Summary of the Position of the Social Services, Housing and Leisure	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Children and Families Service - Operational Service	1,816	1,918	102	0	102	63
Children Support Services	7,724	7,380	(344)	0	(344)	(314)
Post 16 Service	920	1,068	148	0	148	111
Other (Children and Families)	2,864	2,820	(44)	0	(44)	44
Total Children and Families Service	13,324	13,186	(138)	0	(138)	(96)
Adults Service						
Older People's Services	18,354	18,757	403	0	403	156
Physical Disabilities Services	1,937	1,867	(70)	0	(70)	(2)
Learning Disabilities Service	12,744	12,912	168	0	168	200
Mental Health Services	3,205	3,214	9	0	9	(55)
Other (Adults)	2,698	2,686	(12)	0	(12)	(10)
Total Adults Services	38,938	39,436	498	0	498	289

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Summary of the Position of Social Services, Housing and Leisure Area:-	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14 £'000	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure £'000	Recommended Adjustments £'000	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure £'000	Quarter 3 Position £'000
Housing Service	£'000	£ 000	2.000	£ 000	2.000	2,000
Housing Service	1,589	1,512	(77)	0	(77)	(12)
Total Housing Service	1,589	1,512	(77)	0	(77)	(12)
Provider Service (net position)	(591)	(383)	208	0	208	175
Leisure Services	2,133	2,184	51	0	51	113
Other (Provider and Leisure)	(206)	(184)	22	0	22	19
Central Services (Social Services, Provider and Leisure)	3,802	3,662	(140)	0	(140)	(128)
General	0	0	0	(424)	(424)	0
Total Social Services Department, Housing and Leisure	58,989	59,413	424	(424)	0	360

DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING AND LEISURE

Children and Fa	amilies Service
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Area:- Operational Service

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,816	1,918	102		102	63

Increase of £39k from the previous overexpenditure position, mainly due to additional requirements on a number of cases associated with court cases.

Area:- Children Support Services

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
7,724	7,380	(344)		(344)	(314)

Minor further underspend during the quarter on several headings.

DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING AND LEISURE

Area:- Post 16 Service

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
920	1,068	148		148	111

Increase of £37k in overspend since the third quarter, due to a number of new cases.

Area:- Other (Children and Families)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2,864	2,820	(44)		(44)	44

Net position includes a number of variances on several headings, especially underspend of (£24k) on Specialist Services (increase of (£32k) since the third quarter), underspend of (£31k) on Youth Justice Services (increase of (£16k) since the third quarter), and overspend of £19k on Other Services (reduction of (£34k) from the overspend of £53k anticipated in the third quarter review).

DEPARTMENT:SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING AND LEISURE

Adults Service

Area:- Older People's Services

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
18,354	18,757	403		403	156

Significant increase £246k in overspend during the last quarter, across several headings. Residential and Nursing showing net overspend of £403k (increase of £85k in the last quarter due to reduction in income), and overspend of £6k on Home Care (change of £169k of the net underspend of (£175k) anticipated in the third quarter).

Area:- Physical Disabilities Services

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,937	1,867	(70)		(70)	(2)

Increase (£68k) in the final net underspend position, including a reduction (£52k) in expenditure on Home Care and reduction (£10k) in expenditure on Support and Other Schemes.

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Adults Services

Area:- Learning Disabilities Service

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
12,744	12,912	168		168	200

Reduction (£32k) to the £200k overspend anticipated in the third quarter, and the final position includes £42k overspend on Residential and Nursing (reduction (£44k)), overspend £242k on Day Services (increase of £50k in the last quarter), and underspend (£135k) on Supporting Schemes (increase (£40k) in the last quarter).

Area:-

Mental Health Services

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
3,205	3,214	9		9	(55)

Reversal of £64k from the overspend position anticipated in the previous quarter, with three new Residential and Nursing cases contributing £38k to the change, and three new Support Accommodation locations adding another £22k.

DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING AND LEISURE

Area:- Other (Adults)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2,698	2,686	(12)		(12)	(10)

Housing Service

Area:- Housing Service

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,589	1,512	(77)		(77)	(12)

Increase (£65k) from the previous underspend position, including underspend (£32k) on Private Sector Housing due to attracting additional income and underspend (£19k) on Homelessness Services due to success in relocating cases more cost-effectively.

DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING AND LEISURE

Area:- Provider Service (net position)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
(591)	(383)	208		208	175

Final position indicates overspend of £140k on Residential Care (increase of £5k in the last quarter), and this following the receipt of additional budget of £150k by the Cabinet in the third quarter due to additional costs as a result of employment appeals. A review of relevant staffing arrangements is in the pipeline to resolve the general overspend position. In addition this heading also includes a final overspend of £81k on Community Care (increase of £24k in the last quarter), with significant travelling costs continuing to be a problem for the service.

In addition, final overspend of £15k on Supported Accommodation and underspend of (£27k) on Day Care.

Area:- Leisure Services

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2,133	2,184	51		51	113

Reduction (£62k) in overspend that brings the final position down to £51k. In Leisure facilities there was a deficit of £106k through a combination of insufficient income from food sales and loss due to food waste, however additional income was received (£51k) (increase of £17k since the previous quarter) in fees for using the centre facilities. In addition, there was an underspend (£1k) on Sports Development, a reduction of £20k since the previous quarter.

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Area:- Other (Provider and Leisure)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
(206)	(184)	22		22	19

The final position is fairly consistent with the forecast in the third quarter.

Area:- Central Services (Social Services,

Provider and Leisure)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
3,802	3,662	(140)		(140)	(128)

Minor increase (£12k) in the underspend position, mainly due to more one-off staffing savings.

DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL SERVICES HOUSING AND LEISURE

General

Area:- Dealing with the Final Overspend Position

Revised	Final	Gross Over /	Recommended	Net Over /	Quarter 3
Budget	Expenditure	(Under)	Adjustments	(Under)	Position
2013/14	2013/14	Expenditure	Aujustinents	Expenditure	Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
0	0	0	(424)	(424)	0

Final position for the year shows the total departmental overspend of £424k.

In order to clear the overspend and give the two new heads a clean slate, it is recommended that the situation is dealt with by:-

- Use of departmental underspend fund (£32k)
- Use of corporate fund set aside for possible overspend in the field of Social Services (£262k)
- Use of part of the one-off savings following the re-structuring of senior management of the former departments of Social Services, Provider and Leisure (£130k).

Area:- Implications of the overpsend position 2013-14 and 2014-15

It is estimated that if some of the overspend trends reported above continue throughout the 2014-15 year, then this would entail an additional expenditure requirement of £1,452k.

The Corporate Management Team has met with the Head of Adults and has received assurance that work is in the pipeline to identify the reasons behind the recent increase and an emergency strategy will be in place to alleviate the situation and try to avoid a situation of overspend.

Summary of the Position of the Education Department	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Transport	4,369	4,394	25	0	25	53
Redundancy and Early Retirement	1,307	1,598	291	0	291	289
Integration of Pupils with Additional Learning Needs (ALN)	101	128	27	0	27	0
Out-of-county ALN Pupils	1,056	1,050	(6)	0	(6)	0
Catering and cleaning	398	456	58	0	58	54
Early Years' Unit	786	717	(69)	0	(69)	(50)
Welsh in Education	312	357	45	0	45	0
Management Arrangements	1,324	1,096	(228)	0	(228)	(91)
Additional Learning Needs Units	1,126	1,094	(32)	0	(32)	37
Inclusion Strategy	694	601	(93)	0	(93)	25
Other	291	267	(24)	0	(24)	(34)
Delegated Schools	71,196	71,196	0	0	0	0
Education Department Total	82,960	82,954	(6)	0	(6)	283

DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION

Area:-

Transport

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
4,369	4,394	25		25	53

Reduction of £28k in the overspend anticipated in the third quarter, mainly due to the requirements of transport contracts were less than expected.

