

CYNGOR SIR CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL

Report to: Cabinet

Date of meeting: 11/03/25

Title: 24/25 Controllable Revenue Budget - Financial Performance - Quarter 3

Purpose of the report: To report on the 24/25 Revenue Budget - actual position to the end of December 2024 and forecasted year-end position.

For: Information

Cabinet Portfolio and Cabinet Member:
Councillor Gareth Davies, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement

1. **SUMMARY**

This report updates Cabinet on the financial performance for all Services in relation to the Council's 24/25 Controllable Revenue Budget of £193.6m. The Budgets for each Service are actively monitored and reviewed on a regular basis, in order to assess the timing of income and expenditure, as well as the forecasted year-end position and ensuring corrective action is taken wherever possible and as appropriate.

At this stage, a projected underspend is forecast for the year of £97k on the Controllable Budget. I.e. a balanced position is now expected to be achieved for the 24/25 financial year.

The headline in year challenges have included:

- a) Payaward and SCAPE Pensions risks.
- b) Significant cost pressures relating to high-cost complex Children's placements as previously reported.
- c) Significant costs still being incurred re agency staff needed to fulfil statutory front line roles within our Local Authority Residential Homes and also professional Social Worker roles, although there are signs of downward trends starting to emerge.
- d) The impacts of Storm Bert and Storm Darragh.

In addition there is:

- Delivering the £5.8m of in year savings.
- Impact of the increased Council Tax Premiums on Second Homes and Long Term Empty Properties

2. BUDGET PERFORMANCE - HEADLINE IN YEAR CHALLENGES

The following expands further:

- a) In year Payaward funding matters have been fully resolved both for NJC staff and Teachers. This is largely as a result of additional WG funding being received during Q3 of £1.263m and £388k respectively. In addition the SCAPE Pensions matter is also resolved by virtue of WG funding being received in line with expectations (Teachers - £1.296m and Fire levy - £87k).
- b) Out of County Children's placements – As at Q3 there has been no change in the number of residential placements (26)) nor college placements (10). The refurbishment of 2 properties into new in-county facilities is now complete and the next steps required to become operational are at an advanced stage. The average cost per residential placement currently stands at c£320k, with total gross expenditure now forecast to be c£9.3m on the 36 placements for 24/25. To partially mitigate the position £1.5m is being used from reserves (included within the projections) in order to manage the position.
- c) The use of agency staff within Social Care remains considerable due to continued recruitment challenges, with a net cost of £1.540m included within the financial projections across the Porth Through Age Services, against which £500k is being factored in from reserves to partially mitigate. This covers 41 frontline Social Care Worker roles as well as Care & Support Worker roles for the 24/7 shifts in the Council's Residential Care Homes. The forecasted net position has decreased by £227k since Q2 with a downward trend being seen in both Porth Cynnal (net cost of Professional Social worker roles) and also within the Council's Residential Care Homes (with the average cost decreasing by c£10k per week in Q3 relative to Q1 & Q2 combined).
- d) Storm Bert (23/11/24) and Storm Darragh (05/12/24) are currently projected to cost the Council in the region of £350k. This covers a range of initial emergency response costs plus then recovery phase related costs. It included deploying staff, the cost of a damaged vehicle, Aberystwyth Promenade repair works and emergency repair works to Council properties and other assets (including clearing a significant volume of trees and debris from roads, footpaths, bridleways and nature reserves). At present this cost estimate falls under the Council's threshold for being eligible for financial assistance from Welsh Government (£390k), therefore the full sum is included in the Year end forecast position.

3. BUDGET PERFORMANCE – KEY BENEFITS

At present there are underspends within:

- Finance & Procurement - £1.8m underspend is projected mainly in relation to the Treasury management budgets, combined with savings on the core F&P service budget.
- Schools & Lifelong Learning Service - £305k projected underspend due mainly to the benefit of temporary grant funding opportunities within Lifelong Learning.
- Porth Cymorth Cynnar - £283k projected underspend, mainly within the Housing part of the Service.

In addition, as part of the in-year funding announced from WG in December, a sum of just over £1m was announced for Education and Schools (on top of the £388k in relation to Teachers' Pay). This consisted of:

Heading	Ceredigion Share £'000	Notes
Increase in School Standards Grant	407	£389k Additional monies provided direct to Schools
Increase in Education Reform element of LAEG grant	311	£104k direct to Schools for ALNCO work. £207k for ALN Provision in Schools
School Repairs & Maintenance	361	Schools Capital Maintenance and Energy efficiency works via Capital Programme.
TOTAL	1,079	

Headteachers were notified of each School's share of the additional funding before Christmas. It is likely that the additional funding will result in slightly higher balances for some Schools at year-end.

4. BUDGET PERFORMANCE – BUDGET SAVINGS

The 24/25 Budget included £5.8m of savings across approximately 70 different items as approved by Full Council on 29/02/24. The current BRAG status for each item is shown in Appendix 2 and can be summarised as follows:

		£'000	%age	No. of items
Blue	Complete	3,014	52%	46
Green	On Track	1,903	33%	16
Amber	Partially on track but with some issues	322	5%	5
Red	Not on track and/or major issues and/or higher risk	554	10%	3
		5,793	100%	

In summary 62 items totalling £4.9m (85% of the savings) are either fully complete or fully on track, leaving 8 items totalling £0.9m (15% of the savings) either partly on track or Not on track as yet. The 3 remaining items in a Red status are shown overleaf:

Item Ref	Area of Service	Narrative	24/25 Savings / Income Value £'000	BRAG Status (29/01/25) and Latest Update
42	WG Weekly Charges for non-residential Care	Lobby WG to increase the weekly cap from £100 to £120	125	<i>Red</i> <i>Reversal of Item proposed in 25/26 Budget (note £63k one-off WG grant received in 24/25)</i>
36b	Libraries	Retain a presence in each of the 4 current towns but co-locate library provision with other Council Services wherever possible, combined with reviewing every location's opening hours - Lampeter component	35	<i>Red</i> <i>Reversal of Item proposed in 25/26 Budget</i>
70	Out of County Placements	Additional target to achieve from review of existing Placements and transitional arrangements to new in county facilities	394	<i>Red</i> <i>Reversal of Item proposed in 25/26 Budget</i>

Where Budget Reductions are only being achieved as a part year effect during 24/25, this is now reflected with the relevant Service's forecast position and each Service is expected to manage this as an in year financial management matter.

5. BUDGET PERFORMANCE – COUNCIL TAX (INCLUDING PREMIUMS)

With an increase in the Council Tax Premiums for Long Term Empty properties and Second Homes being effective from 01/04/24, the position is being very closely monitored to identify if / when trends start emerging.

The table overleaf shows that:

- There are now 142 less Long Term Empty Properties subject to a Council Tax premium compared to when the Council Taxbase was set for the 24/25 Budget on 31/10/23, with the decrease being particularly prominent in the 5 to 10 year (-37%) and over 10 year categories (-40%).
- There is now a small 1% decrease (13 less properties) that are Second Homes subject to a Council Tax premium compared to when the Council Taxbase was set for the 24/25 Budget on 31/10/23.

The latter is actually an upward movement from 31/10/24, mainly as a result of the Valuation Office continuing to assess Self Catering accommodation against the thresholds laid out by Welsh Government in the Non-Domestic Rating (Amendment of Definition of Domestic Property) (Wales) Order 2022. Namely the changes relating to 'available to let days' (increased to 252 days from 140 days) and 'actual let days' (increased to 182 days from 70 days).

