



COUNCIL – 27TH FEBRUARY 2013

**SUBJECT: BUDGET PROPOSALS 2013/14 AND MEDIUM TERM
FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2013/2016**

REPORT BY: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek Council's approval for the budget proposals contained within this report.

2. SUMMARY

2.1 Published on 11 December 2012, the key points of the Final Local Government Settlement for Wales are:-

- Funding for Council Tax Support is £222 m and included in the Settlement rather than a separate specific grant;
- There is a top slice from the Settlement of £10 m for a Regional Collaboration Fund;
- There are no floor or damping arrangements;
- Some specific grants have been transferred into the Settlement as intended in the Provisional Settlement;
- Aggregate external finance increased by £19,477 m for Caerphilly County Borough Council;
- The final report has been amended to include the additional £1.23 m to be received as a S 31 Grant in respect of the Council Tax Reduction Scheme.

2.2 The Welsh Government's (WG) Revenue Support Grant (RSG) for Caerphilly County Borough Council for the financial year 1.4.2013 to 31.3.2014 is an uplift of 1.08 % after adjusting for new responsibilities i.e. an RSG increase net of new responsibilities of £2.773 m (including Outcome Agreement).

2.3 The capital allocations available to Caerphilly in the RSG and from the General Capital Grant have decreased by £957 k from the previous year.

2.4 The proposals contained within the report delivers (excluding external grant funding) a balanced budget for 2013/14 on the basis that Council Tax is increased by 2.35% as previously agreed in the MTFP at Council in February 2012. See Table 1 below.

Table 1 – Summary

Section	Description	£+ m	£- m
5.2	Whole Authority Cost Pressures	4.300	
5.3	Service Pressures/Additional Funding	5.297	
5.4	WG RSG Funding		2.773
5.5	Savings Achieved in Advance		5.213
	Revenue Contribution to capital	.122	
5.6	Council Tax Uplift (2.35%)		1.733
	TOTAL	9.719	9.719

2.5 The indicative savings target to be achieved by 31 March 2016 is £5.984 m. This is based on assumptions within the Medium Term Financial Strategy (see Appendix 2) and predicated on a 0% RSG uplift for the 2015/16 financial year. Unfortunately, this detail is not yet known, given that the announcement of the Government's Comprehensive Spending Review is not expected until the Autumn of 2013.

2.5.1 The net revenue budget for the Council, if approved, would be £337.466 m for 2013/14 (including transfers in of new responsibility funding (See Table 2 below).

Table 2 – Transfers in 2013/14

	£'k
• Blue Badge Scheme	25,629
• Appetite for Life	150,824
• School Counselling Grant	271,661
• School Breakfast Club	878,918
• Local Govt Borrowing Initiative Highways	193,825
• Post 16 SEN special schools	891,356
• Learning Disability Grant	1,821,226
• Post 16 SEN mainstream	33,094

2.5.2 The net revenue budget for 12/13 was £315,240 m (See Appendix 1).

3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

3.1 Budget decisions impact on all Council Strategies. This report relates, primarily, to the efficient and effective use of the Council's revenue and capital resources.

4. ECONOMIC OUTLOOK – MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY

4.1 The indicative RSG from the WG for Caerphilly County Borough Council for 2014/15 is a further uplift of 0.63 % and in the absence of any indicative data (see Appendix 2) an assumption of 0% for 2015/16. The Chancellor's Autumn Statement opens up the possibility of in year reductions for 2014/15, although there is still much uncertainty surrounding any possible impact on Local Authorities.

4.2 A report by the Institute of Fiscal Studies predicts that funding will continue to fall each year up to and including 2020. There is, therefore, little prospect, at this stage, of future additional funding to protect service provision going forward. Additionally, the Chancellor, in his Autumn Statement, on 5 December 2012, indicated that GDP is expected to contract by 0.1% this year and then expand gradually over the next 5 years.

The Welsh Government's budget beyond the current Spending Review period will depend on the outcome of this year's Comprehensive Spending Review. However, as stated, the outlook is for further austerity "with" real cuts in UK spending on public services extending into 2017/18.

