within the projected underspend position of £0.372m, there are COVID-19 related cost pressures and income shortfalls totalling £1.268m which are shown in a separate column in Appendix 2 (cost savings of £0.175m, cost pressures of £0.343m and income shortfalls of £1.100m). We will continue to look at legitimate funding opportunities from the Welsh Government Hardship Fund which if confirmed will have a positive impact on the overall position.

Significant Movement from Month 8

1.04 Social Services £0.200m

Due to a misinterpretation of the complex Financial Assessment Regulations a number of service users have been incorrectly charged with the estimated value required to be reimbursed being in the region of £0.750m-£0.800m. However, this is partly mitigated by an increase in Direct Payment funds which are due to be drawn back in line with the Direct

Payment Contract (£0.200m). In addition, there is a further positive movement following confirmation of further Welsh Government Hardship funding claimed to support the Council's in-house care provision (£0.360m-£0.400m) leaving a projected month on month movement of up to £0.200m.

Increased care service costs in Mental Health totaling £0.075m are mitigated by the delay in opening of Plas yr Ywen extra care facility (£0.039m) and additional funding contributing to a care package in Disability Services for (£0.035m).

Out of County Placements £0.064m

The aggregate impact of new placements and changes of placements forecast to the end of the financial year.

Streetscene & Transportation (£0.310m)

There has been a reduction in costs for January and early February due to school closures as school transport providers have been reimbursed at 75% of contracted price as per Welsh Government guidance.(£0.205m).

There has been a reduction in the projected costs of risks associated with the pandemic following a review of costs and an updated position on the Hardship Claims agreed by Welsh Government (£0.254m).

The above are offset by additional workforce costs in Waste Services and additional security costs at the Council's Household Recycling Centres (£0.108m), together with minor variances across the portfolio of £0.041m.

Governance (£0.126m)

Part of the positive movement relates to an increase to the projected surplus on the Council Tax Collection Fund (£0.025m).

The Revenues Service have received a number of Administration Grant awards for resourcing and disseminating Welsh Government Emergency Business Grants (£0.045m). There has also been an increase in income from fines, over and above previously anticipated levels (£0.038m).

Education & Youth (£0.072m)

The positive movement is due to delays in recruitment within Schools Inclusion and Progression Service (£0.027m); further reduction of costs at non maintained settings payments (£0.025m); and other minor variances across the service (£0.021m).

Central & Corporate Finance £0.206m

Due to the rising level of outstanding debt across the Council due to the impact of the pandemic and the current economic climate on business and service clients of the Council, a prudent approach has been adopted by increasing the overall bad debt provision by £0.250m. This is partly mitigated by other positive movements for the projected outturn on Apprentice Tax levy and Pensions Added Years contributions totaling (£0.044m).

1.05 Key Financial Risks – Council Tax Income and Council Tax Reduction Scheme

There have been significant impacts on Council Tax income and the Council Tax Reduction Scheme.

The potential financial impact of these two areas is being reported separately due to 1) the difficulties in predicting the impacts of these risks and 2) the potential for these areas to be further supported by additional Welsh Government funding.

An update on the latest position on each area is detailed below.

1.06 Council Tax Income

As with all Councils the pandemic has significantly impacted on council tax collection. At this stage council tax income is 1.1% below target which equates to £1.1m. Income is expected to continue to recover now that recovery processes have resumed in full and when agreed payment deferrals are settled. Welsh Government have recently announced financial support of £22.6m across Wales as a contribution towards these potential losses.

1.07 Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS)

During the pandemic there has been a significant increase in demand with additional costs of £0.294m identified as at the second quarter. Welsh Government previously confirmed funding for the first two quarters totalling £0.147m and have also recently confirmed the final two quarters of the financial year will be supported by grant funding totalling £5.5m across Wales.

1.08 **OPEN RISKS**

Members were made aware when setting the budget that there were a number of open risks that would need to be kept under close review. An update on these is provided below.

1.09 Pay Award

The Teachers Pay Award which is effective from September 2020 has been set at 3.1% and the financial impact of this for 2020/21 is estimated to be £0.535m. Welsh Government have previously announced grant funding of £0.200m to part fund this increase. The remainder will need to be met from Schools delegated budgets.

1.10 | Charging for Post 16 Transport

The budget for 2020/21 provides for expected additional income of £0.449m based on the assumption that charging would be introduced from September 2020. This policy decision was reversed by Cabinet in May.

The developing financial solution through effective partnership working with Coleg Cambria will assist with mitigating the financial risk for 2020/21. An agreement has been reached with the college that a level of the anticipated value of the journeys would be reimbursed to the Portfolio and that is now reflected in the projected outturn.

1.11 Out of County Placements

Additional funding of £2.7m was included in the budget for 2020/21 to address the historic significant increase in demand. At this stage, based on current activity there is an overall net projected overspend of £0.631m (underspend of £0.156m within Education together with an overspend of £0.787m within Children's Services). The impact of this increase in demand will need to be considered as part of the budget considerations for 2021/22.

1.12 **NEW EMERGING RISKS**

Free School Meals (FSM)

Schools have a delegated budget for free school meals which is based on the number of pupils eligible. The budget for 2020/21 is £1.256m. Following the closure of schools in March, the Council made direct payments to families and there was a marked increase in the number of claims. Based on current free school meal claims and making projections for a range of take-up percentages in the remainder of the year, it is estimated that the budget could overspend by between £0.222m and £0.344m.

1.13 **Severe Weather / Flood Risks**

The recent severe weather in January has impacted a number of services across the Council. As a result, there are likely to be significant costs being incurred, having both Revenue and Capital implications.

Welsh Government have confirmed that the Emergency Financial Assistance Scheme (EFAS) threshold will not apply for the costs incurred.

Welsh Government have advised with regard to revenue and capital funding which indicates that costs can be claimed for between 85% and 100% of expenditure incurred, subject to further confirmation. Costs at this stage are estimated to be in the region of £0.900m.

1.14 Achievement of Planned In-Year Efficiencies

The 2020/21 budget contains £5.206m of specific efficiencies which are being tracked and monitored. The Council aims to achieve a 95% rate in 2020/21 as reflected in the MTFS KPI's.

The current assessment of the efficiencies to be achieved in 2020/21 shows that £5.357m or 100% of the efficiencies will be achieved, with an over recovery of £0.151m on Discretionary Transport Review – Post 16 Transport.

3 with the overall impact in relation to any impact for 2021/22 being reviewed as part of the ongoing work on the MTFS.
Further details on the current status on efficiencies can be seen in Appendix

1.15 Reserves and Balances

Un-earmarked Reserves

The level of Council Fund Contingency Reserve brought forward into 2020/21 was £2.370m as detailed in the 2019/20 outturn report. This is the amount available for general purposes following the set-aside of £3.0m for Emergency Funding.

1.16 Taking into account the above and, the current projected underspend at this stage, and previously agreed allocations, the balance on the Contingency Reserve at 31 March 2021 is projected to be £1.787m as detailed in Appendix 4.

This assumes that the projected underspend of £0.372m increases the overall Reserve.

The £3m emergency ring-fenced fund would have an amount of £2.377m remaining after allowing for currently known ineligible items, However, there are a number of holding items and Income Loss claims still being considered by the Grants Panel. Therefore, it is estimated that the final amount remaining will be in the range £1.5m to £2m.

1.17 A review of the Earmarked Balances and Reserves is on-going, balances are challenged and some identified as no longer required, which can then be returned to the Contingency Reserve.

1.18 | Earmarked Reserves

The table below gives a summary of earmarked reserves as at 1 April 2020 and provides an estimate of projected balances as at the end of the current financial year.

Council Fund Earmarked Reserves 2020/21 Monitoring Summary Month 9

Reserve Type	Balance as at 01/04/20	Balance as at Month 9	Balance as at 31/03/21
Service Balances	1,614,705	1,139,498	1,219,850
Specific Service Balances	213,991	213,991	189,670
Single Status/Equal Pay	1,120,944	1,120,944	729,615
Investment in Organisational Change	1,693,937	1,670,552	1,355,815
Benefits Equalisation	132,822	132,822	132,822
County Elections	211,990	211,990	211,990
Local Development Plan (LDP)	180,000	180,000	180,000
Waste Disposal	82,648	82,648	22,806
Enterprise Centres	6,993	6,993	0

TOTAL	13,292,799	12,234,648	11,390,511
Grants & Contributions	3,887,337	3,337,553	3,255,187
Schools Balances	111,957	111,957	111,957
Total B823 Balances	7,678,801	7,645,640	6,803,517
Community Benefit Fund NWRWTP	64,727	·	64,727
Property Claims	36,363	-	20,763
Employment Claims	107,998	103,613	103,613
Carbon Reduction	25,221	25,221	25,221
Organisational Change/ADM	33,500	33,500	0
LMS Curriculum	420,896	431,106	338,531
Supervision Fees	48,798	48,798	48,798
Capita One	18,827	-	0
Customer Service Strategy	22,468	·	22,468
Rent Income Shortfall	30,979	· I	30,979
Flintshire Trainees	524,106	· I	524,106
Cash Receipting Review	3,181		3,181
Car Parking Insurance Reserves	2,203,010	-	2,503,010
Winter Maintenance	250,000 45,403	-	250,000 45,403
Design Fees	200,000	200,000	250,000

The projected level of school balances are currently being reviewed in detail as we near the end of the financial year. At this stage however, there is a significant risk that overall balances could fall into an overall net negative position. However, in the past schools have benefitted from the notification of late in-year external grant funding opportunities which would positively impact on year end balances.

1.19 Request for Carry Forward of Funding

Education & Schools

Transition of the Plas Derwen Pupil Referral Unit into the new build on the Queensferry site is due to open in September 2021. The service has a projected underspend of £0.020m in 2020/21 and approval is sought to carry forward this funding to support additional TLRs (Teaching and Learning Responsibilities) for staff to lead on curriculum development across the age ranges and to enable the purchase of resources to support the new curriculum.

Planning Environment & Economy

One off funding of £0.024m is currently being utilised to fund a short term contract Clerk of Works to assist the team in providing greater resilience to the Empty Homes Scheme and clearing a backlog and administration. The delay in acquiring additional resource due to the Pandemic means that this post will now be required to continue on into the 1st quarter of the new financial year. This is an area of work which appears in the Council Plan and is measured by a Public Accountability Measure (PAM). Approval is sought to carry forward this funding.