	Premium %age	Number of Properties as at 31/10/23	Number of Properties as at 31/12/24	%age Change
<u>Long Term Empty Properties</u>				
Up to & including 5 years	100%	292	267	-9%
Over 5 years and up to & including 10 years	150%	171	107	-37%
Over 10 years	200%	133	80	-40%
Total		596	454	-24%
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Second Homes	100%	1,648	1,635	-1%

The following table shows a c1.25% lower level of Council Tax collection (as compared with the last 2 financial years) at this stage in the year. If this does not improve by year-end it could in theory equate to a shortfall of c£825k, however this would not crystallise immediately as collection would still continue in future periods after year-end.

<u>Overall In year Council Tax collection rate</u>	
22/23 Financial Year – up to 31/12/22	82.1%
23/24 Financial Year – up to 31/12/23	82.2%
24/25 Financial Year – up to 31/12/24	80.9%

Behavioural change was expected as a result of the new levels of Council Tax Premium as the over-riding policy intention was to bring properties back into permanently occupied residential use. However, the current trends (particularly more so on Second Homes) are not showing the overall level of decrease at the pace that had been assumed when setting the Budget. It is therefore highly likely that there will be a temporary financial benefit until the new policy approach starts achieving its intentions. This has the potential to be financially significant for 24/25 (indicatively c£840k for the 9 months to 31/12/24). This is therefore likely to be one avenue to provide temporary mitigation (where/if required) for any slippage in delivering in-year Budget savings and/or if there is no improvement in the Council Tax collection rate.

The take up on the [Ceredigion Community Housing \(Shared Equity\) Scheme](#) is also being closely monitored. The position to c10/01/25 is:

	Number	Value £'000
Total Enquiries	23	n/a
Applications Received	8	385
Applications Rejected / Withdrawn	1	44
Applications Work in Progress	-	-
Applications Approved	7	341
<i>Of which Applications Paid</i>	6	295

The funding for approved applications will come from the Community Housing reserve (current balance as at 01/04/24 of £2.557m) and when this reserve falls below £2.0m it would then be topped up annually back up to a maximum of £2.0m in line the parameters set by Full Council.

6. BUDGET PERFORMANCE – SERVICE POSITIONS

There have been some Budget Movements during Q3 and these are reflected in the Latest 24/25 Budget included within the overall Budget papers for Full Council on 03/03/25. In summary:

- Virements to all Services (including £58k for the Delegated Schools Budget) to reflect the additional £264k cost of the 24/25 NJC pay award compared with Budget - funded through part of the £1.263m WG in year grant.
- Balance of £1.263m WG grant to be set aside in reserves at year-end to provide additional resilience for Out of County Placements (£799k) and Social Worker Market Forces Supplements (£200k). Position to be reviewed at year-end.
- Virements to align various component parts of Porth Cynnal (reduced by £845k) and Porth Cynnal (increased by £845k). The largest part (£765k) related to the correct alignment of all Hafan y Waun budgets in one place under Porth Gofal in relation to its operation as a Council run Care Home.
- Virements to reduce Energy budgets of Services occupying buildings by £162k in total, as a result of reduced Electricity and Gas contract prices from 01/10/24. No reduction applied to Delegated Schools Budgets in year.

Most of the significant financial matters have already been referenced within this report. It should be noted that the Porth position has improved considerably by just over £600k since Q2:

Service	Q2 Year End Forecast	Q3 Year End Forecast	Change
Pyrrh Through Age Services			
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	244	283	39
Porth Cynnal	(948)	(792)	156
Porth Gofal	(715)	(299)	416
Total	(1,419)	(808)	611

The main reasons for this are:

- a downward trend of reducing agency staff cost starting to emerge both in Professional Social worker spend in Porth Cynnal and also Care & Support Worker Care Home role spend under Porth Gofal (The forecasted net position has decreased by £227k since Q2).
- Additional grant funding opportunities with Targeted & Short-Term Services.
- An improved position in relation to Direct Payments expenditure.

A breakdown of the 24/25 Controllable Budget position by Service is shown overleaf, with further explanation and detail then shown in Appendices A to N:

Service	Latest Budget £'000	Budget to December 2024 £'000	Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Variance to December 2024 £'000	Year End Forecast under/ (over) spend £'000	Year End Forecast under/ (over) spend £'000	Comment
Customer Contact & ICT	6,689	4,686	4,641	45		-	It is expected by the service to breakeven during the 2024/25 financial year. The Service is managing several in year challenges including the delivery of Budget Savings.
Democratic Services	5,201	3,924	3,833	91		60	At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.
Economy & Regeneration	3,738	2,955	2,791	164		-	At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.
Finance & Procurement	21,431	16,068	14,531	1,537		1,800	The service expects to underspend significantly, mostly stemming from Treasury management savings (£1.2m) combined with an underspend on the core F&P service (£400k)
Highways & Environmental Services	19,974	13,559	13,147	411		-	The Service continues to face various cost and income pressures up to the quarter 3 stage of this financial year, and at this point the strategy (within the Service) to reach a break-even budget by the end of 2024/25 is on target.
Legal & Governance Services	1,695	1,273	1,211	62		30	At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.
People & Organisation	2,419	1,736	1,776	(40)		(50)	At this stage in the year, there are no problem areas identified other than an overspend mainly on inherited Pension costs.
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	2,532	1,889	1,772	117		50	At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.

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<u>Pyrth Through Age Services</u>							
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	4,039	6,021	5,779	242	283		At this early stage in the year, the service is expecting an underspend of £283k mainly driven by a positive financial position in the Housing Service.
Porth Cynnal	37,891	28,601	29,245	(644)	(792)		The service mainly deals with the higher end complex cases and placements. There remain Recruitment challenges, despite the Council's terms and conditions being relatively attractive, with a net cost of £988k being projected within Porth Cynnal for agency staff covering frontline Social Worker roles, which is then being offset by a £800k contribution from reserves. Cost pressures resulting from higher costs and/or higher volumes are also being seen in the areas of Looked After Children, Learning Disability Floating Support & Physical Disability placements. Combined this is leading to a projected overspend of £792k for the year.
Porth Gofal	18,367	15,013	15,218	(205)	(299)		Social care continues to face recruitment challenges, despite the Council's terms and conditions being relatively attractive. This is resulting in a continued need to use agency staff in frontline Social Worker roles and Care & Support roles in our Residential Care Homes. Within Porth Gofal there is a £852k net overspend projected for agency costs. There are underspends within Domiciliary Care and the Enablement Team. Overall there is currently a projected overspend of £299k for the year.
Pyrth Through Age Services	60,297	49,635	50,242	(607)		(808)	Overall there is a £611k improvement in the Pyrth, partly due a trend of reducing agency costs and increased grant income

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Schools & Lifelong Learning	57,976	54,972	54,761	211		305	The Service is projecting an underspend mainly due to the benefit of grant funding within the Lifelong Learning part of the service.
Leadership Group	5,541	2,957	3,842	(885)		(1,290)	The Out of County placements budget remains under considerable pressure despite the development of the in county facilities. This is mainly due to increasing complexities/needs resulting in higher average placement costs. At this stage an overspend of £1.14m is anticipated (on projected gross expenditure of £9.3m) which includes using £1.5m from Reserves as a temporary mitigation. In addition there are estimated costs of c£350k in relation to Storm Bert & Storm Darragh which are also leading to a projected overspend.
Levies, C/Tax Premium & Reserves	6,079	4,005	4,017	(12)		-	The forecast is for a break-even position, although there may not be a need to make a transfer to the Community Housing Reserve.
Total Controllable Budget	193,572	157,658	156,564	1,094		97	

7. CONCLUSION

The financial landscape continues to be challenging, however within 24/25 the position has been significantly helped by c£3m of WG in year additional funding announced in December and all pay award and SCAPE pensions matters being fully resolved. With 85% (£4.9m) of the Budget Reductions required already complete or on track, significant progress has been made since the 24/25 Budget was set. Only 3 items now remain in a Red status, each of which is being considered as part of the 25/26 Budget setting process.