- 4.3 A Medium Term Financial Strategy sets out the key financial strategies to be followed over the next 3 years, the third year of which is currently an estimate until such time as Welsh Government provide indicative planning assumptions following the outcomes of next year's Comprehensive Spending Review. Please see Appendix 2 for details.
- 4.4 As in previous years, WG have, through the RSG formula, placed a requirement on Local Authorities to include provision of a 1% protection above the percentage applied by Central Government to WG's block grant each year for the next 2 years for Schools and 1 year 2013/14 for Social Care. However, the Medium Term planning assumptions contained, herein, propose that these protections will be applied for both schools and social care up to and including 31 March 2016 with further additional funding for Social Care in 2013/14. Please see Appendix 2a and 2b for details.
- 4.5 The revised Cash Savings targets for the Council for the next 3 years are summarised as follows:-

	Annual Cash Savings Target	Cumulative Cash Savings Target
	£'m	£'m
2013/14	- 5.091	Achieved
2014/15	- 2.867	-2.867
2015/16	- 3.232	- 6.099

- 4.6 In addition to the above, Social Services will be required to make savings of £1.845m in 14/15 and a further £1.427m in 15/16 to balance their budget from within the "cash pledge"

5. BUDGET STRATEGY PROPOSALS 2013/14

- 5.1 This section of the report sets out the key strategic proposals for consideration for the financial year ahead i.e. 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014.

5.2 Whole Authority Cost Pressures (£4.300 m)

- 5.2.1 The whole Authority cost pressures totalling £4.300 are set out in Table 2 below.

Table 2 – Whole Authority Cost Pressures

	£'m
• Pay excluding Teachers, Social Services and other School staff@ 1% (Pay awards for Social Services and Schools are provided within the cash pledge)	0.770
• Living wage at £7.45 per hour (increase assumed at 25 p per annum excludes Schools, this is funded from the cash pledge)	0.164
• Non pay inflation 1.5% (net of 1.5% fess & charges increases)	0.870
• WHQS – Capital Charges	1.212
• WHQS – HRA Recharges to protect service budgets	0.500
• Supported Borrowing (Capital Financing)	0.484
• Local Government Borrowing Initiative – Highways	0.194
• Other Passported Grants to be supported by the Council	0.106
	4.300

5.3 Service Pressures / Additional Funding (£5.297m)

- 5.3.1 The Council continues to manage within its means and is again projected to deliver a balanced budget overall for this current financial year to 31.3.13. It is incumbent upon Council to set a realistic budget each year. Provided below are those service pressures, with some additional funding, that have been identified that need to be funded. Table 3 provides details:-

Table 3 – Service Pressures / Additional Funding

	£' m
(i) Annual Landfill Tax increases	0.200
(ii) School Meals – to enable charges to be frozen for 13/14	0.080
(iii) Meeting the Schools Pledge (see Appendix 2a)	2.087
(iv) Meeting the Social Services Pledge (see Appendix 2b)	1.250
(v) Additional Social Services pressures	1.200
(vi) Re-introduction of free bulky household waste collections	0.100
(vii) Additional Youth Service Provision	0.100
(viii) Misc Service Pressures	0.100
(ix) Welfare Reform – implementation costs	0.180
	5.297

5.4 Welsh Government Funding (£2.773m)

- 5.4.1 The WG RSG Settlement provides additional funding of 1.08 % for 13/14, which provides an additional amount for Caerphilly County Borough Council of £2.773 m in cash terms.

5.5 Savings Achieved (£5.213m)

- 5.5.1 As part of the previously agreed Medium Term Financial Strategy approved by Council on 23 February 2012, a number of proposals have already been achieved and approved, in readiness for the financial year 2013/14. The following savings have already been achieved as a consequence of decisions previously agreed (Please see Table 4).

Table 4 – Savings achieved in advance for 2013/14

	2013/14
	£'m
• Education and Leisure (non Schools)	0.760
• Environmental Services	0.356
• Corporate Services	0.511
• 12/13 savings carried forward	3.534
	5.161

In addition to the above, a further saving of £52 k has been made in respect of the Fire Service levy for 13/14, bringing the total savings to £5,213 k.

- 5.5.2 The balance of savings to be found by 31 March 2016 is therefore £6.099 m. See Table 4a.

Table 4a

	2014/15	2015/16	TOTALS
	£'m	£'m	£'m
Indicative Funding Available	3.068	1.472	4.540
Indicative Funding Required	6.057	4.704	10.761
Indicative Funding Shortfall	2.989	3.232	6.221
Savings in Advance	0.122	-	0.122
Revised Funding Shortfall	2.867	3.232	6.099

5.5.3 Members will receive reports throughout the year, seeking approval for proposals to achieve circa £6.099 m of savings by 31.3.2016. These will clearly be updated following the Comprehensive Spending Review in Autumn 2013.