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	Streetscene & Transportation Due to the amount of late Welsh Government grant funding being made available to the Council, some of the spend that is normally allocated to the capital programme via a revenue contribution on the Highways Asset Management Plan works is now not required because of the need to maximise this grant funding (£0.150m) Approval is sought to carry forward this funding to be utilised in full on Highways schemes during 2021/22.
1.20	Housing Revenue Account
	The 2019/20 Outturn Report to Cabinet on 16 June 2020 showed an unearmarked closing balance at the end of 2019/20 of £2.009m and a closing balance of earmarked reserves of £0.437m.
1.21	The 2020/21 budget for the HRA is £36.672m which includes a movement of £0.164m to reserves.
1.22	The monitoring for the HRA is projecting in year expenditure to be £1.641m lower than budget and a closing un-earmarked balance as at 31 March 2021 of £3.650m, which at 10.48% of total expenditure satisfies the prudent approach of ensuring a minimum level of 3%. Appendix 5 attached refers.
1.23	Housing Revenue Account (£0.051m)
	Positive movement is in the main due to a reduction in court costs due to the suspension of action as a result of the pandemic (£0.030m); minor variances across the service (£0.021m).
1.27	The budget contribution towards capital expenditure (CERA) is £12.928m.

2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	As set out within the report.

3.00	IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT
3.01	The financial impacts of the emergency as set out in the report are a combination of actual costs and losses to date and estimates of costs and losses for the future. There is the possibility that the estimates will change over time. The budget will be monitored closely and mitigation actions taken wherever possible.

4.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT
4.01	None specific.

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5.01	Appendix 1: Council Fund – Movement in Variances from Month 8 Appendix 2: Council Fund – Budget Variances Appendix 3: Council Fund – Programme of Efficiencies Appendix 4: Council Fund – Movement on Un-earmarked Reserves Appendix 5: Housing Revenue Account Variances

6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	Various budget records.

7.00	CONTACT OFFIC	ER DETAILS
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8.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
8.01	Budget: a statement expressing the Council's policies and service levels in financial terms for a particular financial year. In its broadest sense it includes both the revenue budget and capital programme and any authorised amendments to them.
	Council Fund: the fund to which all the Council's revenue expenditure is charged.
	Financial Year: the period of twelve months commencing on 1 April.
	Housing Revenue Account: the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) is a local authority account showing current income and expenditure on housing services related to its own housing stock. The account is separate from the Council Fund and trading accounts and is funded primarily from rents and government subsidy.
	Intermediate Care Fund: Funding provided by Welsh Government to encourage integrated working between local authorities, health and housing.
	Projected Outturn: projection of the expenditure to the end of the financial year, made on the basis of actual expenditure incurred to date.
	Reserves: these are balances in hand that have accumulated over previous years and are held for defined (earmarked reserves) and general (general reserves) purposes. Councils are required to regularly review the level and purpose of their reserves and to take account of the advice of the Chief Finance Officer.

Revenue: a term used to describe the day-to-day costs of running Council services and income deriving from those services. It also includes charges for the repayment of debt, including interest, and may include direct financing of capital expenditure.

Variance: difference between latest budget and actual income or expenditure. Can be to date if reflecting the current or most up to date position or projected, for example projected to the end of the month or financial year.

Virement: the transfer of budget provision from one budget head to another. Virement decisions apply to both revenue and capital expenditure heads, and between expenditure and income, and may include transfers from contingency provisions. Virements may not however be approved between capital and revenue budget heads.

Service	Movement between Periods (£m)	Narrative for Movement between Periods greater than £0.025m
Social Services		
Older People		
Resources & Regulated Services	-0.039	This variance is due to the delay in opening of the Plas Yr Ywen extra care facility.
Minor Variances Adults of Working Age	0.015	
Resources & Regulated Services	0.025	This is due to increased care service costs within Disability
Disability Services	-0.035	Services. The favourable variance is due to additional funding identified to
,		contribute to a care package.
Residential Placements	0.074	This is due to increased care service costs within Mental Health services.
Minor Variances	-0.008	
Safeguarding & Commissioning		
Charging Policy income	0.544	It has been identified that there have been a number of service users who have been overcharged due to a missinterpretation of complex financial assessment rules. This dates back a number of years and the variance is the estimated amount to be reimbursed to the service users. This amount has been offset by an estimated recoupment of Direct Payments
Impact of Covid-19	-0.360	This is hardship funding received from Welsh Government to support the Councils in-house care provision. Most additional costs due to COVID-19 are staff costs, which have been reported within their respective services.
Minor Variances	-0.016	
Total Social Services (excl Out of County)	0.200	
Out of County		
Children's Services	0.090	Mainly due to new placements
Education & Youth	-0.025	Reduced costs for some recent new placements due to delayed start dates due to COVID-19
Total Out of County	0.064	Start dates and to GOVID 10
Inclusion & Progression	-0.027	Movement of £0.026m in month 9 as a result from delays in recruitment
Integrated Youth Provision	-0.020	
School Improvement Systems	-0.025	At month 9 Non-maintained settings payments are projected lower than previously anticipated
Business Change & Support	-0.008	
School Planning & Provision	0.008	
Minor Variances	-0.021	
Total Education & Youth	-0.072	
Schools	0.000	
Otropic and O Tropic and other		
Streetscene & Transportation Service Delivery	0.130	Additional staffing costs totalling £0.060m due to pay arrears for charge hand roles. £0.048m relating to HRC additional security costs which are deemed to be not eligible to claim from the WG Hardship Claim. Other minor variances totalling £0.022m.
Highways Network	0.021	Minor Variances across the service
Transportation	-0.205	Impact of 75% payable to School Transport providers from January due to school closures into February and reflects the projected 25% saving.
Regulatory Services	-0.003	Minor Variances
Impact of Covid-19	-0.254	Reduction in Covid-19 risks following a review of costs and risks, together with an updated position on the proposed Hardship claims to Welsh Government, including Car Parks.
Other Minor Variances	0.000	
Total Streetscene & Transportation	-0.310	

Development	-0.037	Higher than anticipated Planning Fees/ Land Charges income received during December
Regeneration	-0.016	A further Admin Management Fee for Welsh Government COVID Business Restrictions Fund
Minor Variances	0.007	
Total Planning & Environment	-0.046	
People & Resources		
HR & OD	-0.009	
Corporate Finance	-0.006	
Total People & Resources	-0.005	
Total Toopio a Noccaroco	0.010	
Governance		
Revenues	-0.126	At Period 09 the movement is due to an early indication of a potential surplus on the Council Tax Fund increased by £0.025m; underspends calculated on the Welsh Government Admin Grants for Covid Funding £0.045m; review of Income expected from Fines £0.038m
Minor Variances	-0.026	
Total Governance	-0.152	
Strategic Programmes		
Public Libraries & Arts, Culture & Events	0.044	5 + · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Minor Variances	0.041	Extension of the Income Strategy Post £0.029m, minor variances across the service
Total Strategic Programmes	0.041	variances across the service
Total Strategic Programmes	0.041	
Housing & Assets		
Housing Solutions	0.040	Claims from WG COVID-19 Hardship fund
Impact of Covid-19	-0.040	Claims from WG COVID-19 Hardship fund
Minor Variances	-0.005	
Total Housing & Assets	-0.005	
Chief Executive's	-0.012	
Impact of Covid-19	0.000	
Central & Corporate Finance	0.206	Favourable movement of (£0.044m) is due to revised outturn projections for Apprentice Tax Levy costs to March, 2021 and Pension Recharges Added years. Due to the rising level of outstanding debt within the Council due to the impact of COVID-19 on business and service clients of the Council, a prudent approach has been adopted by increasing the bad debt provision by £0.250m across the Council.
Impact of Covid-19	0.000	
Grand Total	-0.101	

Service			Cause of Major Variances greater than £0.050m	Action Required			
	Budget	Outturn	Variance	Covid-19	Variance		
	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)		
Social Services	(2111)	(2.11)	(2111)	(2111)			
Older People							
Localities	19.218	18.656	-0.563		-0.579	The net cost of residential care is £0.488m underspent. This includes the cost of residential care placements net of income recieved such as property charges and contributions from health. There is a decline in the demand for residential care placements due to Covid 19. Day care is £0.058m under budget, this service is currently closed and will be reopened only when it is safe to do so. Domicilliary and Direct Payments are reporting a combined overspend of £0.215m and are projected based on recent levels of care provision. The Localities Team staff budget is underspending by £0.161m due to a number of staff not yet on top of scale, some temporary reduced hours and in-year savings on travel costs. The minor adaptations budget is £0.058m underspent based on expected activity and there is a small underspend on service level agreements paid to the third sector of £0.008m.	
Resources & Regulated Services	8.027	7.689	-0.337		-0.298	The Councils in-house care provision is reporting an underspend of £0.337m. Day care is reporting an overspend of £0.003m, day centres are currently closed and assumed to be so until it is safe to reopen. The day centre staff are deployed to residential care to assist in delivering care, however the staff costs are still recorded against the day-care budget. Homecare is underspent by £0.018m. Staff costs are incurred as a result of the amount of homecare delivered and projected forward based on estimated activity. Residential care is overspent by £0.007m due to a number of small variances. Extra care is underspending by £0.330m. Plas Yr Ywern in Holywell has not yet opened an a full compliment of staff is yet to be recruited. Care staff already recruited to Plas Yr Ywern are currently redeployed to alternate in-house care services and this has meant significant costs due to Covid 19 have been avoided. It is anticipated that Plas Yr Ywern will open in March 2021.	
Minor Variances	1.228	1.197	-0.031		-0.030		
Adults of Working Age		9.					
Administrative Support	0.328	0.255	-0.073		-0.081	Not all staff are currently paid at top of grade and there are also some staff seconded from this service. There have also been in-year savings on staff travel costs.	

