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#### **Dear Councillor**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the CABINET to be held at 10.00 am on TUESDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2015 in CONFERENCE ROOM 1A, COUNTY HALL, RUTHIN.

Yours sincerely

G Williams Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services

#### **AGENDA**

## PART 1 - THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS PART OF THE MEETING

#### 1 APOLOGIES

#### **2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** (Pages 3 - 4)

Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at this meeting.

#### 3 URGENT MATTERS

Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

#### **4 MINUTES** (Pages 5 - 10)

To receive the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 24 November 2015 (copy enclosed).

## 5 CORPORATE PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT QUARTER 2 - 2015/16 (Pages 11 - 52)

To consider a report by Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill, Lead Member for Finance, Corporate Plan and Performance (copy enclosed) presenting an update on the delivery of the Corporate Plan 2012 – 17 as at the end of quarter 2 of 2015/16.

#### **6 FINANCE REPORT** (Pages 53 - 68)

To consider a report by Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill, Lead Member for Finance, Corporate Plan and Performance (copy enclosed) detailing the latest financial position and progress against the agreed budget strategy.

#### 7 CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 69 - 72)

To receive the enclosed Cabinet Forward Work Programme and note the contents.

#### **PART 2 - CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** 

It is recommended in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business because it is likely that exempt information (as defined in paragraphs 14 and 16 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act) would be disclosed.

## **8 21 - 26 WEST PARADE, RHYL (FORMER HONEY CLUB SITE)** (Pages 73 - 94)

To consider a confidential report by Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill, Lead Member for Finance, Corporate Plan and Performance (copy enclosed) regarding 21 – 26 West Parade, Rhyl.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### Councillors

Hugh Evans Julian Thompson-Hill Eryl Williams Bobby Feeley Hugh Irving Huw Jones Barbara Smith David Smith

#### **COPIES TO:**

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## Agenda Item 2



#### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000**

**Code of Conduct for Members** 

#### **DISCLOSURE AND REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS**

I, (name)	
a *member/co-opted member of (*please delete as appropriate)	Denbighshire County Council
CONFIRM that I have declared a *personal / personal and prejudic interest not previously declared in accordance with the provisions of PIII of the Council's Code of Conduct for Members, in respect of following:-  (*please delete as appropriate)	
Date of Disclosure:	
Committee (please specify):	
Agenda Item No.	
Subject Matter:	
Nature of Interest: (See the note below)*	
Signed	
Date	

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#### CABINET

Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet held in Conference Room 1a, County Hall, Ruthin on Tuesday, 24 November 2015 at 10.00 am.

#### **PRESENT**

Councillors Hugh Evans, Leader and Lead Member for the Economy; Bobby Feeley, Lead Member for Social Care, Adult and Children's Services; Hugh Irving, Lead Member for Customers and Libraries; Huw Jones, Lead Member for Community Development; Barbara Smith, Lead Member for Modernisation and Housing; David Smith, Lead Member for Public Realm; Julian Thompson-Hill, Lead Member for Finance, Corporate Plan and Performance and Eryl Williams, Deputy Leader and Lead Member for Education

**Observers:** Councillors Meirick Davies and Martyn Holland

#### **ALSO PRESENT**

Chief Executive (MM); Corporate Director: Communities (NS); Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services (GW), Chief Finance Officer (RW), and Committee Administrator (KEJ)

#### ONE MINUTE SILENCE

The Leader referred to the two recent tragedies in Corwen and lives lost and members stood in silent tribute.

#### 1 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

#### 2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest had been raised.

#### 3 URGENT MATTERS

No urgent matters had been raised.

#### 4 MINUTES

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 27 October 2015 were submitted.

Matters Arising – Page 6, Item 5: Proposals relating to Ysgol Llanfair DC and Ysgol Pentrecelyn – The Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services reported upon the call in of the decision on this item which had been considered by the Communities Scrutiny Committee on 16 November 2015. A motion to refer the matter back to Cabinet had been defeated and the Cabinet decision stands.

Councillor Eryl Williams acknowledged scrutiny as an integral part of the process and some discussion took place about how Cabinet and Scrutiny could work better together to ensure scrutiny of importance matters were more effective. It was agreed that this matter be referred to the Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chair's Group for further consideration.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 27 October 2015 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

#### 5 CORPORATE PLAN - FINANCIAL UPDATE

Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill presented the report providing an updated financial position on the Corporate Plan.

The Corporate Plan was launched in 2012 and set out an ambitious programme of capital investment in schools, roads, social care and modernisation. Delivery of the Plan was reliant on securing budget to fund borrowing and maintaining cash reserves together with government grant to help deliver the 21st Century Schools programme, and in previous years government grant had also supported the funding of additional highways investment. The Plan had developed since 2012 and to make it affordable some revisions had been necessary alongside changes in planning assumptions.

Councillor Thompson-Hill elaborated upon the financial elements of the Corporate Plan, including key assumptions, particularly referring to –

- council's agreement to prioritise delivery of the Plan in future budget rounds
- key changes to the original Plan being the removal of the Office Accommodation project and a reduced estimated cost of the 21st Century Schools programme
- Cabinet having agreed in June 2015 to increase Highways expenditure by £3.2m to £18.4m through the additional allocation of £800k per year
- the latest position regarding funding of the 21st Century Schools programme with confirmation having recently been received from Welsh Government that the revised Strategic Outline Programme submitted in June 2015 was acceptable and all schemes (including the faith school project, Ruthin Town School, Ysgol Carreg Emlyn, Llanfair/Pentrecelyn Areas and Ysgol Pendref in Denbigh) would be funded at 50%
- total estimated capital costs being £126m and a snapshot of current cashflow and spend up to 2019/20 had been included at Appendix 1 to the report.

In conclusion Councillor Thompson-Hill advised that the Plan was robust and, all things being equal, resources were in place for the Plan to remain deliverable.

During consideration of the report the following matters were discussed –

 Councillor Eryl Williams reiterated that Denbighshire was at the forefront in terms of investing in school buildings and that strategy was now coming to fruition with Welsh Government funding all schemes at 50%. He gave credit to the previous council for their long term vision for schools and to the current

- council for continuing that investment he highlighted that Denbighshire's position was in contrast to other councils who were not in a position to invest
- it was clarified that the original assumption for the faith school was based on council funding 15% and for the Ruthin area schools council funding 100% – by combining those elements and agreeing a new 50% funding package with the Welsh Government the council was now benefitting from an extra £6m funding
- assurances were sought regarding delivery of the extra care housing projects and Councillor Bobby Feeley reported upon timescales for delivery and progress made and she highlighted that progress was also reliant on external partners
- members highlighted the need to keep the progress of projects under close review in order to avoid slippage and Councillors Eryl Williams and Julian Thompson-Hill reported upon the work of the Modernising Education Board in ensuring timely delivery of the school projects – a progress report on the faith school project would be submitted to the next Council Briefing meeting
- Councillor David Smith responded to questions regarding highways funding and confirmed an additional £800k had been allocated to highways to try and maintain standards for priority roads but despite that additional investment it was likely that levels would slowly deteriorate
- in responding to questions on prudential borrowing Councillor Thompson-Hill confirmed the PFI and HRA subsidy buy outs had resulted in financial gains. Prudential indictors were agreed annually by council including the borrowing ratio and he was comfortable with the current level of borrowing. It was noted that Corporate Governance Committee also had a role in monitoring those figures.

Cabinet noted that not all projects in the Corporate Plan were due for completion during the current council term and asked whether there were any safeguards to ensure the Plan would be fully delivered following the local elections in 2017. Cabinet was advised that, based on current projections, most projects would be at an advanced stage and contractually obliged to proceed. However there was a risk of slippage, particularly in terms of extra care housing. Consequently Cabinet felt this matter should be kept under close review and every endeavour made to ensure the Corporate Plan was delivered in full. The Chief Executive referred to the different stages and complexities of the projects within the Plan, the challenge of implementation, and his view that Cabinet should be more involved in that regard. It was agreed that Cabinet receive regular progress reports on the various projects.

Cabinet was pleased to note the robustness of the Plan and mechanisms in place to oversee and ensure its successful delivery going forward. The Leader highlighted the difficult and unpopular decisions made over recent times and was pleased to highlight the positive difference that the Plan's delivery would make to the county.

#### RESOLVED that -

- (a) Cabinet confirm the assumptions noted within the Plan, and
- (b) members request further reports to Cabinet in January 2016 and at regular intervals thereafter on the progress being made on each of the projects identified in Appendix 1 to the report.

#### **6** FINANCE REPORT

Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill presented the report detailing the latest financial position and progress against the agreed budget strategy. He provided a summary of the Council's financial position as follows –

- a net under spend of £0.298m was forecast for service and corporate budgets
- 91% of agreed savings had been achieved to date (target £7.3m) and details of progress towards achieving the remaining 9% had also been provided
- highlighted key variances from budgets or savings targets relating to individual service areas, and
- a general update on the Housing Revenue Account, Housing Capital Plan and the Capital Plan (including the Corporate Plan element).

The following matters were raised during debate –

- Councillor Eryl Williams referred to the policy of offering redundant school buildings to the local community as a first option but highlighted the number of long standing empty school buildings and costs incurred as a result – consequently work was underway to tighten the policy and ensure the community use offer did not remain open-ended
- Councillor David Smith explained the implications of the reductions in fee income from the North and Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency and the allocation of investment and level of work in this area. Councillor Huw Jones highlighted that the A5 trunk road was in particular need of investment
- particular reference was made to the progress in achieving the remaining 9% (£638k) of savings for 2015/16 and some projected to be achieved by 2016/17 any shortfall caused by delay in implementation would be met from other sources in the services concerned.

Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill also responded to questions raised by non-Cabinet members as follows –

- approximately £900 savings had been identified from not paying travelling expenses to members attending meetings as observers
- the framework agreement used for supply teachers had delivered savings
- elaborated upon emerging risks regarding the council's liabilities relating to historical claims in respect of the former Mutual Municipal Insurance Company
- advised there had been a press release highlighting the benefits of the termination of the PFI agreement but specific terms remained confidential – in addition to significant savings the buyout provided greater flexibility over the buildings and car parks and work had commenced on investigating possibilities in terms of future use. Councillor Bobby Feeley reported that she was preparing some literature for local residents to update them on the PFI buyout and associated issues as they progressed
- confirmed that any future rent freeze by the Welsh Government would have an impact and be contained in the Housing Revenue Account budget.

The Chief Executive reported upon the relatively healthy financial position at this stage in the financial year and he was confident of a balanced budget. He referred to the imminent Autumn Financial Statement and implications for Wales and raised concerns that local government could lose out to other areas of the public sector.

**RESOLVED** that Cabinet notes the budgets set for 2015/16 and progress against the agreed budget strategy.

#### 7 CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The Cabinet Forward Work Programme was presented for consideration and members noted the following amendments –

- an additional item for December on the Development of West Parade, Rhyl
- an additional item for January on Treasury Management Strategy
- an additional item for February on the Capital Programme
- former North Wales Hospital, Denbigh rescheduled from December to February
- a progress report on Corporate Plan projects for January and at regular intervals as agreed by Cabinet earlier on the agenda.

**RESOLVED** that Cabinet's Forward Work Programme be noted.

The meeting concluded at 11.30 a.m.



## Agenda Item 5

Report To: Cabinet

Date of Meeting: 15<sup>th</sup> December 2015

Lead Member / Officer: Cllr. Julian Thompson-Hill - Lead Member for Finance,

**Corporate Plan and Performance** 

Alan Smith - Head of Business Improvement &

Modernisation

Liz Grieve – Strategic Planning Team Manager

Report Author: Heidi Gray – Strategic Planning & Performance Officer

Title: Corporate Plan Performance Report

Quarter 2 - 2015/16

#### 1. What is the report about?

1.1 This paper presents an update on the delivery of the Corporate Plan 2012-17 as at the end of quarter 2 of 2015/16.

1.2 Appendix 1 contains the full quarterly report generated from the Verto Performance Management System, focussing on the exceptions only.

#### 2. What is the reason for making this report?

- 2.1 To provide information regarding the council's progress as at the end of quarter 2, 2015-16 in delivering the Corporate Plan outcomes.
- 2.2 Regular reporting is an essential monitoring requirement of the Corporate Plan to ensure that the Council exercises its duty to improve.
- 2.3 We monitor our performance regularly, take quarterly reports to Scrutiny and Cabinet meetings and produce an Annual Performance Report to evaluate progress.

#### 3. What are the Recommendations?

3.1 It is recommended that the Committee uses this report to identify specific service areas (or areas of work) that would benefit from detailed scrutiny to improve outcomes for citizens and the Council's overall performance, and facilitate delivery of the Corporate Plan.

#### 4. Report details

4.1 Quarter 2, 2015-16 Performance Report (Appendix 1) looks at the Corporate Plan 2012-17 and the Corporate Project Register and provides an evidence-based assessment of the current position.