5.6 Council Tax Implications 13/14

5.6.1 In the previous Medium Term Financial Strategy approved by Council on 23 February 2012, the Council approved a Medium Term Financial Strategy, which included indicative increases to Council Tax for 2013/14 and 2014/15 of 2.35%.

5.6.2 Given that the financial modelling identifies to date the need to continue to provide additional funding going forward, it is prudent to consider an uplift in Council Tax of 2.35% for the next 3 financial years, subject to review, following receipt of the Welsh Government's Funding announcements when the results of the Whitehall Government's Comprehensive Spending Review has been completed and fed through into the Local Government Settlement, here in Wales.

5.6.3 Accordingly, it is proposed that the Council Tax level for 2013/14 be increased by 2.35% in line with previous planning assumptions i.e. Council Tax Band D be set at £918.84 per annum (an increase of 40.5 p per week).

5.7 Outcome Agreement (£1.869 m)

5.7.1 The allocation of the Outcome Agreement of £1.869 m continues to support key initiatives that supports the Council's key strategic priorities (see attached list - Appendix 4). The Council will be required to bid for this money on achievement of performance targets set against these key strategies over the coming 3 years.

5.7.2 Accordingly, in line with the Welsh Government's requirements, Caerphilly will need to demonstrate it continues to support the 10 strategic themes as set out in Appendix 4 of this report i.e. a Welsh Government requirement.

5.7.3 The proposals for the use of grant are as follows:-

	£' m
Social Services (Theme 1, 2, 4)	0.500
Education Achievement (Theme 5, 9)	0.300
Community Safety Partnership (Theme 6)	0.050
Carbon Reduction Initiatives (Theme 7)	0.200
Support for Capital Schemes (Theme 3, 8)	0.819

6. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 1.4.2013 TO 31.3.2016

6.1 The proposed Capital Programme for the period 2013 to 2016 is detailed in Appendix 3 of this report and is summarised below in Table 5:-

Table 5 – Summary Capital Programme Funding 2013/2016

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Capital Programme Proposals	29,470	16,157	8,100
Funding Required	29,470	16,157	8,100
WG Funding Available	7,986	7,947	7,947
Capital Funding Gap	-21,484	-8,210	(-153)
Funded By:			
Surplus (Deficit) c/fwd	3,787	1,099	+101
General Fund Education Reserves/Virement 21 st Century	2,000		
WG 21st Century Schools grant	2,000		
S106 YM Sports Facility	2,200		
Woolworths Corporate Service Reserves	300		
Bargoed Cinema Insurance fund	200	300	
Iceland release of funds for Cinema	500		
Prudential Borrowing Caerphilly Library	4,200		
Prudential Borrowing Cinema		4,000	
LGBI	2,800	2,800	
Cemetery Reserves	100		
Release of NNDR reserve Ty Penallta	700		
Capital Financing Costs for 13/14 – one off saving as can use surplus uncommitted cash in lieu of borrowing	1,684		
Capital Receipts	998		
Outcome Agreement	819		
Senior Pay RCCO	173	112	52
Savings in advance RCCO	122		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FUNDING	22,583	8,311	153
Surplus (Deficit) carried forward	1,099	+101	0

7. GENERAL FUND BALANCES

- 7.1 The General Fund balances projected to 31 March 2013 are £10.597 m and are detailed in Table 6 below.
- 7.2 There are no further allocations to General Fund identified at this time over and above those identified.
- 7.3 Going forward, it is identified that there is limited scope for any significant additional surpluses or receipts available to replenish the fund. This is down to growing service pressures in key areas, the need to meet government initiatives (such as welfare reform); and ongoing reductions in RSG funding
- 7.4 As in the previous report to Council in respect of the Budget for 12/13, there is a growing pressure on the Local Government Pension Scheme. Torfaen County Borough Council who administer the fund on behalf of Caerphilly County Borough Council have estimated a pension deficit of £530 k for 12/13 for the Authority. It would be prudent to make good this shortfall but await the conclusion of the Triennial Valuation of the Pension Fund (due in Autumn 2013) to

determine whether an increase in the employer's superannuation contribution is required. It is anticipated that changes to the LGPS from 2014 i.e. career average rather than final salary and increased employee contributions for higher paid staff will address the ongoing shortfall.

