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Dear Sir / Madam

I write to inform you that a Meeting of the Thriving Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be HELD REMOTELY VIA VIDEO-CONFERENCE on Friday, 18 February 2022 at 9.30 am for the transaction of the following business:

1. **Apologies**
2. **Disclosures of personal interest (including whipping declarations) - Members are reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and prejudicial interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. In addition, Members must declare any prohibited party whip which the Member has been given in relation to the meeting as per the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011.**
3. **Report on the draft Budget for 2022/23 (Pages 3 - 148)**
4. **To confirm the Minutes of the previous Meeting and to consider any matters arising from those Minutes (Pages 149 - 160)**

Members are reminded to sign the Attendance Register

A Translation Services will be provided at this meeting and those present are welcome to speak in Welsh or English at the meeting.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Edwards'.

Miss Lowri Edwards
Corporate Lead Officer: Democratic Services

To: Chairman and Members of Thriving Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The remaining Members of the Council for information only.

CYNGOR SIR CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Healthier Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Learning Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Thriving Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee

DATE: 14th, 17th and 18th February 2022

TITLE: Report on the draft Budget for 2022/23

PURPOSE OF REPORT: To consider the draft budget as considered by Cabinet on 1st February 2022

REASON SCRUTINY HAVE REQUESTED THE INFORMATION: Annual Budget Review.

1. BACKGROUND:

The attached reports provide the background to Budget preparation.

The main areas of change (using the 4.75% Budget Scenario) can be summarised as follows:

	£'000	£'000
2021/22 Approved Original Controllable Budget		154,736
Grants Transferred into RSG Settlement to passport		351
<u>Proposed Funding Allocations</u>		
- Common Cost Pressures affecting all / most Services	4,803	
- Common Cost Pressures affecting Pyrths	3,430	
- Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	3,446	
- Corporate Topsliced Allocations	744	
- COVID19 Budget Provision	750	
Total Cost Pressures		13,173
<u>Cost Reductions / Savings Proposals</u>		
Minimum Revenue Provision change (Council 17/06/21)		(900)
Proposed Travelling Savings Target (Officers/Members)	(230)	
Estimated Additional Income from Fees & Charges	(155)	
Savings Balance to be found collectively by LG	(113)	
		(498)
2022/23 Draft Controllable Budget (4.75% scenario)		<u>166,862</u>

2. CONSIDERATIONS

Each Committee may be interested in the following aspects of the Budget:

- i) The Budget report to Cabinet on 01/02/22 (see Appendix A) including the Cabinet's recommendation of 3 options for the level of Council Tax being proposed for 2022/23 and also the 3 Year Capital Programme. The formal Cabinet decision being:

CABINET DECISION – 01/02/22

- a) *Approve three options for the draft base budget total at this stage of the budget process being £166.862m, £166.958m and £167.054m.*
 - b) *Consider recommending to the budget Overview and Scrutiny meetings three preferred options for the level of Council Tax to be proposed for 2022/23 being; 4.75%, 5.0% or 5.25% and to note that the draft Budget proposal is based on a working model of £1,479.69 for Band D properties for County Council purposes, representing an increase of 4.75%. A 5.0% increase allows for further expenditure / less savings of £96k and a 5.25% increase allows for further expenditure / less savings of £192k.*
 - c) *When the final settlement is issued the value of any further specific grants transferred into RSG will be passported through to the relevant Service's budget;*
 - d) *When the final settlement is issued any other specific changes to be directly targeted to the affected Service(s), if appropriate; and*
 - e) *Any other change to the RSG will be dealt with by an adjustment to the Leadership Group corporate revenue budget.*
 - f) *Approve the updated Medium Term Financial Strategy set out in Appendix 4 and recommend to Council for approval.*
 - g) *Approve the Capital Programme as set out in Appendix 5 and recommend to Council for approval.*
 - h) *Approve the Capital Strategy as set out in Appendix 6 and recommend to Council for approval.*
 - i) *Seek the views on this report of the Budget Overview and Scrutiny Committees.*
- ii) The estimated Cost pressures affecting all/most Services as shown in the Budget report to Cabinet (Appendices 1 & 2 of Appendix A) and shown in Appendix B.
 - iii) The estimated Cost pressures affecting individual Services as shown in the Budget report to Cabinet (Appendices 1 & 2 of Appendix A) and shown in Appendix C.
 - iv) The Fees & Charges proposals for each Service as shown in Appendix D (Report and then Appendix 1 to 4 – Separate appendix for each Scrutiny Committee).
 - v) Any other area of proposed Budget change as each Committee deems appropriate.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS:

For those Services that are within the remit of each individual Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

- 1. To consider the overall Revenue and Capital Budgets proposed.**
- 2. To consider the estimated Cost pressures being faced (£13.173m across all aspects).**
- 3. To consider the proposed Fees & charges and the resulting estimated £155k additional income to assist with the Savings required.**
- 4. To note the proposed £230k Travelling Savings Target for Officers & Members.**
- 5. To note the £113k Savings Balance still required to be found.**
- 6. To consider the 3 options proposed for Council Tax levels of 4.75%, 5.0% & 5.25%.**
- 7. To provide any other appropriate Draft Budget related feedback to Cabinet.**

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

To assist with the preparation of a balanced budget and to make recommendation(s), as appropriate, back to Cabinet for their next meeting on 22/01/2022.

Appendices: Appendix A – 01/02/22 Cabinet Budget report
 Appendix B – Cost Pressures (Affecting All/Most Services)
 Appendix C – Cost Pressures (Service Specific)
 Appendix D – Fees and Charges Proposals

Corporate Lead Officer: Stephen Johnson
 Corporate Lead Officer - Finance & Procurement

Reporting Name: Duncan Hall (Corporate Manager – Service Finance)

Date of Report: 7th February 2022

Appendix A

Cabinet Budget Report

CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL

Report to: Cabinet

Date of meeting: 1 February 2022

Title: Report of the CLO – Finance and Procurement upon the draft Budget for 2022/23 and the three year capital programme.

Purpose of the report: To consider the draft budget for 2022/23, including the three year capital programme and to make a recommendation to Council on the Council Tax level. This report will support the work of the Budget Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

For: Decision

Cabinet Portfolio: Cllr. Ellen ap Gwynn, Leader of the Council, and all Cabinet Members

1. OVERALL POSITION STATEMENT

Whilst the increased settlement is positive for ensuring that services to residents continue, an estimated funding gap of £3m means cuts to services and or cost reductions and or increased income is necessary. This is due to the exceptional extra cost pressures being experienced across all of Wales and these are unprecedented. Many other Councils have fared better with this settlement as they did for the current year, Ceredigion residents currently still pay below the average across Wales Band D Council Tax. The financial resilience of the Council is key to ensuring that service users continue to receive the best possible services in the medium term and not just during the next year.

- **Inflation and Taxes for the Council – at least 8.8%**, which is now higher than at any time than in recent years, the new National Insurance Tax together with the Real Living Wage is a significant extra burden on top of inflation increases.
- **Performance** - Ceredigion continues to deliver high quality services that meet external regulator satisfaction.
- **Savings** - The Council is required to save at least £15m by March 2025 on top of the savings achieved between April 2012 and March 2022 of £50m. This will be £57.4m total savings achieved between April 2012 and March 2023.
- **Care and Support** - costs continue to increase dramatically. Life expectancy is good in Ceredigion – the average life expectancy for males is 79.3 years and 84.1 years for females. These are both above the national average of 78.5 years for males and 82.3 years for females. Council Tax support Claimants have increased significantly and must be funded.