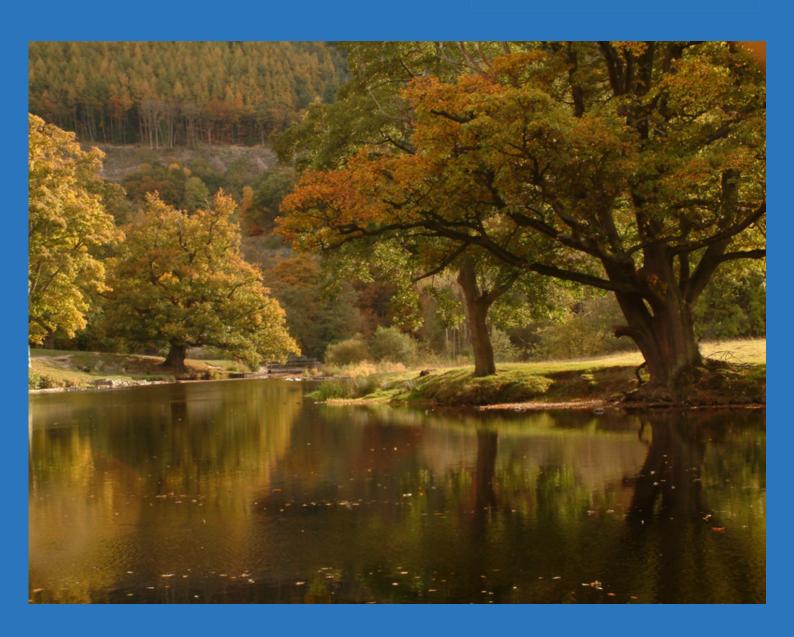
- 4.2 The Executive Summary contains an analysis of key exceptions, on which it is suggested attention is focussed.
- 4.3 These exceptions have been highlighted as follows: A number of indicators and measures are highlighted as 'Red' within the report. This means they are identified as a 'Priority for Improvement' or where there is an issue with the data that needs to be raised.
- 5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?
- 5.1 This report is about our progress in delivering the Corporate Plan. Any decisions made should contribute to the successful delivery of our Corporate Priorities.
- 6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?
- 6.1 The Corporate Plan 2012-17 sets out how much additional money the council aims to invest in each corporate priority during the next five years. Apart from that additional investment, it is assumed that the corporate plan can be delivered within existing budgets.
- 7. What are the main conclusions of the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) undertaken on the decision? The completed EqIA template should be attached as an appendix to the report
- 7.1 An EqIA was undertaken on the Corporate Plan and presented to Council on 09 October 2012. No further assessment is required of this report because the recommendations in this report will not have a direct impact on staff or our communities.
- 8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?
- 8.1 The information necessary to produce this report comes from services, and the draft exceptions have been discussed and circulated to enable Senior Leadership Team (SLT) to take any corrective action they deemed necessary in order to produce this report for Performance Scrutiny and Cabinet.
- 9. Chief Finance Officer Statement
- 9.1 A Chief Finance Officer statement is not required for this report.
- 10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?
- 10.1. We have a strong performance management framework, a robust Service Performance Challenge process and a strong Performance Scrutiny Committee.
- 10.2 There are no specific risks attached to this report. It is the role of our Corporate and Service Risk Registers to identify (and manage) the potential risk events which could lead to the council being unable to deliver its Corporate Plan.

#### 11. Power to make the Decision

- 11.1. Performance management and monitoring is a key element of the Wales Programme for Improvement, which is underpinned by the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government "Wales" Measure 2009.
- 11.2 Articles 6.1 and 6.3.4(b) outlines scrutiny's role with respect to performance monitoring and management.







# Appendix 1 – Corporate Performance Report

Q2 2015-16

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#### **KEY**

Each outcome contains a number of indicators, performance measures, and improvement activities. This content is used to determine how good the current position of the council is, which is based on contextual data to enable a more robust understanding of our performance.

#### THE COLOURS

Colour	Action Status	Measure Status	
Green	On Target	Excellent	
Yellow	Experiencing Obstacles Good		
Orange	At Risk	Acceptable	
Red	Compromised	Priority for Improvement	
Blue Completed		N/A	
Grey	No data	No data or is a count only	

#### THE EVALUATION

- The default methodology for performance evaluation is where the upper quartile reflects the transition to Excellent, and the Wales median reflects the transition to a Priority for Improvement.
- This is true for most except our education attainment indicators, where the 'best in Wales' reflects the transition to Excellent and the Wales median reflects the transition to a Priority for Improvement.
- The default position for project / activity reporting is documented in the project management methodology, summarised above (Action Status).

#### **INTRODUCTION & SUMMARY**

This performance report looks at the Corporate Plan 2012-17 and the Corporate Project Register. It provides an evidence-based assessment of the current position on an exceptions basis i.e. those measures that are Red: Priority for Improvement, or where there is an issue with the data that needs to be raised. Those measures that are currently showing an acceptable, good or excellent status are not examined in any great detail within this report, but are available to view through the Verto Performance Management System. Below is a summary of the key issues identified.

#### **OUTCOME SUMMARY**

This is the summary position for each outcome in the Corporate Plan as at September 30, 2015. The overall evaluation for each outcome has been determined by taking account of the indicators, performance measures, and improvement activity.

#### DEVELOPING THE LOCAL ECONOMY

Outcome 1	Infrastructure for growth	ACCEPTABLE
Outcome 2	Supported and connected businesses	ACCEPTABLE
Outcome 3	Opportunities for growth	ACCEPTABLE
Outcome 4 High quality skilled workforce		GOOD
Outcome 5	Vibrant towns and communities	ACCEPTABLE
Outcome 6 Well-promoted Denbighshire		EXCELLENT

#### IMPROVING PERFORMANCE IN EDUCATION & THE QUALITY OF OUR SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Outcome 7	Students achieve their potential	ACCEPTABLE

#### IMPROVING OUR ROADS

Outcome 8 Improving our roads	GOOD
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#### VULNERABLE PEOPLE ARE PROTECTED & ABLE TO LIVE AS INDEPENDENTLY AS POSSIBLE

Outcome 9 Independent	vulnerable people	GOOD
Outcome 10 Vulnerable pe	ople are protected	EXCELLENT

#### **CLEAN & TIDY STREETS**

Outcome 11	Clean and tidy streets	GOOD

#### ENSURING ACCESS TO GOOD QUALITY HOUSING

Outcome 12 Access to good quality housing

GOOD

#### MODERNISING THE COUNCIL TO BE EFFICIENT & IMPROVE SERVICES FOR CUSTOMERS

Outcome 13 Services will continue to improve

Outcome 14 Flexible and efficient workforce

ACCEPTABLE ACCEPTABLE

#### **KEY PERFORMANCE SUMMARY**

#### THE CORPORATE PLAN

#### **Survey Results**

- 1. RSQ Indicators The Residents Survey is carried out every two years. Results shown throughout this report relate to the 2013 survey. The 2015 survey has now closed, the results from this survey will be available by end December 2015 and reported in Quarter 3, 2015/16.
- 2. Business Survey Indicators The Business Survey is carried out on an annual basis results from the latest survey will be available and reported in Quarter 3.
- 3. The percentage of <u>damaged roads and pavements made safe within target time</u>. 24.7% is the percentage figure for the whole of quarter 2. Since the change over to the sole use of the Symology system during the second week in August, the percentage figure is running at 68% within target time. This improving trend has continued into Q3, with the most recent available percentage figure (1st Oct to 7th Nov) standing at 94.7%.
- 4. The Cleanliness Index, which formed part of the national Service Improvement Dataset, has been discontinued in 2014-15. This has been replaced with the Keep Wales Tidy Cleanliness Indicator (which did form part of this average score indicator). 2014/15 data has now been received (which remains at an `excellent' level) and allows us to continue comparing ourselves with other authorities in Wales.
- 5. The percentage of the population who cannot live independently (aged 18 or over) remains a priority for improvement. We are working to reduce the number of new admissions through the use of both modern and traditional care packages in the home and working with people to maximise their independence. Overall, this means the number of people we support in residential care is diminishing, but will take a number of years to bring the total to an acceptable level due to the long term nature of the services already being provided.

- 6. <u>QSCC013ai</u> The percentage of open cases of children on the child protection register who have an allocated social worker. This indicator is no longer a statutory indicator. The Children & Family Management Team (CFMT) accordingly have agreed that this indicator is not meaningful in the measurement of achieving this outcome and that performance can safely be managed in other operational ways. It is, therefore, proposed that this indicator is removed from the Corporate Plan and their Service Business Plan 2015-16.
- 7. QLI-PLA006 is a quarterly local indicator. This indicator shows how many dwellings have been granted planning permission and out of those how many are `affordable'.

  5 out of a total of 91 as at the end of Quarter 2 = 6%.
- 8. Key activities that support the Corporate Plan's <u>Housing Outcome</u> have been reviewed and will be monitored from quarter 3 onwards.
- 9. The <u>number of calendar days taken to let empty properties (council stock only)</u> General Need & Housing for Older People remains a priority for improvement in quarter 2. This is due to a higher volume of tenancy terminations with a large percentage of these being hard to let.
- 10. Corporate <u>sickness absence</u> levels continue to be a priority for improvement with performance at a lower level compared to the same period last year.
- 11. We are unable to provide information for <u>carbon emissions</u> at present due to a major issue with the new British Gas billing system.
- 12. In quarter 2, 94% of all <u>external stage 1 complaints</u> received by the council were responded to within corporate timescales and while performance has improved since quarter 1, this still generates a Red: Priority for Improvement status.
- 13. The <u>percentage of staff receiving a performance appraisal</u>. Actions to raise completion rates and improve the accuracy of performance appraisal data have been recommended to SLT (November 2015) and will be reviewed in 6 months to see whether the issues raised have been addressed. A manual exercise has been carried out showing a completion rate of 89%.

#### PROJECT REGISTER

As at October 2015 there are no projects with a `Red' Priority for Improvement status. Three projects are at an `Orange' Acceptable level, which are:

Rhyl Harbour: Pedestrian and cycle bridge, public square, quayside building and extended quay wall	ORANGE
Rhyl Harbour: Harbour Empowerment Order	ORANGE
West Rhyl Coastal Defence Scheme Phase 3	ORANGE

### **CORPORATE PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT**

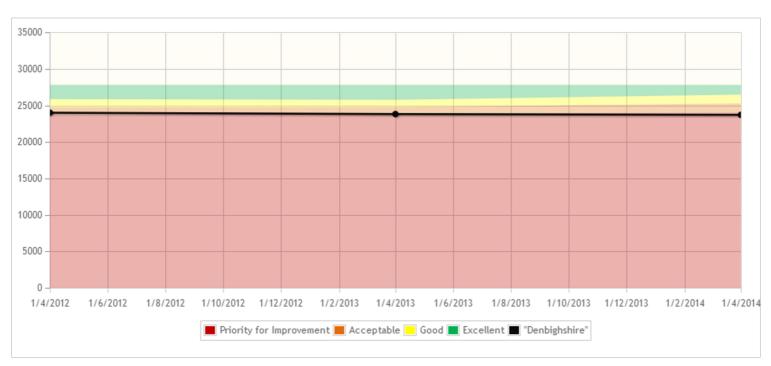
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#### PRIORITY - DEVELOPING THE LOCAL ECONOMY

### **ECONOMY HEADLINE INDICATORS**

Description	This cluster of indicators are economy-based aspects of the external environment in which we'd expect to see an improvement if our Outcomes were progressing well. The six Outcomes within the Economic & Community Ambition priority will have a discrete set of indicators according to their theme (e.g. infrastructure), but collectively should enable progress against this cluster of indicators by laying the foundations for economic growth.
Outcome Summary	The overall status for these indicators is Orange: Acceptable.