The position within Social Care has improved considerably since Q2 with the combined projected overspend position across the 3 Pwrth reducing from £1.4m to £0.8m. Whilst there is still a significant level of expenditure on agency staff (net cost of £1.54m projected for the year), and an ongoing recruitment challenge to fill essential frontline roles, it is pleasing to see the start of a downward trend in the net cost of agency staff emerging in several areas. The position in relation to Children's Out of County Placements under the LG budget is still highly significant at a projected £9.3m for the full year (gross expenditure), but the trend of significant increases in placements and costs each quarter does appear to have now broadly stabilised compared with previous quarters.

The Council Tax dynamic (which funds approx. 30% of the Council's Budget) is becoming more complex and multifaceted, however on balance it is likely to show a temporary financial benefit during 24/25, which would also assist the overall in year financial position at year-end.

The Council has a financially resilient balance sheet, with £44m of Earmarked Reserves and £6.7m in General Balances as at 31/03/24. However, relative to the Council's £193.6m budget, the combination of Earmarked Reserves and General Balances only affords approx. 3 months' worth of cover and Earmarked Reserves are projected to decline in a carefully managed way (e.g. Use of match funding as major capital schemes reach completion).

As a result of the latest forecast position, including the benefit of the additional WG funding, a balanced position is now expected to be achieved overall at year-end.

Wellbeing of Future Generations:

Has an Integrated Impact Assessment been completed? If not, please state why.

No

Summary of Integrated Impact Assessment:

Long term: Not applicable

Collaboration: Not applicable

Involvement: Not applicable

Prevention: Not applicable

Integration: Not applicable

Recommendation(s):

To note the overall Revenue position outlined in the report.

Reasons for decision:

To recognise the latest financial position.

Overview and Scrutiny:

Considered during the Budget setting process. These quarterly reports will also be on the agenda for each Scrutiny Committee, so that they can explore matters as appropriate and as relevant to their respective remit.

Policy Framework:

Medium Term Financial Strategy

Corporate Well-being Objectives:

The Budget supports the Strategic Objectives of the Council

Finance and Procurement implications:

Noted within the report

Legal Implications:

Part of the Section 151 officer's role and responsibility for the proper administration of the Council's financial affairs under Local Government Finance Act 1972.

Staffing implications:

Elevated levels of Pay awards would pose a risk of needing to review Council and Service priorities.

Property / asset implications:

n/a

Risk(s):

Risk of insufficient funding if there are significant overspends.

The 24/25 Budget process was incredibly challenging and the in year management of the Budget is no different. The medium term financial outlook is also challenging. The financial risk score therefore remains at the maximum possible score of 25 in the Corporate Risk Register.

Background Papers:

Revenue Budget 2024/25

Appendices:

- Appendix A: Customer Contact & ICT
- Appendix B: Democratic Services
- Appendix C: Economy & Regeneration
- Appendix D: Finance & Procurement
- Appendix E: Highways & Environmental Services
- Appendix F: Legal & Governance Service
- Appendix G: People & Organisation
- Appendix H: Policy, Performance & Public Protection
- Appendix I: Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Appendix J: Porth Cynnal
Appendix K: Porth Gofal
Appendix L: Schools & Lifelong Learning
Appendix M: Leadership Group
Appendix N: Levies, Council Tax Premium & Reserves

Corporate Lead Officer:

Duncan Hall - CLO: Finance & Procurement

Reporting Officer(s):

Duncan Hall, Justin Davies and Debbie Evans

Date:

16/02/25

Adroddiad ar yr hyn a Ragwelir o ran y Gyllideb Rhagfyr 2024 / Budget Forecast Report December 2024

Cyswilt Cwsmeriaid a TGCh / Customer Contact & ICT

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Alan Morris

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Disgwylir gan y gwasanaeth bydd y gyllideb yn mantoli yn ystod y flwyddyn ariannol 2024/25. Mae'r Gwasanaeth yn rheoli sawl her yn ystod y flwyddyn gan gynnwys cyflawni Arbedion Cyllideb.

It is expected by the service to breakeven during the 2024/25 financial year. The Service is managing several in year challenges including the delivery of Budget Savings.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
TGCh / ICT	4,020	2,682	2,669	13	59	Disgwylir i'r maes yma tanwario ychydig oherwydd nifer o fan newidynnau gwariant o fewn y Wasanaeth. This area is expected to underspend a little due to a number of minor expenditure variables with the Service.	I / L
Gwasanaethau Cwsmeriaid / Customer Services	1,601	1,204	1,114	90	79	Disgwylir i'r maes yma tanwario oherwydd trosiant staff. This area is expected to underspend due to staff turnover.	I / L
Gwasanaethau Cymunedol / Community Services	961	722	780	(58)	(138)	Nid yw rhai o'r arbedion a gyllidebwyd yn y maes hwn yn gwbl gyraeddadwy yn y Flwyddyn Ariannol hon. Some of the budgeted savings within this area are not fully achievable in this Financial Year.	C / M
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	107	78	78	-	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	6,689	4,686	4,641	45	-		

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Gwasanaethau Democraidd / Democratic Services

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Lowri Edwards

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Ar yr adeg hon o'r flwyddyn, nid oes problemau wedi'u nodi.

At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.

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Gwasanaethau Democraidd / Democratic Services	2,102	1,599	1,471	128	120	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. Rhagwelir arbedion yn y Gwasanaeth Cyfieithu a Lwfansau Aelodau. There are no problem areas identified at present. There are projected savings in the Translation Service & Members Allowances.	I / L
Cymorth Corfforaethol i Wasanaethau / Corporate Service Support	2,645	1,984	2,034	(50)	(60)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	454	341	328	13	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	5,201	3,924	3,833	91	60		

Adroddiad ar yr hyn a Ragwelir o ran y Gyllideb Rhagfyr 2024 / Budget Forecast Report December 2024

Economi ac Adfywio / Economy and Regeneration

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Russell Hughes-Pickering

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Ar yr adeg hon o'r flwyddyn, nid oes problemau wedi'u nodi.

At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.