Service	Approved Projected Annual Impact of				Last Month	Cause of Major Variances greater than £0.050m	Action Required	
	Budget	Outturn	Variance	Covid-19	Variance	, ,	·	
	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)			
Residential Placements	1.297	2.090	0.793	(2111)	0.720	This outturn is the cost of social care for people within the		
						Mental Health service. These costs include nursing and		
						residential care, domiciliary care and Direct Payments. Care		
						needs for individuals within this service vary over time,		
						sometimes suddenly, and coresponding costs are subject to the		
Minor Variances	29.581	29.281	-0.300		-0.273	same changes.		
Children's Services	29.301	29.201	-0.300		-0.273			
Family Placement	2.621	2.786	0.165		0.162	The overspend is due to current demands on the service from		
. ammy riadoment	2.02.	200	0.100		002	the number of fostering placements, which in some instances		
						avoid making an Out of County placement which would be more		
						expensive. The main pressure areas are payments for foster		
						carers, foster agencies and special guardianship payments.		
Legal & Third Party	0.225	0.540	0.316		0.321	Legal costs are overspent due to the number of cases going		
,						through the courts and the use of external legal professionals.		
						Direct Payments have also increased in demand.		
Professional Support	5.293	5.572	0.279		0.283	To support adequate levels of child protection, the established		
						staffing structure needs to be at a sufficient level to meet		
						mandatory safeguarding standards. Vacancies are therefore		
						minimised and additional temporary posts are sometimes		
						required.		
Minor Variances	1.482	1.504	0.022		0.017			
Safeguarding & Commissioning	2.000	2.505	0.405		0.070	A seignification of complete financial accompany with his		
Charging Policy income	-3.060	-2.595	0.465		-0.079	A missinterpretation of complex financial assessment rules has been detected. This has resulted in a number of service users		
						being overcharged over a number of years. The overspend is		
						due to the cost to reimburse service users of any overcharges.		
						This is being partially offset by an estimated recoupment of		
						Direct Payments.		
Business Support Service	1.224	1.162	-0.062		-0.059	This variance is on salaries and due to some staff not yet paid		
						top of scale and some staff opting out of the pension scheme.		
Management & Support	-2.057	-2.192	-0.135		-0.130	The underspend is due to not having to contribute to the		
						Regional Collaboration unit in 2020/21.		
Impact of Covid-19	0.000	-0.360	-0.360		0.000	This underspend is due to hardship funding received from		
	1				1	Welsh Government to support the Councils in-house care		
						provision for homecare, residential care and supported living.		
						Most additional costs incurred due to Covid are staff costs		
						which have already been reported within their respective services areas.		
Minor Variances	3.058	3.042	-0.016		-0.008			
Total Social Services (excl Out of County)	68.465	68.629	0.164	-0.000	-0.036			

Service	Budget Outturn Variance Covid-19 Variance		Cause of Major Variances greater than £0.050m	Action Required			
					(£m)		
	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)			
Out of County							
Children's Services	7.437	8.223	0.787			The pressure reflects the current cohort of placements with significant numbers of new placements in recent months together with a number of placement changes at higher cost due to breakdowns of placements	Continue to robustly challenge placement proposals presented to the Out of County panel and explore opportunities for cost reductions across the whole of the current cohort.
Education & Youth	4.504	4.348	-0.156		-0.131	The projected underspend reflects the current cohort of Education placements with demand for new placements still being maintained	Continue to robustly challenge placement proposals presented to the Out of County panel and explore opportunities for cost reductions across the whole of the current cohort.
Total Out of County	11.940	12.571	0.631	0.000	0.566		
Education & Youth							
Integrated Youth Provision	1.347	1.099	-0.248	-0.135	-0.228	Includes a projected underspend of -£0.135 on Youth Centres due to closures arising from COVID-19 safety measures producing savings on building cleaning and some relief staffing costs. Also includes a total saving of -£0.111m on the Youth Justice Service mainly due to a delay in recruitment to a new post and savings on equipment purchase and training.	
School Improvement Systems	1.709	1.504	-0.205			Savings arising from the challenge of non-essential spend. Early Entitlement savings due to demography and reduced number of settings requiring funding. COVID-19 has caused a significant reduction of non-maintained settings requiring funding.	
School Planning & Provision	0.676	0.618	-0.058		-0.065	Mainly a saving against the provision for third party/public liability insurance claims	
Minor Variances	5.038	4.953	-0.086		-0.051	,	
Total Education & Youth	8.770	8.174	-0.596	-0.135	-0.524		
Schools	98.728	98.728	0.000		0.000		
Streetscene & Transportation							

Service	Approved Budget	Projected Outturn	Annual Variance	Impact of Covid-19	Last Month Variance	Cause of Major Variances greater than £0.050m	Action Required
	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)		
Service Delivery	8.911	9.271	0.360	(2.11)	0.230	The service has incurred additional revenue pressures from responding to and resolving previously reported security measures and remedial actions following vandalism at the Household Recycling Centres. This matter was widely reported during 2019-20 and has not abated. The monthly costs are now running at over £0.006m per month, mainly due to the introduction of a night time presence on the sites. This has resulted in a forecast pressure in the sum of £0.072m for the year. Further impacts for hire of transport, additional stores recharges and HRC site costs are reflected at Month 9.	
Highways Network	7.764	7.724	-0.040		-0.061	Following a stringent review of fuel costs and advice from market advisors, the fuel cost forecast for fleet vehicles has been reduced accordingly. In addition, updated projections on a number of services across Highways Network has resulted in reduced commitments.	
Transportation	9.366	8.915	-0.452			Operators have been supported during school closures by receiving 75% of their contracted values, in addition a number of routes have been re-procured to reflect current arrangements for operation in the new school year. The forecast position for this service has now been clarified and accommodates both matters. It should be noted however that this improvement will only impact during 2020-21 and the underlying impact of the current circumstances. There are also risks around this position in that the updated forecast is based on the assumption that Colleges will honour their agreement to support Post 16 transport in the sum of £0.600m. However, if this income is not realised in full, the position will be impacted accordingly. Impact of 75% payable to School Transport providers from January due to school closures into February and reflects the projected 25% saving has been recognised at Month 9	
Regulatory Services	4.609	4.815	0.206			This service has experienced a downturn in the levels of income generated by sales of Electricity and this is currently anticipated to reach a level of some £0.120m during the year. There has also been a downturn in the rebate for co-mingled waste due to a considerable drop in the value of approximately £70-£80 per ton. The variance reflects the projected loss of car park income in Quarter 2 and 3 following amendments to WG Income Loss Funding elgibility criteria, with further car park income loss risks shown under the COVID-19 variances.	

Service	Approved	Projected	Annual	Impact of	Last Month	Cause of Major Variances greater than £0.050m	Action Required
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	g.:				(£m)		
	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	, ,		
Impact of Covid-19	0.000	0.721	0.721	0.721	0.975	additional private contractors and plant hire. A level of	part of the COVID claim; the balance
Haldison Assessment	0.000	0.000	0.000		0.000		11000110.
Holding Accounts	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.704	0.000		0.240
Total Streetscene & Transportation	30.650	31.446	0.796	0.721	1.106		-0.310
Planning, Environment & Economy							
Development Regeneration	0.023	0.175	0.153	0.228		Pressure within the Building Control service is due in the main, to delays sourcing core materials meaning that the construction industry is operating at a low level of capacity. This results in a projected reduced Building Control fee income. The current economic conditions are having an adverse effect on the Planning Applications, the projection is dependant on the number and value of applications received, resulting in a changeable outturn to ensure an accurate reflection. The overall variance is mitigated by the Fee Increase for planning and related applications of approx 20% that came into effect August. 2020 There has been a significant impact on income levels following the closure of the markets in the first half of the financial year.	
Impact of Covid-19 Minor Variances Total Planning & Environment	0.000 5.228 5.762	0.000 5.337 6.071	0.000 0.109 0.310	0.044	0.000 0.102 0.356	Market rents remain suspended as a result of the ongoing pandemic. The overspend has been mitigated in part due to the receipt of a proportion of Welsh Government Admin Grants for COVID funding for business Grants	
People & Resources							

Service	Approved Budget (£m)	Budget Outturn Variance Covid-19 Variance (£m) (£m) (£m)		Cause of Major Variances greater than £0.050m	Action Required		
HR & OD	2.398	2.299	-0.098		-0.090	Favourable variance due to the agreed recharge for overheads claimed for the TTP project for hosting the service on behalf of the region	
Corporate Finance	2.094	2.051	-0.043		-0.036		
Total People & Resources	4.491	4.350	-0.141	0.000	-0.126		
Governance							
Legal Services	0.736	0.893	0.157			Overspend as a result of employing locums covering absence to ensure continuing client service delivery in the area of child protection £0.193m. Historical efficiency target that was dependant on demand reduction in another service that has not occurred, thereby preventing the consequent achievement of the efficiency £0.091m. Total overspend is mitigated by vacant posts, expected fee income and commitment challenge across the service.	
Democratic Services	2.098	2.018	-0.080	0.004		Favourable variance following reduced take up of Members Allowances £0.024m, saving from non requirement to resource Electoral Canvassers £0.022m Commtment challenge and minor variances across the service.	
ICT	4.445	4.394	-0.051		-0.038	Minor variances across the service each less than £0.025m	
Revenues	0.037	-0.035	-0.071	0.293	0.055	D55 Favourable variance at Month 9 following review of Council Tax Collection Fund potential suplus, committed spend against Welsh Governmant Admin Grants received for COVID business grants; potential fee income for fines anticipated by March, 2021	
Impact of Covid-19	0.000	-0.000	-0.000	0.030	-0.000		
Minor Variances	1.878	1.842	-0.036		-0.032		
Total Governance	9.193	9.112	-0.081	0.327	0.071		
Strategic Programmes							
Minor Variances	4.943	4.677	-0.266		-0.307		
Total Strategic Programmes	4.943	4.677	-0.266	0.000	-0.307		
Housing & Assets							
Enterprise Centres	-0.217	-0.109	0.107		0.108	Pressure due to loss of income in respect of void units	
Property Asset And Development	0.444	0.368	-0.076			Mainly staffing cost savings pending completion of restructure	
Caretaking & Security	0.262	0.201	-0.062		-0.061	Mainly staffing cost savings due to vacancies	
Centralised Costs	3.353	2.409	-0.943		-0.931	Favourable variance of £(0.943)m for utilities. £(0.570)m NDR savings predominently due to the demolition of Phases 3&4 . £(0.228)m savings on electricity, £(0.085)m savings on gas, and £(0.059)m savings on water.	