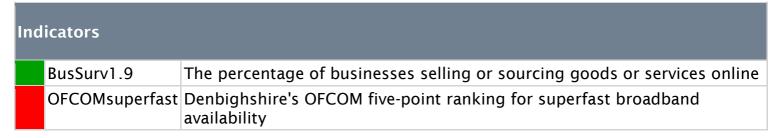
In	Indicators		
	QECAHeadline1	% Job Seekers Allowance claimant count	
	ECAHeadline2	Median Household Income	

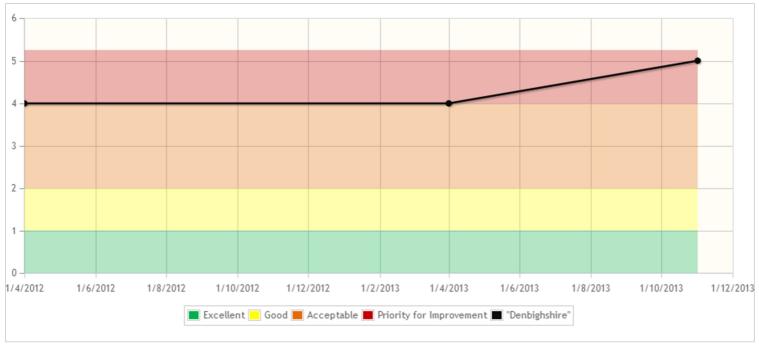


ECAheadline3	The count of births of new enterprises
ECAheadline4	1 year survival rate of new enterprises (%)
ECAheadline5	3 year survival rate of new enterprises (%)
ECAheadline6	Turnover of Denbighshire based businesses (£m)

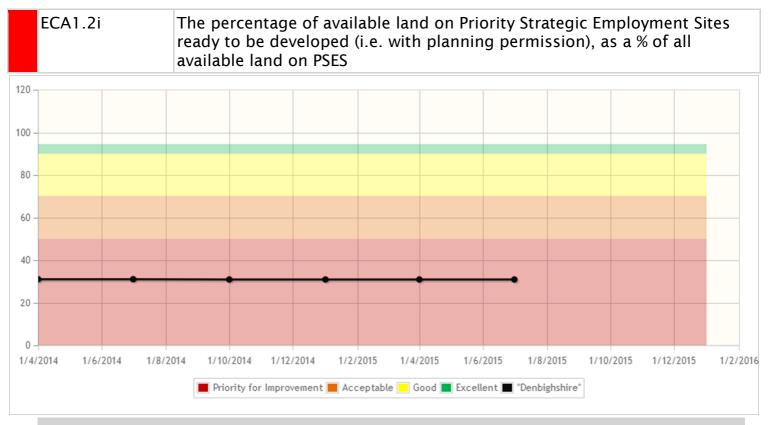
### **OUTCOME 1 - INFRASTRUCTURE FOR GROWTH**

Acceptable
The overall status for these indicators is Orange: Acceptable.  Two indicators have a Red, Priority for Improvement Status. Please see below for details.



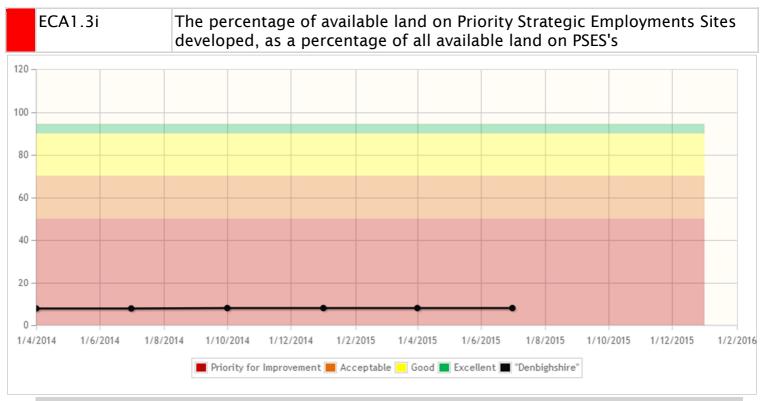


Latest D	ata Coi	mment
Q2	OFCOM have not updated the data for this since November 2013. A is expected during 2015, but no confirmation of when this can be enasyet been received from OFCOM.	
OFCOMta	keup	Denbighshire's OFCOM five-point ranking for broadband take-up
ECA1.1i		The percentage of available land on Priority Strategic Employment Sites where restrictions/hindrances to development are removed from the legatitle (as a % of all available land)



#### **Latest Data Comment**

Q2 Planning applications submitted on Station Yard, Denbigh, (Home Bargains) Liberty to submit application on balance of the site and Property alliance working up retail element on Rhuddlan Triangle.



#### **Latest Data Comment**

Q2 No change in developed status since Q1 2015-16.

Activities						
		ECA 1.2a	Digital Denbighshire	15/07/13	31/10/15	
		ECA 1.3b	Priority Strategic Employment Sites	06/05/14	31/03/23	

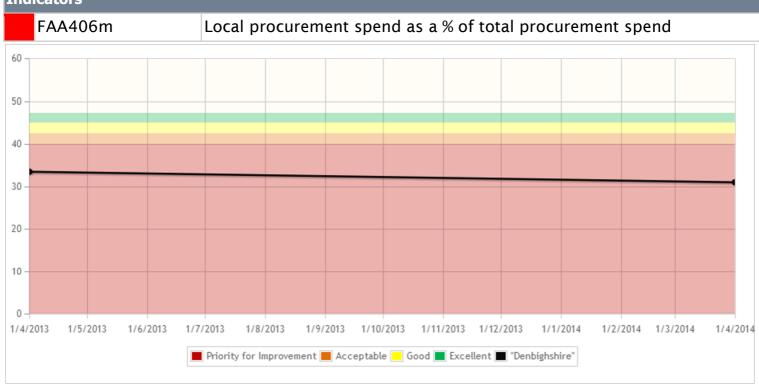
#### **OUTCOME 2 - SUPPORTED AND CONNECTED BUSINESSES**

Status	Acceptable
Outcome Summary	The overall status for this Outcome is Orange: Acceptable.
	We still want to increase the proportion of our procurement spend that is spent locally, and the department is now under new management. The original Procurement projects have been re-scoped as part of a comprehensive, integrated, and transformative approach to procurement in Denbighshire. A proposal to establish a Procurement Transformation Board was taken to Corporate Governance, and the Board has been established. Their inaugural meeting will take place on 16 September, and six business cases are currently in development for a cluster of procurement-related projects, including: a new strategy and revised Contract Procedure Rules; internal development of e-Procurement; Local supplier development; Upskilling the workforce, and organisation structure. Development of the new strategy, and local supplier development are the two projects that will feature as part of

procurement-related indicators.

this economy-related outcome. These new business cases may rescope the benefits, leading to a future revision of thresholds for

#### **Indicators**



**Latest Data Comment** 

Annual	A minimum of £32,084,222 was spent with suppliers within the county of
2014/15	Denbighshire during 2014/15 financial year. This equates to 30.9% of the
	total procurement spend of £103,728,992.

BusSurv4.2	% of businesses satisfied with quality of advice/support
BusSurv4.1	% of businesses satisfied with access to advice/support
ECA2.2i	The percentage of contracts worth over £2 million with community benefit clauses

## **Latest Data Comment**

Data is not yet available for this indicator. The means of collecting the relative information electronically will be available through the implementation of e-sourcing software from April 2016.

Act	BIM314a Conduct, collate, analyse and publish results from the Business Survey  ECA 2.1b Better Business for All (BFC Phase 1 - Planning & 06/05/14 31/03/16			
	BIM314a		01/04/14	31/10/15
	_	Business Advice & Support	12/09/13	31/03/16
	ECA 2.1b	Better Business for All (BFC Phase 1 - Planning & Public Protection)	06/05/14	31/03/16
	ECA 2.1 bus case	Develop business case for Better Business For All project	01/04/15	30/09/15
	ECA 2.3a	Supportive Procurement (Phase 1 - Procurement Strategy)	02/12/13	28/11/14
	PR003264/ECA 2.3a	PROCUREMENT: Strategy & revised CPR's	01/06/15	01/04/16
	PR003266/ECA 2.3b	PROCUREMENT: Local Supplier Development	01/06/15	01/04/16

### **OUTCOME 3 - OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH**

Status	Acceptable
Outcome Summary	The overall status for this Outcome is Orange: Acceptable.
	There are two indicators * for which we still do not have data, but they are dependent on the completion of growth-related projects. These projects should contribute significantly to the success of this Outcome, and the Economy programme overall.
	An Economic & Business Development department was created in quarter 1, 2015. Formerly, this team was part of the Housing & Community Development service, so the creation of a dedicated department should see improved focus

on the projects that were planned as part of the programme. Already there is evidence of progress, as a business case for the New Growth Sector project is now close to completion.

Ind	Indicators					
	CMLi10	STEAM - Total Economic Impact of Tourism (£ million)				
	CMLi11	STEAM - Number of Full Time Jobs Supported by Touri	sm			
	ECA3.1i	No. of businesses in the tourism sector				
	ECA3.2i *	No. of new businesses in Growth Sectors				
	ECA3.3i *	No. of Denbighshire residents employed in Growth Se	ctors			
Act	tivities					
	ECA 3.1Aa- c	Tourism Growth Plan	05/06/14	31/07/15		
	ECA 3.2a	New Growth Sectors	01/01/15	01/03/17		
	ECA 3.2b/d	Regional Growth Opportunities	11/06/14	30/04/18		
	PPP311a	Take a pro-active approach to encourage the private sector to develop economic development, by producing master plans, planning briefs and SPGs	01/04/15	31/03/16		

### **OUTCOME 4 - HIGH QUALITY SKILLED WORKFORCE**

Status	Good
Outcome Summary	The overall status for this Outcome is Yellow: Good.
	Much of this data is annual, and will be updated once academic results are published in December.

### Indicators

Ed004i	The percentage of children aged 16 - 18 Not in Education, Employment or Training, at the preceding 31 August in Denbighshire
QECA4.6i	% of the population aged 18 to 24 claiming JSA
BusSurv3.3a	% of businesses reporting unfilled vacancies due to unsuitable applicants
BusSurv3.3b	% of businesses reporting difficulty recruiting staff with the right skills
ECA4.7i	% of pupils leaving school at 16 attaining Level 2 in at least 1 STEM subject
ECA4.8i	% of pupils leaving school at 18 attaining Level 3 in at least 1 STEM subject
eca4.10i	% of people of working age in Denbighshire who are self employed

Activities						
4.	CA .1b,4.2a- 4.3a	Pathways +		01/04/15	31/07/16	

## OUTCOME 5 - VIBRANT TOWNS AND COMMUNITIES

Status	Acceptable
Outcome Summary	The overall status for this Outcome is Orange: Acceptable.
	Not all of the data is updated on an annual basis - WiMD data is only updated once every three years, and was last updated in 2014.

## Indicators

Ind	Indicators					
	ECA5.1i		% of vacant town centre premises (Denbighshire average)			
	RSQ11		% of residents reporting overall satisfaction with their town centre			
	RSQ2		% of town residents reporting overall satisfaction with their local area			
	BusSurv2.1		% of town centre businesses reporting confidence in future prospects			
	ECA5.2i		% of LSOA that fall into the 10% most deprived in Wales			
	ECA5.3i		No. of LSOA with a claimant count (%) greater th	an Great Brit	ain	
	ECA5.4i		No. of LSOA with a median household income below Wales			
	ECA5.5i		% of the rural working age population claiming J	ob Seekers A	Allowance	
Act	ivities					
	ECA 5.1c	Town	Centre Growth & Diversification Plan	15/07/14	31/03/17	
	ECA 5.3a RGF	Rhyl F	Regeneration			
	ECA 5.3a RGF 01		Harbour: Pedestrian and cycle bridge, public e, quayside building and extended quay wall	02/03/09	31/03/15	
	ECA 5.3a RGF 01.1	Rhyl H	Harbour: Harbour Empowerment Order	02/05/12	30/06/16	
	ECA 5.3a RGF 02	West	Rhyl Housing Improvement Project			
	ECA 5.3a RGF 03	The H	Ioney Club, Rhyl			
	ECA 5.3a RGF 10	49 - 5	5 Queen Street	01/09/14	31/03/15	

## OUTCOME 6 - WELL-PROMOTED DENBIGHSHIRE

Status	Green, Excellent
Outcome Summary	The projects are both currently at an Excellent status.

## Activities

	ECA 6.1a-c	Locate in Denbighshire- Inward Investment Marketing Campaign
	ECA 6.2a	Develop a Destination Management Plan for Denbighshire
	ECA 6.2b / 1.3a	Enquiry Handling for Sites & Premises

## PRIORITY - IMPROVING PERFORMANCE IN EDUCATION & THE QUALITY OF OUR SCHOOL BUILDINGS

### **OUTCOME 7 - STUDENTS ACHIEVE THEIR POTENTIAL**

## Status Outcome Summary

#### Acceptable

The overall position for this outcome is Orange: Acceptable. We are using a higher benchmark for excellence for educational attainment where 'Green: Excellent' is the best in Wales. There is one indicator that is considered to be a priority for improvement, and two performance measures. These are detailed below.

A new cluster of Measures have been added to this selection. They relate to the conditions of schools, improvement of which is a major driver for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools programme of work. As they are new and annual, no data is yet available, but will be added as soon as possible.