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Gwasanaethau Eiddo / Property Services	2,868	2,237	2,295	(58)	-	Mae incwm Cyflogau Cafalaf yn parhau i fod yn isel ar y cam cynnar hwm yn y flwyddyn, yn bennaf oherwydd costau dichonoldeg a fydd, gobeithio, yn arwain at brosiectau. Capital Salaries income remains low at this early stage in the year, mainly due to feasibility costs which will hopefully lead on to projects.	C / M
Buddsoddiadau Economaidd Strategol / Strategic Economic Investments	339	174	23	151	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Twf a Menter / Growth & Enterprise	219	245	53	192	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Gwasanaethau Cynllunio / Planning Services	199	214	336	(122)	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	113	85	84	1	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	3,738	2,955	2,791	164	-		

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Cyllid a Chaffael / Finance and Procurement

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Duncan Hall

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

** Translate **

The service expects to underspend significantly, mostly stemming from Treasury management savings (£1.2m) combined with an underspend on the core F&P service (£400k)

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Gwasanaeth Cyllid a Chaffael / Finance & Procurement Service	4,068	2,785	2,525	260	400	** Translate ** There is a projected underspend on staffing budgets and also additional grant income generated.	I / L
Budd-daliadau Tai a Chynllun Cymorth Treth y Cyngor / Housing Benefits and Council Tax Support Scheme	7,272	7,272	7,008	264	200	Mae'r tanwariant a ragwelir yn ymwneud â Chynllun Cymorth Treth y Cyngor. The forecast underspend relates to the Council Tax Support Scheme	I / L
Yswiriant, Terfynu a Chostau Corfforaethol Eraill / Insurance, Termination & Other Corporate Costs	1,664	1,766	1,723	43	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Cyfrif Cyfalaf Corfforaethol / Corporate Capital Account	8,427	4,245	3,275	970	1,200	Mae'r llogau ar fuddsoddiadau a enillwyd yn uwch na'r hyn a gyllidwyd gan fod cyfraddau llog yn parhau'n uwch na'r hyn oedd wedi'i ragweld ac mae'r balansau arian parod ar gael i'w buddsoddi yn uwch na'r disgwyl. Yn ogystal, mae taliadau ar fenthyciadau yn is na'r hyn a gyllidwyd. There is higher than budgeted interest being generated on investments due to interest rates remaining higher than forecast and the cash balances available to invest being higher than forecast. In addition there are lower payments on loans than budgeted.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	21,431	16,068	14,531	1,537	1,800		

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Priffyrdd a Gwasanaethau Amgylcheddol / Highways and Environmental Services

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Rhodri Llwyd

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Mae'r Gwasanaeth yn parhau i wynebu pwysau costau ac incwm amrywiol hyd at y cam chwarter 3 o'r flwyddyn ariannol yma, ac ar hyn o bryd mae'r strategeth (o fewn y Wasanaeth) i gyrraedd gyllideb sydd yn mantoli erbyn diwedd 2024/25 ar y targed.

The Service continues to face various cost and income pressures up to the quarter 3 stage of this financial year, and at this point the strategy (within the Service) to reach a break-even budget by the end of 2024/25 is on target.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Casglu a Gwaredu Gwastraff / Waste Collection & Disposal	5,804	4,173	4,353	(179)	(169)	Pwysau incwm masnach is, effaith costau rheoli'r amhariadau casgluadaw gwastraff, a'r her arbedion o fewn yr ardal y Safleoedd Gwastraff Cartref. Pressure from lower trade waste income, the impact of managing the waste collection interruptions, and the savings challenge within the Household Waste Sites.	C/M
Parciau a gerddi, Glanhau Priffyrdd, Gwasanaethau Parcio, Harbws / Parks & Gardens, Highways Cleaning, Parking Services, Harbours	(1,061)	(937)	(443)	(494)	(743)	Pwysau incwm is o'r Gwasanaethau Parcio. Pressure from lower Parking Services income.	C/M
Cludiant Teithwyr Corfforaethol, Uned Cynnal a Chadw Trafnidiaeth / Corporate Passenger Transport, Transport Maintenance Unit	8,514	6,034	5,530	504	516	Rhagolwg tanwariant ar trafndiaeth cymdeithasol, ac hefyd mae effaith y cyllid y disgwylir o LIC i gefnogi costau uwch gwasanaethau bysiau Cyhoeddus. Forecast underspend on social transport, plus impact of the higher funding expected from WG to support increased Public bus services costs.	C/M
Cynnal a Chadw Priffyrdd, Caffael a Strategaeth, Peirianeg Arfordirol a Gwaith Draenio Tir / Highways Maintenance, Coastal Engineering & Land Drainage Procurement & Strategy	5,235	3,172	2,911	262	200	Tanwariant ar costau staff ac effaith incwm cryf o'r ardal Cau'r Ffyrdd'. An underspend on staffing costs, plus the impact of strong income from the Road Closure area.	I/L
Gwasanaethau Priffyrdd, Diogelwch y Ffordd, Rheoli Trafnidiaeth Rhanbarthol / Highways Services, Road Safety, Regional Transport Management	713	529	429	101	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I/L
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	769	587	368	219	196	Tanwariant oherwydd amcangyfrif swyddi gwag, hyd at ddiwedd y flwyddyn ariannol. An underspend due to staffing vacancies now forecast to the end of the financial year.	I/L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	19,974	13,559	13,147	411	-		

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Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Llywodraethu / Legal & Governance Services

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Elin Prysor

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Ar yr adeg hon o'r flwyddyn, nid oes problemau wedi'u nodi.
At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol / Legal Services	707	532	483	49	20	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Gwasanaethau Archwilio / Audit Services	701	526	505	21	20	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau (gan gynnwys Crwneriaid) / Service Management and Strategy (including Coroners)	287	215	223	(8)	(10)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	1,695	1,273	1,211	62	30		

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Pobl a Threfniadaeth / People & Organisation

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Geraint Edwards

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Ar hyn o bryd, nid oes unrhyw adran yn nodi problemau heblaw am orwariant o ran costau Pensiwn a Etifeddyd.

At this stage in the year, there are no problem areas identified other than an overspend mainly on inherited Pension costs.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (I, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Adnoddau Dynol / Human Resources	1,209	851	899	(48)	(50)	Mae costau pensiwn a chostau lechyd Galwedigaethol rhagamcanol i gael eu gorwario ar ddiwedd y flwyddyn. Pension costs and Occupational Health costs projected to be overspent at year end.	C/M
Profiad Gweuthiwr / Employee Experience	547	391	389	2	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	C/M
Dysgu a Datblygu / Learning and Development	577	429	423	6	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	C/M
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	86	65	65	-	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	2,419	1,736	1,776	(40)	(50)		

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Polisi, Pherfformiad a Amddiffyn y Cyhoed / Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Alun Williams

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Ar yr adeg hon o'r flwyddyn, nid oes problemau wedi'u nodi.

At this stage in the year there are no problem areas identified.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Partneriaethau a Pherfformiad / Partnerships & Performance	1,030	762	745	17	20	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Diogelu'r Cyhoedd / Public Protection	1,384	1,039	945	94	100	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	118	88	82	6	(70)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present. Additional funding is include for Software costs and short term staffing pressures.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	2,532	1,889	1,772	117	50		

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Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Greg Jones

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Ar ddechrau'r flwyddyn hon, roedd y gwasanaeth yn rhagweld tanwariant o £283mil yn bennaf oherwydd sefyllfa ariannol gadarn gan y Gwasanaeth Tai.