- 7.5 As requested by Cabinet on 15 January, provision has been made to fund the cost of the Living Wage increase for the period 1 November 2012 to 31 March 2013.

Table 6 – Estimated Movement on General Fund Balances as at 31.3.2012

	£'000
	£+ m
Closing Balance 31.3.2012	12,807
2012/13 Commitments	
Bargoed Cinema	(560)
Capital Programme	(1,000)
21 st Century Schools	(1,200)
Cwmcarn High School	(820)
Pension Deficit 12/13	(530)
Living Wage Backdating	(100)
Estimated Council Tax Surplus	1.000
Estimated Service Reserve Contributions	1.000
Estimated Balance 31.3.2013	10.597

8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 The proposals contained within those proposals will serve to protect the most vulnerable through the protections afforded to Education and Social Care and should therefore not disproportionately impact on protected groups for the purposes of Equalities legislation.
- 8.2 The training and apprenticeship initiative has been boosted with the additional European Small Fund grant and is targeted at increasing the employment opportunities of young people, who are currently under represented in the Council's workforce.
- 8.3 The additional funding being targeted for Welfare Reform will also ensure those most vulnerable will have access to the best available information, to assist them to manage the impact of Welfare Reforms on their household income.
- 8.4 The investment to support the achievement of the Welsh Housing Quality standard will include clauses in all contracts for targeted recruitment and training commitments, to ensure that there are improved work opportunities being made available in the private sector.
- 8.5 The investment of £1.2 m above the pledge is required to meet the increasing demographic pressures in Social Care, particularly of the elderly and frail who require care and support to retain their dignity and independence.
- 8.6 The Capital Programme is designed to improve existing infrastructure of its assets across the Authority, which includes meeting its requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act.

9. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The Workforce Strategy was approved and adopted by Cabinet on 30 March 2010 and designed to reduce the impact on staff and to avoid, wherever possible, compulsory redundancies, and as in previous years, this continues to be the Council's commitment going forward.

- 9.2 The reinvestment of savings into the capital programme, the “Passport Scheme” (Apprenticeship Initiative); WHQS Procurement Strategy are all designed to attract people into employment and to return, wherever possible, job opportunities locally.
- 9.3 The outlook identifies the need to continue to require reductions in Council services and Members will need to consider carefully the personnel implications on the workforce when they consider proposals in the coming months and years.
- 9.4 The budget proposals include provision to pay the living wage, which will place the minimum hourly rate for any employee at £7.45 per hour.

10. CONSULTATIONS

- 10.1 A draft was circulated to all Members of the Council and the recognised Trade Unions on 25 January 2013. Unison responded as follows:

“Unison welcomes the balanced budget proposals, and commend the prudence in light of the current economic climate. This budget is a clear indication that the difficult decisions that have had to be made over the last 4-5 years have paid off. Unison congratulate this Authority in its continuing commitment to both The Living Wage and WHQS.

Whilst recognising the difficult discussions that will need to take place to ensure the required savings over the coming years, Unison feels this budget is a welcome platform to build off, and places this Authority in an extremely positive position compared to the other 21 unitary Authorities across Wales”.

- 10.2 The Deputy Chief Executive and / or Head of Corporate Finance offered each of the Council’s political groupings a meeting as part of the consultation process.
- 10.3 The principles of the Medium Term Financial Strategy, which was previously considered by the Council will be reviewed in light of the WG’s future Local Government Settlement which follows this year’s Comprehensive Spending Review, and consulted upon in the Autumn of 2013, in preparedness for future financial planning up to and including 31 March 2017.
- 10.4 There are no consultation responses received above those mentioned in this section.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 11.1 Council are asked to consider the report and its Appendices and approve the following recommendations.
- 11.1.1 The Revenue Budget proposals for 2013/14 of £337.466 m as set out in this report be approved (see Appendix 1).
- 11.1.2 The Council Tax level for the financial year 2013/14 be increased by 2.35% re: Council Tax Band D - £918.84 per annum be approved.
- 11.1.3 The indicative proposals contained in the Medium Term Financial Planning assumptions be approved as the basis for delivering a balanced budget over the forthcoming 3 years (i.e. 2013/14 to 2015/16) (see Appendix 2; 2a; 2b).
- 11.1.4 The Capital Programme for the period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2016 is set out in Appendix 3 be approved.
- 11.1.5 The use of the general fund balances as detailed in Section 7 (Table 6) be approved.

12. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 12.1 The Council is required, annually, to approve proposals to set a balanced budget, agree a Council Tax rate and update its Medium Term Financial Strategy.
- 12.2 Council is required to put in place a sound and prudent financial framework to support service delivery.

13. STATUTORY POWER

- 13.1 The Local Government Act 1998. The Local Government Act 2003.

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Background Papers:
Provisional Local Government Settlement (16 Oct 2012)
Final Local Government Settlement (11 Dec 2012)
Report to Cabinet (30 Oct 2012)

Appendices:
Appendix 1 Net Revenue Budget 2013/14
Appendix 2 Medium Term Financial Plan Proposals 2013/16
Appendix 2a Schools Medium Term Financial Plan 2013/16
Appendix 2b Social Services Medium Term Financial Plan 2013/16
Appendix 3 Capital Programme 2013/16
Appendix 4 Outcome Agreement 2013/14

NET REVENUE BUDGET 2013/14

Base Budget 2012-13	315,240	
Adjustment for PFI Schemes	(204)	
Revised Base Budget 2012-13		315,036
Transfers Out 2013-14	0	
		0
Transfers in 2013-14		
Appetite for Life Grant	151	
Blue Badge Scheme	26	
Learning Disabilities Resettlement Grant	1,821	
Local Government Borrowing Initiative	194	
Post 16 SEN Mainstream	33	
Post 16 SEN Special Schools and Out of County	891	
School Counselling Grant	272	
Schools Breakfast Grant	879	
		4,267
New Responsibilities		
Council Tax Support		13,657
Whole Authority Cost Pressures		
Pay excluding Teachers, Social Services and other School staff @1% (Pay awards for Social Services and Schools are provided within the cash pledge)	770	
Living Wage at £7.45 per hour (increase assumed at 25 p per annum excludes Schools, this is funded from the cash pledge)	164	
Non pay inflation 1.5% (net of 1.5% fees & charges increases)	870	
WHQS – Capital charges	1,212	
WHQS – HRA Recharges to protect service budgets	500	
Supported Borrowing (Capital Financing)	484	
Local Government Borrowing Initiative – Highways	194	
Other Passported Grants to be supported by the Council	106	
		4,300

Service Pressures / Additional Funding		
Annual Landfill Tax increases	200	
School Meals – to enable charges to be frozen for 13/14	80	
Meeting the Schools Pledge (see Appendix 2a)	2,087	
Meeting the Social Services Pledge (see Appendix 2b)	1,250	
Additional Social Services pressures	1,200	
Re-introduction of Free Bulky Household Waste Collections	100	
Additional Youth Service Provision	100	
Misc Service Pressures	100	
Welfare Reform – implementation costs	180	
		5,297
Savings in advance RCCO		122
Savings achieved in advance for 2013/14		
Education and Leisure (non Schools)	(760)	
Environmental Services	(356)	
Corporate Services	(511)	
12/13 savings carried forward	(3,534)	
Fire Service Levy	(52)	
		(5,213)
Total in year movement		21,199
Proposed Expenditure		337,466
Funding – Final Settlement		
WG Support		(273,113)
Council Tax (2.35%)		(53,944)
Use of Outcome Agreement Grant		(1,870)
Private Finance Initiative Grant		(7,308)
Additional Council Tax Support Funding		(1,231)
Total Funding		337,466

MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2013/14 – 2015/16

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16 (Best)	2015/16 (Worst)
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Funding RSG	2,773	1,634	0	(2,580)
Council Tax @ 2.35%	1,733	1,434	1,472	1,447
Total Funding	4,506	3,068	1,472	(1,133)
Pay 1.0%, 1.0%, 1.0%	770	770	770	770
Living Wage (assumes pledge funds Schools)	164	164	164	164
Non Pay Inflation (1.5% p.a.) Expenditure	1110	1110	1110	1110
Non Pay Inflation (1.5% p.a.) Fees & Charges	(240)	(240)	(240)	(240)
WHQS – Capital Borrowing Costs	1,212	792	0	0
WHQS – HRA Recharges	500	0	0	0
Capital Financing	484	690	62	62
Local Government Borrowing Initiative	194	194	0	0
Other Passported Grants	106	0	0	0
Sub Total	4,300	3,480	1,866	1,866
Service Pressures/ Additional Funding				
School Meals no increase in prices	80			
Re-introduction of Free Bulky Household Waste Collections	100			
Additional Youth Service Provision	100			
Welfare Reforms L.A. Costs	180	100	100	100
Landfill Tax	200	200	200	200
Schools Pledge	2,087	1,297	1,308	1,308
Social Services Pledge	1,250	680	930	930
Additional funding Social Services	1,200			
Other Service Pressures	100	300	300	300
Sub Total	5,297	2,577	2,838	2,838
Total shortfall	5,091	2,989	3,232	5,837
(Deficit) / Surplus b fwd	0	122	(2,867)	(2,867)
Savings in advance RCO	3,534	0		
Savings in advance MTFP	1,679			
Total Savings in Advance	5,213	0	0	0
Cumulative Savings (shortfall)	122	(2,867)	(6,099)	(8,704)