Indicators			
The average capped points score for pupils aged 15 at the preceding 31 August in schools maintained by the local authority (all pupils)			
The percentage of pupils achieving the level 2 threshold including English/Welsh and maths (all pupils)			
The percentage of pupils achieving the level 2 threshold or vocational equivalents (all pupils)			
The percentage of pupils who achieve the Core Subject Indicator at Key Stage 4 (all pupils)			
The average number of school days lost from school per total fixed term exclusions			
The number of fixed term exclusions from school (total)			
The percentage of pupils (including those in local authority care) in any local authority maintained school, aged 15 as at the preceding 31 August who leave compulsory education, training or work based learning without an approved external qualification.			
The percentage of pupils who achieve the Core Subject Indicator at Key Stage 2 (all pupils)			
Percentage of pupil attendance in primary schools			
Percentage of pupil attendance in secondary schools			
The number of deficit places as a percentage of the total school places in Denbighshire (Primary)			
The number of deficit places as a percentage of the total school places in Denbighshire (Secondary)			
The number of surplus places as a percentage of the total school places in Denbighshire (Primary)			

LMEd21b	The number of surplus places as a percentage of the total school places in Denbighshire (Secondary)
LMEd22a	The number of school places provided through mobile classrooms (Primary)
LMEd22b	The number of school places provided through mobile classrooms (Secondary)
CES101i	The percentage of primary places provided in Category A schools
CES102i	The percentage of primary places provided in Category B schools
CES103i	The percentage of secondary places provided in Category A schools
CES104i	The percentage of secondary places provided in Category B schools

This cluster of new indicators relate to the conditions of schools (Category A being the best), improvement of which is a major driver for the 21st Century Schools programme of work. As they are new and annual, no data is yet available, but will be added as soon as possible.

Activities				
	CES102a	Funding the 21st Century Schools Programme and wider Modernising Education Programme	01/04/14	01/08/19
	CES111a	To reduce the reliance on mobile accommodation	01/04/14	31/03/16
	CES112a	To progress business cases for further investment in the school estate	01/04/14	31/03/19
	ECA 4.1b,4.2a- c,4.3a	Pathways +	01/04/15	31/07/16
	ECA 4.2a-c	TRAC	07/04/14	31/08/20
	EDU117a	Health and Wellbeing Outcomes for Schools	01/04/15	31/03/16
	EDU118a	Review of Athrawon Bro Service for schools	01/04/15	31/03/16
	EDUa003	Review current provision for students who access the Behaviour support Service and remodel as appropriate	01/04/13	31/03/16
	EDUa005	Revisit Service Level Agreement with GwE	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa006	Celebrating teacher achievements / good practice through an award scheme (Excellence Denbighshire for teachers)	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa008	Literacy, Numeracy & ICT Skills development in schools	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa009	Soft skills / skills for employment	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa011	Careers advice and support	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa012	Work experience opportunities	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa013	Apprenticeships	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa014	Links between schools, colleges and employers	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa015	Advanced skills for growth sectors	01/04/14	31/03/16
	EDUa018	Challenge Action: Further develop the role of the School Standards Monitoring Group (SSMG), to include	22/04/15	31/05/16

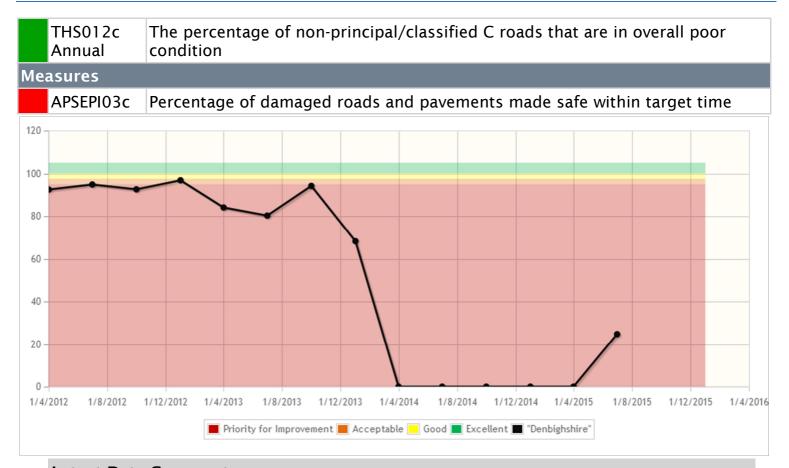
	focus on headteacher performance and school attendance		
EDUa019	Challenge Action: Continue to develop Denbighshire's own leadership of GwE	22/04/15	31/03/16
EDUa020	Challenge Action: Service to progress its strategy on improving secondary school attendance, and to circulate a paper to Scrutiny for information	22/04/15	30/06/15
EDUa021	Challenge Action: Analysis of Yr13 2015 destination data using a sample from our sixth-form schools	01/07/15	31/10/15
EDUa022	Curriculum Enrichment Programme	01/04/15	31/03/16
PR000044	Rhyl New School	22/10/12	11/07/16
PR000055	Bodnant Community School Extension and Refurbishment	20/12/12	31/12/16
PR000247	Extending Secondary Welsh Medium Provision - Ysgol Glan Clwyd Extension & Refurbishment	06/01/14	31/08/18
PR000319	Ruthin Area Review: Ruthin Town School Modernisation	21/04/14	01/09/18
PR000330	Ruthin Area Review: New Area School for Ysgol Carreg Emlyn	01/01/14	30/10/17
PR000332	Ruthin Review -New Area School for Llanfair DC and Pentrecelyn	01/08/14	03/09/18

### PRIORITY - IMPROVING OUR ROADS

## OUTCOME 8 - RESIDENTS AND VISITORS TO DENBIGHSHIRE HAVE ACCESS TO A SAFE AND WELL-MANAGED ROAD NETWORK

Status	Good
Outcome Summary	The overall position for this outcome is Yellow: Good. We compare our position for the road condition indicators with a group of similar rural local authority areas in Wales on an annual basis.  There is one quarterly performance measure which is considered to be a priority for improvement. This is detailed below.

Indicators	
HES101	The percentage of respondents reporting satisfaction with the council's work in maintaining rural roads in good condition
RSQ09A	The percentage of respondents reporting satisfaction with the council's work in maintaining main roads in good condition (excluding don't know)
RSQ09B	The percentage of respondents reporting satisfaction with the council's work in maintaining streets in towns and villages in good condition (excluding don't know)
THS012 Annual	The percentage of principal (A) and non-principal (B) and (C) roads that are in overall poor condition
THS012 Annual	The percentage of principle A roads that are in overall poor condition
THS012 Annual	b The percentage of non-principal/classified B roads that are in overall poor condition



Latest Data	est Data Comment	
	24.7% is the percentage figure for the whole of Q2. Since the change over to the sole use of the Symology system during the second week in August, the percentage figure is running at 68% within target time. This improving trend has continued into Q3, with the most recent available percentage figure (1st Oct to 7th Nov) standing at 94.7%.	

HES102m	The percentage of planned dropped-kerbs delivered along key routes within the year
HIM006	The percentage of Category C (Final) Street Works inspections carried out on utility works before their guarantee period ends (legislation states 10%)
HIM007	The number of successful claims against the council concerning road condition during the year
HIM042	The proportion of the planned Highways Capital Maintenance Programme achieved (schemes)
THS003	The percentage of the annual structural maintenance expenditure that was spent on planned structural maintenance

Act	Activities							
	HES106a	Continue to strengthen the Elwy Bridge, St Asaph, and undertake extensive repairs to the East Abutment of Foryd Road Bridge, Rhyl.	01/04/14	31/03/15				
	HES107a	Local transport infrastructure barriers to growth (from Economic & Community Ambition Programme Plan)	01/09/14	31/03/16				
	HES113a	Resurfacing works	01/04/15	31/03/16				
	HES114a	Microasphalt laying works	01/04/15	31/03/16				
	HES115a	Surface dressing works	01/04/15	31/03/16				
	HES116a	Review car park tariffs	01/04/15	31/07/15				
	HES117a	Introduce telemetry system for car park pay & display machines	01/04/15	31/03/16				
	HIA004	Implement policy by delivery of dropped kerbs on prioritised key routes	01/04/14	31/03/16				

## PRIORITY - VULNERABLE PEOPLE ARE PROTECTED & ABLE TO LIVE AS INDEPENDENTLY AS POSSIBLE

## OUTCOME 9 - VULNERABLE PEOPLE ARE ABLE TO LIVE AS INDEPENDENTLY AS POSSIBLE

Status	Good								
Outcome Summary	The overall position for this outcome is Yellow: Good. There is one indicator that is considered to be a Priority for Improvement. This is detailed below.								
Indicators									
QIndependent18		The percentage adults who live independent of a formal package of social care provided/arranged by the council (aged 18 or over)							
QResidential 18		The percentage of the population who cannot live independently (aged 18 or over)							
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#### **Latest Data Comment**

1/8/2014

1/6/2014

1/4/2014

Q2 New thresholds from Q2 as agreed by CSSET.

1/12/2014

1/2/2015

1/4/2015

🔳 Excellent 🔃 Good 📕 Acceptable 📕 Priority for Improvement 🔳 "Denbighshire"

1/6/2015

1/10/2014

Measures					
ABSm3	The percentage of people no longer needing a social care service following involvement from the reablement and intake service				
Assistive 18	The number of adult clients in receipt of assistive technology (aged 18 or over)				
Newcarehome65	The number of new placements of adults whom the authority supports in care homes (aged 65 or over)				
QPSR002	The average number of calendar days taken to deliver a Disabled Facilities Grant				
QSCA001	The rate of delayed transfers of care for social care reasons per 1000 population aged 75 or over				

1/10/2015

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	QSupported (a) 18		Of the people who can live independently with a package of care, the percentages that are supported to live independently through, modern supportive options (aged 18 or over)							
	QSupported (b) 18		Of the people who can live independently with a package of care, the percentages that are supported to live independently through traditional care options							
Ac	Activities									
	ABS110a	Point of	Challenge Action: Carry out review of Single Access (SPoA) and develop a meaningful set ators with data available late 2015.	30/09/14	30/09/15					
	CFS206a		elopment of a new Care Leavers Service sioned through engagement and co- ion	01/04/15	30/09/15					
	CFS406a	mainstre young p	the approach to inclusive practice of eam providers of services to children and eople, so that these services can be easily by children with additional needs	01/04/15	31/03/16					
	CSS101a	Indepen engagin	ment and implementation of the Supporting dence in Denbighshire (SiD) vision, including: g with Town & Community Councils and the or to develop supportive communities	01/04/15	31/03/16					
	CSS102a	enable t	with providers in the independent sector to he council to commission "outcomes" rather rvices" from providers.	01/04/15	31/03/16					
	CSS302a	roles & i	st Services Development. We will review the responsibilities within Specialist Service and r whether it is feasible to develop a whole of bility service.	01/04/15	31/03/16					
	CSS304a	Implementhe Hou	entation of changes necessary to respond to sing Act	01/04/15	31/03/16					
	CSS305a	partners	e to promote and develop integrated ship working with health (developing formal ed structures and governance arrangements).	01/04/15	31/03/16					
	CSS306a	Continue to develop person centred approaches to support and empower citizens to gain independence and achieve the outcomes that are important to them, including working with the Social Services Improvement Agency to test the National Outcomes Framework.			31/03/16					
	CSS307a	risk of lo focussed indepen	test a different way of working with citizens at osing their independence that is community d and geared towards promoting dence. This will be part of a national unity Led Conversations' programme run by	01/04/15	31/03/16					
	MSSEWB201 3/03		re – Independent living in a safe and ed environment	15/04/13						

PR000173	Single Point of Access		
PR002863	Consultation on future of in-house services	13/01/15	01/04/16

#### OUTCOME 10 - VULNERABLE PEOPLE ARE PROTECTED

Status	Excellent
Outcome Summary	The overall position for this outcome is Green: Excellent. There are no exceptions to report on for quarter 2, 2015/16.

Ind	icators	
	QSCC010	The percentage of referrals that are re-referrals within 12 months
Ме	asures	
	QSCA019	The percentage of adult protection referrals completed where the risk has been managed
	QSCC013ai	The percentage of open cases of children on the child protection register who have an allocated social worker

<b>Latest Data</b>	Comment
Q2	This indicator is no longer a statutory indicator. Children & Family Management Team (CFMT) accordingly have agreed that this indicator is not meaningful in the measurement of achieving this outcome and that performance can safely be managed in other operational ways. It is, therefore, proposed that this indicator is removed from the Corporate Plan and Service Business Plan 2015-16.