At this early stage in the year, the service is expecting an underspend of £283k mainly driven by a positive financial position in the Housing Service.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Gwasanaethau Cymorth Cynnar / Early Intervention Services	902	1,251	1,250	1	(8)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Gwasanaethau Tai / Housing Services	872	2,852	2,644	208	274	Mae'r tanwariant a ragwelir yn ymwneud yn bennaf ag incwm uwch na'r disgwyl (e.e. Incwm Budd-daliadau Tai ar gyfer llety dros dro a chyllid ECO felx ac Addasiadau i'r Anabl). The projected underspend mainly relates to higher than expected income (e.g. Housing Benefit income for temporary accommodation ECO Flex and DFG funding).	I / L
Canolfannau Lles / Wellbeing Centres	1,582	1,262	1,232	30	11	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. Mae incwm yn dechrau dangos arwyddion positif yn y Canolfannau Llesiant ac y mae bellach yn cyflawni lefelau cyn COVID. There are no problem areas identified at present. Income is starting to show encouraging signs in the Wellbeing Centres and is now hitting pre COVID levels.	C / M
Gwasanaeth Ieuencid Ceredigion / Youth Services	579	578	575	3	6	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd, mae'r tanwariant yn ymwneud â chyllidebau gweithwyr. There are no problem areas identified at present, the underspend relates to Employee budgets	I / L
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	104	78	78	-	-	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	4,039	6,021	5,779	242	283		

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Porth Cynnal

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Audrey Somerton Edwards

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY**Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:**

Mae'r gwasanaeth yn ymdrin yn bennaf a'r achosion a lleoliadau mwyaf cymhleth. Mae heriau recriwtio yn parhau, er bod telerau ac amodau'r Cyngor yn gymharol ddeniadol. Rhag-amcangyfrifir cost net o £988mil ar gyfer staff asiantaeth Porth Cynnal sy'n cwmpasu rolau Gweithwyr Cymdeithasol rheng flaen, sy'n cael ei wrdd gyda chyfraniad o £800mil o'r gronfa wrth gefn. Mae pwysau costau sy'n deillio o gostau uwch a/neu gyfeintiau uwch hefyd i'w gweld gan yr adrannau lleoliadau Pobl Hŷn, Byw â Chymorth, Gwasaniaethau Cymorth Anabledd Dysgu ac lleoliadau Anabledd Corfforol. Gyda'i gilydd, rhagwelir y bydd hyn yn arwain at orwariant o £792mil dros y flwyddyn llawn.

The service mainly deals with the higher end complex cases and placements. There remain Recruitment challenges, despite the Council's terms and conditions being relatively attractive, with a net cost of £988k being projected within Porth Cynnal for agency staff covering frontline Social Worker roles, which is then being offset by a £800k contribution from reserves. Cost pressures resulting from higher costs and/or higher volumes are also being seen in the areas of Looked After Children, Learning Disability Floating Support & Physical Disability placements. Combined this is leading to a projected overspend of £792k for the year.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Gofal wedi'i Gynllunio / Planned Care	16,696	12,758	13,476	(718)	(867)	<p>Mae'r gorwariant a ragwelir yn cynnwys cost net defnyddio staff asiantaeth a Thîm a Reolir (hyd at fis Rhagfyr 2024) gan roi gorwariant rhagamcanol o £533mil ar ôl defnyddio £300mil o gronfeydd wrth gefn. Yn gyffredinol, gan gynnwys costau asiantaeth, rhagwelir y bydd gorwariant o £821mil ar y tîm LAC ac Asesu Plant a Theuluocedd. Mae yna hefyd orwariant rhagamcanol o £354mil ar leoliadau Plant sy'n Derbyn Gofal, yn bennaf oherwydd y defnydd o ddarparwyr Asiantaethau Maethu Annibynnol, ac hefyd ar Ofalwyr - Cleientiaid Etifeddol (£88mil). Mae'r gorwariant hwn wedi'i wrthbwysu'n rhannol gan danwariant a ragwelir ar Leoliadau Preswyl Pobl Hŷn (£294mil) ac ar welyau Pobl Hŷn (£199mil).</p> <p>The projected overspend includes the net cost of using agency staff and a Managed Team (to December 2024) giving a projected overspend of £533k after using £300k of reserves. Overall, inclusive of the agency costs, the LAC and Children and Family Assessment team are projected to be overspent by £821k. There is also a projected overspend on the LAC placements of £354k, mainly due to the use of Independent Foster Agency providers, and also on Carers - Legacy Clients (£88k). These overspends have been partially offset by a projected underspend on Older Persons Residential Placements (£294k) and on Older Persons Beds (£199k).</p>	U / H
Cymorth Estynedig / Extended Support	15,380	11,515	11,621	(106)	(159)	<p>Rydyn yn rhagamcanu gorwariant gan y gwasanaeth. Rhagwelir gorwariant ar Gwelyau Anableddau Corfforol (£210mil) ac Gwasaniaethau Cymorth Anableddau Dysgu (£114mil). Mae'r rhain wedi'i wrthbwysu'n rhannol gan danwariant net ar Daliadau Uniongyrchol (£135mil).</p> <p>An overspend is projected on the service. The overspend mainly relates to PD Beds (£210k) and LD Floating Support (£114k). These have been partially offset by a net underspend relating to Direct Payments (£135k).</p>	U / H

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION							
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Lles Meddyliol / Mental Wellbeing	4,444	2,953	2,850	103	108	<p>Rhagwelir gorwariant yn y gwasanaeth yma. Yn bennaf oherwydd tanwariant ar welyau lechyd Meddwl (wedi'u wrthbwysu'n rhannol gan ddau leoliad newydd) a fydd yn creu tanwariant a ragwelir o £89mil. Mae disgwyl bydd yna hefyd tanwariant ar y tîm lechyd Meddwl (£85k). Mae hyn wedi'i wrthbwysu gan orwariant ar adrannau eraill o'r gwasanaeth, yn bennaf ar daliadau Uniongyrchol (£60mil).</p> <p>There is an underspend projected, MH Beds mainly due to 4 placements ending since budgets were set (partially offset by two new placements) giving a projected underspend of £89k. There is also a projected underspend on the Mental Health team (£85k). These have been offset by overspends on other codes, primarily an overspend on MH Direct Payments (£60k)</p>	C / M
Diogelu / Safeguarding	970	622	831	(209)	(243)	<p>Mae'r gorwariant yn ymwneud yn bennaf â chostau staffio ac asiantaeth ychwanegol yn y tîm Diogelu.</p> <p>The overspend mainly relates to additional agency and staffing costs in the Safeguarding team</p>	C / M
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	401	753	467	286	369	<p>Mae cyfraniad o £500mil o gronfeydd wrth gefn wedi cael ei ystyried i wrthbwysu'n rhannol y £688mil net o gostau staff asiantaeth a ragwelir ar draws y Gwasanaeth.</p> <p>A £500k contribution from reserves has been factored in to partly offset the net £688k of agency staff costs projected across the Service.</p>	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	37,891	28,601	29,245	(644)	(792)		

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Porth Gofal

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Donna Pritchard

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Mae gofal cymdeithasol yn parhau i wynebu heriau recriwtio, er bod telerau ac amodau'r Cyngor yn gymharol ddeniadol. Mae hyn yn arwain at barhâd yn yr angen i ddefnyddio staff asiantaeth ar gyfer rolau Gweithwyr Cymdeithasol rheng flaen a rolau Gofal a Chymorth yn ein Cartrefi Gofal Preswyl. Rhag-amcanwyd gorwariant net o £852mil ar gyfer costau asiantaethau ym Mhorth Gofal. Mae tanwariant yn yr adran Gofal Cartref a'r Tim Galluogi. Ar y cyfan, rhagwelir gorwariant ar hyn o bryd o £299mil dros y flwyddyn gyfan.