- **Wages** –Implementation of the Real Living Wage for Registered Social Care Workers in Ceredigion (minimum of £9.90 from 1st April 2022 and a total estimated increase of £1.9m). This is part of WG's pan Wales policy announced in their draft Budget.
- **Lower than average Council Tax** - Ceredigion continues to have a lower Band D Council Tax than the all Wales average.
- **Future Prospects** - The minister's letter also sets out indicative budgets for the following two years:

The indicative Wales-level core revenue funding allocations for 2023-24 and 2024-25 are £5.3 billion and £5.4 billion respectively – equating to an uplift in the first year of £177 million (3.5%) and, in the second year, of £128 million (2.4%).

This is a clear indication that the following two years of budget setting will be difficult ones for the Council, particularly as Ceredigion is usually provided with a low amount as compared with the overall Welsh average settlement. Our estimate based on the past position is to expect around 1.75% uplift for 2023-24 and just 1.2% for 2024-25.

2. PROVISIONAL REVENUE AND CAPITAL SETTLEMENT FOR 2022/23

The provisional settlement was published on the 22nd December 2021. Full details of the settlement can be found on Welsh Governments (WG) website as follows:-

<https://llyw.cymru/setliad-refeniw-chyfalaf-llywodraeth-leol-dros-dro-2022-i-2023>

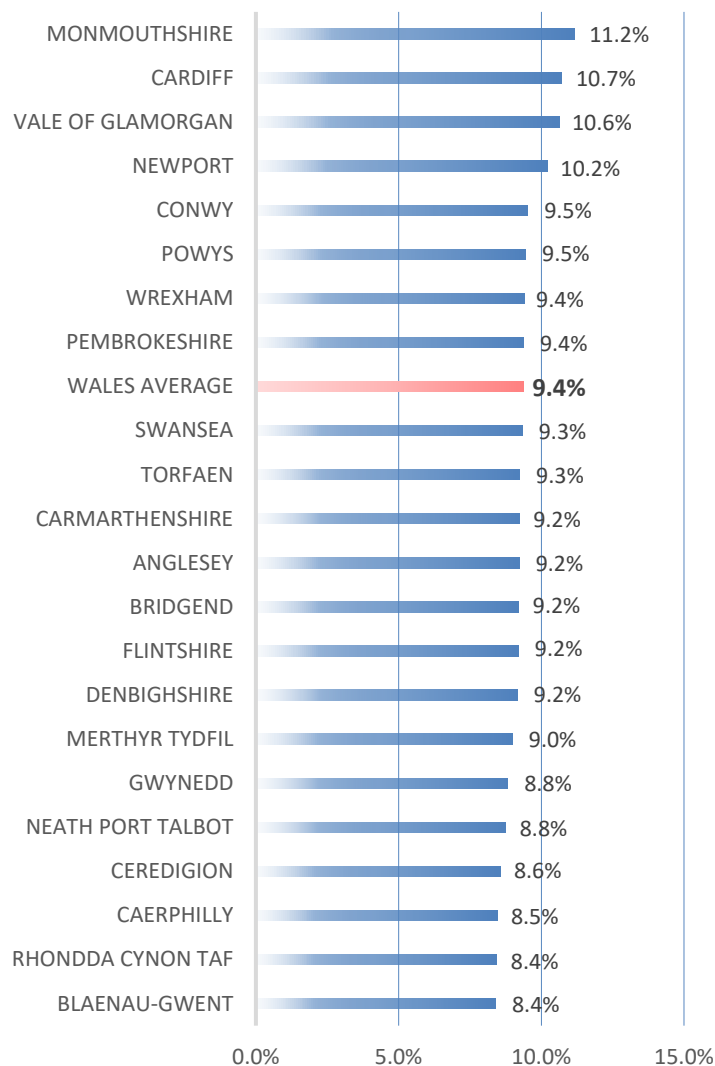
<https://gov.wales/local-government-revenue-and-capital-settlement-provisional-2022-2023>

The Council Tax base setting report was approved by Cabinet on the 7th December 2021 and details were returned to WG to feed into the settlement calculations.

The total revenue settlement, known as the Aggregate External Finance (AEF) allocated to Ceredigion for 2022/23 is £119.419m as compared with 2021/22 £110.006m (adjusted for transfers) being an increase of 8.6%. Wales as a whole has seen an average increase of 9.4%.

Changes to AEF 2022-23 by local authority

Source: WG Provisional LGF Settlement 2022-23



The increase is on top of grant /funding transfers made into the settlement being:

- £13.3m for Waste Disposal Gate Fees (Ceredigion element - £237k)
- £0.285m for the Coastal Risk Management Programme (No Ceredigion element)
- £5m for the Social Care Workforce Grant (Ceredigion element - £114k)

Ceredigion has £1,678 (21/22 £1,534) of funding per capita, compared to the Wales average of £1,611 (21/22 £1,471) and the year on year change ranks 8th out of all the Unitary Authorities. Average band D council tax set for Ceredigion in 2021-22 was £1,725, which was consistently below the Welsh average of £1,731. These figures include the Police and Town & Community Council precepts.

Ceredigion's Settlement reflects a range of less financially favourable re-distributional movements seen in population and Secondary School pupil number indicators. Standard Spending Assessments (SSA) are notional calculations of what each Council needs to spend to provide a standard level of service. The SSA for 2022/23 is £166.372m which is a 7.2% increase (2021/22 £155.153m). The most significant service increase being Personal Social Services at 12.2%.

3. BUDGET REQUIREMENT

The Budget model has been drafted to include the adjustments with regard to the provisional settlement. Any adjustments required that arise in the final settlement will require consideration and appropriate incorporation into the budget.

The detailed assessment work carried out to identify the unavoidable cost pressures faced by Services has been finalised and this has identified a net total amount of £13.1m, which is summarised in Appendix 1. This amount is almost double the previous years and is £3.8m more than the increased sum available in the settlement and this would equate to the need to increase Council Tax by close to 8%, however some savings are available to the budget setting process.

The Rising costs of Care alone come to £7m, including:-

- UK £9.90 Real Living Wage and 1.25% Employers National Insurance – impacts on most if not all Care related Commissioned Services (results in provisional inflation factors of 8.87% for Domiciliary Care / Supported Living, 9.13% for Residential Care and 11.15% for Direct Payments).
- Residential Homes – Fees setting review currently in progress.
- Direct Payments.
- Looked after Children.
- Domiciliary Care.

Provision for pay inflation is also a significant factor estimated at £3.4m, and as things stand there is no formal agreement yet on the main 2021/22 pay award.

After taking into account the potential funding available, a balanced budget is able to be achieved, this includes savings achieved in advance from the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) change and a savings target is required of £0.5m at this stage.

The Fire Authority Levy is subject to formal confirmation and is anticipated to result in a £104k cost pressure, which will require top slice funding.

A corporate approach has been taken to dealing with the COVID19 net costs and losses, as opposed to each service have to bear the brunt of the issue and this amount is planned to be met from Earmarked Reserves. This approach has ensured that financial management of the 2021/22 budgets and business as usual activity has remained strong. Total hardship costs and lost income are currently forecast at a gross total of just under £7m with as much as possible being recovered and reclaimed through WG grants/funding.