Area:-

Redundancy and Early Retirement

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,307	1,598	291		291	289

Final picture is fairly consistent with the position anticipated in the third quarter, when it was reported that there would be an overspend due to additional cases of redundancies in schools.

DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION

Area:- Integration of Pupils with

Additional Learning Needs (ALN)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
101	128	27		27	0

Although the final position shows a net overspend of £27k only, during the year there was an increase in the number of pupils who received the relevant statement. Over the whole year, the gross overspend increased to £132k, but it was kept down to £27k in 2013-14 by using the reserve fund for this purpose.

Consequently, the Education Department will have to keep a tight rein on this service in order to avoid a situation of overspend in the future.

Area:- Out-of-county ALN Pupils

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	(Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,056	1,050	(6)		(6)	0

Semi neutral position.

Area:- Catering and cleaning

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
398	456	58		58	54

There was a minor increase from the overspend anticipated in the third quarter. There were several headings within this service showing variances by the end of the year, including an overspend of £84k on Catering staff and food costs together with a reduction in income of £66k.

Again, the Education Department will have to keep a tight rein on this budget to avoid a situation of overspend in the future.

DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION

Area:- Early Years' Unit

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
786	717	(69)		(69)	(50)

Minor progress from the underspend anticipated in the third quarter review, mainly as additional income received.

Area:- Welsh in Education

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
312	357	45		45	0

In the context of gross expenditure of £700k, there was a net overspend of £45k by the end of the year, mainly due to higher supply staff expenditure.

Area:- Management Arrangements

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position	
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,324	1,096	(228)		(228)	(91)

Increase of (£137k) in the net underspend position, mainly due to (£53k) one-off staff turnover savings together with additional income received of (£83k).

DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION

Area:- Additional Learning Needs Units

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,126	1,094	(32)		(32)	37

Improvement (£69k) on the third quarter position, with a mixture of variances over a number of fields, including staff turnover savings of (£43k) by the Cognition and Learning Team, (£38k) additional income for Early Years' Observation Team and increased expenditure of £8k by the Music Therapy Service.

Area:- Inclusion Strategy

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
694	601	(93)		(93)	25

Improvement (£118k) on the third quarter position, mainly due to (£30k) of staff turnover savings, together with additional cross-unit income of (£88k).

DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION

Area:- Other

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
291	267	(24)		(24)	(34)

Net underspend position on several headings, including overspend on Schools' Efficency Scheme, saving on annual Welsh Joint Education Committee agreement and underspend on Classes Fund.

Area:- Delegated Schools

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
71,196	71,196	0		0	0

Budgets where management has been delegated to governing bodies.

I note that the situation with School Balances at the end of 2013/14 was as follows:-

- Primary Schools has increased £284k to £2.6m (7.3% of primary budget allocation)
- Secondary Schools has reduced £333k to £1.1m (3.3% of secondary budget allocation)
- Special Schools have improved £73k to £70k (3.2% of the special schools budget allocation)

Total £3.8m (equivalent to 5.5% of schools receipts for 2013/14).

Summary of the Position of the Economy and Community Department	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Maritime	(389)	(250)	139	0	139	129
Country Parks	78	91	13	0	13	11
Business Support	(90)	(153)	(63)	0	(63)	(64)
Skills and Entrepreneurship	66	23	(43)	0	(43)	(40)
Youth Service	1,018	963	(55)	0	(55)	(24)
Other	3,117	3,110	(7)	0	(7)	21
Total Economy Department	3,800	3,784	(16)	0	(16)	33

DEPARTMENT: ECONOMY AND COMMUNITY

Area:- Maritime

(389)	(250)	139	2000	139	129
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2013/14	2013/14	Expenditure	Adjustments	Expenditure	Position
Budget	Expenditure	(Under)		(Under)	Quarter 3 Position
Revised	Final	Gross Over /	Recommended	Net Over /	Ouerter 2

When establishing the 2013-14 budget, the income target for Hafan Pwllheli was reduced by £109k, and the income target for Harbours was reduced by £45k. However, by the end of 2013/14 there was a net deficit of £139k, as the Hafan income was £251k short of the target, and the Department had reduced expenditure on several headings (£105k) to alleivate the situation.