Social care continues to face recruitment challenges, despite the Council's terms and conditions being relatively attractive. This is resulting in a continued need to use agency staff in frontline Social Worker roles and Care & Support roles in our Residential Care Homes. Within Porth Gofal there is a £852k net overspend projected for agency costs. There are underspends within Domiciliary Care and the Enablement Team. Overall there is currently a projected overspend of £299k for the year.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Gwasanaethau Uniongyrchol / Direct Services	8,284	6,379	6,464	(85)	(106)	Rhagwelir gorwariant gan y gwasanaeth hwn yn bennaf oherwydd y defnydd o weithwyr gofal Asiantaeth yn y cartrefi preswyl a gaiff ei wrthbwyo i raddau gan swyddi gwag yn y rolau hyn (sef gorwariant net o £142mil). There is an overspend projected on this service due mainly to the use of Agency care workers in the residential homes being somewhat countered by vacant posts in these roles (net effect of £142k overspend).	U / H
Gwasanaethau Tymor Byr ac wedi'u Targedu / Targeted and Short Term Services	7,920	6,615	6,315	300	400	Mae'r Gwasanaeth Galluogi yn cario swyddi gwag ar hyn o bryd ac mae hefyd wedi derbyn cyllid gan y Gronfa Buddsoddi Ranbarthol ar gyfer darparu gwasanaethau sy'n arwain at danwariant amcangyfrifol o £399mil. Disgwylir hefyd tanwariant ar y Tim Therapi Galwedigaethol oherwydd heriau recriwtio yn arwain at swyddi gwag (£232k). Mae'r tanwariant hwn wedi'i wrthbwyo rhywfaint gan orwariant amcangyfrifol ar wariant y Storfa Offer (£87k), oherwydd cynnydd yn y galw am leoliadau ym Maes y Môr (£143k). Enablement Service is currently carrying vacancies and has also received RIF funding for the provision of services leading to a projected underspend of £399k. There is also an expected underspend on the Occupational Therapy Team, due to recruitment challenges leading to vacant posts (£232k). These underspends have been somewhat countered by a projected overspend on the Equipment Store expenditure (£87k), due to an increase in demand, placements at Maes y Mor (£143k).	C / M

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION							
Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwirariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Gwananaethau Asesu a Brysbennu Integredig / Integrated Triage and Assessment Services	1,676	1,534	1,946	(412)	(571)	Mae costau ychwanegol staff Asiantaeth yn y rhan hon o'r gwasanaeth wedi'u gwrthbwyso gan rai arbedion oherwydd swyddi gwag, mae hyn yn bennaf o fewn y tîm Brysbennu Porth Gofal. Bydd yr incwm grant yn y gyllideb sylfaenol a dybir hefyd yn cael ei adolygu. There are additional costs of Agency staff in this part of the service offset by some savings from vacant posts, this is primarily within the Porth Gofal Triage team. Grant income assumed in the base budget is also under review.	U / H
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	487	485	493	(8)	(22)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	18,367	15,013	15,218	(205)	(299)		

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Ysgolion a Dysgu Gydol Oes / Schools & Lifelong Learning

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Elen James

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Mae'r Gwasanaeth yn amcan tanwariant yn bennaf oherwydd grantiau ychwanegol o fewn Gwasanaeth Dysgu Gydol Oes.

The Service is projecting an underspend mainly due to the benefit of grant funding within the Lifelong Learning part of the service.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Gwasanaeth Service	Y Gyllideb Ddiweddaraf Latest Budget £'000	Cyllideb hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Budget to December 2024 £'000	Gwir wariant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Actuals to December 2024 £'000	Amrywiant hyd at Rhagfyr 2024 Variance to December 2024 £'000	Rhagolygon Diwedd y Flwyddyn tan/(gor) wariant Year End Forecast under/(over) spend £'000	Esboniad o'r gorwariant/tanwariant a ragwelir a lefel y risg Explanation of forecast over/under spend & the level of risk	Lefel y risg (L, C neu U) Level of risk (L, M or H)
Ysgolion Cynradd / Primary Schools	20,409	20,409	20,409	-	-	Mae'r cyllid i gyd yn cael ei ddirprwyo i Gyrrff Llywodraethol Ysgolion o 1 Ebrill. All funding is delegated to School Governing Bodies wef 1 April.	I / L
Ysgolion Uwchradd / Secondary Schools	16,307	16,307	16,307	-	-		I / L
Ysgolion Pob Oed / All-through Schools	12,305	12,305	12,305	-	-		I / L
Gwella Ysgolion / School Improvement	1,803	855	990	(135)	(123)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd, mae'r gorwariant oherwydd salwch tymor hir staff There are no problem areas identified at present, overspend is due to staff on long term sickness	I / L
Adnoddau Dysgu / Learning Resources	359	243	210	33	28	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Anghenion Dysgu Ychwanegol / Additional Learning Needs	2,160	1,683	1,556	127	155	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd, mae'r tanwariant yn ymwneud â chyllidebau gweithwyr, grantiau UKSPF, ac arbedion ar cludiant ADY There are no problem areas identified at present, the underspend relates to Employee budgets, UKSPF Grants, and savings on ALN Transport	C / M
Gwasanaethau Diwylliannol / Cultural Services	1,047	656	694	(38)	(37)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd, mae'r gorwariant oherwydd incwm mynediad amgueddfa yn llai na'r disgwyl There are no problem areas identified at present, the overspend is due to Museum income less than expected	I / L
Dysgu Gydol Oes / Lifelong Learning	589	513	309	204	266	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd, mae'r tanwariant yn ymwneud â chyllidebau gweithwyr, a grantiau UKSPF sydd yn parhau tan Chwefror nawr There are no problem areas identified at present, the underspend relates to Employee budgets and UKSPF Grants which have been extended to February now	I / L

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION							
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Ymgysylltu a Chyrhaeddiad / Engagement and Attainment	1,660	1,030	968	62	103	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd, mae'r tanwariant yn ymwneud â chyllidebau gweithwyr, a grantiau UKSPF. There are no problem areas identified at present, the underspend relates to Employee budgets and UKSPF Grants.	I / L
Uned Arlwygo Gorfforaethol / Corporate Catering Unit	1,024	419	419	-	(32)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd, mae'r gorwariant oherwydd 83% sydd ar UPFSM wedi cyllido ar 95%. Mae £60k tanwaraint oherwydd cau Tregerddan There are no problem areas identified at present, the overspend is due to 83% uptake on UPFSM, budgeted on 95%. £60k of underspend is from Tregerddan	I / L
Rheoli'r Gwasanaethau a Strategaeth y Gwasanaethau / Service Management and Strategy	313	552	594	(42)	(55)	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	57,976	54,972	54,761	211	305		

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Arweiniol / Leadership

Brif Weithredwr / Chief Executive : Eifion Evans

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

Mae'r gyllideb lleoliadau y Tu Allan i'r Sir yn parhau dan bwysau sylweddol er gwaethaf datblygiad cyfleusterau o fewn y sir. Mae hyn yn bennaf oherwydd cymhlethdodau/anghenion cynyddol gan arwain at gostau lleoliad uwch ar gyfartaledd. Ar hyn o bryd rhagwelir gorwariant o £1.14m (ar wariant gros rhagamcanol o £9.3m), sy'n cynnwys defnyddio £1.5m o'r cronfeydd wrth gefn. Yn ogystal, amcangyfrifir costau o tua £350k mewn perthynas â Storm Bert a Storm Darragh sydd hefyd yn arwain at orwariant a ragwelir.