Service	Approved	Projected	Annual	Impact of	Last Month	Cause of Major Variances greater than £0.050m	Action Required
oci vicc	Budget	Outturn	Variance	Covid-19	Variance	oudse of major variatioes greater than 20.000m	Action required
	Daaget	Outturn	Variation	00VIG 13	(£m)		
	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(2111)		
Benefits	11.665	11.839	0.174	0.119	0.173	Potential net pressure of up to £0.750m on the Council Tax	
						reduction scheme due to additional take up arising from the	
						COVID-19 pandemic impact on employment. This figure takes	
						account of £0.147m of WG emergency funding support in	
						respect of the April to September element of the overall	
						pressure but the £0.750m is not included in the variance	
						figures. Variance includes pressure of £0.119m on staffing	
						costs due the additional demand caused by the COVID-19	
Housing Solutions	1.091	1.031	-0.060		-0.100	pandemic and overpayments. Savings on Bed and Breakfast accommodation due to	
Tiousing Solutions	1.091	1.031	-0.000		-0.100	managing demand through use of temporary accommodation	
						Inianaging demand through use of temporary accommodation	
Council Fund Housing	-0.324	-0.202	0.122		0.120	Reduction of internal Housing Support grant allocation due to	
						eligibility issues and pressure arising from new service contract	
						for Carelink	
Impact of Covid-19	0.000	-0.040	-0.040	-0.040	0.000		
Minor Variances	-0.126	-0.071	0.055		0.050		
Total Housing & Assets	16.149	15.426	-0.723	0.079	-0.718		
Chief Executive's	2.748	2.429	-0.319	0.004	-0.308	Vacant Posts across the service; commitment challenge	
Office Excoditive 3	2.170	2.725	0.010	0.004	0.000	vacant i osto across the service; communent chancinge	
Central & Corporate Finance	24.147	24.002	-0.145		-0.351	Over recovery of planned pension contributions recoupment	
						against actuarial projections based on the level of contributions	
						received to date and forecast to the end of the financial year. At	
						Month 9 committed £0.250m against a revised Bad Debt	
						Provision following re-evaluation of aged debt and the current	
						economic climate and COVID conditions.	
Impact of Covid-19	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.000		
Grand Total	285.986	285.615	-0.372	1.268	-0.270		

	Efficiency Description	Accountable Officer	Efficiency Target	Projected Efficiency	(Under)/Over Achievement	Efficiency Open/Closed (O/C)	Confidence in Achievement of Efficiency - Based on (see below) R = High Assumption A = Medium Assumption G = Figures Confirmed
Portfolio			2020/21	2020/21	2020/21		
Corporate			£m	£m	£m		
Employer Pension Contributions	Reduced requirement due to recovery	Rachel Parry Jones	0.800	0.800	0.000	С	G
Actuarial Review	Reduced contribution rate	All	2.646	2.646	0.000	C	G
Single Person Discount Review	One Off Efficiency	David Barnes	0.300	0.300	0.000	0	G
Fotal Corporate Services	One on Emolency	David Dames	3.746	3.746	0.000	_	G
total Corporate Services		•	3.740	3.740	0.000	7	
Social Services							
Reviewing Function	Reduction of Post	Neil Ayling	0.025	0.000	(0.025)	С	G
Supported Living	Reduction of Voids	Neil Ayling	0.025	0.000	(0.025)	С	G
Communications	Reduction in Mobile Hardware	Neil Ayling	0.030	0.000	(0.030)	С	G
/acancy Management Saving	Approriate Vacancy Management	Neil Ayling	0.030	0.070	0.040	С	G
Strategic Use of Grant Funding	Core Funding Replacement Solution	Neil Ayling	0.100	0.170	0.070	С	G
Regional Collaboration Wrexham CBC	Reduction in Posts	Neil Ayling	0.030	0.000	(0.030)	С	G
Additional Social Services Grant	Social Services Grant	Neil Ayling	0.426	0.426	0.000	С	G
Total Social Services		-	0.666	0.666	0.000	_	
Education & Youth							
Integrated Youth Provision	Youth Centres - Premises	Claire Homard	0.014	0.014	0.000	0	G
Total Education & Youth	Todar Comico Tromico	- Claire Frenchara	0.014	0.014	0.000	 	_
		•				7	
Streetscene & Transportation							
Discretionary Transport Review - Post 16 Transport	Joint with Education	Stephen O Jones	0.449	0.600	0.151	0	G
ncome from External Works		Stephen O Jones	0.010	0.010	0.000	0	G
Garden Waste Charges	Additional take up of service	Stephen O Jones	0.030	0.030	0.000	0	G
NWRWTP Gate Fee Benefit	Utilisation of WG Grant funding	Stephen O Jones	0.200	0.200	0.000	0	G
Total Streetscene & Transportation			0.689	0.840	0.151	7	
Planning, Environment & Economy							
Countryside	Additional Tree Income	Tom Woodall	0.010	0.010	0.000	0	G
Countryside	Review of Spending	Tom Woodall	0.017	0.017	0.000	ő	G
Review of Pest Control	Trading Standards Investigations and	Sian Jones				-	
	Community Safety		0.035	0.035	0.000	0	G
Development Management	Increased Planning Fee Income	Mandy Lewis	0.015	0.015	0.000	0	G
Minerals & Waste	Adoption of new SLA with Partners	Gary Nancarrow	0.005	0.005	0.000	0	G
Portfolio Admin	Supplies and Services Review	Lynne Fensome	0.005	0.005	0.000	0	G
Regeneration	Bus Dev, Housing and Markets	Niall Waller	0.004	0.004	0.000	0	G
Total Planning, Environment & Economy		-	0.091	0.091	0.000		
Total 2020/21 Budget Efficiencies		-	5.206	5.357	0.151	1	

	%	£
Total 2020/21 Budget Efficiencies	100	5.206
Total Projected 2020/21 Budget Efficiencies Underachieved	3	0.151
Total Projected 2020/21 Budget Efficiencies Achieved	103	5.357
Total 2020/21 Budget Efficiencies (Less Previously agreed		
Decisions)	100	0.000
Total Projected 2020/21 Budget Efficiencies Underachieved	0	0.000
Total Projected 2020/21 Budget Efficiencies Achieved	0	0.000

Corporate Efficiencies Remaining from Previous Years

Income Target Remaining			
		£m	
Income Target Efficiency remaining from Previous Years	All Portfolios	-0.150	
Pressure 2020/21		0.100	
Total Income Efficiency Remaining		-0.050	0.050

Movements on Council Fund Unearmarked Reserves

	£m	£m
Total Reserves as at 1 April 2020	11.025	
Less - Base Level	(5.769)	
Total Reserves above base level available for delegation to Cabinet		5.256
Less - amount approved for Childrens Services ' Front Door Pressures'		(0.134)
Less - COVID-19 Emergency Funding Allocation*		(2.886)
Plus Month 9 projected outturn		0.372
Less - projected national pay award increase		(0.821)
Total Contingency Reserve available for use		1.787

Budget Monitoring Report Housing Revenue Account Variances

Service	Revised Budget (£m)	Projected Outturn (£m)	Variance	Last Month Variance (£m)	Cause of Major Variance	Action Required
	(2)	(2)	(£m)	(2.11)		
Housing Revenue Account						
Income	(36.676)	(36.477)	0.200		There is a pressure forecast of £0.200m. Of this £0.090m relates to loss of income voids which are currently running at 2.00% void rate compared to 1.75% in the Business Plan. £0.070m relates to garages, £0.068m relates to void water charges. Additional new build rental income projected at £0.054m. The remaining £0.026m is attributed to Minor Variances	
Capital Financing - Loan Charges	9.027	7.916	(1.111)		Reduction is spend on SHARP has reduced Prudential borrowing required.	
Estate Management	1.846	1.634	(0.212)		Additional expenditure of £0.061m is anticipated during the year in respect of the purchase of software. This is offset by salary efficiencies arising from vacancy savings and the pay award of £0.197m. There is also a saving of £0.030m relating to court costs as action has been suspended due to Covid. The remaining £0.046m is minor variances	
Landlord Service Costs	1.434	1.378	(0.056)	,	There is a saving of £0.044m which relates to servicing costs which are lower due to some Covid restrictions, and £0.012m of minor variances	
Repairs & Maintenance	8.907	8.409	(0.498)	(0.500)		
Management & Support Services	2.523	2.558	0.035		There is a pressure projected of £0.035m of this £0.020m relates to salary savings. £0.011m relates to underspend on training due to Covid restrictions. There has been a increase in insurance costs of £0.084m. £0.018m minor variances.	
Capital Expenditure From Revenue (CERA)	12.928	12.928				
HRA Projects	(0.153)	(0.151)	0.002	0.002		
Contribution To / (From) Reserves	0.164	0.164				
Total Housing Revenue Account	0.000	(1.641)	(1.641)	(1.590)		



CABINET

Date of Meeting	Tuesday, 16 th February 2021
Report Subject	Capital Programme Monitoring 2020/21 (Month 9)
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Finance
Report Author	Corporate Finance Manager
Type of Report	Operational

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The report summarises changes made to the Capital Programme 2020/21 since it was set in January 2020 to the end of Month 9 (December 2020), along with expenditure to date and projected outturn.

The Capital Programme has seen a net increase in budget of £0.506m during the period which comprises of:-

- Net budget increase in the programme of £0.423m (See Table 2 Council Fund (CF) £0.821m, Housing Revenue Account (HRA) (£0.398m));
- Net Carry Forward to 2021/22, approved at Month 6 of £0.083m (all CF)

Actual expenditure was £35.853m (See Table 3).

The final outturn funding surplus from the 2019/20 - 2021/22 Capital Programme was £1.145m. The 2020/21 - 2022/23 Capital Programme was approved on the 28^{th} January 2020, with a funding deficit of £2.264m. The surplus carried forward led to an opening funding position deficit of £1.119m.

The reported Month 6 funding position for the 3 year period ending in 2022/23 was a surplus of £0.403m. Capital receipts received in the third quarter of 2020/21, total £0.864m. This gives a revised projected surplus in the Capital Programme at Month 9 of £1.267m for the 2020/21 – 2022/23 Capital Programme, prior to the realisation of additional capital receipts and/or other funding sources.