The income target of the Hafan for 2014-15 has already been reduced by a further £180k and it is trusted that income can be increased following the dredging of the harbour and improvement in the economy.

Area:- Country Parks

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
78	91	13		13	11

Position of marginal overspend that includes overspend of £11k on Parc Glynllifon, mainly due to the lack of income and also overspend at Parc Padarn.

DEPARTMENT: ECONOMY AND COMMUNITY

Area:- Business Support

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
(90)	(153)	(63)		(63)	(64)

Final position consistent with what was anticipated in the third quarter, including underspend (£25k) on Business Grants, (£20k) additional income for Industrial Units, underspend of (£60k) by the Assets Team (due to achieving prior savings), and £37k of additional expenditure on Neuadd Dwyfor.

Area:- Skills and Entrepreneurship

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
66	23	(43)		(43)	(40)

Final underspend position fairly consistent with the previous forecast, mainly due to one-off staff turnover savings.

DEPARTMENT: ECONOMY AND COMMUNITY

Area:- Youth Service

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,018	963	(55)		(55)	(24)

Since the third quarter, there has been an increase (£31k) in underspend to the final position of (£55k), mainly due to underspend on youth clubs, following a period of closing some clubs during the last quarter due to staff shortage. It was also possible to attract more income during this period.

Area:- Other

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
3,117	3,110	(7)		(7)	21

Semi neutral position that refelects minor variances on several budget headings.

Summary of the Position of the Highways and Municipal Department (inc. Trunkroads Agency)	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Waste Disposal	3,513	3,651	138	0	138	128
Transfer and Treatment Sites	1,319	1,406	87	0	87	87
Waste Collection & Recycling	2,891	2,954	63	0	63	108
Commercial Waste	302	172	(130)	0	(130)	(41)
Disposal Sites	(1,292)	(1,232)	60	0	60	65
Recycling Centres	1,052	1,072	20	0	20	7
Other (Waste)	440	420	(20)	0	(20)	(2)
Total Relating to Waste	8,225	8,443	218	0	218	352
Highways & Lighting	9,173	9,100	(73)	0	(73)	(14)
Bereavement Service	2	(32)	(34)	0	(34)	(26)
Street Cleaning	2,204	2,131	(73)	0	(73)	16
Pont Aber, Caernarfon	73	101	28	0	28	19
Other	2,613	2,574	(39)	0	(39)	(22)
Total Highways and Municipal	22,290	22,317	27	0	27	325

DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAYS AND MUNICIPAL

Waste Area

Area:- Waste Disposal

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
3,513	3,651	138		138	128

Final position that is fairly consistent with the forecast in the third quarter, including higher transport costs of £16k in the last quarter.

Area:- Transfer and Treatment Sites

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,319	1,406	87		87	87

Final position consistent with the forecast in the third quarter. Overspend is due to a failure to achieve various income targets, however the situation was alleviated somewhat by using the favourable position with other budgets within the Department.

DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAYS AND MUNICIPAL

Waste Area

Area:- Waste Collection & Recycling

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2,891	2,954	63		63	108

There was a reduction (£45k) in the anticipated overspend in the third quarter. The final position includes overspend of £132k on costs dealing with rubble, timber and green waste materials (reduction of (63k)), overspend of £61k in income of commercial waste collection (reduction of (7k)), deficit of £8k in bulky waste income, but also underspend (£220k) on collection costs of recyclable materials (increase of (£153)). In addition, there was an underspend (£30k) on operational costs mainly on transport costs.

Area:- Commercial Waste

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
302	172	(130)		(130)	(41)

Increase (£89k) of the underspend position anticpated in the third quarter because of £12k additional income, and reduction of (£77k) in operational costs and disposal costs.

DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAYS AND MUNICIPAL

Waste Area

Area:- Disposal Sites

(1,292)	(1,232)	60		60	65
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2013/14	2013/14	Expenditure	Aujustinents	Expenditure	Position
Budget	Expenditure	(Under)	Adjustments	(Under)	Quarter 3 Position
Revised	Final	Gross Over /	Recommended	Net Over /	Ouerter 2

Final position fairly consistent with the third quarter forecast, namely final overspend of £60k, mainly due to higher operational costs.