QSCC015	The percentage of initial core group meetings due in the year which were held within 10 working days of the initial child protection conference
QSCC034	The percentage of child protection reviews carried out within statutory timescales during the year

		timescales during the year			
Act	ivities				
	CFS102a	Implement a coherent service wide approach to the use of risk models and risk management in the direct work with families.	01/04/14	31/03/16	
	CFS106a	Develop a Strategy to further strengthen impact of early intervention services and an Options Appraisal for strengthening the interface between TAF and Intake Services	01/04/15	30/09/15	
	CFS107a	Develop the final year plan for delivery of Families First to include preparation to exit from the programme	01/04/15	31/03/16	
	CFS108a	Develop and deliver an effective training programme for `all staff' around providing stability for vulnerable families	01/04/15	31/03/16	

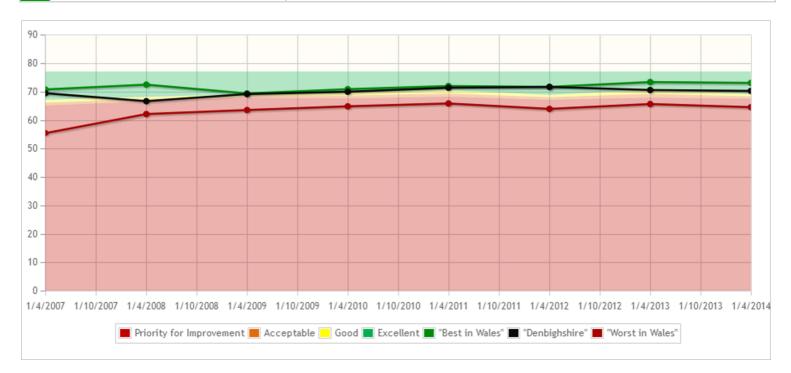
CFS207a	Implement actions from Foster Care Profile exercise undertaken in 2014/15.	01/04/15	30/09/15
CFS208a	National Outcomes Framework Pilot for Looked After Children and children at risk of becoming Looked After	01/04/15	30/09/15
CFS302a	Establish a learning framework for identifying and prioritising safeguarding issues to be addressed	01/02/14	31/03/15
CFS303a	Implement Signs of Safety approach to manage child protection conferences	01/02/15	31/12/15
CFS304a	Aim to ensure every child is subject to an appropriate intervention	01/05/15	31/03/16
CFS305A	Improve basic Skills Set for communicating with children	01/04/15	31/12/15
CFS306a	Implement an effective approach to Core Groups ensuring they adhere to the creation and implementation of a child protection plan	01/05/15	31/03/16
CSS201a	Improve POVA processes to support the role of the Designated Lead Manager	01/07/15	31/03/16
CSS202a	Improve processes to ensure more effective management of the DoLs workload	01/07/15	31/03/16

#### **PRIORITY - CLEAN & TIDY STREETS**

## OUTCOME 11 - TO PRODUCE AN ATTRACTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS ALIKE

Status	Good
	The overall position for this outcome is Yellow: Good. There is one indicator that is considered to be a priority for improvement. The Cleanliness Index has now been replaced with the Keep Wales Tidy Cleanliness Indicator.

Indicators	
HES201i	The percentage of respondents reporting satisfaction with the cleanliness of the streets within their local area
HES202i	The percentage of respondents reporting satisfaction with the cleanliness of the streets within their local area in relation to dog fouling
HES203i	The percentage of respondents reporting satisfaction with the cleanliness of the streets within their nearest town centre
HES204i	The percentage of respondents reporting satisfaction with the cleanliness of the streets within their nearest town centre in relation to dog fouling
HES207i	Clean Streets Survey - Improvement Areas
RATE/STS/006D - Annual	The rate of fly-tipping incidents reported per 1000 population
KWT001i	Keep Wales Tidy - Cleanliness Indicator



HES205a

PPP104a

PR000069

#### **Latest Data Comment** Q2 The Keep Wales Tidy data 2014/15 was received in Q2. Denbighshire's position remains at one of `excellence' for 2014/15 with a cleanliness score of 70.3. Measures PPP101m The percentage of untidy land incidents resolved within 12 weeks STS006 The percentage of reported fly tipping incidents cleared within 5 working days PPP102m The rate of fixed penalty notices (all types) issues per 1000 population The rate of fixed penalty notices (dog fouling) issues per PPP103m 1000 population Activities HES204a Collaboration between Streetscene and Public 01/04/15 31/03/16

Streetscene/Countywide engagement with the general 01/04/15

Develop and implement a coordinated approach to

tackling identified eyesore sites across the county

Protection in relation to dog fouling

public in relation to dog fouling

Former North Wales Hospital

31/03/16

31/03/15

31/03/16

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#### PRIORITY - ENSURING ACCESS TO GOOD QUALITY HOUSING

OUTCOME 12 - THE HOUSING MARKET IN DENBIGHSHIRE WILL OFFER A RANGE OF TYPES AND FORMS OF HOUSING IN SUFFICIENT QUANTITY AND QUALITY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES

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#### **Latest Data Comment**

There were 14 planning applications for housing units in Q2. Of these applications only 5 triggered the requirement for the provision of on-site affordable dwellings. The remainder of the applications either did not trigger a requirement (1-2 units) or triggered a requirement for a commuted sum payment. 5 out of a total of 91 as at the end of Quarter 2 = 6%

Measures				
HHA013		ntage of all potentia ess was prevented f		
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#### **Latest Data Comment**

Q2 Higher volume of tenancy terminations with a large percentage of these being hard to let.

Q-HSG406i	The percentage of core KPI's Benchmarked with HouseMark that are in the top quartile
Q-LI/HS/13	The number of potential homeless people assisted to find a home
QPLA004c	The percentage of householder planning applications determined during the year within 8 weeks
QPSR002	The average number of calendar days taken to deliver a Disabled Facilities Grant
QPSR004	The percentage of private sector dwellings that had been vacant for more than 6 months at 1 April that were returned to occupation during the year through direct action by the local authority
Y-HSG304m - Annual	The percentage of council properties compliant with the Welsh Housing Quality Standard

ivities			
FAA402a	Develop and embed some county-wide initiatives to enhance tenant engagement and satisfaction	01/04/15	31/03/1
FAA405a	Publish results from the 2014/15 Council Tenant survey	01/04/15	31/03/1
FAA406a	Create an action plan based on the results from the Council Tenant survey	01/04/15	31/03/1
FAA502a	Undertake work to enable identified vacant private sector dwellings to be converted into Council Housing	01/04/15	31/03/1
FAA503a	Prepare sites to enable new Council House builds	01/04/15	31/03/1
HCD103a	Develop and deliver a Housing Strategy	01/04/14	31/03/1
MSSEWB2013/03	Extra Care - Independent living in a safe and supported environment	15/04/13	
PPP201a	Deliver the Renewal Area projects in Rhyl to improve the conditions of private sector housing and environmental enhancements	01/04/14	31/03/1
PPP203a	Take a pro-active approach to encourage the private sector to bring forward allocated housing sites, to deliver mixed type and range of housing, by producing master plans, planning briefs and SPGs	01/04/14	31/03/1
PPP205a	Ensure as many Affordable Houses as possible are provided through the planning system and other methods of delivery	01/04/14	31/03/1
PPP207a	Improve the behaviour of private sector landlords	01/04/15	31/03/1
SCHSG206a	Service Challenge Actions: Housing: Ensure Service Challenge key actions are taken into account regarding the development of the Local Housing Strategy	04/03/15	31/10/1

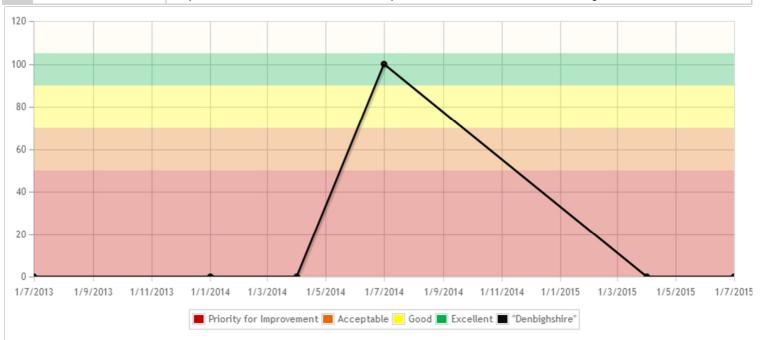
# PRIORITY - MODERNISING THE COUNCIL TO BE EFFICIENT & IMPROVE SERVICES FOR CUSTOMERS

#### OUTCOME 13 - SERVICES WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP AND IMPROVE

Status	Acceptable
Outcome Summary	The overall status for this Outcome is Orange: Acceptable.
,	Two indicators with a Red: Priority for Improvement status are from the Residents' Survey that was conducted in 2013.
	Two measures have generated a Red: Priority for Improvement status. 94 per cent of all external stage 1 complaints received by the council were responded to within corporate timescales. While performance has improved this still generates a Red: Priority for Improvement status. Three service areas have a red status in quarter 2, which has brought the overall average down to 94 per cent. These services are Education (75 per cent), Highways & Environment (88 per cent) and Finance & Assets (78 per cent). All other services have 100 per cent performance. 3 of 14 complaints received by Finance & Assets exceeded corporate timescales, and all related to housing issues. As a result, the new Head of Service has redefined internal processes and complaints are now coordinated by a single officer and signed off by the Head of Service. Subsequent complaints have all been dealt with within timescale.  The rate of complaints received increased very slightly by 2 per 10,000 in quarter 2 2015/16. Although it is acknowledged that the volume of complaints may increase – and that increases may be small - as we improve the channels for complaints for the public, and our departments get more transparent about recording their complaints data, we will take the approach that any increase in this rate will generate a Red status for further investigation. Hence, this measure generates a Red status even though the increase is not significant.
	The final version of the Welsh Language Standards have been received. The Commissioner has listened to our concerns and have made changes to the small number of standards that we were concerned about. We are satisfied with the final standards. Plans and actions are in place to progress to implementation.

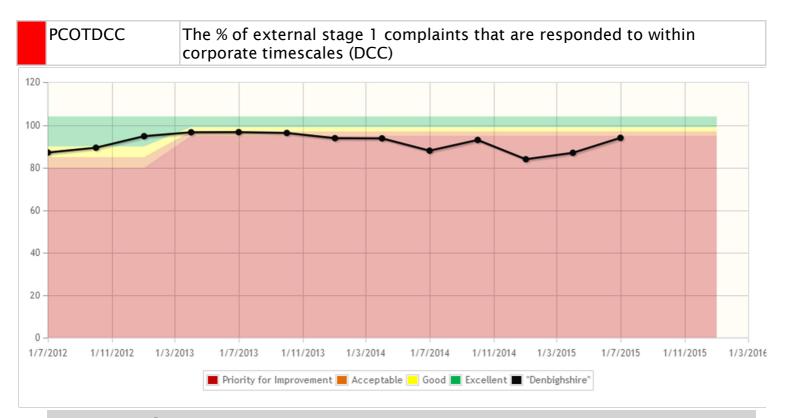
Indicators				
BPP1002	The number of formal recommendations for improvement within the WAO Improvement Reports			
BPP101i	The percentage of Open projects generating a Green or Yellow ROYG status in terms of being on-track to deliver their outputs according to predefined scope			
RSQ16B	The percentage of residents responding positively to the statement: My Council is efficient and well-run			
RSQ16C	The percentage of residents responding positively to the statement: My council acts on the concerns of residents (excluding don't know)			

Measures		
	BPP1004	The percentage of Outcome Agreement Grant awarded by WG
	M102m	The percentage of Modernisation projects that were due a post- implementation review this quarter that have been subject to one



#### **Latest Data Comment**

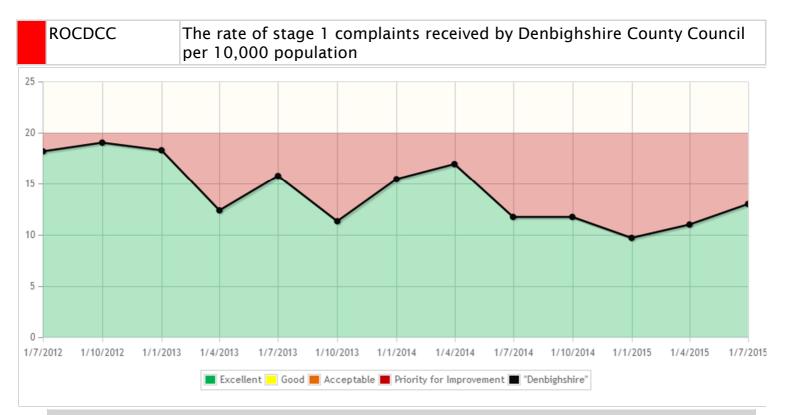
Q2 No Modernisation projects due for review this quarter



#### **Latest Data Comment**

Three services areas have a red status in Q2 which has brought the overall average down to 94%. These services are Education, Highways & Environment and Finance & Assets. All other areas have 100% performance. F&A: 3 of 14 complaints exceeded timescale and all related to housing issues. As a result,

the new Head of Service has redefined internal processes; complaints are now coordinated by a single officer and signed off by the HoS. Subsequent complaints have all been dealt within timescale.