RECO	MMENDATIONS
1	Cabinet are requested to approve the overall report.
2	Cabinet are requested to approve the carry forward adjustments set out at 1.17.
3	Cabinet are requested to approve the funding of schemes from the current 'headroom', as set out in 1.18.

REPORT DETAILS

1.00	EXPLAINING THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING POSITION – MONTH 9 2020/21
1.01	Background
	The Council approved a Council Fund (CF) Capital Programme of £42.582m and a Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Capital Programme of £30.464m for 2020/21 at its meeting of 28 th January, 2020.
1.02	For presentational purposes the Capital Programme is shown as a whole, with sub-totals for the Council Fund and HRA. In reality the HRA programme is 'ring fenced' and can only be used for HRA purposes.
1.03	Changes since Budget approval
	Table 1 below sets out how the programme has changed during 2020/21. More detailed cumulative information relating to each Portfolio is provided in Appendix A:-

Table 1

REVISED PROGRAMME	Original	Carry	2020/21	Previously R	eported	Changes -	Revised
	Budget 2020/21	Forward from 2019/20	Changes	Carry Forward to 2021/22	Savings	This Period	Budget 2020/21
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
People & Resources	0.400	0.170	(0.260)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.310
Governance	1.176	0.975	0.000	(0.068)	0.000	0.207	2.290
Education & Youth	10.166	8.519	(0.629)	(3.207)	(0.027)	(1.510)	13.312
Social Services	1.247	4.188	4.434	(0.288)	0.000	(0.283)	9.298
Planning, Environment & Economy	3.078	0.905	0.078	(0.217)	0.000	0.526	4.370
Streetscene & Transportation	3.030	1.302	11.320	(0.593)	0.000	(0.314)	14.745
Strategic Programmes	0.985	0.636	0.184	(1.162)	0.000	1.895	2.538
Housing & Assets	22.500	3.071	(11.365)	(0.699)	(0.650)	0.300	13.157
Council Fund Total	42.582	19.766	3.762	(6.234)	(0.677)	0.821	60.020
HRA Total	30.464	0.000	(13.124)	0.000	0.000	(0.398)	16.942
Programme Total	73.046	19.766	(9.362)	(6.234)	(0.677)	0.423	76.962

1.04 **Carry Forward from 2019/20**

Carry forward sums from 2019/20 to 2020/21, totalling £19.766m (CF £19.766m, HRA £0.000m), were approved as a result of the quarterly monitoring reports presented to Cabinet during 2019/20.

1.05 Changes during this period

Funding changes during this period have resulted in a net increase in the programme total of £0.423m (CF £0.821m, HRA (£0.398m)). A summary of the changes, detailing major items, is shown in Table 2 below:-

	Table 2		
	CHANGES DURING THIS PERIOD		
	COUNCIL FUND	Para	£m
	Increases		
	Theatr Clwyd	1.06	1.800
	Waste Services	1.07	0.500
	Primary Schools	1.08	0.880
	Other Aggregate Increases		0.841
			4.021
	Decreases		
	School Modernisation	1.09	(1.129)
	Primary Schools	1.09	(1.125)
	Local Transport Grant	1.10	(0.814)
	Other Aggregate Decreases	-	(0.132)
	33 -9		(3.200)
	Total		0.821
	HRA		
	Increases		
	WHQS Improvements	1.11	3.951
	Other Aggregate Increases		0.104
			4.055
	Decreases		
	SHARP	1.12	(4.453)
	Other Aggregate Decreases		0.000
			(4.453)
	Total		(0.398)
1.06	Introduction of grant funding for the redeve	elopment of Theatr (Clwyd The
1.00	grant is for the final design and technical st commencement of construction. Total grant over two financial years.	tage of the project, I	pefore the
1.07	In addition to the above, Welsh Government introduced for improvement works at Standard	` '	
1.08	There has also been an introduction of graschool extension and improvement works	•	•
1.09	Re-profiling of grant funding and Prudential modernisation programmes at the Queens Atti, Shotton. Works will be carried out ove being re-profiled to match projected actual	ferry Campus and Y r two financial years	sgol Croes with budge

1.10	Re-profiling of Local Transport Funding to match expenditure across financial years.
1.11	At the beginning of the financial year, budgets were re-profiled across all of the HRA programme. Works have progressed on the Welsh Housing Quality Standard (WHQS) resulting in bringing budget back in, to match projected actual expenditure.
1.12	As part of the Strategic Housing and Regeneration Programme (SHARP), the Council are building new social and affordable houses. The programme is currently developing the latest batch of sites for which expenditure will be incurred over two financial years. Re-profiling of Prudential Borrowing has been carried out to match projected actual expenditure.
1.13	Capital Expenditure compared to Budget
	Expenditure as at Month 9, across the whole of the Capital Programme was £35.853m. The breakdown of expenditure is analysed in Table 3, along with the percentage spend against budget.
	This shows that 46.59% of the budget has been spent (CF 42.33%, HRA 61.65%). Corresponding figures for Month 9 2019/20 were 55.78% (CF 44.09%, HRA 75.09%).
1.14	The table also shows a projected underspend (pending carry forward and other adjustments) of £4.352m on the Council Fund and a break even position on the HRA.

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EXPENDITURE	Revised Budget	Cumulative Expenditure Month 9	Percentage Spend v Budget	Projected Outturn	Variance Budget v Outturn (Under)/Over
	£m	£m	%	£m	£m
People & Resources	0.310	0.000	0.00	0.310	0.000
Governance	2.290	0.734	32.05	1.984	(0.306
Education & Youth	13.312	5.066	38.06	12.325	(0.987
Social Services	9.298	6.355	68.35	9.298	0.000
Planning, Environment & Economy	4.370	1.693	38.74	3.909	(0.461
Streetscene & Transportation	14.745	5.203	35.29	13.113	(1.632
Strategic Programmes	2.538	1.068	42.08	2.303	(0.235
Housing & Assets	13.157	5.290	40.21	12.426	(0.731
Council Fund Total	60.020	25.409	42.33	55.668	(4.352
Disabled Adaptations	0.691	0.453	65.56	0.691	0.00
Energy Schemes	0.874	0.874	100.00	0.874	0.000
Major Works	1.760	1.321	75.06	1.760	0.000
Accelerated Programmes	0.343	0.193	56.27	0.343	0.000
WHQS Improvements	12.141	6.697	55.16	12.141	0.000
SHARP Programme	1.133	0.906	79.99	1.133	0.000
Housing Revenue Account Total	16.942	10.444	61.65	16.942	0.000
Programme Total	76.962	35.853	46.59	72.610	(4.35)

Details of the variances for individual programme areas are listed in Appendix B, which includes the reasons, and remedial actions which may be required, where those variances exceed +/- 10% of the revised budget. In addition, where carry forward into 2021/22 has been identified, this is also included in the narrative.

1.16 **Carry Forward into 2021/22**

During the quarter, carry forward of £4.352m (all CF) has been identified which reflects reviewed spending plans across all programme areas; these committed amounts have been identified as now required to meet the cost of programme works and/or retention payments in 2021/22.

1.17 Information relating to each programme area is contained in Appendix B and summarised in Table 4 below:

Table 4

						Total
CARRY FORWARD INTO	Month 4	Month 6	Reversed	Sub Total	Month 9	
2021/22	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Governance	0.171	0.000	(0.103)	0.068	0.306	0.374
Education & Youth	4.539	0.039	(1.371)	3.207	0.987	4.194
Social Services	0.000	0.288	0.000	0.288	0.000	0.288
Planning, Environment & Economy	0.187	0.030	0.000	0.217	0.461	0.678
Streetscene & Transportation	0.543	0.050	0.000	0.593	1.632	2.225
Strategic Programmes	0.200	0.962	0.000	1.162	0.235	1.397
Housing & Assets	0.780	0.000	(0.081)	0.699	0.731	1.430
Council Fund	6.420	1.369	(1.555)	6.234	4.352	10.586
TOTAL	6.420	1.369	(1.555)	6.234	4.352	10.586
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1.18 | Additional Allocations

Additional allocations have been identified in the programme in this quarter as follows:

- Brynford CP School £0.050m. The capital programme has an allocation of £1.040m to invest in Brynford CP School, to bring the building up to Building Bulleting standards to deliver high quality services efficiently. An additional £0.050m is required for the scheme.
- Member IT Support £0.014m. Provision of Council laptops to each Member who requires one, to support remote attendance of Member meetings and in order to reduce the costs of printing and postage which are being incurred.

Both can be funded from within the current 'headroom' provision.

Wepre Country Park

£0.080m has been allocated in the capital programme over two years to repair bridges at Wepre Country Park. Three of the four bridges have been completed and the costs of the fourth bridge are anticipated to be within budget, leaving an expected saving of £0.032m.

Severe weather conditions caused a landslip and path collapse at Red Rocks, a key route in the park. It is proposed that the expected underspend is used to repair the path at this location.

1.19 **Savings**

No savings have been identified in the programme in this quarter.

1.20 Funding of 2020/21 Approved Schemes

The position at Month 9 is summarised in Table 5 below for the three year Capital Programme between 2020/21 – 2022/23:-

Table 5

FUNDING OF APPROVED SCHEMES 2020/21 - 2022/23				
	£m	£m		
Balance carried forward from 2019/20		(1.145)		
Increases				
Shortfall in 2020/21 to 2022/23 Budget	2.264			
Additional allocation to Queensferry Campus	0.217			
		2.481		
Decreases				
Actual In year receipts	(1.926)			
Savings	(0.677)	(2.603)		
Funding - (Available)/Shortfall		(1.267)		

1.21 The final outturn funding surplus from the 2019/20 – 2021/22 Capital Programme was £1.145m. The 2020/21 – 2022/23 Capital Programme was approved on the 28th January 2020, with a funding deficit of £2.264m. The surplus carried forward led to an opening funding position deficit of £1.119m.

The reported Month 6 funding position for the 3 year period ending in 2022/23 was a surplus of £0.403m. Capital receipts received in the third quarter of 2020/21, total £0.864m. This gives a revised projected surplus in the Capital Programme at Month 9 of £1.267m for the 2020/21 – 2022/23 Capital Programme, prior to the realisation of additional capital receipts and/or other funding sources.