Waste Area

Area:- Recycling Centres

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,052	1,072	20		20	7

Overspend position reflects the savings plan not realised during the year.

Area:- Other (Waste)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
440	420	(20)		(20)	(2)

Net underspend position (£20k) that includes a number of minor variances.

DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAYS AND MUNICIPAL

Area:- Highways & Lighting

Budget 2013/14 £'000	Expenditure 2013/14 £'000	(Under) Expenditure £'000	Recommended Adjustments £'000	(Under) Expenditure £'000	Quarter 3 Position £'000
9,173	9,100	(73)	2000	(73)	(14)

A combination of underspend, (£40k) on supplies and services, (£62k) of additional income on external contracts, and a mild winter enabled the services to contribute towards alleviating the overspend position on some other services in the Department and achieve an underspend of (£73k) on this heading by the end of the year.

Area:- Bereavement Service

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2	(32)	(34)		(34)	(26)

Minor progress in the net underspend position, as a result of receiving additional income.

DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAYS AND MUNICIPAL

Area:- Street Cleaning

Budget 2013/14 £'000	Expenditure 2013/14 £'000	(Under) Expenditure £'000	Adjustments £'000	(Under) Expenditure £'000	Position £'000
2,204	2,131	(73)		(73)	16

Improvement (£89k) since the third quarter, mainly due to reduction in operational costs of special events.

Area:- Pont Aber, Caernarfon

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
73	101	28		28	19

Overspend position, mainly due to higher staffing costs.

Area:- Other

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2,613	2,574	(39)		(39)	(22)

Many variances over many other headings, including underspend (£13k) on Open Grounds, underspend (£8k) on General Engineering and underspend (£12k) on Administrative Costs.

Summary of the Position of the Regulatory Department (Planning,Transportation and Public Protection)	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Regulation	197	151	(46)	0	(46)	1
Development Control	418	223	(195)	0	(195)	(31)
Highways and Traffic Safety	439	479	40	0	40	2
Parking Services	(1,269)	(1,165)	104	0	104	31
Public Transport	1,403	1,451	48	0	48	30
Public Protection	1,818	1,754	(64)	0	(64)	(68)
Other	3,121	3,176	55	0	55	19
Regulatory Department Total	6,127	6,069	(58)	0	(58)	(16)

DEPARTMENT: REGULATORY

Area:- Regulation

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
197	151	(46)		(46)	1

Final underspend position of (£46k) as budget was earmarked for specific schemes that have slipped into the new year.

Area:- Development Control

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
418	223	(195)		(195)	(31)

Increase of (£164k) in the net underspend, mainly due to receipt of additional fees of (£132k) in the last quarter, in relation to the development of St Mary's Bangor and housing development at Penrhosgarnedd, Bangor.

Area:- Highways and Traffic Safety

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
439	479	40		40	2

Increase of £38k in the net overspend including additional expenditure of £111k of revenue contributions to the capital programme, one-off staffing savings of (£39k), and underspend of (£39k) on School Crossing Patrols.

DEPARTMENT: REGULATORY

Area:- Parking Services

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
(1,269)	(1,165)	104		104	31

There was an increase of £73K in the net overspend in the last quarter to reach a final net overspend of £104k. Amongst a mixture of variations this overspend included a lack of parking fees income of £9k and an additional income receipt from other sources of (£9k). With the enforcement element, there was an overspend of £25k on supplies and services, underspend of (£120k) on operational costs, and final re-payment of £199k on the internal loan to the enforcement service, that will assist the Department to achieve the relevant savings target in 2014/15.

Area:- Public Transport

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,403	1,451	48		48	30

Increase of £18k in overspend since the third quarter. The final overspend of £48k includes higher bus contract costs £114k, one-off staffing costs savings of (£34k), and underspend of (£24k) on other general services.

