

### Requests for Carry Forward of Funding – Final Outturn

#### Education & Youth

Request for carry forward of **£0.020m** underspend – for contribution to the costs of an additional Learning Adviser (post 16) temporary post for 2021-2022 to support schools with post 16 collaboration and also to lead on our Adult Community Learning developments. (Starting date 12th April). This will enable the funding of this work for a longer period. Circa £0.011m of this underspend is as a result of not needing this year to make an annual contribution to the Music Service for Easter and Summer Residential courses due to COVID.

Request to carry forward **£0.017m** from the reported £0.343m underspend on the Early Entitlement service (EES) - this is in part due to needing to pay less to settings (exceptional circumstances as a result of the pandemic) and also because we were unsure until this term whether or not WG would continue to provide the full top-up support received as a pilot LA. Assuming 21/22 is a normal year i.e. same as pre-covid and we receive full top-up support from WG (although this is not yet confirmed), EES would be in an underspend position of £0.140m. Without this top-up however, the underspend would diminish to an overspend of approx. £0.017m. The numbers of children accessing EES each year is also extremely difficult to predict, even in normal years, which is another reason why we experience such variance. The carry forward request of £0.017m will protect the increased staffing hours that we do need for additional support for settings and children with Additional Learning Needs, particularly in light of the additional support that will be needed from the team given that our very youngest children have had such a disrupted experience and have been least able to access online learning. This would however still leave a budget saving of £0.326m for this year from this service area.

Request from Archives for a further c/f of **£0.003m** following being approved initially as a c/f from 2019/20 to purchase a new microfilm reader. Purchase has not been possible due to office closures as a result of COVID-19.

Request to carry forward **£0.030m** to support the expansion of our Counselling service. We have received some WG funding to increase the capacity of the team however, we have significant waiting lists within the secondary school sector and increasing need within the primary cohort where our provision is extremely limited with the current service only delivers to pupils in Year 6. We are in the process of recruiting staff and the additional funding will be used to increase the provision to the primary sector.

Request to increase by **£0.037m** an agreed carry forward of £0.020m to £0.057m for Plas Derwen as there is a larger underspend than anticipated. The funding is required to support the move into the new building which will be completed in September 2021. The funding will be used to facilitate the move to the new build, e.g. staff cover, additional staff support and resources to enable a smooth transition.

**Total Education & Youth £0.107m**

### **Streetscene & Transportation**

Request to carry forward **£0.098m** in order to enable the large number of Principal inspections that were not completed last financial year due to a tender not being advertised due to COVID-19, being carried out early 2021/22. These inspections are carried out on Flintshire's main principal structures on a 6 year cycle to ensure safety and highlight any future maintenance. The intention is to procure the 50 outstanding inspections through the NMWTRA consultancy framework. Discussions with potential contractors have already taken place.

Fleet Workshop repairs for **£0.033m**. Quotes received in 2020/21 for repairs and floor painting have not taken place due to COVID-19, which are now due to be completed in 2021/22.

CCTV in Alltami Depot **£0.190m** – upgrade of CCTV hardware at all HRC sites and Alltami Depot, which was unable to be installed during 2020/21 due to the impact of COVID-19.

Small plant and machinery **£0.052m** – new and additional items of equipment for grounds and highways maintenance and cemetery/burials. Unfortunately, these were unable to be procured in 2020/21 due to delays as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Total Streetscene & Transportation £0.373m**

### **Housing & Assets**

Study of Castle Park and Greenfield Business park - request to carry forward **£0.015m** - A study has been commissioned which was expected to have been completed in 2020/21. The consultants have been appointed and have begun reviewing background material to inform the options appraisal but work isn't expected to be completed until part way through 2021/22.

Deeside Leisure Centre – request to carry forward **£0.004m** Feasibility Study It was agreed that a study commissioned by Aura would be part funded by way of a 2/3 contribution from the Council towards the total costs to be funded from an underspend on the Property and Asset budget. Phases 1 and 2 were completed in 2020/21 and costs paid by Aura with a 2/3 contribution being recharged to the Council. Works are ongoing on Stage 3 and a c/f of £3,800 as the Council's 2/3 contribution towards the remaining costs for Stage 3 of the study.

Clearance of Dee Park, Connah's Quay -request to carry forward funding of **£0.004m** from the underspend is requested to be c/f towards the costs of clean-up of Dee Park as a community safety initiative which are to be completed early in 2021/22.

**Total Housing & Assets £0.023m**

### **Planning Environment & Economy**

Request to carry forward an element of a WGLA COVID Grant allocated to Corporate Health & Safety from Schools **£0.005m** for Health & Safety training and PPE procurement.

**Total Planning Environment & Economy £0.005m**

### **Chief Executives**

Request to carry forward an underspend on the core funding Voluntary Sector budget this year of approximately **£0.016m**; this is allowing for the £0.010m being provided to the Deeside Community Trust. The underspend is due in the main to the dissolution of OWL plus some of the review work i.e. partnering organisations together who provide services to similar client groups. The additional criteria for the Community Chest relating to the pandemic recovery is leading to increased applications. The carry forward would further support the third sector who apply to the Community Chest.

**Total Chief Executive's £0.016m**

### **Governance**

Revenues: Request to carry forward **£0.117m** receipt of a further COVID Business Restrictions Fund Admin Grant received late March, 2021. This grant will be used to continue the Finance recovery objective of recovering income/debt over the following 12 months.

ICT: Request to carry forward **£0.151m** receipt of an additional payment for the HWB In Schools infrastructure Grant received late March, 2021.

**Total Governance £0.268m**

### **Social Services**

Children's Fostering, payment in lieu of respite days unable to be taken in 20/21 due to COVID-19 totalling **£0.097m**.

Children's Newly Qualified Social Workers, there were some NQSW employed in 20/21 on a temporary basis to assist with bringing down agency costs, a carry forward of **£0.087m** is requested to fund the retention of the NQSW who have not yet gained permanent employment

Adults; CHC Coordinator, this post is in the MTFs for 22/23 but would want to bring forward recruitment to 2021/22, a carry forward would fund this for 12 months totalling around **£0.047m**.

Adults; PARIS replacement/upgrade. Again there is MTFs pressure in 2022/23 but two posts are requested to be funded for 2021/22 to start work earlier for this totalling around **£0.084m**.

**Total Social Services £0.299m**

**Total Carry Forward Requests £1.091m**