The Out of County placements budget remains under considerable pressure despite the development of the in county facilities. This is mainly due to increasing complexities/needs resulting in higher average placement costs. At this stage an overspend of £1.14m is anticipated (on projected gross expenditure of £9.3m) which includes using £1.5m from Reserves as a temporary mitigation. In addition there are estimated costs of c£350k in relation to Storm Bert & Storm Darragh which are also leading to a projected overspend.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Gŵp Arweiniol / Leadership Group	519	389	354	35	50	Ni nodwyd unrhyw faes a oedd yn achosi problem ar hyn o bryd. There are no problem areas identified at present.	I / L
Arbedion Corfforaethol / Corporate Savings	(269)	(1,264)	(1,264)	-	-	** Translation ** £1.263m of funding has been received from WG for in year NJC pay pressures. It is currently planned to put £1.0m of this into reserves at year-end.	C / M
Cyllid wrth gefn / Contingencies	249	50	38	12	(200)	** Translation ** The budget will be able to fund the first £150k of costs incurred in relation to Storm Bert & Darragh - but a further £200k of spend would have to be funded from underspends from other budgets, as it is below the WG's threshold for financial support.	C / M
Lleoliadau y tu allan i'r Sir / Out of County Placements	5,042	3,782	4,714	(932)	(1,140)	Ceir 26 lleoliad preswyl a 10 lleoliad coleg. Disgwylir i'r cyfleusterau newydd o fewn y sir gychwyn yn weithredol yn ystod Ch4 o 24/25. Mae'r gost cyfartalog fesul lleoliad wedi cynyddu i oddeutu £320mil. Ar hyn o bryd rhagwelir gwariant gros o £9.3miliwn gyda £1.5mil o'r gronfeydd wrth gefn a dybir, ochr yn ochr â symud i'r cyfleusterau o fewn y sir. There are 26 residential placements and 10 college placements. The new in-county facilities are due to start becoming ready during Q4 of 24/25. Average cost per placement has increased to c£320k. Gross expenditure currently forecast to be c£9.3m with £1.5m from reserves assumed alongside the transition to the in-county facilities.	U / H
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	5,541	2,957	3,842	(885)	(1,290)		

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Ardollau, Premiwm Treth y Cyngor a Chronfeydd / Levies, Council Tax Premium and Reserves

Swyddog Arweiniol / Corporate Lead Officer : Duncan Hall

1. CRYNODEB / SUMMARY

Diwedd y Flwyddyn / Year End Forecast:

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The forecast is for a break-even position, although there may not be a need to make a transfer to the Community Housing Reserve.

2. GWYBODAETH ARIANNOL / FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Ardollau / Levies	5,464	4,005	4,005	-	-	Pan osodwyd y gyllideb, rhagdybiwyd y byddai'r Cyngor yn derbyn cyllid grant o £87mil yn uniongyrchol o Lywodraeth Cymru mewn perthynas â chynnydd yng nghyfraniadau'r cyflogwyr i bensiynau'r Gwasanaeth Tân - derbyniwyd ym mis Rhagfyr. When the budget was set it was assumed that the Council would receive grant funding direct from WG for £87k in relation to an increase in Firefighters pensions employers contributions - this was recieved in December.	C / M
Premiwm Treth y Cyngor / Council Tax Premium	615	-	12	(12)	-	Bydd y swm a fydd yn cael ei drosglwyddo i'r Cynllun Tai Cymunedol wrth gefn yn ddibynnol ar y balans wrth gefn ar ddiwedd y flwyddyn. Y balans ar 01/04/24 yw £2.557miliwn ac ychwanegir ato yn unig os bydd yn disgyn o dan £2.0miliwn. Bydd y potensial ar gyfer tanwariant yn cael ei adolygu wrth i'r flwyddyn fynd yn ei blaen. The amount that will be transferred into the Community Housing Reserve will depend on the balance on the reserve at the end of the year. The balance available as at 01/04/24 is £2.557m and this will only be topped up if it falls below £2.0m. The potential for an underspend here will be reviewed as the year progresses.	I / L
Balansau a Chronfeydd wrth gefn / Balances & Reserves	-	-	-	-	-	Nid oes unrhyw feysydd problemus wedi'u nodi ar hyn o bryd. Bydd unrhyw drosglwyddiad i / o'r Gronfa Gyffredinol yn cael ei ystyried ar ddiwedd y flwyddyn pan fydd sefyllfa gyffredinol y Cyngor yn hysbys. There are no problem areas identified at present. Any transfer to / from the General Fund will be considered at year end when the overall position for the Council is known.	C / M
CYFANSWM / TOTAL	6,079	4,005	4,017	(12)	-		

Budget Reductions Proposals (approved by Full Council 29/02/24)

Item Ref	Service	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Area of Service	Narrative	24/25 Revenue Savings / Income Value £'000	BRAG Status (29/01/25)
1	Finance & Procurement	Corporate Resources	NNDR Discretionary Relief	Reduce existing budget headroom and scale back support from 01/04/25 to focus solely on Ceredigion based organisations combined with a maximum award level	10	Blue
2	Finance & Procurement	Corporate Resources	Community Grants Scheme	Reduction in the Scheme's scope to only provide revenue grants via the Welsh Church Fund and the Capital grant budget to be reduced from £200k to £100k	26	Blue
3	Finance & Procurement	Corporate Resources	Insurance	Operational Savings	50	Blue
4	Finance & Procurement	Corporate Resources	Treasury Management	Continued delivery of Treasury Management Savings - Interest Paid on borrowing / Investment Income	365	Blue
5	Finance & Procurement	Corporate Resources	Council Tax Reduction Scheme	Operational Savings based on current volumes	200	Blue
6	Finance & Procurement	Corporate Resources	WG Child Burial & Cremation Grant	Operational Savings - Grant expected to be transferred into Final Settlement, minimal annual spend	15	Blue
7	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Support & Prevention	Operational Savings from Income generation e.g. Climbing Wall	6	Green
8	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Support & Prevention	Operational Savings - Use alternative Minibus arrangements	8	Green
9	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Support & Prevention	Review of locations used for Youth Clubs, together with looking at a greater use of Volunteers	10	Blue
10	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Wellbeing Centres	Greater Commercial Income generation	75	Green
11	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Housing	Operational Savings - maximimise ECO scheme income	10	Green
12	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Housing - Homelessness	Reduce number of properties leased in and move to freehold owned properties, combined with a review of Temporary Accomodation Management Fees paid to external Providers	60	Green
13	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Carers & Community	Review use of Penparcau Family Centre building	5	Blue
14	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Support & Intervention	Operational Savings from reviewing Youth Service and Parent and Family SLAs	33	Blue
15	Porth Cymorth Cynnar	Healthier	Energy Savings	Anticipated savings from lower Gas prices from October 23 (indicative 13%)	15	Blue
16	Porth Cynnal	Healthier	Review of Carers Sitting Service	Reduce the level of Budget provision from £255k to £150k and to form part of the wider Day Services & Respite Review	105	Amber
17	Porth Cynnal	Healthier	Meals at Home	Cease directly operating the service and signpost to external Providers from April 2024 onwards	18	Blue
18	Democratic Services	Corporate Resources	Translation	Operational savings to reduce the level of external Translation	15	Blue
19	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Culture - Music Service	Operational savings / efficiencies	10	Blue
20	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Culture - Theatre Felinfach	Operational savings / efficiencies from vacant post(s)	63	Blue
21	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Culture - Arts Support	Terminate current Service Level Agreements with Aberystwyth Arts Centre (£30k) & Theatr Mwdan (£14k)	44	Blue
22	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Culture - Ceredigion Museum	Operational savings / efficiencies from vacant post(s)	26	Blue
23	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Culture - Ceredigion Museum	Introduce Fees & Charges in order to visit Ceredigion Museum	60	Amber
24	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Culture - Ceredigion Museum	Seek interest parties to operate Ceredigion Museum on a Charitable / Trust basis	25	Amber
25	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Core Staffing	Review of S&LLL Central Structure	259	Green
26	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Corporate Catering Unit	Outcome of WG Universal Free School Meals Unit Rate increasing from £2.90 to £3.20 from January 24 (reduces the level of Council subsidy Council)	150	Blue
27	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Energy Savings - Retained Budget	Anticipated savings from lower Gas prices from October 23 (indicative 13%)	3	Blue
28	Schools & Lifelong Learning	Learning	Energy Savings - Delegated Schools	Anticipated savings from lower Gas prices from October 23 (indicative 13%)	56	Blue
29	People & Organisation	Corporate Resources	Various	Operational savings / efficiencies	20	Blue
30	Legal & Governance	Corporate Resources	Various	Operational savings / efficiencies	19	Blue
31	Policy, Performance & Public Protection	Healthier	Community Warden Service	Cease operating a Community Warden Service (No Pest control function just statutory Stray Dogs aspect to be fulfilled) (Fleet element - c£10k)	64	Blue
32	Policy, Performance & Public Protection	Corporate Resources	Supplies & Services	Operational savings to reduce 3rd Party spend	6	Blue
33	Customer Contact, ICT & Digital	Corporate Resources	Mobile Phones / Connections	Operational savings from a reduction in Mobile Phones / IT Connections	55	Blue
34	Customer Contact, ICT & Digital	Corporate Resources	Zoom licence	Operational savings from fully moving to Microsoft Teams	9	Blue
35	Customer Contact, ICT & Digital	Corporate Resources	Printing & Post	Operational efficiencies through reviewing Post Room and Reprographics Services	32	Amber
36a	Customer Contact, ICT & Digital	Corporate Resources	Libraries	Retain a presence in each of the 4 current towns but co-locate library provision with other Council Services where-ever possible, combined with reviewing every location's opening hours - Abeaeron component	35	Green
36b	Customer Contact, ICT & Digital	Corporate Resources	Libraries	Retain a presence in each of the 4 current towns but co-locate library provision with other Council Services where-ever possible, combined with reviewing every location's opening hours - Lampeter component	35	Red