DEPARTMENT: REGULATORY

Area:-

Public Protection

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,818	1,754	(64)		(64)	(68)

Final position is fairly consistent with the third quarter, and includes (£21k) of staff savings, underspend (£10k) on supplies and services, and additional income receipt of (£34k).

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
3,121	3,176	55		55	19

Area:- Other

Net overspend position of £55k that includes additional expenditure of £60k on schemes to restore flooding damage to green paths and rights of way.

Consultancy Department	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Consultancy Service (Roads and Engineering)	(545)	(580)	(35)	0	(35)	43
Flooding Management Risk Unit	530	557	27	0	27	0
Building Unit	(43)	(140)	(97)	0	(97)	(135)
Other	196	181	(15)	0	(15)	(5)
Total Consultancy Department	138	18	(120)	0	(120)	(97)

In accordance with the financial regulations, usually the underspend that can be carried forward at the end of any financial year is limited to (£100k), unless the Cabinet allows an exception in special circumstances.

Having considered the commercial nature of the Department's services, that fluctuate and vary from year to year, it is **recommended** that the Consultancy Department is allowed to carry over the full underspend of £120k to the 2014/15 financial year.

DEPARTMENT: CONSULTANCY

Area:- Consultancy Service (Roads and Engineering)

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
(545)	(580)	(35)		(35)	43

Following a difficult year in 2012/13 the final position for 2013/14 shows a significant financial improvement to a net underspend position of (£35k), that is a movement (£75k) from the position anticipated in the third quarter.

Net underspend includes additional fee income of (£184k), and clearing the £104k overspend from the previous year.

Following a comprehensive review of the Department's financial processes and arrangements, a relevant operational scheme is in place to try and respond to several findings. Up to now, there has been good progress with the scheme, with many matters implemented fully and others still in the process of being implemented.

Area:- Flooding Management Risk Unit

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
530	557	27		27	0

Overspend position due to additional emergency work undertaken following flooding seen during last winter.

DEPARTMENT: CONSULTANCY

Area:- Building Unit

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
(43)	(140)	(97)		(97)	(135)

A position of (£135k) underspend was anticipated in the third quarter, that has reduced £38k by the end of the year due to a reduction in income fees of £62k, but also savings in staffing costs of (£24k).

Area:- Other

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
196	181	(15)		(15)	(5)

Central Services	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Human Resources	3,104	3,103	(1)	0	(1)	(3)
Finance	3,863	3,846	(17)	0	(17)	(16)
Democracy & Legal	1,701	1,640	(61)	0	(61)	28
Customer Care	7,103	7,069	(34)	15	(19)	(31)
Strategic & Improvement	4,767	4,676	(91)	0	(91)	(83)
Corporate Management Team	925	925	0	0	0	0
Total Central Services	21,463	21,259	(204)	15	(189)	(105)

DEPARTMENT: HUMAN RESOURCES

Area:- Human Resources

Net Total

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
3,104	3,103	(1)		(1)	(3)

Final net position that is semi neutral and fairly consistent with the third quarter forecast and includes overspend of £16k on Health and Safety (mainly overspend of £12k on counselling service), and underspend of (£11k) on Support Services, (mainly, one-off staffing savings of (£15k)).

DEPARTMENT: FINANCE

Area:- Finance

Net Total

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
3,863	3,846	(17)		(17)	(16)

The final net underspend is fairly consistent with the picture forecast in the previous quarter, and includes further staffing savings of (£13k), additional external income of (£37k) and additional costs on information technology licensing systems of £38k.

DEPARTMENT: DEMOCRACY AND LEGAL

Area:- Democracy & Legal

Net Total

Net Total

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1,701	1,640	(61)		(61)	28

Significant improvement of (£89k) since the third quarter, mainly due to additional income of (£15k) in relation to road and traffic notices, additional income of (£15k) to the Translation Unit, reduction in the overspend of (£30k) in services and supplies by the Printing Unit and a combination of reduction in expenditure and increase in income of (£18k) by the Registration Unit.