#### **Latest Data Comment**

The rate of complaints received increased slightly by 2 per 10,000 in quarter 2 2015/16. Although it's acknowledged that the volume of complaints may increase as 1) we improve the channels for complaints for the public, and 2) our departments get more transparent about recording their complaints data, we will take the approach that any increase in this rate will generate a Red status for further investigation

Act	Activities				
	BIM114a	Support Town and Area Champions and Member Area Groups to develop revised Town and Area Plans in collaboration with Partners and Communities in line with the Wellbeing Plan	01/04/15	31/03/16	
	CML13	Modernisation of the Library Service			
	EDU119a	Preparing for merger with Children & Family Services	01/04/15	31/03/16	
	LDS203a	Establish and operate a Task & Finish sub-scrutiny group to examine the Impact of Budget Cuts on the Corporate Plan and the Council's Performance	01/04/15	31/03/17	
	PR000317	Digital Choice - Getting the Customers Ready	21/10/14	01/11/15	
	PR000494	Archives & Records Management Transformation	01/09/14	28/02/18	
	WLS001	Consider our position in relation to the Welsh Language Standards set by the Welsh Language Commissioner and develop an action plan to deliver them	01/04/15	31/03/17	

# OUTCOME 14 - MORE FLEXIBLE AND EFFECTIVE WORKFORCE SUPPORTED BY COST EFFICIENT INFRASTRUCTURE

## Status Acceptable

#### Outcome Summary

The overall status for this Outcome is Orange: Acceptable.

Red indicators include the number of working days/shifts lost due to sickness absence (HR Business Partners are working closely with services to tackle these issues); Carbon emissions in primary schools (reflecting the age of many schools and an increased IT provision within them); the percentage of non-school staff equipped for agile working (which is relatively stable and we want it to increase); and the percentage of staff receiving a performance appraisal when one is due (HR is monitoring this monthly with services).

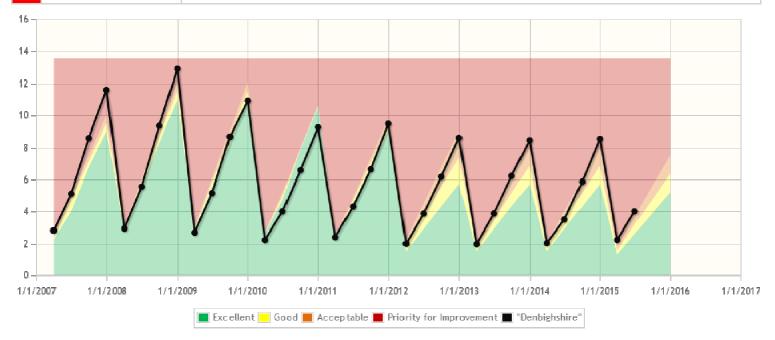
The Electronic Document and Record Management System (EDRMs) project is progressing and 4 teams at Kinmel depot wish to go ahead with the digitisation of timesheets; corporate filing changes predicted to be updated in v19.1 software update (January/February 2016) and we also visited Conwy to see their Disposals Module in action.

#### **Indicators**

M202a Staff Survey Q3a - The percentage of staff responding positively to the statement: I have the skills to do my job effectively

QCHR002

(Corporate) The number of working days/shifts per full time equivalent (FTE) local authority employee lost due to sickness absence



#### **Latest Data Comment**

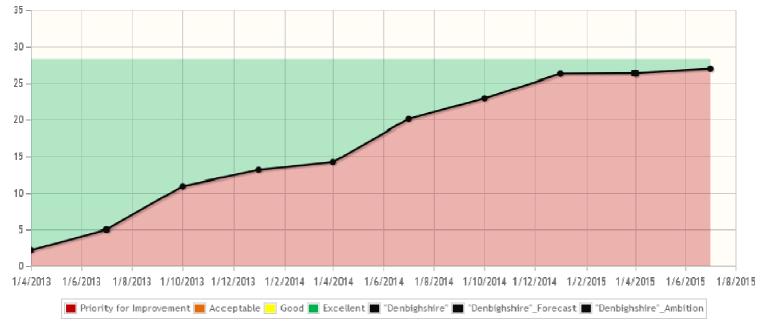
Q2 HR Business Partners are working closely with services to tackle these issues

SSQ13a

The percentage of staff responding positively to the statement: I have access to the information and IT I need to work efficiently

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	SSQ1A	The percentage of staff responding positively to the statement: I know what is expected of me
Ме	asures	
	ABMCORP	The average number of business miles recorded per FTE across all corporate services
	CES301	The percentage of transactions undertaken via the web, compared to the total number of transactions undertaken using all access channels



# Q2 This measure is just a `count of transactions'. Performance appears to be levelling-off at 26%.

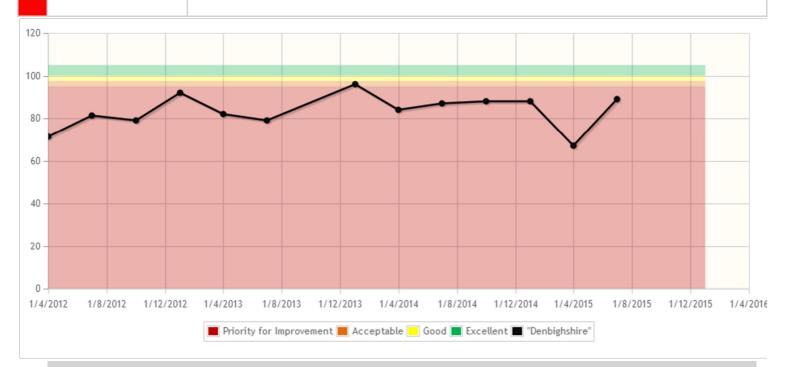
FAA101m	Corporate office space occupied by Denbighshire County Council (m2) per FTE
FAA110i	Carbon emissions (carbon kgs) per m2 of Denbighshire's corporate office space
FAA111i	Carbon emissions (carbon kgs) per m2 in Denbighshire's primary schools
FAA112i	Carbon emissions (carbon kgs) per m2 in Denbighshire's secondary schools

# Q2 Carbon emissions data - We are unable to provide information for carbon emissions at present due to a major issue with the new British Gas billing system.

ICT106i	The percentage (based on desk-based staff) who have been equipped for agile working
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SHR104i

The percentage of eligible staff that were due a performance appraisal within the last 13 months and have received one (corporately)



#### **Latest Data Comment**

Q2

Actions to raise completion rates and improve the accuracy of performance appraisal data have been recommended to SLT (November 2015) and will be reviewed in 6 months to see whether the issues raised have been addressed. A manual exercise has been carried out showing a completion rate of 89%.

Act	Activities				
	FAA302a	Introduce an apprenticeship scheme for the repairs & maintenance section	01/04/15	31/03/16	
	PMPDCC	Implement the project: Change Management the Denbighshire Way	01/04/14	31/03/16	
	PR000073	Office Accommodation Review			
	PR000157	Electronic Document and Record Management System (EDRMs)	01/04/13	31/03/16	
	PR000251	Centralised Mailroom Project	01/04/15	30/04/17	
	PR000304	Outlook Rollout	28/05/14	31/03/16	
	PR000309	Windows 2003 Migration		31/12/15	
	PR000318	Digital Choice - Getting the council ready	01/10/14		
	PR000344	Flexible Working	01/08/14	31/12/15	
	PR003096	Central Invoice Registration Phase 2	01/10/14	31/03/18	

#### **PROJECT REGISTER**

This is the summary position for each project on the Corporate Project Register as at October 2015. The status has been determined based on an evaluation of project performance against the project management methodology.

#### CORPORATE PROGRAMME: ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY AMBITION

Digital Denbighshire	GREEN
Business Advice & Support	GREEN
Better Business for All (BFC Phase 1 - Planning & Public Protection	YELLOW
Tourism Growth Plan	GREEN
New Growth Plan	GREEN
OpTic/St Asaph Business Park Development	YELLOW
Pathways +	GREEN
Enquiry Handling for Sites & Premises	GREEN

#### CORPORATE PROGRAMME: MODERNISATION

Electronic Document and Record Management System (EDRMs)	YELLOW
Office Accommodation Review	GREEN
Denbighshire Telephony	GREEN
Centralised Mailroom	GREEN
Outlook Rollout	GREEN
Domino Migration	GREEN
Windows 2003 Migration	GREEN
Digital Choice - Getting the customers ready	GREEN
Digital Choice - Getting the council ready	YELLOW
Flexible Working	GREEN

#### CORPORATE PROGRAMME: MODERNISING EDUCATION

Bodnant Community School Extension and Refurbishment	GREEN
Welsh Medium Primary's North Denbighshire - Ysgol Twm o'r Nant	YELLOW
Ruthin Area Review: New Area School for Ysgol Carreg Emlyn	YELLOW
Extending Secondary Welsh Medium Provision - Ysgol Glan Clwyd - Extension & Refurbishment	YELLOW
Ruthin Area Review: Ruthin Town School Modernisation	GREEN
Ruthin Review -New Area School for Llanfair DC and Pentrecelyn	GREEN
Rhyl New School	GREEN

#### CORPORATE PROGRAMME: MODERNISING SOCIAL SERVICES & ENHANCING WELLBEING

Single Point of Access	YELLOW
Intelligence Requirement for Children and Family Services	YELLOW
Review of Assessed Services for Children with Disabilities	YELLOW
Vulnerable People Mapping	GREEN
Extra Care - Independent living in a safe and supported environment	GREEN
Service Inclusion Review	YELLOW

#### RHYL REGENERATION

The Honey Club, Rhyl	GREEN
49-55 Queen Street	GREEN
Denbighshire Coastal Facilities	GREEN
Rhyl Harbour: Pedestrian and cycle bridge, public square, quayside building and extended quay wall	ORANGE
Rhyl Harbour: Harbour Empowerment Order	ORANGE

#### SERVICE: BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT & MODERNISATION

Denbighshire Caravan Site Strategy for Managing Residential Occupancy	GREEN
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#### SERVICE: CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES

Capturing the voice of children, young people and families	GREEN
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#### SERVICE - COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Consultation on future of in-house services	GREEN
Cefndy Capital Investment	GREEN
Welfare Advice Modernisation Project	GREEN

#### SERVICE: CUSTOMERS & EDUCATION SUPPORT

Capita Regional MIS	YELLOW

#### SERVICE: EDUCATION & CHILDRENS SERVICES

Joining of Education and Children and Families services	GREEN
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#### **SERVICE: FINANCE & ASSETS**

Excellent Housing	YELLOW
PROACTIS eSourcing Rollout	YELLOW

#### SERVICE: HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Residual Waste (North Wales Collaboration)	GREEN
Loggerheads Traffic Congestion Initiative	YELLOW
Corwen Flood Risk Management Scheme	GREEN
West Rhyl Coastal Defence Scheme Phase 3	ORANGE
Foryd (Blue) Bridge East Abutment Strengthening	YELLOW

#### SERVICE: PLANNING & PUBLIC PROTECTION

Former North Wales Hospital Denbigh	YELLOW
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Report To: Cabinet

Date of Meeting: 15th December 2015

Lead Member / Officer: Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Richard Weigh, Chief

**Finance Officer** 

Report Author: Steve Gadd, Chief Accountant

Title: Finance Report

#### 1. What is the report about?

The report gives details of the council's revenue budget and savings as agreed for 2015/16. The report also provides a summary update of the Capital Plan as well as the Housing Revenue Account and Housing Capital Plan.

#### 2. What is the reason for making this report?

The purpose of the report is to provide an update on the council's current financial position.

#### 3. What are the Recommendations?

Members note the budgets set for 2015/16 and progress against the agreed budget strategy.

#### 4. Report details

The report provides a summary of the council's revenue budget for 2015/16 detailed in **Appendix 1**. The council's net revenue budget is £185m (£188m in 14/15). The position on service and corporate budgets is a forecast underspend of £0.410m (£0.298m under at the end of October). Further narrative around the reasons for variances and the risks and assumptions underlying them are outlined below.

Savings of £7.3m were agreed as part of the budget and a summary of the savings is shown as **Appendix 2**. £6.647m (91%) of the savings have already been achieved. As reported in detail last month the majority of the remaining 9% of savings are projected to be achieved by 2016/17 at the latest.

#### 5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?

Effective management of the council's revenue and capital budgets and delivery of the agreed budget strategy underpins activity in all areas, including corporate priorities.

#### 6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?

Significant service narratives are shown in the following paragraphs.

Children's Services – The service is currently expected to overspend by £237k (£237k overspend last month). As noted last month there is always the possibility of changes to high costs placements which can adversely affect the projected outturn within this service. It is still hoped the service can reduce the current projected overspend through the management of vacancy savings, otherwise the pressure will be funded through the Specialist Placement Reserve.

**Planning and Public Protection** – The service is currently projected to underspend by £60k (£50k last month) due to the early implementation of agreed budget savings.

**Highways and Environmental Services** – Risks around School Transport, Parking and the work carried out on behalf of the Trunk Road Agency remain in 2015/16. The following management action has been identified:

- Parking Better performance management of the enforcement staff to increase PCN income and a review of operational costs had already been implemented during last year. Pricing tariffs for the car parks are being reviewed.
- School Transport A task and finish group was brought together to look at options to reduce the trend of overspending in this area. This resulted in a revised School Transport policy being issued (applicable from September 2015) which aimed to help the service move to a break even position. The effect of the new policy on the budget position is being monitored closely alongside the effect of continuing pressures around demography, college transport and SEN requirements. As reported last month the contracts in place for the 15/16 academic year have been examined and it is currently projected that there is a net pressure of approximately £55k in this area.
- North and Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency The service has reduced costs in order to limit the impact of the reductions in fee income that are currently known. However, as reported last month, there are projected to be further reductions in income and levels of work in this area which have resulted in a pressure of £80k.