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37	Customer Contact, ICT & Digital	Corporate Resources	Libraries - Schools Support	Cease the additional Libraries support provided to Schools (This does not affect the Library provision that each School themselves currently operates)	47	Blue
38	Customer Contact, ICT & Digital	Corporate Resources	Mobile Library service	Reduce the current operation from 3 core vehicles + 1 delivery van down to 2 core vehicles.	70	Blue
39	Porth Gofal	Healthier	LA Residential Care Homes	Review collaborative approaches with Health Board etc to maximise the use of Hafan y Waun, Aberystwyth	100	Green
40	Porth Gofal	Healthier	LA Residential Care Homes	Review the future options for Tregerddan Care Home in Bow Street	250	Blue
41	Porth Gofal	Healthier	Day Services	Future Day Services & Respite service to be designed to cost no more than £1.250m pa	500	Green
42	Porth Gofal	Healthier	Charges for non-residential Care	Lobby WG to increase the weekly cap from £100 to £120	125	Red
43	Porth Gofal	Healthier	Energy Savings	Anticipated savings from lower Gas prices from October 23 (indicative 13%)	21	Blue
44	Economy & Regeneration	Thriving	Public Conveniences	Review of Public Toilets - Combination of increased Fees & Charges, possible closure, reduce running costs or transfer to Town & CTTY Councils where appropriate	100	Blue
45	Economy & Regeneration	Corporate Resources	Energy Savings	Anticipated savings from lower Gas prices from October 23 (indicative 13%)	25	Blue
46	Economy & Regeneration	Corporate Resources	Operational Office Buildings	Continue to maximise the range of public facing services in Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth and Penmorfa Aberaeron and seek alternative uses for County Hall, Aberaeron (£150k already assumed in the 23/24 base budget)	50	Green
47	Economy & Regeneration	Corporate Resources	Corporate Estate / Commercial Buildings and Use of Space	Continued maximisation of income opportunities including recovering all costs, following up rent reviews, retain v sell v repurpose considerations	100	Green
48	Economy & Regeneration	Corporate Resources	Energy Schemes	Reduced running costs following capital investment in Energy Schemes - ranging from WG Re:Fit scheme to Solar PVs on key buildings (£125k already assumed in the 23/24 base budget)	100	Green
49	Economy & Regeneration	Thriving	Various	Other Operational Savings / Efficiencies	14	Blue
50	Economy & Regeneration	Thriving	Building Regulations / Land Charges	Increased Income linked to Fees & Charges	30	Blue
51	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Highways Surface Dressing Programme	Reduce Revenue Contribution to Capital by £250k and replace with core Capital funding (no overall expenditure reduction)	250	Blue
52	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Highways Surface Dressing Programme	Reduce Revenue Contribution to Capital by a further £120k with a corresponding £120k reduction in Capital expenditure)	120	Blue
53	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Transport	Remove budget for Bwcabus contribution now that WG have withdrawn funding for the scheme	70	Blue
54	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Streetlighting	Introduce automatic Streetlighting dimming	35	Blue
55	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Arriva Site, Aberystwyth	Convert site to car parking in the short term by extending Maes yr Afon Car park	50	Green
56	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Parking on the Promenade in Aberystwyth	Introduce Fees & Charges for the Promenade as part of a new Fees & Charges Car Parking charges structure	400	Green
57	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Car Parking - Fees & Charges	New Fees & Charges structure with principles to include charging all year round, Peak / Off peak tiering, Charging beyond 8am to 6pm, Premium locations, simpler charging periods (To be subject to a further Cabinet report)	125	Green
58	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Harbours - Fees & Charges	Continued move to Full Cost Recovery to eliminate any Council Subsidy plus New Additional Fees for Commercial Passenger Boats	75	Blue
59	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Other Fees & Charges	Increase other H&ES Fees & Charges by inflation (E.g. Road Closures, Section 38)	100	Blue
60	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Community Glass Banks	Replace Community Glass Banks with Council owned bins and Council vehicles to empty	40	Blue
61	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Waste Service	Operational savings - stop producing Waste Calendars	20	Blue
62	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Waste Service	Limit the number of black bags collected from each household	25	Green
64	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Grounds Maintenance	Stop undertaking seasonal Grounds Maintenance work and/or transfer to Town & Community Councils	84	Blue
65	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Street Cleaning	Stop undertaking seasonal Street Cleaning work and/or transfer to Town & Community Councils	32	Blue
66	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Winter Gritting	Review and reduce Winter Gritting routes for Winter 2024 (10% reduction = c£25k)	25	Blue
67	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Household Waste Sites	Review of opening hours across all Household Waste Sites, including closure of 1 Site	100	Amber
68	Highways & Environmental Services	Thriving	Residual Waste Contract	Provisional outcome from new contract procurement (to be considered by 20/02/24 Cabinet)	300	Blue
69	Economy & Regeneration	Corporate Resources	Business Rates Saving	Heat Relief on 2 Biomass facilities	19	Blue
70	Leadership Group	Healthier	Out of County Placements	Additional target to achieve from review of existing Placements and transitional arrangements to new in county facilities	394	Red

TOTAL:

5,793

Budget Reductions Proposals (approved by Full Council 29/02/24)

Item Ref	Service	Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Area of Service	Narrative	24/25 Revenue Savings / Income Value £'000	BRAG Status (29/01/25)
			<i>Blue</i>	<i>Complete</i>	3,014	52%
			<i>Green</i>	<i>On Track</i>	1,903	33%
			<i>Amber</i>	<i>Partially on track but with some issues</i>	322	6%
			<i>Red</i>	<i>Not on track and/or major issues and/or higher risk</i>	554	10%
			TOTAL		5,793	100%