DEPARTMENT: CUSTOMER CARE

Area:- Customer Care

	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
l	7,103	7,069	(34)	15	(19)	(31)

Minor increase (£3k) in the gross underspend level anticipated previously. The gross underspend of (£34k) includes an underspend (£155k) by the IT Unit due to one-off staffing savings as well as managing to attract additional income, underspend (£17k) by the Information Unit due to one-off staffing savings, underspend (£24k) by the Communications Unit stemming mainly from one-off staffing savings.

Against this, an overspend of £93k on the Telephone Service due to failure to achieve "VOIP" savings plan, overspend of £29k by the Emergency Unit, overspend of £10k by the Libraries Service stemming mainly from a lack of income, net overspend of £33k by the Property Unit, and overspend of £18k by Siop Gwynedd due to higher operational costs.

Requests were received from the Cleaning Service to establish a reserve fund for possible redundancy costs in relation to cleaning contracts. Although no revelevant developments are anticipated soon, it is considered prudent to use an element of departmental underspend for 2013/14 to establish the fund.

Recommended that a Cleaning Contracts Redundancy Costs Fund is created and contribute £15k from the gross departmental underspend to this fund.

DEPARTMENT: STRATEGIC AND IMPROVEMENT

Area:- Strategic & Improvement

Net Total

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
4,767	4,676	(91)		(91)	(83)

Underspend position (£91k) that is fairly consistent with the picture anticipated in the third quarter, and includes underspend (£39k) by the Strategic Planning Unit that stems mainly from the receipt of additional income income of (£25k) by the Information Research Unit, underspend of (£5k) by the Housing Policy Unit, and staffing savings of (£9k) by the Procurement Unit.

Underspend of (£39k) was also seen by the Achievement and Supporting Change Service due to one-off staffing savings in the Performance Improvement Unit and underspend of (£19k) by the Achievement Unit due also to one-off staffing savings.

BUDGET OF CORPORATE MANAGEMENT TEAM

Area:- Corporate Management Team

Net Total

	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
ı	925	925	0		0	0

Final neutral position, as anticipated in the third quarter.

Summary of the Corporate Position	Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
Area:-	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cross-departmental Savings Plans	0	0	(321)	321	0	0
Provider cost for possible bad debts	0	0	243	(243)	0	0
Net Interest Receipt	0	0	235	(235)	0	216
Heritable Bank Investment ("Iceland")	0	0	(221)	221	0	(221)
Council Tax	0	0	(851)	851	0	(349)
Savings Budget realised beforehand	0	0	(1,331)	1,331	0	(1,331)
Reserve budget	0	0	(254)	254	0	(552)
Non committed provision in 2013/14	0	0	(295)	295	0	(295)
Other	0	0	(87)	87	0	(20)
Housing Revenue Account	0	0	(1,727)	1,727	0	(1,727)
Corporate Total	0	0	(4,609)	4,609	0	(4,279)

CORPORATE BUDGETS

Area:- Cross-departmental Savings Plans

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(321)	321	0	0

It was reported to the Cabinet in the second budget review that some corporate savings schemes are unlikely to be fully realised in 2013/14, and the use of (£364k) was approved from the budget 'Savings achieved beforehand' for this purpose. By the end of the financial year it was possible to achieve some further prior savings of (£321k). As part of these on-off savings emanate from re-structuring of senior management of the former Departmentes of Social Services, Provider and Leisure, see above under the relevant departments, recommendation to use £130k towards the package to clear final Social Services overspend.

It is further **recommended** that the remainder of the underspend (£191k) on this heading is transferred on a one-off basis to the Redundancy Fund, namely to assist with achieving savings for the Council.

Area:- Provider cost for possible bad debts

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		243	(243)	0	0

At the end of the financial year, a likely sum has to be identified for the possibility of failing to recover debts. This year this additional cost is above the original provision.

Recommended that this additional cost of £243k is funded from the Reserve Budget.