The specific pressures highlighted above have been partly offset by a number of underspends elsewhere within the service. The service is therefore currently projected to overspend by £112k (£101k overspend reported last month), although management will continue to try and identify in year savings to offset this pressure.

**Business Improvement and Modernisation** – As last month the service is still projected to underspend by £89k largely due to vacancy savings related to the early achievement of efficiencies agreed as part of the Phase 4 savings for 2016/17.

**School Improvement and Inclusion** – The service is currently projected to underspend by £111k (£10k underspend reported last month). £33k of the underspend is due to the early achievement of the School Library Service

efficiency, the remaining £78k is due to temporary vacancy savings pending the merger of the service with Children's Services. It is hoped that this underspend can be utilised in future years to help fund the additional service requirements resulting from the draft Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal Bill which sets out proposals for a new legislative system for supporting children and young people, aged 0-25, who have additional learning needs. There remains a risk around the projected outturn for the Out of County service area as we are yet to receive notifications for the Autumn Term from other Local Authorities. However the service could draw on the Out of County Reserve if there was a projected overspend in this area.

**Schools** - The latest projection for school balances is £1.894m, which is a reduction of £1.644m on the balances brought forward from 2014/15 (£3.538m). Monitoring reports have been submitted to finance detailing the risks and assumptions that have informed the projections and summaries of plans in place for using reserves and/or dealing with projected deficits. The non-delegated budget is currently projected to overspend by £68k due to additional costs related to the expansion of Broadband in Schools. It is hoped this overspend will be offset by a reduction in historic pension costs, although these figures will not be known until the end of the financial year.

**Corporate** – It is still currently projected that there will be an underspend on Corporate budgets of £0.454m. The current assumption is that corporate underspends will be used to support the delivery of the Corporate Plan. A review of corporate contingencies, provisions and reserves is ongoing and will be reported on in future monitoring reports.

Other Service Risks / Assumptions – Although other services are currently projected to break even, as always, there are a number of risks and assumptions that will be monitored closely over the coming months and reported to Members.

As highlighted last month, one risk emerging on corporate budgets is the likelihood of further contributions being levied to service the council's obligations (along with most others in the UK) in respect of the former Mutual Municipal Insurance Company. Councils were mutual members of the company and have inherited liabilities upon its winding up. The liabilities relate to historical claims. This follows £393k that was paid in 2014/15. No figures have been quoted as yet for the latest levy but the council's maximum exposure is £2.225m. Although we are not expecting notification of the financial obligation before March 2016, it is likely that the figure will be similar to that paid in 2014/15 and if so, it will be funded from corporate contingencies.

**Corporate Plan** cash reserves at the beginning of 2015/16 are £17.413m. Allowing for projected funding and expenditure during the year, the Corporate Plan reserve at the end of the year is estimated to be £4.231m.

A summary of the council's **Capital Plan** is enclosed as **Appendix 3**. The approved general capital plan is £48.3m with expenditure to date of £26.9m. Also included within Appendix 2 is the proposed expenditure of £26.4m in

2015/16 on the **Corporate Plan**. **Appendix 4** provides an update on the major projects included in the Capital Plan.

The **Housing Revenue Account (HRA).** The latest revenue position assumes an increase in balances at year end of £139k compared to a budgeted increase of £168k. HRA balances are forecast to be £1.990m at the end of the year. The Housing Capital Plan forecast expenditure is £5.4m. Any slippage in the capital plan will be rolled forward into the Housing Capital Plan for 2016/17.

**Treasury Management** – At the end of November the council's borrowing totalled £196.342m at an average rate of 4.8%. Investment balances were £15.5m at an average rate of 0.54%.

## 7. What are the main conclusions of the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) undertaken on the decision?

A detailed impact assessment was produced as part of the budget setting process and was reported to Council in December 2014.

#### 8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?

In addition to regular reports to the Corporate Governance Committee, the budget process has been considered by CET, SLT, Cabinet Briefing and Council Briefing meetings. Specific proposals were reviewed by scrutiny committees. There were ten budget workshops held with elected members to examine service budgets and consider the budget proposals.

There was a public engagement exercise to consider the impact of budget proposals and there are ongoing discussions between some of the county council's services and some Town councils. The council has consulted its partners through the joint Local Service Board and specific discussions have taken place with the Police.

All members of staff were kept informed about the budget setting process and affected staff have been or will be fully consulted, in accordance with the council's HR policies and procedures. Trade Unions have been consulted through Local Joint Consultative Committee.

#### 9. Chief Finance Officer Statement

It is important that services continue to manage budgets prudently and that any in-year surpluses are considered in the context of the medium-term financial position, particularly given the scale of budget reductions required over the coming two or three years.

#### 10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?

This is the most challenging financial period the council has faced and failure to deliver the agreed budget strategy will put further pressure on services in the current and future financial years. Effective budget monitoring and control will help ensure that the financial strategy is achieved.

#### 11. Power to make the Decision

Local authorities are required under Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 to make arrangements for the proper administration of their financial affairs.



# **Appendix 1**

# DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REVENUE BUDGET 2015/16

	Net Budget	Bu	dget 2015/16		Projected Outturn				Variance			
Nov-15	2014/15	Expenditure	Income	Net	Expenditure	Income	Net	Expenditure	Income	Net	Net	Previous Report
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	%	£'000
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Communication, Marketing & Leisure	5,727	10,690	-6,852	3,838	11,245	-7,407	3,838	555	-555	0	0.00%	0
Customers & Education Support	2,454	7,264	-1,918	5,346	7,878	-2,532	5,346	614	-614	0	0.00%	0
School Improvement & Inclusion	4,555	15,419	-11,518	3,901	15,698	-11,908	3,790	279	-390	-111	-2.85%	-10
Business Improvement & Modernisation	3,734	5,742	-1,688	4,054	6,235	-2,321	3,914	493	-582	-89	-2.20%	-89
Legal, HR & Democratic Services	2,395	3,475	-1,061	2,414	3,400	-986	2,414	-75	75	0	0.00%	0
Finance & Assets	8,354	10,944	-4,358	6,586	11,013	-4,472	6,541	69	-114	-45	-0.68%	-33
Highways & Environmental Services	18,829	34,249	-16,060	18,189	34,531	-16,230	18,301	282	-170	112	0.62%	101
Planning & Public Protection	2,480	3,798	-1,434	2,364	3,881	-1,577	2,304	83	-143	-60	-2.54%	-50
Community Support Services	32,269	46,113	-14,332	31,781	46,759	-14,978	31,781	646	-646	0	0.00%	0
Economic & Business Development	1,421	877	-80	797	1,073	-276	797	196	-196	0	0.00%	0
Children's Services	8,419	10,495	-2,199	8,296	10,789	-2,218	8,571	294	-57	237	2.86%	237
Total Services	90,637	149,066	-61,500	87,566	152,502	-64,905	87,597	3,436	-3,392	44	0.05%	156
Corporate	16,142	45,592	-29,014	16,578	45,138	-29,014	16,124	-454	0	-454	-2.74%	-454
Precepts & Levies	4,342	4,361	0	4,361	4,361	0	4,361	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Capital Financing	13,330	12,945	0	12,945	12,945	0	12,945	0	0	0	0.00%	0
Total Corporate	33,814	62,898	-29,014	33,884	62,444	-29,014	33,430	-454	0	-454	-1.34%	-454
Council Services & Corporate Budget	124,451	211,964	-90,514	121,450	214,946	-93,919	121,027	2,982	-3,392	-410	-0.34%	-298
Council del vices & Corporate Budget	124,431	211,304	-30,314	121,430	214,940	-95,919	121,021	2,902	-3,332	-410	-0.04/0	-290
Schools & Non-delegated School Budgets	63,731	73,806	-10,500	63,306	74,802	-9,784	65,018	996	716	1,712	2.70%	1,712
Total Council Budget	400 400	205 770	101 011	104 750	200 740	402 702	100.045	2.070	2.676	4 202	0.700/	4 44 4
Total Council Budget	188,182	285,770	-101,014	184,756	289,748	-103,703	186,045	3,978	-2,676	1,302	0.70%	1,414
Housing Revenue Account	-163	13,441	-13,609	-168	13,608	-13,747	-139	167	-138	29		29

#### Appendix 2 Agreed Savings 2015/16

Agreed Savings by Service Area	STATUS	2015/16 £'000	
Highways & Environment			
Street Cleansing - reduce activity	Achieved	100	
Increase Cemetery Charges	Achieved	50	
Reduce Rights of Way activity	Achieved	71	
Reduce Road Safety Programme	Achieved	50	
Reduce Street Lighting Inspections	Achieved	5	
Introduce Charges for Green Waste	Achieved	400	
Remove or reduce public transport subsidy	Achieved	166	
Highways general maintenance review	Achieved	125	
Reduce grounds maintenance activity	Achieved	40	
Rationalisation of Countryside Services	Achieved	65	
Communication, Marketing & Leisure			
Reduce spend on recruitment advertising in newspapers	Achieved	30	
Stop production of paper version of County Voice	Achieved	19	
Leisure Centres - further increase income and efficiency	In Progress	118	
Rhyl Pavilion - restructure and introduction of transaction fees	Achieved	62	
Youth Services - changes to open access programme	Achieved	28	
Youth Services - staffing structure	Achieved	46	
Remove subsidy from Scala Prestatyn	Achieved	40	
Rationalise Tourist Information Centres - inc. changes to opening hours	Achieved	20	
Introduce charges for the use of the Drift Park water play area in Rhyl and reduce the level of Lifeguard Cover on		48	
	Achieved	48	
the beaches from 2015/16	A . I I	4-	
Increase income recharge or transfer Denbigh Town Hall	Achieved	17	
Library Service - modernisation programme (Stage 1 - delete vacant posts, reduce book fund)	Achieved	130	
Library Service (Ruthin Craft Centre - reduce subsidy)	Achieved	10	
Education Support			
Remove historic contingency budgets	Achieved	78	
Premises Budget - stop facilities management service provided to schools	Achieved	70	
Clothing Grants - end council support with the option to pay passed to schools	Achieved	4	
Remission claims - end council support with the option to pay passed to schools	Achieved	34	
Governor Support - change the way support is provided	Achieved	31	
Schools Delegated Budgets			
Demography reduction to reflect fall in pupil numbers	Achieved	242	
Use of Corporate Plan additional funding to meet 1 % protection target	Achieved	581	
School Inclusion			
Review Additional Learning Needs - removal of external chair moderation	Achieved	3	
Behaviour Support - property savings from moving Project 11	Achieved	3	
Specialist equipment - reduce budget to match expenditure	Achieved	5	
Review Education Social Worker Service	Achieved	120	
Review Educational Psychology Service	Achieved	30	
Review of Counselling Service	Achieved	100	
Reduce Recoupment Budget to match expenditure	Achieved	140	
School Improvement Services			
Regional Consortium Office costs - renegotiate costs	Achieved	30	
School Library Service - stop the service	Achieved	45	
Music Service - end the agreement with William Mathias	Achieved	103	
School improvement discretionary subsidies - remove to match demand	Achieved	141	
·	Achieved	23	
Outdoor pursuits SLA - involves transferring the cost to schools	Achieved	23	
Customer Services Website Advertising - scope for additional income	Achieved	10	
Rhyl One Stop Shop Review	Achieved	100	
Finance & Assets			
Finance - modernisation and efficiency	Achieved	60	
Finance - external funding team, removal of base budget	Achieved	65	
Property - Office Accommodation Rationalisation	In Progress	100	
Property - management restructure	Achieved	80	
Reduce the Miscellaneous Property Portfolio	Achieved	20	
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Property School Facilities Management Agreement	Achieved	. 4	