APPENDIX 2a

SCHOOLS MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2013/16

	2013/14 £000s	2014/15 £000s	2015/16 £000s
Funding to meet pledge	2,087	1,297	1,308
Inflationary pressures			
Pay Award – teachers (1%, 1%, 1%)	669	679	685
Pay award – APTC (1%, 1%, 1%)	122	125	127
Non-pay (1.5%)	238	245	249
Service Pressures			
Estimated FSM numbers growth	50	50	50
Estimated floor area growth/Lump sum (Cwm Rhymni)	93	67	121
Estimated “other” floor area growth	20	20	20
Retro Adjustment swing	260	0	0
Living Wage	186		
Available Growth			
Note: at least 70% must be allocated on pupil number	449	111	56
Savings Target for Schools	0	0	(0)
	2,087	1,297	1,308

SOCIAL SERVICES MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2013/16

	2013/14 £000s	2014/15 £000s	2015/16 £000s
Cash Pledge' Growth	1,500	930	930
Re-profile of "Cash Pledge"	(250)	(250)	0
Further Additional Growth	1,200	0	0
Funding Available	2,450	680	930
Service Pressures:			
- Pay 1% p.a.	369	373	377
- Non-Pay 1.5% p.a.	510	518	526
- Living Wage	32	32	32
- Less Living Wage Corporate Funding	(32)	(32)	(32)
- Adult Services Increased Demand	1,460	1,500	1,500
- Other Service Cost Pressures	1,274	355	0
Total Service Pressures	3,613	2,746	2,403
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,163)	(2,066)	(1,473)
Savings:			
- Office Accommodation	100	100	0
- Tredegar Court	51	0	0
- Review of Charges	75	75	0
- Adult Placement Scheme	100	0	0
- Re-distribution of Resettlement Grant	46	46	46
- Savings identified by DMTs	791	0	0
- Other Savings (to be determined)	0	1,845	1,427
Net Position:-	0	0	0

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2013/16

SCHEME	Indicative		
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
	£000	£000	£000
<u>Education and LLL</u>			
Demographic/legislative – additional purchase of demountable classrooms	200	200	225
School Security – new CCTV installations, new fencing and alarms	100	100	100
Asset Management – Enhancement and/or additional	750	600	600
Health & Safety – Enhancement and/or additional	300	300	300
School Boiler replacement programme. Improved energy efficiency	500	224	220
21 st Century Schools	4,000		
Fochriw Youth Centre Match Funding	126		
Libraries	-	-	70
Caerphilly Library	4,200		
	10,176	1,424	1,515
<u>Social Services</u>			
Service Re-provision – Heol Aneurin	275	-	
Service Re-provision – Learning Disabilities	43	-	-
Min Y Mynydd	-	17	-
Castle View	-	19	-
Markham Resource Centre	130	-	-
Risca Family Centre	-	25	-
Ty Iscoed	-	42	-
Ystrad Mynach Day Centre	-	25	-
All Establishments	99	-	-
Condition Survey Work (to be prioritised)	-	170	425
	547	298	425
<u>Corporate Services</u>			
New and/or enhanced schemes to Corporate IT infrastructure	250	212	212
<u>Community and Leisure</u>			
BMI	200	-	-
Community Centres	60	220	-
DDA	40	42	45
Leisure Centres:-			
Sue Noakes	-	33	80
Heolddu	350	100	-
Pontllanfraith	-	178	-
New Tredegar	-	27	
Newbridge	200	-	-
Risca	-	200	-
Cefn Fforest	-	19	-
Pavilions:-			
Graig-y-Rhacca	-	-	250
	£000	£000	£000