1.22 Update on Capital Programme 2021/22 – 2023/24

The 2021/22 – 2023/24 Capital Programme was approved by Council on the 8th December 2020, with a funding deficit of £1.317m. On the 22nd December 2020, WG announced its provisional local government settlement for 2021-22.

This provides a net increase in 2021/22 of £1.526m compared with the estimated funding assumed in December's Capital Programme budget report. The Un-hypothecated Supported Borrowing (USB) has reduced by £0.033m and the General Capital Grant (GCG) has increased by £1.559m. Since 2018/19 WG have been providing additional GCG, with £50m allocated on an all Wales level in 2018/19, £30m in 2019/20, and £35m in 2020/21. The £35m additional capital funding has been continued into 2021/22.

Using the Provisional Settlement figures over the three year Capital Programme 2021/22 – 2023/24, reflecting the reduced USB figure and assuming that the GCG remains at the lower level, with no additional funding for the following two years (2022/23 and 2023/24), this gives an estimated funding increase of £1.460m over the approved three year period when compared with the December Capital Programme budget report.

This results in the programme being in a surplus position of £0.143m.

As it stands, the surplus carried forward will lead to an opening funding position surplus of £1.410m, in 2021/22.

1.23 Investment in County Towns

At its meeting on 12th December 2017, the Council approved a Notice of Motion relating to the reporting of investment in county towns. The extent and format of the reporting was agreed at the Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 14th June 2018.

1.24 Table 6 below shows a summary of the 2019/20 actual expenditure, the 2020/21 revised budget and budgets for future years as approved by Council at its meeting of 28th January, 2020. Further detail can be found in Appendix C, including details of the 2020/21 spend to Month 9.

Table 6

INVESTMENT IN COUNTY TOWNS				
	2019/20 Actual £m	2020/21 Revised Budget £m	2021 - 2023 Budget £m	
Buckley / Penyffordd	7.729	12.496	1.644	
Connah's Quay / Shotton	3.844	4.495	1.295	
Flint / Bagillt	3.048	3.417	0.169	
Holywell / Caerwys / Mostyn	3.291	1.037	3.406	
Mold / Treuddyn / Cilcain	3.406	8.562	5.306	
Queensferry / Hawarden / Sealand	5.925	7.052	7.089	
Saltney / Broughton / Hope	0.748	4.528	2.851	
Unallocated / To Be Confirmed	0.728	4.721	38.372	
Total	28.719	46.308	60.132	

- The inclusion of actuals for 2019/20 and approved schemes for future years allows a slightly fuller picture of investment plans. However, expenditure which has occurred in years' prior to 2019/20 has not be included, and the expenditure and budgets reported should be considered in that context.
- 1.26 There are two significant factors which increase allocations to particular areas, which are homes developed under SHARP, and new or remodelled

	schools. TI	ne impact of these can be s	een in the det	ail shown in Ap	pendix
1.27	Some expenditure cannot yet be allocated to specific towns as schemes are not yet fully developed or are generic in nature and not easily identifiable to one of the seven areas. As such schemes are identified the expenditure will be allocated to the relevant area.				
1.28	Information on the split between internal and external funding can be found in Appendix C.				
1.29	In addition to the information contained in Appendix C, there is also considerable capital expenditure on the HRA Welsh Housing Quality Standard (WHQS), which was originally outside the scope of this analysis. A summary is provided in Table 7 below, albeit using a slightly different catchment area basis. Table 7				
	WHQS Programme				
			2019/20	2020/21	
			Actual	Budget	
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			£m	£m	
		Holywell			
		Holywell Flint	2.950	0.300	
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		Flint	2.950 2.110	0.300 0.300	
		Flint Deeside & Saltney	2.950 2.110 0.420	0.300 0.300 2.611	
		Flint Deeside & Saltney Buckley	2.950 2.110 0.420 0.600	0.300 0.300 2.611 4.579	

2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	Financial implications - As set out in the body of the report.
2.02	Personnel implications - None directly as a result of this report.

3.00	IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT
3.01	The recent adverse weather has caused significant damage to the highway network. Assessments are ongoing but impacts are likely to be numerous and expensive. Bids for funding will be submitted to WG, with the outcome of these bids, determining the impact on the Council's programme. This will be monitored during the final quarter of the year.

The impact of the current pandemic will continue to be monitored closely during the final quarter. Any changes to the Government guidelines may have an adverse impact on the ability of Portfolios to deliver schemes before the end of the year. This may result in them being re-profiled into the next financial year.

These delays could impact the delivery of the programme in 2021/22, which could result in future schemes being stalled in order to deliver the schemes carried forward from 2020/21. There is a risk around having resources available to manage and deliver schemes.

Grants received in year will also continue to be closely monitored to ensure that expenditure is incurred within the terms and conditions of the grant. The capital team will work with project leads to report potential risks of achieving spend within timescales and assist in liaising with the grant provider.

The Council has a prudent policy of allocating its own capital receipts to fund capital projects only when receipts are actually received rather than when it is anticipated the receipt will be received, and this position continues to be the case. Due to the pandemic there may be a delay in obtaining capital receipts as the timing of these receipts are also subject to market forces outside of the Council's control. In line with current policy no allowance has been made for these receipts in reporting the Council's capital funding position.

4.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT
4.01	No consultation is required as a direct result of this report.

5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	Appendix A: Capital Programme - Changes during 2020/21
5.02	Appendix B: Variances
5.03	Appendix C: Investment in Towns

6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	Capital Programme monitoring papers 2020/21.

7.00	CONTACT OFFICER DETAILS
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8.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
8.01	Budget Re-profiling: Capital schemes are very dynamic and a number of factors can influence their timing and funding. Budget re-profiling assures that the correct resources are available in the correct accounting period to finance the actual level of expenditure.
	Capital Expenditure: Expenditure on the acquisition of non-current assets or expenditure which extends the useful life of an existing asset
	Capital Programme: The Council's financial plan covering capital schemes and expenditure proposals for the current year and a number of future years. It also includes estimates of the capital resources available to finance the programme.
	Capital Receipts: Receipts (in excess of £10,000) realised from the disposal of assets.
	Carry Forward: Carry forward occurs when schemes due to be completed in a given financial year are delayed until a subsequent year. In this case the relevant funding is carried forward to meet the delayed, contractually committed expenditure.
	CERA: Capital Expenditure charged to Revenue Account. The Council is allowed to use its revenue resources to fund capital expenditure. However the opposite is not permissible.
	Council Fund (CF): The fund to which all the Council's revenue and capital expenditure is charged.
	Housing Revenue Account (HRA): The fund to which all the Council's revenue and capital expenditure relating to its housing stock is charged.
	MRA: Major Repairs Allowance. A general capital grant from WG for HRA purposes.
	Non-current Asset: A resource controlled (but not necessarily owned) by the Council, from which economic benefits or service potential are expected to flow to the Council for more than 12 months.
	Section 106: Monies are received from developers/contractors pursuant to Section 106 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990. These sums are available for use once the relevant terms of the individual agreement have been met. The monies are most commonly used for educational enhancement, play areas, highways and affordable housing.
	Target Hardening: Measures taken to prevent unauthorised access to Council sites.
	Unhypothecated Supported Borrowing (USB), commonly referred to as Supported Borrowing - Each year Welsh Government provide Councils with a Supported Borrowing allocation. Councils borrow to fund capital expenditure equivalent to that annual allocation, Welsh Government then include funding to cover the revenue costs associated

with the borrowing for future years within the Revenue Support Grant. The Council decides how this funding is spent.

Unsupported (Prudential) Borrowing: Borrowing administered under the Prudential Code, whereby Authorities can set their own policies on acceptable levels and types of borrowing. The Prudential Framework allows Authorities to take out loans in response to overall cash flow forecasts and other factors provided they can show that the borrowing is to meet planned capital expenditure in the current year or the next three years.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME - CHANGES DURING 2020/21

	Original	Carry	2020/21	Previously R	eported	Savings	Changes	Revised
	Budget 2020/21	Forward from 2019/20	Changes	Carry Forward to 2021/22	Savings	(Current)	(Current)	Budget 2020/21
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Council Fund :								
People & Resources								
'Headroom'	0.350	0.170	(0.260)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.260
Corporate Finance - H & S	0.050	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.050
	0.400	0.170	(0.260)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.310
Governance								
Information Technology	1.176	0.975	0.000	(0.068)	0.000	0.000	0.207	2.290
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Education & Youth	4 500	0.000	(4.205)	(0.440)	0.000	0.000	0.440	0.007
Education - General	1.500	2.668	(1.305)	` ′		0.000	0.143	2.887
Primary Schools	2.399	0.065	0.686	(0.025)		0.000	(0.974)	2.151
Schools Modernisation	5.365	0.072	(0.316)		0.000	0.000	(1.129)	3.992
Secondary Schools	0.652 0.250	5.784	0.264 0.042	(3.024)	` ′	0.000	0.447 0.003	4.096
Special Education	10.166	(0.070) 8.519	(0.629)	(0.039) (3.207)		0.000	(1.510)	0.186 13.312
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Social Services								
Services to Older People	0.725	4.048	3.778	(0.288)	0.000	0.000	0.000	8.263
Children's Services	0.522	0.140	0.656	0.000	0.000	0.000	(0.283)	1.035
	1.247	4.188	4.434	(0.288)	0.000	0.000	(0.283)	9.298
Planning, Environment & Econon	nv							
Closed Landfill Sites	0.000	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250
Engineering	0.038	0.350	0.038	(0.187)	0.000	0.000	0.034	0.273
Energy Services	2.950	0.300	(0.339)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.061	2.972
Ranger Services	0.040	0.005	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.045
Townscape Heritage Initiatives	0.050	0.000	0.216	(0.030)	0.000	0.000	0.243	0.479
Private Sector Renewal/Improvt	0.000	0.000	0.163	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.188	0.351
	3.078	0.905	0.078	(0.217)	0.000	0.000	0.526	4.370
Streetscene & Transportation								
Waste	2.430	0.497	(0.953)	(0.497)	0.000	0.000	0.500	1.977
Cemeteries	0.000	0.000	0.070	(0.050)		0.000	0.000	0.020
Highways	0.600	0.704	1.028	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.450	2.782
Local Transport Grant	0.000	0.055	11.175	0.000	0.000	0.000	(1.264)	9.966
Solar Farms	0.000	0.046	0.000	(0.046)		0.000	0.000	0.000
	3.030	1.302	11.320	(0.593)		0.000	(0.314)	14.745