Agreed Savings by Service Area	STATUS	2015/16 £'000
Revenues & Benefits Commercial Partnership	Achieved	80
Corporate Control Singuistics 8, DSI	A alai ayya al	050
Capital Financing & PFI	Achieved	650
Energy Efficiency - result of lower consumption and price increases	Achieved	300
Removal of contingency budgets	Achieved	50
<b>Corporate Complaints</b> - provision to be considered as part of the wider corporate review of support/business services	Review	40
ser vices		
Business Improvement & Modernisation		
Community Safety Partnership - review contribution	Achieved	5
Information Management - service redesign	Achieved	50
Corporate Improvement Team (corporate review of support/business services)	Review	180
Corporate Project Team - increase external charges	Achieved	10
Partnerships & Communities Team	Achieved	30
Internal Audit	Achieved	75
Local & Domographic Comises		
Legal & Democratic Services  Reduce the Number of Committee Meetings - saving on travel costs	Achieved	2
	Achieved	5
Reduction of Civics budget	Achieved	3
Strategic HR	Λ ala: a a al	50
Not replacing Head of Service	Achieved	50
Staff Training & Development - greater use of e-learning etc	Achieved	15
Adult & Business Services		
PARIS - electronic Domiciliary Care Invoices	Achieved	37
Receivership	Achieved	13
Cefndy Healthcare	Achieved	71
Workforce Development	Achieved	75
Restructure of Locality Services	Achieved	100
Benefits & Welfare Advice Service Review	In Progress	200
Children & Family Services		
Staffing Budgets - realign to current requirement	Achieved	150
ICT Desktop Budget	Achieved	
	Achieved	10
Young Carers - revised contribution to regional service Children with Disabilities - reduction to equipment budget to match spend	Achieved	6
		10
Adoption support costs	Achieved Achieved	20 10
National Youth Advocacy Contract		
Child Protection Training  Parental contributions for services provided for Children with Disabilities	Achieved Achieved	10 50
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Planning & Public Protection		
Development Management - increase income revenue for pre application advice	Achieved	45
Public Protection - closure of Pest Control Service	Achieved	95
Pollution Control - review to consider minimum level of provision	Achieved	20
Trading Standards - stop providing consumer advice	Achieved	45
Housing & Community Development		
HRA Recharges - increase costs funded by the Housing Revenue Account	Achieved	270
Remove Town & Area Plan Budgets	Achieved	356
Reduce Core Project/Development Budget	Achieved	159
Reduce Core Project/Development Budget  Reduce staffing budget - deletion of a vacant post	Achieved	42
Reduce non-staffing elements throughout the Economic & Business Development Budget	Achieved	43
Total Agreed Savings 2015/16		7,285

Summary:	£'000	%
Savings Achieved/Replaced	6,647	91
Savings In Progress/Being Reviewed	638	9
Savings Not Achieved or Deferred and not replaced	0	0
Total	7,285	

#### Denbighshire County Council - Capital Plan 2015/16 - 2018/19 Position to end November 2015

#### **APPENDIX 3**

General Capital I	Plan	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
-		£000s	£000\$	£000s	£000s
Capital Expenditure					
<u> </u>	Total Estimated Payments - General	21,259	1,140	171	17 <sup>-</sup>
	Total Estimated Payments - Corporate Plan	26,227	11,388	5,008	454
	Contingency	772	500	500	500
	Total	48,258	13,028	5,679	1,12
Capital Financing					
External Funding		15,349	7,568	7,040	4,792
Receipts and Reserves		15,158	5,914	658	
Prudential Borrowing		17,751	3,651	2,086	438
Unallocated Funding		(0)	(4,105)	(4,105)	(4,105
	Total Capital Financing	48,258	13,028	5,679	1,125

#### **Corporate Plan Revised October 2015**

Approved Capital Expenditure	Cefndy Healthcare Investment
	Extra Care
included in above plan	Highways Maintenance and bridges
	Feasibility Study - New Ruthin School
	Eggeibility Study Carros Embro

Feasibility Study - Carreg Emlyn Llanfair/Pentrecelyn Area School Rhyl High School

Ysgol Bro Dyfrdwy - Dee Valley West Review Bodnant Community School

Ysgol Glan Clwyd Faith Based Secondary

**Estimated Capital Expenditure** 

**Total Estimated Payments** 

**Approved Capital Funding** included in above plan

External Funding Receipts and Reserves Prudential Borrowing

**Estimated Capital Funding** 

External Funding Receipts and Reserves Prudential Borrowing

**Total Estimated Funding** 

£000s	£000s	2000s	2000s
4.40			
140			
788			
2,881			
618 378			
483			
463 17,039	1,935	332	
17,039	1,933	332	
2,606	277	61	
1,248	9,176	4,615	454
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210	21,853	28,767	15,772
26,437	33,241	33,775	16,226
3,022	2,763	2,435	187
11,876	5,914	658	067
11,329	2,711	1,915	267
0	7,507	17,510	9,399
210	1,759	2,032	400
0	12,587	9,225	5,973
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26,437	33,241	33,775	16,226

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#### **Appendix 4 - Major Capital Projects Update November 2015**

#### **Rhyl Harbour Development**

Total Budget	£10.631m
Expenditure to date	£10.538m
Estimated remaining spend in 2015/16	£ 0.093m
Future Years estimated spend	£ Nil
Funding	WG £2.605m; WEFO £5.950m; Sustrans £0.700m:
	RWE £155k; WREN £83k and DCC £1.138m
Comments	Programme Since the completion of the accessible board walk route from the harbour up to and including the viewing platform, a further grant has been offered to Countryside Services by Natural Resources Wales, to complete the stretch of boardwalk from the viewing platform to the junction with the All Wales Coastal Footpath. The grant has just been accepted and the work will commence in January 2016.  Work is on-going to rectify any remaining defects associated with works undertaken at the harbour.
Forecast In Year Expenditure 15/16	£0.210m

# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools Programme – Bodnant Community School Extension and Refurbishment

Total Budget	£3.581m		
Expenditure to date	£1.520m		
Estimated remaining spend in 15/16	£1.718m		
Future Years estimated spend	£0.343m		
Funding	WG £1.687m, DCC £1.894m		
Comments	Bodnant Community School		
	This scheme is one of five projects within the		
	Band A proposals for 21st Century Schools		
	Programme.		
	The project will build 7 classrooms, a new		
	school hall and supporting facilities on the		
	current Juniors site. This will allow the Infants		
	pupils to move to the Juniors site and the		
	school to operate on a single site. The Infants		
	site will then become surplus to requirements.		
	Construction of the superstructure walls and		
	roof beams is now complete. The roofing		
	works, mechanical and electrical first fix and		
	installation of windows are ongoing. The project		
	is running to schedule and within budget. The		
	project should be delivered in readiness for the		
	start of the new school year in September		
	2016.		
Forecast In Year Expenditure 15/16	£2.606m		

### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools Programme - Rhyl New School

Total Budget	£24.586m
Expenditure to date	£13.460m
Estimated remaining spend in 15/16	£ 8.850m
Future Years estimated spend	
Estimated remaining spend in 15/16	
	entrance to the leisure centre which will follow on. There have been some legal issues relating to the substation which has been a cause for concern, however the power on date is now set for 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2015; this is important as there is a need for heating to enable all the finishing works to take place, and commence the commissioning of the
	building. The ICT provider for the school is now engaged and design work associated with the servers has commenced.
	The new school is still programmed to complete in February/March 2016, at which point the pupils will transfer to the new school, and the existing school buildings will be demolished and the grounds re-
	instated to school playing fields. The anticipated completion date of the project is August 2016.  There is ongoing consultation with key stakeholders which includes the neighbours.
Forecast In Year Expenditure 15/16	£17.031m

#### **Nova Development**

Total Budget	£4.472m
Expenditure to date	£4.236m
Estimated remaining spend in 15/16	£0.222m
Future Years estimated spend	£0.014m
Funding	DCC £4.380m; Other contributions £0.092m
Comments	The refurbishment of Prestatyn Nova Centre commenced on 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2015. This scheme includes external environmental improvements to improve the look of the building as well as the creation of a new entrance, reception, 60 station fitness suite, café, retail units, three storey soft play structure, multi-purpose studios and refurbishment of associated toilets and changing areas throughout the complex. The scheme has also been extended to include the complete refurbishment of the public toilet block to the East of the property together with improvements to the promenade area.
	Over the last month, the refurbishment of the Nova has progressed very quickly and the majority of work has now been completed with exception to some external areas which have been hampered by poor weather conditions. These areas are expected to be complete by early December but have no impact on the operation of the Nova.
	The Council took possession of the fitness suite and reception area at the end of October with practical completion and handover taking place on 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2015. The week prior to opening was used for setting up and establishing systems, staff training, installation of furniture, equipment, kitchen ware, vending and ICT hardware. During this period the fitness suite was opened to existing fitness customers so that they could become familiar with the new equipment and layout of the centre. A number of schools and nurseries were invited to use the new soft play centre so that they could test the systems in place and provide feedback.
	The Nova opened fully to the public on Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November and was extremely busy from the outset. Staff provided tours of the Nova to enable local residents to view the major changes that have taken place. Feedback has been excellent.
	The new web page for the Nova can be found at <a href="https://www.novaprestatyn.co.uk">www.novaprestatyn.co.uk</a> . Opening activities include a VIP evening for local businesses, councillors, AM's, MP's etc. to showcase the attraction.
	There will be a Festive Family Funday and official opening on the 5 <sup>th</sup> December which will include free

	play, splash sessions in the pool, express fitness classes in the studio, access to the new fitness suite, circus workshops, magic shows and other children's activities.
Forecast In Year Expenditure 15/16	£3.400m

#### **West Rhyl Coastal Development Phase 3**

Total Budget	£5.560m
Expenditure to date	£5.254m
Estimated remaining spend in 15/16	£0.306m
Future Years estimated spend	£Nil
Funding	DCC £0.871m; WG/WEFO £4.347m; WG £0.199m; Town Plans/Town Council £0.143m
Comments	This coastal defence scheme is the final phase of works designed to protect 2,700 properties from coastal flooding.
	The coastal defence works are now operationally complete.
	The final account has been agreed with the main contractor. Community involvement details are required from Dawnus for Welsh Government audit purposes.
	The town cycle link route along the coast road footpath requires an application for funding to the Welsh Government in order to complete.
	The NC5 coastal cycle route is complete.
	Surfacing to all levels is complete. Anti-skid is being applied to the upper promenade and viewing platforms. This work is still delayed due to the weather.
	Further works to be completed include the installation of remaining handrails sections and seating.
	Work to the masonry wall is ongoing at the West End to hold the commemorative stone plaque
	Lecterns are due to be delivered mid-December. Rhyl Town Council have agreed to fund an additional lectern. (A total of 3 to be installed)
Forecast In Year Expenditure 15/16	£2.460m

Meeting		Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
12 January	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Richard Weigh
	2	Budget Report		Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Richard Weigh
	3	Treasury Management Strategy	To consider the Strategy prior to Council	No	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill/Richard Weigh
	4	Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan	To approve the Supporting People Local Commissioning Plan 2016-19 for submission to the North Wales Regional Collaborative Committee		Cllr Bobby Feeley / Sophie Haworth-Booth
	5	Corporate Plan Projects – Progress Report	To consider progress made on projects in the Corporate Plan	Tbc	Cllr Julian Thompson- Hill / Richard Weigh
	6	Officers Scheme of Delegation	To approve amendments to the scheme	Yes	Cllr Barbara Smith/Gary Williams/Lisa Jones
	7	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator

#### Cabinet Forward Work Plan

Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
			Cabinet's attention		
16 February	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Richard Weigh
	2	Ruthin Primary Proposals - Ysgol Llanbedr	To consider the objections received for the closure of Ysgol Llanbedr, and whether to approve implementation of the proposal	Yes	Councillor Eryl Williams / James Curran
	3	Capital Programme	To agree the Capital Programme	Yes	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill/Richard Weigh/Richard Humphreys
	4	Former North Wales Hospital, Denbigh - Compulsory Purchase Order	Authorisation to take possession of the site	Yes	Councillor David Smith / Graham Boase / Gareth Roberts
	5	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
29 March	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Richard Weigh
	2	Corporate Plan Performance	To consider progress against	Tbc	Cllr Julian Thompson-

#### Cabinet Forward Work Plan

	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
	Report 2015/16 Q3	the Corporate Plan		Hill / Liz Grieve
3	Corporate Plan Projects – Progress Report	To consider progress made on projects in the Corporate Plan	Tbc	Cllr Julian Thompson- Hill / Richard Weigh
4	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Richard Weigh
2	Future of Adult Provider Services	To consider the future of adult provider services.	Yes	Cllr Bobby Feeley / Phil Gilroy / Holly Evans
3	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
	1 2	Report 2015/16 Q3 Corporate Plan Projects – Progress Report  Items from Scrutiny Committees  Finance Report  Future of Adult Provider Services	Report 2015/16 Q3  Corporate Plan Projects – Progress Report  Items from Scrutiny Committees  To consider progress made on projects in the Corporate Plan  To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention  To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council  Future of Adult Provider Services  Items from Scrutiny Committees  To consider the future of adult provider services.	Report 2015/16 Q3  Corporate Plan Projects – Progress Report  Items from Scrutiny Committees  To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention  To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council  Future of Adult Provider Services  To consider any issues  To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council  To consider the future of adult provider services.  To consider any issues  To consider the future of adult provider services.

### Note for officers - Cabinet Report Deadlines

Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline
January	22 December	February	2 February	March	15 March

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#### Cabinet Forward Work Plan

<u>Updated 01/12/15 - KEJ</u>

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## Agenda Item 8

By virtue of paragraph(s) 14, 16 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.