Additional COVID19 costs and some lost income will continue to be seen into the 2022/23 year and beyond and therefore a corporate budget of £750k is required in the Leadership Group budget, as well as utilising the earmarked contingency including COVID19 Reserve estimated as £1.25m. No grant claims are due next year as the Hardship Fund will close and the Settlement now includes for that requirement. WG have also committed to continue to supply free PPE for Health and Social Care for as long as it is required and to continue to provide funding for Test, Trace & Protect.

An extra 4.75% of Council Tax raises a gross £2.1m, which equates to a net £1.8m after allowing for the additional budget requirement placed on the Council Tax Reduction scheme. The Council's Income and cost recovery policy means that services are continuing to recover their inflationary costs relevant to chargeable services from service users, although the current issue in the near term is ensuring the recovery of Income streams to pre COVID19 levels. The impact for different levels of Council Tax is shown in the table below:

<u>Increase in Council Tax %</u>	<u>Resultant Band D Council Tax £</u>	<u>Total Increase Annual £</u>	<u>Total Increase Monthly £</u>
0.0%	£1,412.59		
3.0%	£1,454.97	£42.38	£3.53
3.5%	£1,447.90	£49.44	£4.12
4.0%	£1,469.09	£56.50	£4.71
4.5%	£1,476.16	£63.57	£5.30
4.75%	£1,479.69	£67.10	£5.59
5.0%	£1,483.22	£70.63	£5.89
5.25%	£1,486.75	£74.16	£6.18
6.0%	£1,497.35	£84.76	£7.06

The following summary sets out the main changes to the proposed budget and its available resources:

<u>Budget Summary and Main Changes</u>			
Based on a 4.75% Council Tax Increase			
		<u>£'000</u>	<u>£'000</u>
<u>2022/23 Available Resources</u>			
Aggregate External Finance (RSG + NNDR)	2021/22: £109,658		119,419
Council Tax Income			
Council Tax Base (as per 07/12/21 Cabinet report)		31,655.77	
Council Tax 2021/22		£1,412.59	
Council Tax 2022/23 increasing by	4.75%	£1,479.69	46,841
Council Tax 2nd Homes Premium Base (as per 07/12/21 Cabinet report)		407.31	
Council Tax 2021/22		£1,412.59	
Council Tax 2022/23 increasing by	4.75%	£1,479.69	603
Total Available Resources for Budget Requirement			166,862

As this draft budget proposal is on the basis of the Provisional settlement, it is to subject to any adjustments that may need to be made once the Final Settlement is known. Therefore any necessary adjustments could be made in accordance with the following:

1. the value of any specific grants transferred into RSG will be passported through to the relevant Service's budget;
2. any other specific changes to be directly targeted to the affected Service(s), if appropriate; and
3. any other change to the RSG will be dealt with by an adjustment to the Leadership Group corporate revenue budget.

The following summary sets out the proposed main changes to the Budget requirement (based on a 4.75% Council Tax scenario), which is proposed to increase from £154.736m to £166.862m (an increase of £12.126m):

	£`000	£`000	£`000
Total Available Resources for Budget Requirement			166,862
Adjusted Base Budget b/f from previous year		154,736	
<u>Corporate Adjustments and New Responsibilities:</u>			
<u>Specific Allocations</u>			
- M&WWFA Fire Authority Levy	104		
- Members Allowances / Members Chamber Equipment	105		
- Council Tax 2nd Homes Premium	45		
- Council Tax Support Scheme and Capital Programme Financing	490		
		744	
<u>Transfers in:</u>			
- Food and Residual Waste Treatment Gate Fee Support Grant	237		
- Social Care Workforce & Sustainability Grant	114		
		351	
Total		1,095	
<u>Increased 'Business as Usual' Cost pressures on Services</u>			
- Employees - Payaward and additional NI levy	4,504		
- Employees - Non Payaward related	1,107		
- Supplies & Services (including 3rd Party / Transfer Payments)	6,545		
- Loss of income / grant funding	23		
- Less Funding Assumptions	(500)		
<u>COVID19</u>			
- COVID19 Corporate Provision	2,000		
- Less Funding Assumption - Use of Earmarked Reserves	(1,250)		
		12,429	
<u>Cost Reductions / Saving Proposals</u>			
- Savings Required	(498)		
- Corporate Saving - MRP change	(900)		
		(1,398)	
Controllable and Net Budget Estimate			166,862
Shortfall (-) / Balance			-

A 5.0% Council Tax would be a Band D of £1,483.22 total Council Tax of £46.952m and less savings / increased expenditure of £96k. Total Budget £166.958m.

A 5.25% Council Tax would be a Band D of £1,486.75 total Council Tax of £47.064m and less savings / increased expenditure of £192k. Total Budget £167.054m.

The overall budget position translates into proposed allocations to Services as summarised below (which are subject to the final Full Council decisions on the Budget and Council Tax levels). This shows the Original budget for the current year, adjusted for other agreed transfers between services and the corporate adjustments through to the proposed Budget Totals. Further detail is also shown in Appendix 2.

Budget Totals Movements by Service (based on 4.75% Council Tax scenario)

	2021/22 Approved Original Controllable Budget £'000	2021/22 Updated Controllable Budget (as at Q3) £'000	2022/23 Draft Controllable Budget Totals £'000	<i>2022/23 Draft Budget Totals compared with 2021/22 Updated Budget %</i>
Customer Contact	5,735	5,779	6,155	+6.5%
Democratic Services	4,096	4,120	4,391	+6.6%
Economy & Regeneration	3,489	3,471	3,688	+6.3%
Finance & Procurement	21,311	20,188	19,197	-4.9%
Highways & Environmental Services	17,062	17,587	18,241	+3.7%
Legal & Governance	1,538	1,535	1,569	+2.2%
People & Organisation	2,093	2,093	2,165	+3.4%
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	2,098	2,146	2,355	+9.7%
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	3,467	3,829	4,401	+14.9%
Porth Cynnal	23,763	23,633	28,648	+21.2%
Porth Gofal	11,369	11,656	13,617	+16.8%
Schools & Culture	49,841	48,721	50,965	+4.6%
Leadership Group	4,284	5,388	6,731	+24.9%
Levies, C/Tax Premium & Reserves	4,590	4,590	4,739	+3.2%
TOTAL	154,736	154,736	166,862	+7.8%

4. BUDGET FRAMEWORK AND FINANCIAL CHALLENGE

The provision of Council services is funded through a combination of WG government grant, Council Tax and Fees and charges. Income for fees and charges is netted against expenditure.

As mentioned in previous budget reports, the Council's financial projections indicate that service expenditure will continue to rise with expected funding falling over the medium term. The funding ratio between central WG funding and local Council Tax funding has changed over the years from close to 80:20 back in 2013 to provisionally now being at 72:28 for 2022/23.

As outlined in the Medium Term Financial Strategy a key aspect of the budget strategy is to smooth out the significant budget fluctuations as much as possible in order to ensure that the budgets impact on service delivery is more sustainable and to prevent cuts to services either at the wrong time or for the wrong amount.

The Strategy also agreed the principle of applying transformation savings achieved in advance of the annual budget requirement to be usefully applied to earmarked reserves via the Leadership Group budget, in particular to support the Council Strategic Priorities with one off capital funding requirements as well as applying the savings to the base budget in the appropriate later year of need.

It is envisaged that future years' budget settlements will remain challenging and therefore as COVID19 pressures recede and organisational capacity allows, it will be essential that Transformation savings together with continuous improvement / efficiencies continue to be progressed and delivered.