	Original	Carry	Previous	y Reported	2020/21	Savings	Changes	Revised	
	Budget 2020/21	Forward from 2019/20	Changes	Carry Forward to 2021/22	Savings	(Current)	(Current)	Budget 2020/21	
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	
Strategic Programmes									
Leisure Centres	0.285	0.047	(0.024)	0.000	0.000	0.000	(0.009)	0.299	
Play Areas	0.200	0.218	0.024	(0.200)	0.000	0.000	0.095	0.337	
Libraries	0.000	0.012	0.024	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.009	0.045	
Theatr Clwyd	0.500	0.359	0.160	(0.962)	0.000	0.000	1.800	1.857	
	0.985	0.636	0.184	(1.162)	0.000	0.000	1.895	2.538	
Housing & Assets									
Administrative Buildings	0.650	1.205	0.286	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	2.141	
Community Asset Transfers	0.100	0.836	0.000	(0.699)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.237	
Food Poverty	0.050	0.042	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.300	0.392	
Affordable Housing	20.000	0.000	(11.700)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	8.300	
Disabled Facilities Grants	1.700	0.988	0.049	0.000	(0.650)	0.000	0.000	2.087	
	22.500	3.071	(11.365)	(0.699)	(0.650)	0.000	0.300	13.157	
Housing Revenue Account :									
Disabled Adaptations	1.104	0.000	(0.367)	0.000	0.000	0.000	(0.046)	0.691	
Energy Schemes	0.275	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.599	0.874	
Major Works	1.811	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	(0.051)	1.760	
Accelerated Programmes	0.742	0.000	(0.001)	0.000	0.000	0.000	(0.398)	0.343	
WHQS Improvements	15.361	0.000	(7.171)	0.000	0.000	0.000	3.951	12.141	
SHARP Programme	11.171	0.000	(5.585)	0.000	0.000	0.000	(4.453)	1.133	
	30.464	0.000	(13.124)	0.000	0.000	0.000	(0.398)	16.942	

PEOPLE & RESOURCES

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget £m	Actual Exp. £m	Projected Outturn £m	Variance (Under)/ Over £m	Variance %age %	Variance Prev Qtr £m	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
'Headroom'	0.260	0.000	0.260	0.000	0	0.000		Corporate provision - to be allocated as requested and approved.	Any unspent allocation will be the subject of a carry forward request at outturn.
Corporate Finance - Health & Safety	0.050	0.000	0.050	0.000	0	0.000		Corporate provision - to be allocated as requested and approved.	Any unspent allocation will be the subject of a carry forward request at outturn.
Total	0.310	0.000	0.310	0.000	0	0.000			

GOVERNANCE

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget £m	Actual Exp. £m	Projected Outturn £m	Variance (Under)/ Over £m	Variance %age %	Variance Prev Qtr £m	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
Information Technology	2.290	0.734	1.984	(0.306)	-13		Air Conditioning Replacement - Estimating 70% of works to be completed by year end, resulting in £0.112m to be carried forward for delivery in 2021/22. ICT Cyber Security project, £0.145m now expected to be delivered in 2021/22 due to huge demand on IT Team delivering WG HWB project in schools. Laptop Replacement Scheme - due to global shortage of laptops £0.049m will be required to rolled into 2021/22.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.306m to 2021/22.	
Total	2.290	0.734	1.984	(0.306)	-13	0.000			

EDUCATION & YOUTH

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget £m	Actual Exp. £m	Projected Outturn £m	Variance (Under)/ Over £m	Variance %age %	Variance Prev Qtr £m	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
Education - General	2.887	1.062	2.613	(0.274)	-9		Fire Risk Assessments, £0.110m - three schools will be deferred until Summer 2021 due to site access, therefore budget will be required to be carried forward to 2021/22. Fan convectors, £0.060m - works due to commence during Easter Holidays. R&M works, £0.104m - retentions and capital works will roll into 2021/22.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.274m to 2021/22.	
Primary Schools	2.151	0.986	1.955	(0.196)	-9		Core funding for works at Ysgol Glanrafon to be used in 2021/22. Grant funding to be utilised in year.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.196m to 2021/22.	
Schools Modernisation	3.992	0.836	3.775	(0.217)	-5		Core funding for works at Queensferry Campus to be used in 2021/22. Grant funding to be utilised in year.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.217m to 2021/22.	
Secondary Schools	4.096	2.091	3.796	(0.300)	-7		Works on Mold Alun roof lights is not projected to be spent this financial year.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.300m to 2021/22.	
Special Education	0.186	0.091	0.186	0.000	0	(0.039)		<u> </u>	
Total	13.312	5.066	12.325	(0.987)	-7	(0.039)			

SOCIAL SERVICES

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget	Actual Exp.	Projected Outturn	Variance (Under)/ Over	Variance %age	Variance Prev Qtr	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
	£m	£m	£m	£m	%	£m			
Services to Older People	8.263	5.922	8.263	0.000	0	(0.288)			
Children's Services	1.035	0.434	1.035	0.000	0	0.000			Welsh Government have now approved a more flexible approach to the use of grant funding for the Childcare Wraparound Schemes.
Total	9.298	6.355	9.298	0.000	0	(0.288)			

PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget	Actual Exp.	Projected Outturn	Variance (Under)/ Over	Variance %age	Variance Prev Qtr	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
	£m	£m	£m	£m	%	£m			
Closed Landfill Sites	0.250	0.000	0.000	(0.250)	-100		As a result of external constraints, the project is unlikely to progress in 2020/21.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.250m to 2021/22.	
Engineering	0.273	0.053	0.112	(0.161)	-59		Land Drainage schemes are likely to commence in 2021/22 due to lack of resources, £0.099m. Flour Mill Reservoir is likely to slip into 2021/22 due to ongoing site issues and contractor availability, £0.028m. Greenfield Reservoir - nominal expenditure anticipated in 2020/21 with the scheme to progress in 2021/22, £0.034m.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.161m to 2021/22.	
Energy Services	2.972	0.553	2.972	0.000	0	0.000			
Ranger Services	0.045	0.035	0.045	0.000	0	0.000			
Townscape Heritage Initiatives	0.479	0.546	0.429	(0.050)	-10	(3.3.3)	Historic Buildings - will not start in 2020/21 due to the disruption of COVID-19 preventing schemes to be submitted and evaluated. Grant reliant on listed building owners funding the majority of repairs, and given the current climate, interest is low.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.050m to 2021/22.	Request that the three year provision in effect starts April 2021 to properly implement the scheme.
							Bailey Hill scheme - grant funding drawn down once receipted.		
Private Sector Renewal/Improvement	0.351	0.506	0.351	(0.000)	-0	0.000		Funding to be introduced to match expenditure.	
Total	4.370	1.693	3.909	(0.461)	-11	(0.030)			

STREETSCENE & TRANSPORTATION

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget	Actual Exp.	Projected Outturn	Variance (Under)/ Over	Variance %age	Variance Prev Qtr	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
	£m	£m	£m	£m	%	£m			
Waste Services	1.977	0.286	1.477	(0.500)	-25		Welsh Government recently awarded £0.500m in respect of improvements to Standard Waste Transfer Station. To request carry forward of core funding to 2021/22.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.500m to 2021/22.	Additional grant funding is being sought in relation to improvements at Standard Waste Transfer Station. Works are programmed in 2020/21 and 2021/22.
Cemeteries	0.020	0.018	0.020	0.000	0	(0.050)			
Highways	2.782	0.640	1.650	(1.132)	-41		Lead in time for ordering electric buses will result in the vehicles being delivered in 2021/22, £0.180m. Programmed resurfacing works will now take place in 2021/22 as a result of COVID-19 related delays as well as unsuitable weather conditions, £0.852m. Roundabout improvements works to take place next financial due to demand on the service to deliver grant funded schemes, £0.100m.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £1.132m to 2021/22.	
Local Transport Grant	9.966	4.259	9.966	0.000	0	0.000			Planned works relating to the Bus Lanes through Queensferry have been delayed as a result of the local response to COVID-19, resulting in works now being programmed to take place in 2021/22.
Total	14.745	5.203	13.113	(1.632)	-11	(0.050)			

STRATEGIC PROGRAMMES

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget £m	Actual Exp. £m	Projected Outturn £m	Variance (Under)/ Over £m	Variance %age %	Variance Prev Qtr £m	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
Leisure Centres	0.299	0.116	0.199	(0.100)	-33		Urgent property works expenditure likely to roll into 2021/22.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.100m to 2021/22.	
Play Areas	0.337	0.194	0.210	(0.127)	-38		Section 106 and match funded schemes monies drawn down when scheme is completed. It is unlikely the Play Area funding for the Bailey Hill Project will be spent this financial year.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.127m to 2021/22.	
Libraries	0.045	0.036	0.037	(0.008)	-18	0.000		Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.008m to 2021/22.	
Theatr Clwyd	1.857	0.722	1.857	0.000	0	(0.962)			
Total	2.538	1.068	2.303	(0.235)	-9	(0.962)			

HOUSING & ASSETS

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget	Actual Exp.	Projected Outturn	Variance (Under)/ Over	Variance %age	Variance Prev Qtr	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
	£m	£m	£m	£m	%	£m			
Administrative Buildings	2.141	1.504	2.141	0.000	0	0.000			
Community Asset Transfers	0.237	0.237	0.237	0.000	0	0.000			Expenditure is incurred as and when schemes are signed off.
Food Poverty	0.392	0.392	0.392	0.000	0	0.000			Additional Grant funding of £0.300m has been awarded by Welsh Government.
Affordable Housing	8.300	2.228	8.300	0.000	0	0.000			
Disabled Facilities Grants	2.087	0.929	1.356	(0.731)	-35		Delays in service delivery were experienced as a result of COVID-19 restrictions. This, in combination with a service re-design has resulted in works planned to be delivered in 2020/21 now being scheduled to take place in 2021/22.	Carry Forward - Request approval to move funding of £0.731m to 2021/22.	DFG spend is customer driven and volatile.
Total	13.157	5.290	12.426	(0.731)	-6	0.000			