CORPORATE BUDGETS

Area:- Net Interest Receipt

2 000	2 000	235	(235)	0	216
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
2013/14	2013/14	Expenditure	Adjustments	Expenditure	Position
Revised Budget	Final Expenditure	Gross Over / (Under)	Recommended	Net Over / (Under)	Quarter 3

As reported in the previous reviews, the interest receipt for the year has reduced significantly because of the general situation of the investment market, where interest rates are low. The income target was adapted appropriately when drafting the 2014/15 budget.

Recommended that this reduction of £235k in income is funded from the Reserve Budget.

Area:- Heritable Bank Investment ("Iceland")

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(221)	221	0	(221)

A further re-payment of (£221k) above our prudent assumption in relation to Heritable Bank investment ("Iceland") that brings the percentage of the sum recovered thus far to 94%.

It is **recommended** that this additional re-payment of (£221k) is transferred on a one-off basis to the Investment to Save Fund, to enable investment in different schemes to achieve savings for the Council.

CORPORATE BUDGETS

Area:- Council Tax

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(851)	851	0	(349)

Significant increase in the final tax 'remainder' to (£851k). Please remember that there is an expected element of 'remainder' for 2013/14 following the Welsh Government's resolution in January 2013 to (partly) fund the historical levels of assistance (up to 100%) to individuals to pay Council Tax. This followed after the Gwynedd Council's decision to reduce the relevant notional collection rate to 97.5% for 2013/14 (by 2014/15 the notional collection rate was raised back to 99%). In addition, a reduction was seen in the level of anticipated expenditure on Benefits, reduction in the number of taxable exceptions, and a reduction in the level of single discounts compared with the usual. Also, there was a specific exercise to update the council tax accounts in terms of the position of estates of deceased persons. All of this contributes to a very strong position this year, due to several on-off factors for 2013/14.

Recommended to transfer (£851k) on a one-off basis to the Redundancy Fund.

Area:- Savings Budget realised beforehand

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(1,331)	1,331	0	(1,331)

£364k was released from this heading in the second quarter review, when it was suggested that any balance at the end of the financial year should be earmarked to assist the financial strategy. In addition, as part of the financial strategy for 2014/15, the need to identify £129k and £450k specifically were approved, namely a total of £579k, to come from this source in order to meet the gap in the relevant measures pack.

It is **recommended** that the £579k is transferred to a specific fund to assist the financial strategy for 2014/15 with the remaining £752k to be transferred to the Invest to Save Fund.

CORPORATE BUDGETS

Area:- Reserve budget

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(254)	254	0	(552)

This balance represents the remainder of the Reserve Provision that has not been allocated at the end of the year (following the allocations recommended above).

Recommended to earmark £90k of the balance to a specific fund for the cost of establishing a Complaints Procedure (a matter that is the subject of another report on the agenda of this Cabinet meeting).

It is recommended that the remaining £164k is transferred to the Council's general balances.

Area:- Non committed provision in 2013/14

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(295)	295	0	(295)

Remainder of recources not committed during 2013/14.

The majority of the Council's staff training is funded form a fund established for this purpose some years ago, a fund that is now likely to be depleated by the end of 2015/16. In light of the importance of staff training, especially in the period to come, where the demand for training will increase when asking staff to be more flexible in terms of work requirements, it is **recommended** that the opportunity is taken to reinforce the position of the fund by transferring the £295k on a one-off basis to Central Training.

CORPORATE BUDGETS

Area:- Other

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(87)	87	0	(20)

Final net position that includes a combination of variances differentials, and mainly additional income received.

Recommended to transfer £87k to the Council's general balances.

Area:- Housing Revenue Account

Revised Budget 2013/14	Final Expenditure 2013/14	Gross Over / (Under) Expenditure	Recommended Adjustments	Net Over / (Under) Expenditure	Quarter 3 Position
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
		(1,727)	1,727	0	(1,727)

The balance of £1,727k on the Council Housing Revenue Account that has by now closed further to the transfer of the housing stock. During 2013/14 following the statutory time limit, this balance was transferred to the Council's general account.

It is **recommended** that this balance of £1,727 is set aside for a specific fund with a view of using it to reduce the pension obligations inevitably inherited when transferring the housing stock.