The most significant Capital items that require continued / new investment through continuing to use the principles of the Medium Term Financial Strategy include the 21st Century Schools programme, the imminent Coastal Defence Schemes (potentially requiring c£3.5m towards estimated £23m scheme costs) and schemes associated with the Corporate Priority of Boosting the Economy.

The latter will include the recently approved Growing Mid Wales Growth deal, which will require match funding and financial commitment to go alongside monies secured from WG and HM Treasury over the next 15 years. Supporting the local economy is even more important in a post Covid19 world and potentially means more financial investment is needed.

Therefore it would be appropriate and it remains important to be able to deliver cost reductions in order to balance the annual budgets, as opposed to cutting the amounts available for investment in priority schemes given the scale of the capital investment likely to be needed in the medium term.

5. BUDGET RISKS

The usual Budget Risks paper, updated for relevant changes, is attached (Appendix 3). It identifies, in no particular order, the main risks for the budget together with appropriate comments and controls applied to minimise the risk.

6. CAPITAL PROGRAMME

Capital funding has reduced significantly across Wales from £177.8m to £150m. Ceredigion's allocation is £4.891m (this year's was £5.785m) being a decrease of £894k. The allocation is split between General Capital Grant £1.995m (£2.896m 21/22) and Unhypothecated Supported Borrowing £2.896m (£2.889m 21/22). The indication is for capital to increase for 2023/24 albeit not quite back to current year levels. There is though going to be additional funding available for the Climate Change agenda with WG's Budget showing an additional £20m for 'Local Government Decarbonisation' in both 2023/24 and 2024/25.

An updated Capital programme is attached (Appendix 5) together with the Capital Strategy (Appendix 6).

The Overall Capital Programme proposed for 2021/22 is £22.661m and 2022/23 is £40.282m. The 2023/24 and 2024/2025 programmes are yet to include grants which are not known at this stage. There will also be additional grants to add into the 2022/23 programme later on in the year as it only includes grants that run over more than one year.

The latest programme for 2021/22 is a proposed reduction, due mainly to slippage, of £4.331m, from twenty four schemes of which four account for over £2.3m being £900k against schools additional capital works, £687k Penglais School Learning Support Unit, £380k against the Economic Stimulus Fund and £300k from the 21st Century Schools Programme (Band B). In addition £508k has been added to the programme in relation to Levelling Up Projects.

The 2022/23 Council funded elements of the programme are generally recurring schemes and the significant grant funded schemes are the Band B 21st Century Schools Programme and the Coast Defence Schemes funded by WG.

Work with regard to the Coastal Defence Schemes at Aberaeron and Aberystwyth are Progressing. It is estimated that the schemes will cost £23m mainly funded by WG with the Council currently expecting to fund 15% or £3.45m. The funding from the Council will come from the Promoting Environmental & Community Resilience Reserve. The £23m spend has been profiled over the following financial years 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25.

The Growing Mid Wales programme will have specific schemes to add into the three year capital programme once they have been further developed.

The Council has been successful in receiving levelling up grant approval for £10.8m from the UK Government that involves the delivery of schemes across 2021/22 through to 2024/25 years.

The balance of capital receipts from the Mill Street Development in Aberystwyth is £1.7m after allowing for the acquisition of the Arriva site for Economic Development.

The Capital Programme and Capital Strategy is therefore now presented for approval and recommendation to Council, as part of the Council's budget process.

7. FINANCIAL RESILIENCE AND RESERVES

The Councils financial resilience remains strong and robust for a number of reasons that all underpin good financial management. Audit Wales review and challenge the Councils approach to planning for the future and the sustainability of the Finances. Early intervention has been taken in recent years to tackle budget gaps head on with a diligent approach to dealing with them and decisions have been taken to maintain service levels in the County to meet the increasing demands brought about by so many external factors.

Maintaining the current financial resilience of the Council will not be easy in the medium term, however it must be recognised that we should be able to be confident that we can continue doing our very best to achieve the right result in the circumstances.

The reserves held by the Council already assist greatly with keeping Council Tax levels down. The Council had maintained a level of circa £20m of internal borrowing by utilising funds held in earmarked reserves which has reduced the need to borrow. It is estimated this approach has saved the tax payer annually £800k which equates to a saving in Council Tax charges of nearly 2% annually. Without sufficient reserves the estimated cost of untangling internal borrowing and taking on prudential borrowing to fund necessary capital schemes supporting the local economy cannot be emphasised enough.

The budget has always been set so that no demand is made from General Fund Balances to support the base budget other than for funding exceptional and agreed priority one off items.

Audit Wales referenced in their latest Financial Sustainability Assessment that:-

‘Councils that show a pattern of unplanned use of reserves to plug gaps in their revenue budget that result in reductions of reserve balances reduce their resilience to fund unforeseen budget pressures in future years’.

The Council's approved target is for General Balances to be maintained at between 3% and 5% of net expenditure. As at 31st March 2021 they were 4.0% (£6.1m) and the forecasted balance remains flat in amount which is understandably slightly lower in percentage due to the increased base budget.

	31.3.21	31.3.22	31.3.23
	Actual	Planned	Planned
General Balances - Amount	£6.1m	£6.1m	£6.1m
General Balances - Percentage	4.0%	3.9%	3.6%

8. MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY

An updated version is enclosed as Appendix 4 for consideration, there are no significant or fundamental changes, it includes updated data sets as well as the financial position for the medium term.

9. CONCLUSIONS

This budget report deals with the provisional settlement announcement and also a recommendation to Council on the level of Council Tax for 2022/23. Council is due to consider the final budget on the 3rd March 2022 following a scrutiny of the budget papers and draft proposals.

The final settlement following scrutiny of the WG expenditure plans by Senedd Cymru, will be published by WG on 1 March 2022. Any changes to the position may not be known until after then and will need adjusting into the budget proposal.

The delivery of the proposed budget is achievable. The Leader, Cabinet Members, members of the Leadership Group and Corporate Lead Officers, together with their staff, have worked hard to meet the challenges placed on them to produce this draft budget, although as usual further work is still ongoing.

The main transformation savings achieved recently have been travel savings and the MRP review which are allocated within the proposed budget. However, it is envisaged that future years' budget settlements will remain challenging and therefore as COVID19 pressures recede and organisational capacity allows, it will be essential that Transformation savings together with continuous improvement / efficiencies are progressed and delivered.

The final settlement is not due until the beginning of March and any changes to the position are unlikely to be known until then and if any changes arise, they will need adjusting into the budget proposal.

Taking all the matters contained in this report into account I am able to confirm that the proposed budget has been prepared in a robust manner and is subject to the in-year delivery of savings targets or budget realignment. I am also able to confirm that the current Capital plans and Strategy are prudent and affordable and that the overall risk on this aspect also considered low.

Given the ongoing COVID19 circumstances the importance of sound financial management has never been greater and therefore it will remain paramount that continued vigilance is maintained over the financial position and that, if required, any in year action is taken as and if appropriate. The Council's financial resilience and track record of sound financial management has been recognised by the regulators.

10. COUNCIL TAX

A Council Tax recommendation to Council will be made following the Budget Scrutiny process and the Cabinet meeting to be held on the 22nd February.