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget	Actual Exp.	Projected Outturn	Variance (Under)/ Over	Variance %age	Variance Prev Qtr	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
	£m	£m	£m	£m	%	£m			
Disabled Adaptations	0.691	0.453	0.691	0.000	0	(0.054)			
Energy Services	0.874	0.874	0.874	0.000	0	0.000			
Major Works	1.760	1.321	1.760	0.000	0	0.200			
Accelerated Programmes	0.343	0.193	0.343	0.000	0	(0.335)			
WHQS Improvements	12.141	6.697	12.141	0.000	0		Original budget was £15.361m. Initial projections from Capital Works Team indicated a 50% reduction in spend due to the COVID-19 restrictions, hence the reduction in budget. However, contractors are now back on site and spend is increasing. This will be met from the original budget allocation.		
SHARP	1.133	0.906	1.133	0.000	0		Reduced spend projection based on current schemes being delayed, resulting in a reduction in borrowing requirements.		
Total	16.942	10.443	16.942	0.000	0	0.000			

SUMMARY

Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/21 - Month 9

Programme Area	Total Budget	Actual Exp.	Projected Outturn	Variance (Under)/ Over	Variance %age	Variance Prev Qtr	Cause of Variance	Action Required	Comments
	£m	£m	£m	£m	%	£m			
People & Resources	0.310	0.000	0.310	0.000	0	0.000			
Governance	2.290	0.734	1.984	(0.306)	-13	0.000			
Education & Youth	13.312	5.066	12.325	(0.987)	-7	(0.039)			
Social Services	9.298	6.355	9.298	0.000	0	(0.288)			
Planning, Environment & Economy	4.370	1.693	3.909	(0.461)	-11	(0.030)			
Streetscene & Transportation	14.745	5.203	13.113	(1.632)	-11	(0.050)			
Strategic Programmes	2.538	1.068	2.303	(0.235)	-9	(0.962)			
Housing & Assets	13.157	5.290	12.426	(0.731)	-6	0.000			
Sub Total - Council Fund	60.020	25.410	55.668	(4.352)	-7	(1.369)			
Housing Revenue Account	16.942	10.443	16.942	0.000	0	0.000			
Total	76.962	35.853	72.610	(4.352)	-6	(1.369)			

Variance -	Dudget v	Draiostad	Outturn

TOWN	19/20	BUC	KLEY	CONNAH	I'S QUAY	FL	NT	HOLY	WELL	МС) DLD	QUEEN	ISFERRY	SAL	TNEY	UNALL	OCATED		TOTALS	
FUNDING	ACTUAL £000	Internal £000	External	Internal	External £000	Internal £000	External £000	Internal £000	External £000	Internal	External £000	Internal £000	External £000	Internal £000	External £000	Internal	External £000	Internal £000	External £000	Total £000
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
EXPENDITURE																				
HOUSING - HRA																				
SHARP	5,576	1,706	236	7		10		1,385	1	466			1,765					3,574	2,002	5,576
EDUCATION & YOUTH																				
Connah's Quay High School	3,435			1,435	2,000													1,435	2,000	
Queensferry Campus	368											368						368	0	368
Penyffordd Amalgamation	2,138	1,945	193															1,945	193	2,138
School Extension & Remodelling:-																				
Mynydd Isa Argoed High School	270	270																270	0	270
St John the Baptist	232		44															188	44	232
Bagillt Ysgol Glan Aber	2,184					1,017	1,167											1,017	1,167	2,184
Castell Alun High School	477													477				477	0	477
Shotton St Ethelwolds	217			2	215													2	215	
Flint Saint Richard Gwyn	531						531											0	531	531
PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY																				
Bailey Hill	271										271							0	271	271
Targeted Regeneration Investment	474								474									0	474	474
SOCIAL CARE																				
LD Day Care Facility	1,016												1,016					0	1,016	1,016
Marleyfield EPH	595		595															0	595	595
STREETSCENE & TRANSPORTION																				
Bridges	59			50	9													50	9	59
Highways Maintenance	2,349	112	269	26	100	46	174	119	447	86	324	24	89	52	197	60	224	525	1,824	2,349
Transport Grant	3,769						103	62	274		201		2,663		22		444	62	3,707	3,769
STRATEGIC PROGRAMMES																				
Theatr Clwyd - Redevelopment	1,135									284	851							284	851	1,135
HOUSING & ASSETS																				
Affordable Housing	3,623	1,662	509					294	235	923								2,879	744	3,623
	28,719	5,883	1,846	1,520	2,324	1,073	1,975	1,860	1,431	1,759	1,647	392	5,533	529	219	60	668	13,076	15,643	28,719

AREA TOTAL 7,729 3,844 3,048 3,291 3,406 5,925 748 728

TOWN	REVISED	BUCI	KLEY	CONNAH	I'S QUAY	FLI	NT	HOLY	WELL	МС	DLD	QUEEN	SFERRY	SAL	TNEY	UNALLO	OCATED		TOTALS	
FUNDING	BUDGET	Internal	External	Internal	External	Internal	External	Internal	External	Internal	External	Internal	External	Internal	External	Internal	External	Internal	External	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
EXPENDITURE																				
HOUSING - HRA																				
SHARP	1,133	83						125		173		299				453		1,133	0	1,133
EDUCATION & YOUTH																				
Connah's Quay High School	307			112	195													112	195	307
Queensferry Campus	3,611											217	3,394					217	3,394	3,611
School Extension & Remodelling:-																				
Ysgol Glanrafon Castell Alun High School	1,075 3,286									195	880			3,286				195 3.286	880	1,075 3,286
Castell Alun right School	3,200													3,200				3,200	١	3,200
PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY																				
Solar PV Farms	2,911			1,456		1,455												2,911	0	2,911
SOCIAL CARE																				
Marleyfield EPH	8,223	4,443	3,780															4,443	3,780	8,223
STREETSCENE & TRANSPORTION																				
Highways Maintenance	2,782								25	50		232	108		175	992		1,274	1,508	2,782
Transport Grant Improvements to Standard Yard Waste Transfer Station	9,966 1,730	1,230	360 500		2,732		762	155	732		1,039		1,002		1,067		2,118	155 1.230	9,811 500	9,966 1,730
improvements to Standard Tard Waste Transfer Station	1,730	1,230	500															1,230	500	1,730
STRATEGIC PROGRAMMES																				
Theatr Clwyd - Redevelopment	1,837										1,837							0	1,837	1,837
HOUSING & ASSETS																				
County Hall demolition	1,146									1,146								1,146	0	1,146
Affordable Housing	8,300	2,100				1,200				3,200		1,800						8,300	0	8,300
	46,307	7,856	4,640	1,568	2,927	2,655	762	280	757	4,764	3,798	2,548	4,504	3,286	1,242	1,445	3,276	24,402	21,905	46,307
AREA TOTAL			12,496]	4,495	ſ	3,417		1,037		8,562	1	7,052	1	4,528		4,721		-	

TOWN	ACTUAL	BUC	KLEY	CONNA	I'S QUAY	FL	INT	HOLY	WELL	МС	DLD	QUEEN	SFERRY	SAL	TNEY	UNALL	OCATED		TOTALS	
FUNDING	TO DATE £000	Internal £000	External £000	Total £000																
EXPENDITURE																				
HOUSING - HRA																				
SHARP	906	83				33		156		217		386				31		906	0	906
EDUCATION & YOUTH																				ļ
Connah's Quay High School Queensferry Campus	182 546				182								546					0	182 546	182 546
Ysgol Glanrafon	308										308		040					ő	308	308
Castell Alun High School	1,654													1,654				1,654	0	1,654
SOCIAL CARE																				
Marleyfield EPH	6,768	2,988	3,780															2,988	3,780	6,768
PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY																				
Solar PV Farms	487					487												487	0	487
STREETSCENE & TRANSPORTION																				
Highways Maintenance	605		35		77		23		66		142		53		198		11	0	605	605
Transport Grant	4,259				12		153	82	481		50		2,288		842		351	82	4,177	4,259
STRATEGIC PROGRAMMES																				
Theatr Clwyd - Redevelopment	735										735							0	735	735
HOUSING & ASSETS																				
County Hall Demolition	1,012	4 407								1,012								1,012	0	1,012
Affordable Housing	2,228	1,407		_						821								2,228	0	2,228
	19,690	4,478	3,815	0	271	520	176	238	547	2,050	1,235	386	2,887	1,654	1,040	31	362	9,357	10,333	19,690
AREA TOTAL			8,293	1	271		696		785		3,285]	3,273]	2,694		393			

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AREA TOTAL

TOWN	FUTURE	BUC	KLEY	CONNAH	I'S QUAY	FL	INT	HOLY	WELL	МС) DLD	QUEEN	SFERRY	SAL	TNEY	UNALL	OCATED		TOTALS	
FUNDING	BUDGET	Internal	External	Total																
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
EXPENDITURE																				
HOUSING - HRA																				
SHARP	19,500							1,916		10		31				17,543		19,500	0	19,50
EDUCATION & YOUTH																				
Queensferry Campus	7,058											1,932	5,126					1,932	5,126	
Brynford CP	1,040							1,040										1,040	0	1,04
Castell Alun High School	2,851													2,851				2,851	0	2,85
Ysgol Croes Atti, Shotton	1,125			262	863													262	863	1,12
Joint Archive Facility, FCC and DCC	3,028									3,028								3,028	0	3,02
SOCIAL CARE																				
Marleyfield EPH	944	944																944	0	94
Foster Care Homes Adaptations	120															120		120	0	12
Mockingbird	688																688	0	688	68
PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY																				
Solar PV Farms	339			170		169												339	0	33
STREETSCENE & TRANSPORTION																				
Highways Asset Management Plan:-	1,200															1,200		1,200	0	1,20
Improvements to Standard Yard Waste Transfer Station	700	700																700	0	70
Greenfield Waste Management Infrastructure	450							450										450	0	45
STRATEGIC PROGRAMMES																				
Theatr Clwyd - Redevelopment	2,268									1,068	1,200							1,068	1,200	2,26
HOUSING & ASSETS																				
Affordable Housing	18,821															18,821		18,821	0	18,82
	60,132	1,644	0	432	863	169	0	3,406	0	4,106	1,200	1,963	5,126	2,851	0	37,684	688	52,255	7,877	60,13

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