SCHEME	Indicative		
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Aneurin Bevan	-	-	150
<u>Community and Leisure Services (Cont'd)</u>			
Land acquisition and infrastructure development			
Rhymney Cemetery	260	42	-
Land acquisition and infrastructure Bedwelty Cemetery	-	38	42
Bedwas Cemetery	70	51	-
Caerphilly Basin – infrastructure works	200	51	-
Gelligaer Cemetery	260	42	85
Ty Dyffryn pending Options Appraisal	1,000	-	-
Islwyn Indoor Bowls Centre	-	17	-
Ystrad Mynach New Sports Facility	4,738	-	-
	7,378	1,060	652
<u>Public Protection</u>			
Refurbishment of School Kitchens enhancement and/or additional	600	425	425
<u>Highways and Infrastructure</u>			
Bridge strengthening/refurbishment	350	297	297
Corporate Land Drainage	224	189	125
Land drainage (Divisional Assets/Non Corporate)	70	59	59
Forward Programme Advanced Design	50	42	42
Highways Improvement	500	425	425
LGBI Highways Improvements	2,800	2,800	-
Street Lighting			100
Vehicle Restraint Systems	50	42	42
Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal	250	212	212
Risca Flood Alleviation – Match Funding	900		
Culverts/Retaining Walls – major works	550	467	467
	5,744	4,533	1,769
<u>Countryside/Tourism</u>			
Environment Schemes Match Funding circa 30% :-			
Country Parks	67	53	53
Access Schemes	17	10	10
Land Management	159	118	120
Derelict Land	42	31	34
	285	212	217
<u>Urban Renewal</u>			
Match Funding Bargoed and Newbridge (Grant secured)	100	85	170
Bargoed former Woolworths Refurbishment	300	-	-
Bargoed Plateau Development	30	-	-
Bargoed Site B Development & MJJ Building	120	-	-
Bargoed Pocket Park Match Funding?	30	-	-
Bargoed Cinema	700	5,100	-
Park Lane	-	93	-

	Indicative		
	2013/14 £000	2014/15 £000	2015/16 £000
Commercial Improvement Grants	-	-	-
	50	50	50
	-	-	-
	1,330	5,328	220
<u>Economic Development and Regeneration</u>			
GO2 roll out	35	30	30
Cwmcaru Retail/Changing Facilities (match funding grant)	25		
	60	30	30
<u>Voluntary Sector Budget</u>			
Match Funding	200	170	170
<u>Private Sector Housing</u>			
Mandatory Disabled facilities grant	1,300	1,150	1,150
Home improvement grants	300	165	165
Support for renewal area activities	500	350	350
Minor works grant – vulnerable persons	800	800	800
	2,900	2,465	2,465
TOTAL	29,470	16,157	8,100

OUTCOME AGREEMENT 2013/14

Theme 1

Improve availability, accessibility and quality of existing mental health services and provide new ones to tackle inequities in mental health provision

Theme 2

Use a preventative approach to Protection of Vulnerable Adults working with Statutory, Independent and Voluntary partners to improve the quality of the response to abuse referrals by co-ordinating the POVA process

Theme 3

Help sustain and where possible, increase employment opportunities, by working in partnership with programmes that provide adults and young people with skills, education and support networks to help them to obtain and maintain employment

Theme 4

Children and young people who have emerging needs have their needs met as early as possible and in the most appropriate and holistic way

Theme 5

Strengthen our focus on early interventions, basic skills, raising aspirations for higher and further education and re-engaging with those groups and individuals who have become disaffected with the educational system.

Theme 6

Work with Community Safety Partnership to develop the anti-social behaviour “Four Strike Process” and better services for witnesses of anti-social behaviour so the community is less affected

Theme 7

Implement several initiatives, which impacts on our communities, with better future energy and water consumption levels, carbon dioxide and recycling outputs. This will also deliver energy and efficiency savings.

Theme 8

In partnership with the Countryside Council for Wales, Communities First and other members of the Living Environment Partnership, we run a 3 year programme using the Come Outside! approach to engage residents in healthy physical activity in their local natural green spaces

Theme 9

A culture where our children and young people undertake sport and physical activity as a regular part of daily life and a thriving infrastructure to support sport and active recreation exists across our county borough.

Theme 10

A set of 4 projects demonstrating collaborative working resulting in benefits that would be greater than procuring alone (where business case dictates, this is the right approach).