Wellbeing of Future Generations: Has an Integrated Impact Assessment been completed? If not, please state why: This report does not refer to a service change, it supports the maintaining of services. The Overview and Scrutiny Committees will consider the Long term, Integration, Involvement and Prevention issues arising from the detailed budget proposals.

- Recommendations:**
- a) Approve three options for the draft base budget total at this stage of the budget process being £166,862, £166,958 and £167,054.
 - b) Consider recommending to the budget Overview and Scrutiny meetings three preferred options for the level of Council Tax to be proposed for 2022/23 being; 4.75%, 5.0% or 5.25% and to note that the draft Budget proposal is based on a working model of £1,479.69 for Band D properties for County Council purposes, representing an increase of 4.75%. A 5.0% increase allows for further expenditure / less savings of £96k and a 5.25% increase allows for further expenditure / less savings of £192k.
 - c) When the final settlement is issued the value of any further specific grants transferred into RSG will be passported through to the relevant Service's budget;
 - d) When the final settlement is issued any other specific changes to be directly targeted to the affected Service(s), if appropriate; and
 - e) Any other change to the RSG will be dealt with by an adjustment to the Leadership Group corporate revenue budget.
 - f) Approve the updated Medium Term Financial Strategy set out in Appendix 4 and recommend to Council for approval.
 - g) Approve the Capital Programme as set out in Appendix 5 and recommend to Council for approval.
 - h) Approve the Capital Strategy as set out in Appendix 6 and recommend to Council for approval.
 - i) Seek the views on this report of the Budget Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

Reasons for decision:
Overview and Scrutiny:

To enable budget preparation for 2022/23.

The Budget Proposals will be considered by the Coordinating Overview and Scrutiny Committee and by the Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

Corporate Priorities:

Medium Term Financial Strategy.

Financial implications:

Part of the budget setting process.

Statutory Powers:

Local Government Finance Act 1972.

Background Papers:

Provisional Revenue and Capital Settlement and other Welsh Government announcements.

Appendices:

- Appendix 1 - Net Cost Pressures by Service**
- Appendix 2 - Budget Totals Movement by Service**
- Appendix 3 - Budget Risks**
- Appendix 4 - Medium Term Financial Strategy**
- Appendix 5 - Capital Programme**
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2022/23 Budget: Estimated Cost Pressures by Service

	Employee Costs (2021/22 Pay Award Pending) £'000	Employee Costs (2022/23 Pay Award Provision) £'000	1.25% Employers National Insurance Increase £'000	Utilities / Energy Inflation £'000	Provision for Externally Commission- ed Services Inflation (including Real Living Wage & Empers NI) £'000	Pump Priming Through Age & Wellbeing new Operating Model Structure (Yr 1 of 2) £'000	Employee Costs (Other) £'000	Transfer / Third Party Payments £'000	Supplies & Services (Care related) £'000	Supplies & Services (Other) £'000	Loss of Income/ Grant funding £'000	COVID19 Budget Provision £'000	GROSS TOTAL £'000	Funding Assumptions (Reserves / Grants) £'000	NET TOTAL £'000
Customer Contact	19	110	30			-	-			111			270		270
Democratic Services	16	106	27			-	70			35			254		254
Economy & Regeneration	(1)	125	36	69		-	-						229		229
Finance & Procurement	12	90	25			-	-	290		200			617		617
Highways & Environmental Services	(12)	199	51	19		-	-			180			437		437
Legal & Governance Services	5	24	7			-	-						36		36
People & Organisation	11	50	15			-	-						76		76
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	35	105	30			-	-				23		193		193
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	29	141	37	19		360	-						586		586
Porth Cynnal	20	136	36		2,153	196	-	950	1,540				5,031	(250)	4,781
Porth Gofal	(4)	245	60	37	420	301			629				1,688		1,688
Schools & Culture	285	1,195	361	155		-	250			263			2,509	(250)	2,259
Leadership Group	3	842	3			-	-					2,000	2,848	(1,250)	1,598
Levies, Council Tax Premium & Reserves								104		45			149		149
TOTAL	418	3,368	718	299	2,573	857	320	1,344	2,169	834	23	2,000	14,923	(1,750)	13,173

SUMMARY

Common Cost Pressures affecting all / most Services	4,803														4,803
Common Cost Pressures affecting all Pyrths					3,430										3,430
Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures									3,446						3,446
Proposed Corporate Topsliced allocations							70	394		280					744
COVID19 Budget Provision												750			750
TOTAL															13,173

Budget Movements - 2021/22 Budget to Draft 2022/23 Budget

	2021/22 Approved Original Controllable Budget £'000	Budget Virements as part of £2.1m Corporate Savings £'000	Q1 Post Budget Setting Budget Transfers (See Note 1) £'000	Other In-Year Budget Transfers / Movements / Virements £'000	2021/22 Updated Controllable Budget (as at Q3) £'000	Minimum Revenue Provision change (Full Council 17/06/21) Part 1 of 2 £'000	Part year Cost of running Mid County Childrens Safe Accom- modation £'000	Other Budget Transfers / Movements / Virements £'000	2021/22 Controllable Base Budget Requirement £'000	Add Grants Transferred into RSG Settlement to passport to Services £'000	Funding allocated for 2022/23 Net Cost Pressures £'000	Minimum Revenue Provision change (Full Council 17/06/21) Part 2 of 2 £'000	Savings Required for 2022/23 £'000	2022/23 Draft Controllable Budget Totals £'000
Customer Contact	5,735			44	5,779			106	5,885		270			6,155
Democratic Services	4,096			24	4,120			17	4,137		254			4,391
Economy & Regeneration	3,489			(18)	3,471			(12)	3,459		229			3,688
Finance & Procurement	21,311	(1,174)		51	20,188	(700)		(8)	19,480		617	(900)		19,197
Highways & Environmental Services	17,062		525	-	17,587			(20)	17,567	237	437			18,241
Legal & Governance	1,538			(3)	1,535			(2)	1,533		36			1,569
People & Organisation	2,093			-	2,093			(4)	2,089		76			2,165
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	2,098			48	2,146			16	2,162		193			2,355
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	3,467		580	(218)	3,829			(14)	3,815		586			4,401
Porth Cynnal	23,763		(290)	160	23,633			120	23,753	114	4,781			28,648
Porth Gofal	11,369		290	(3)	11,656		300	(27)	11,929		1,688			13,617
Schools & Culture	49,841		(1,105)	(15)	48,721			(15)	48,706		2,259			50,965
Leadership Group	4,284	1,174		(70)	5,388	700	(300)	(157)	5,631		1,598		(498)	6,731
Levies, Council Tax Premium & Reserves	4,590			-	4,590			-	4,590		149			4,739
Total Controllable Budget	154,736	-	-	-	154,736	-	-	-	154,736	351	13,173	(900)	(498)	166,862

Note 1: Q1 Post Budget Setting Budget Transfers

School Transport related	525
Pupil Referral Unit	580
Direct Payments Employee Budget	290

Budget Risks

The following are the identified main risks for the budget together with the appropriate comments, and controls applied to minimise the risk:

1. Changes to the level of Aggregate External Finance (AEF)

The sum of the Revenue Support Grant and redistributed Non-Domestic Rates now provides about 72% of the funding for the General Fund's net revenue expenditure. Changes to the grant distribution can have a major impact on the Council's finances. The Council is able to make representations to Government both directly and through the Welsh Local Government Association to attempt to influence the changes which are made.

With current economic outlook and indicative All Wales level allocations for the next 2 years after 2022/23, there is a significant risk that there will be below inflation increases in AEF allocations i.e. reductions in real terms for the forthcoming years. The Council needs to bear this in mind when considering its spending priorities and improvements to services, with a view to needing to mitigate the future budgetary impact.

In addition there is always an element of financial risk around the delivery of savings plans that will be regularly monitored. The higher the level of Savings targets, the higher the risk apart from where they have been achieved in advance.

2. General Unforeseen changes in expenditure and/or income in the year

One reason that the Council maintains reserves is to give some protection against unforeseen changes. A regular monthly system of budget monitoring is operated with formal quarterly reports to Members together with exception reporting between those periods.

The Council insures against known major risks such as fire damage, employers and public liability.

3. Changes in specific grant income

The Council receives large sums each year in specific grants. There is a potential risk if changes in Government rules, or an inadvertent failure to comply with grant conditions, might result in a significant loss of grant income. The Council's external auditors regularly review the way the Council administers grants, and procedural improvements are put in place where necessary to ensure that there is no loss of grant income.

There is also a potential risk if specific WG revenue grants cease but there's an expectation that the services funded via such grants need to be maintained at the same, or lower, level. Wherever possible, exit strategies should be in place to deal with the consequences when grant funding comes to an end.

There is a change on the horizon regarding WG regional ICF and Transformation Social Care Funding which is transitioning to a new regional funding stream in 2022/23. This will require active management and brings an increased level of risk.

4. Fraud (including Cyber Security)

Major fraud might cause significant financial loss to the Council as well as weakening public confidence. The Council maintains a system of financial regulations and standing orders to control this risk alongside business continuity and civil contingency planning arrangements. There is an active Officer Working Group focussed on Cyber Security related matters and associated business resilience. The Council's Internal Audit section, as part of its remit, will investigate potential Fraud risks, advise on best practice, and ensure that adequate internal control systems are in place and that they are being adhered to.

5. Insolvency of Counterparties

The Council might suffer losses in the event of the insolvency of major partners or commercial suppliers. This is a particular risk in relation to investment transactions. The Council has adopted Treasury Management policies to spread and minimize risks in this area. Commercial partners and contractors working for the Council are subject to financial and other assessments, and the size of contracts awarded may be limited after taking into account the outcome of the assessments.

6. Pension Fund

The Council contributes to the Dyfed Local Government Pension Fund. The fund is administered by Carmarthenshire County Council. The pension scheme for employees, including Council Members, (but excluding teachers) is a defined benefit scheme which means the risk in relation to investment returns and demographic changes falls entirely on the employer. The Council can arrange for the recovery of any deficits to be spread over a period of years to minimise the immediate budgetary impact.

7. Interest Rates

The Council has significant long term debts and investments. Changes in interest rates can have a significant effect on interest income, and on the cost of new loans required to support new capital expenditure.

The Council monitors interest rates and their effect as part of the budget monitoring process. In the current economic climate there is a substantial loss of investment income due to the very low interest rates which has been mitigated as far as possible by making more use of internal borrowing, i.e. keeping external debt borrowing down by utilising cash held on account (e.g. representing earmarked reserves).

8. Inflation**a) Pay**

Employee costs are the largest element of the budget. A large increase in pay rates will adversely affect the Council's budget. For the majority of staff pay is negotiated nationally either at a UK level (APT&C) or at WG level (Teachers) and the Council can influence but not control the pay settlement. Through the implementation of the single status agreement and the operation of a systematic evaluation of grading the Council aims to maintain a fair but affordable pay structure.

b) Non Pay

We are now entering an era of higher than average inflation and levels not seen since before 2008. The Bank of England has a remit to keep inflation on track at c2%, however CPI inflation has now risen to just over 5% and is still forecast to rise higher than this. This has the potential to affect both existing ongoing contracts with Suppliers and also their pricing of new contracts (both revenue and capital) and is therefore a Budget risk that hasn't been seen to the same extent in the last decade.

9. Brexit

Having formally left the European Union on 31/12/2020, the medium to long term implications and consequences of the Brexit agreement are still not necessarily fully understood and apparent. The Council has a Brexit / EU Transition group in place chaired at CLO level, which meets regularly and contains representatives from all Services across the Council. The group's role is to provide a formal, structured approach to managing risks posed to the Authority due to the UK leaving the EU. Services will continue to monitor the impact and whether any additional costs or loss of funding need to be mitigated.

10. COVID19

2020/21 saw an unprecedented year of challenges for the Council both financially and operationally due to the COVID19 pandemic. This has continued unabated into 2021/22. There has been considerable additional funding from WG both for specific initiatives via grants and in general terms through the WG Hardship fund.

WG have made a clear statement that from 01/04/2022 the Hardship Fund will cease to exist and that funding has been made available in the Local Government Settlement, with the main exceptions of TTP (Test, Trace & Protect) and also PPE provision (where WG will continue to provide free PPE to Health & Social Care for as long as is required). The Council will continue to manage the ongoing financial impact of COVID19 on a corporate basis, where the impact is significant, using a combination of base budget provision through the 2022/23 Budget Setting Process and an Earmarked Reserve.

11. Phosphates

This an emerging issue following Natural Resource Wales publishing evidence of phosphate levels for the River Teifi riverine Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and the issuance of interim Planning position statement / guidance in May 2021. The effect of this covers 45% of land in Ceredigion and this is going to create significant issues in bringing forward Developments in the areas affected. In narrow terms this has the potential to affect areas such as Planning Fee and Building Control Income, but in a wider sense has the potential for far reaching Housing and Economic development implications.

MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY

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MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this Financial Strategy is to provide a financial governance framework to operate within by setting out the issues that are considered and taken into account for financial planning for the medium term.

By bringing together financial assumptions; standards of service delivery; demographic needs; and workforce planning issues into this document it is expected that the Council will be better able to consider overall management of its resources to meet its objectives.

Paragraph 6.6 sets out the key elements of the budget strategy that will contribute to a balanced budget. A transformation savings plan has been prepared and is being implemented, although Covid-19 has impacted on the timescales envisaged.

1.2 Objective of the Strategy

The Council's financial objective is for the careful and responsible use of resources and to ensure that the financial resilience of the Council is maintained and strengthened. The overall objective of this strategy is:

“to provide a framework and overall direction and parameters in order for the Council to structure and manage its finances to ensure that financial resources are used in a responsible and careful manner”.

This strategy achieves this by:

- Outlining principles for developing and setting the annual budget.
 - Integrating and acknowledging external forces into the budget process.
 - Integrating financial and business planning, reflecting priorities of the Corporate Strategy 2017-2022, anticipating pressures facing the Authority and ensuring improvement of services.
 - Identifying the main links with other processes, core considerations and financial themes to be considered.
 - Indicating projected levels of income, expenditure and capital investment over a rolling three year period.
 - Providing a single document to communicate the financial context, aims and objectives to stakeholders.
- 1.3 Understanding the overall financial context is important in order to deliver a robust and balanced budget during the next few years as it is recognised that funding for the Public Sector will be limited. The financial forecast includes a three year budget forecast.

2 Budget Priorities

2.1 The “Strategic Plan” provides the broad programme and timetable for developing and implementing the Councils plan for the future delivery of services in the face of on-going financial constraints. This plan is regularly monitored by the cross party transformation group. There are a number of work streams included in the plan which assist and support the delivery of the savings plan.

- The transformation work stream assists the Council to identify change to key core functions that will assist future sustainability of service deliverability.
- The major reviews work stream informs the consideration of new models for service delivery.
- The budget savings plan is regularly monitored which helps ensure that balanced budgets are delivered.

The Corporate Strategy 2017-2022 identifies and explains how the Council intends delivering its Four main Strategic Priorities.

The core purpose of the Council’s Corporate Strategy is to illustrate how the authority will support and promote sustainability and the wellbeing of the citizens of Ceredigion, through its long term Vision and Strategic Objectives.

Vision:

“Ceredigion Council delivers value for money sustainable bilingual public services that support a strong economy and healthy environment while promoting wellbeing in our people and our communities”

Strategic Objectives:

The four Strategic Priorities for Ceredigion are:

- *Boosting the Economy;*
- *Investing in People’s Future;*
- *Enabling Individual and Family Resilience;*
- *Promoting Environmental and Community Resilience.*

The above priorities will be used to direct resources with the number one priority being *Boosting the Economy*.

2.2 The Council’s aim will be to continue to direct resources to priority areas that can deliver improvements for the local community. A number of key well-being and improvement objectives are identified each year and the adequacy of resources to enable delivery of these objectives need to be taken into account during the budget process.

2.3 The Council’s expenditure can be linked to supporting its Corporate Strategy and its well-being and improvement objectives. The budget setting is a financial representation of the Council’s Policies. The Council, through its budget setting process, requires a review and endorsement of the draft budget proposals by the relevant scrutiny committees and strategically by the overview and scrutiny coordinating committee.

Workshops are held throughout the year between Members and officers of the Leadership Group during which consideration is given to financial planning for both the short and medium-term; budgetary issues / pressures for the current and future years; service priorities and allocation of resources. The annual business planning process is the mechanism whereby plans are put in place to deliver business objectives that are fully resourced and aligned to the Council's objectives.

- 2.4 The Council will strive to meet the financial and budgetary challenges by considering service priorities, and looking at different and innovative ways of providing services in a more cost effective manner in the future.

In order to achieve this, a comprehensive service redesign transformation programme has been in place for some years and plans implemented and currently being implemented and any new opportunities arising will be developed.

This will include:

- Implementing back office efficiencies;
- Develop alternative delivery methods whilst sustaining services;
- A clear understanding of which services will be supported and protected;
- Rationalising all non-priority functions and services;
- Continuing with the schools and social care modernisation programme;
- Embracing and maximising shared services opportunities through collaboration;
- Ensure value for money with all commissioning and contractual work;
- Re-balance the budget in light of demographic pressures;
- Maximising income through application of the Income Management and Cost Recovery Policy.

- 2.5 Some of the key priority areas that the Council will focus on are:

Boosting the Economy - the approach is outlined in 'Boosting Ceredigion's Economy – A Strategy for Action 2020-35'. This outlines four priority areas where our actions will be targeted to make a difference which will also support the National Wellbeing Goals:

- People – inspiring people, developing skills, health and wellbeing
- Place – promoting Ceredigion as a place to live, work and visit
- Enterprise – supporting businesses to get started and grow
- Connectivity – connecting businesses and communities

This Strategy aligns closely to the emerging priorities developing from our partnership with Powys Council and wider partners as part of Growing Mid Wales – and will help inform the emerging Regional Economic Framework to support its delivery locally.

The Mid-Wales Growth Deal, developed from the Vision for Growing Mid Wales, reached a significant milestone in January 2022 as the Final Deal

Agreement were signed by the Welsh Government, UK Government and Ceredigion and Powys Councils, based on the development and submission of the Portfolio Business Case. Both governments agreed to provide £55m and the UK Government has confirmed flat capital funding over a 10 year period covering the Growing Mid Wales region as a whole. The Welsh Government has not confirmed its intentions, although the original position was funding over a 15 year period.

The Portfolio Business Case currently has a set of programmes and projects which cover a range of investment proposals across a number of themes – digital, tourism, agriculture food & drink, research & innovation and supporting enterprise.

The Council has been successful in applying for £10.9m of Levelling Up funding for Aberystwyth from the UK Government during 2021. The money will help to transform ‘The Old College’ in Aberystwyth, revitalise the promenade and create a ‘living harbour’.

Boosting Ceredigion’s Economy will require substantial investment from the Council with a return expected from that investment. The earmarked fund available stands at £6m (Reserve and Cap Receipts) at 31/3/21, the target by 31/3/23 is £10m.

Education – modernising education establishments, for example, using 21st Century Schools programme funding to build an area school for the Aeron Valley as well as improvements to Cardigan Secondary School, Cardigan Primary School and Canolfan y Mor at Aberaeron Secondary School.

Coastal Defence Schemes – it is anticipated that circa £23m will be spent on the coastal defence schemes at Aberaeron and Aberystwyth. £19.5m of the funding will be financed by Welsh Government with the remaining £3.5m being funded by earmarked reserves.

COVID19 - The financial impact arising from the COVID19 pandemic for the future years is unknown although being budgeted for in 2022/23. Further information is included in paragraph 6.8. It is not expected that the Hardship relief scheme will operate after the 31st March 2022.

3 Financial Challenge

- 3.1 There are many challenging years ahead in local government with public finances continuing to be extremely tight and this has a direct impact on the Council’s budgets. These are therefore difficult times from a budgetary and service delivery perspective, particularly as the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic on public finances become apparent. However, from this challenge opportunities should also arise by seizing the agenda and considering how services can be delivered differently and better, and ensuring greater value for money for the taxpayer.
- 3.2 For 2022/23 the Council’s net revenue budget requirement is £167m, and the original Capital Programme for 2022/23 is £28.5m. Together they

provide the resources to meet the delivery of the business plans of the Council. The budget savings plan is regularly monitored and ensures that balanced budgets are delivered. The Revenue Support Grant for 2022/23 has increased by 8.6%, which is the fourth lowest in Wales, as a result service savings targets of £0.5m are required with an additional corporate savings target of £0.9m allocated against the Leadership Group.

- 3.3 Approximately 72% of the net budget is funded by the Welsh Government via a combination of Revenue Support Grant (RSG) and re-distribution of National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR) which is collectively referred to as Aggregate External Finance (AEF). Local Authorities are able to apply for additional specific funding through the Welsh Government's grant programme. A further circa £40m of specific service grant funding, excluding Covid19 related, is typically received to deliver and support many of the Council's revenue services and capital schemes/projects.
- 3.4 Within the Council's budget there are various income sources and expenditure items. The budget position is therefore sensitive to many changing circumstances or events. On the income side the amount of AEF received is critical to the budget position but there are also other income issues that impact on the budget, for example, supply and demand for the services that are charged for, and the number and value of specific grants that fund service provision. On the expenditure side changes to general inflation, specific higher level of commodity prices, interest rate changes and pay inflation will all have a significant impact on the financial forecasts.
- 3.5 The Council's expenditure will tend to increase each year for pay and price inflation and this requires funding by either increasing income from any combination of Council Tax, fees and charges, or by reducing expenditure.

It has been and continues to be anticipated that the funding allocated to the Council under the AEF in the short to medium term will be insufficient to meet inflation and demand led cost pressures; and will most likely result in real terms decreases for a few years beyond that. This will lead to insufficient funding to cater for cost increases, service pressures due to increased demand, etc. and this therefore leaves a potential funding gap that needs to be planned for. The budget for 2022/23 is less than the amount available to spend in 2009.

- 3.6 The key elements of the existing and future medium term financial strategy are detailed in Section 8.
- 3.7 The Chancellor's Autumn Statement and Spending review can be found on the following link;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/autumn-budget-and-spending-review-2021-documents>

- 3.8 Care and Support costs continue to increase dramatically. Life expectancy is good in Ceredigion – the average life expectancy can be

seen in section 12.6. Council Tax support claimants have increased significantly and must be funded. The rising costs of care is £7m, including:-

- UK £9.90 Real Living Wage and 1.25% Employers NI – impact on most if not all Care related Commissioned Services (results in provisional inflation factors of 8.87% for Dom Care/Supported Living, 9.13% for Residential Care and 11.15% for Direct Payments).
- Residential Homes – Fees setting review.
- Direct Payments.
- Looked after Children.
- Domiciliary Care.

4 Managing Resources Effectively

4.1 Financial Management includes:-

- Compliance with financial regulations to ensure that budgets are managed effectively in-year;
- Financial management roles and responsibilities are transparent and embedded across the Council's services.
- Financial literacy is actively promoted throughout the organisation.
- Effective financial controls are in place and cover all areas of financial management, risk management and asset control;
- Ensure that value for money is achieved in the delivery of services.

4.2 Requests to carry forward revenue underspend are considered and generally not approved, as they cannot be currently afforded.

4.3 Balances will be maintained in accordance with the Council's approved policy. Any windfall income received will be added to balances.

4.4 Reserves will be held for specified purposes only and reviewed on a regular basis.

4.5 Use of grant funding:

- The use of general grant funding for both revenue and capital will be maximised.
- Where grant bids are required, these need to be linked to the Council's objectives.
- Exit strategies need to be considered for grant bids and relevant grant funding.

5 External Economic, Financial and Legislative Context

5.1 The Council's medium term financial forecast is set within the context of national economy, public expenditure plans and national legislation and regulations. It is being formulated within a context of a challenging period for the national economy as it emerges from the heights of the Covid-19 pandemic and a time when significant austerity measures have been in place for the previous decade.

- 5.2 Despite formally leaving the European Union on 31st December 2020 the implications and ramifications from the last minute agreement reached in December 2020 are still to be fully understood and will only become clearer in the fullness of time.

The Council has a Brexit / EU Transition group in place chaired at CLO level, which meets regularly and contains representatives from all Services across the Council. The group's role is to provide a formal, structured approach to managing risks posed to the Authority and to co-ordinate the Authorities' preparedness across all services - reporting on risk and mitigation. Services will continue to monitor the impact and whether any additional costs or loss of funding will be mitigated.

- 5.3 Both the Treasury and external forecasters are expecting a bumpy ride as economic growth is strived for by the Government and this provides a challenging background for the Council's budget. Demand led services such as Social Services and the Homeless service are likely to see increased pressures as a result of the current Welfare Reform changes. The number of claimants of Council Tax Support Scheme had reduced from the peak levels experienced in 2012/13, however, since the Pandemic numbers have increased significantly and are unlikely to return to the lower level for some years to come.
- 5.4 At the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic The Bank of England initially reduced the interest base rate from 0.75% to 0.25% on the 11th March 2020 and subsequently to 0.1% on the 19th March 2020, its' lowest ever level. In December 2021 the rate was raised to 0.25%. The Council's Treasury advisors forecast that rates will increase to 0.5% in June 2022, then to 0.75% in quarter 2 of 2023. Interest rates are reported to Council regularly via the Treasury Management Reports.
- 5.5 The Council receives approximately 72% of its net revenue budget from the Welsh Government hence reliance is placed on the economy as a whole and the UK Government's ability to raise taxes to fund Public Services. The economic downturn places increased pressures on the Council's own finances and also on the wider community. The medium term financial forecast will therefore need to remain flexible to respond to any opportunities or threats that this external environment will present. How the UK economy grows in the years ahead will impact on the availability of grant funding. The increased income raised from Council Tax, although significant, represents a smaller part of meeting increased costs.
- 5.6 The population projections indicate that nationally, and for Ceredigion, people will live longer which will have an impact on all services and particularly from the age category of 65 and above. Data on all services will continue to be returned to the Welsh Government in order to assist with the calculations that underpin the distribution of the Revenue Support Grant.
- 5.7 Standard Spending Assessments (SSAs) is the mechanism used by Welsh Government (WG) for the distribution of resources to local authorities based on a calculation of what each Local Authority needs to

spend to deliver a standard level of services at a common rate of council tax. The SSA formulae are kept under review by the joint Assembly / WLGA / Local Authority working group, called the Distribution Sub Group. The SSA allocation uses around fifty formulae reflecting demographic, physical, economic, and social characteristics. It also reflects the relative costs of providing comparable services between authorities. Consequently, the formulae take account of factors such as population, numbers of children and older adults, road lengths, rurality and sparsity. The Green Book is a statistical companion to the Local Government Finance Report. It provides background information for the calculation of Standard Spending Assessments for the annual local government revenue settlement.

The latest population forecasts indicate a reduction for Ceredigion which has had an adverse effect on the amount of funding allocated via RSG for 2022/23.

- 5.8 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 is in place to make public bodies think more about the long term, work better with people and communities and each other, look to prevent problems and take a more joined up approach. The well-being duty under the Act means that we must apply the Sustainable Development Principle five ways of working to all that we do and align our work to the seven National Well-being Goals. All services are required to apply the Act thus ensuring that the transformation and efficiency savings plans comply with the well-being duty.

6 Budget Strategy

- 6.1 The main objectives of the annual budget setting are:
- To ensure that a balanced budget is set each year and that value for money services are delivered.
 - To look to the longer term to help plan sustainable services and budgets and help ensure that the Council's financial resources are sufficient to support delivery of Council priorities.
- 6.2 The Council's underlying budget position is that inflationary and other growth in demand for its services is likely to rise and exceed forecasted income.
- 6.3 The characteristics of the Strategy are that it is Robust, Dynamic and Compliant.

Robust - It is effectively integrated with the rest of the Council's policy-making and planning activities and fully complements the financial management arrangements of the Council. The financial strategy is both a document and a process.

Dynamic - It is a living document and a process that evolves and develops in response to new financial opportunities (and threats) and new policy directions.

Compliant - The strategy is based upon fundamental principles that govern the management of the Council's finances. The Council ensures that financial management systems are adequate and effective, and that there is a sound system of internal control, and meets the requirements of the Council's published Annual Governance Statement (AGS). The Council adheres to legal and professional advice and guidance, including the Best Value Accounting Code of Practice and the Statement of Recommended Practice, both published by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy.

6.4 The budget strategy reflects the Council's external and internal factors, it requires that consideration be given to:

- Targeting resources to achieve the greatest positive impact e.g. utilising Information Communication and Technology to support lean processes and improved workflow.
- Looking to the longer term to plan for sustainable services and budgets and the maintenance and improvement of front line services by saving up to meet known expenditure commitments.
- Pursuing efficiency to make best use of the Council's assets, i.e. funds, land, buildings, staff and information technology. For example, further rationalisation of buildings could reduce revenue costs and generate capital receipts.
- Supporting working with partners to secure value for money and best outcomes for the benefit of local communities, and ensuring the delivery of bilingual services.

6.5 The financial strategy is therefore to continue to manage the forecasted gap between likely resources and budget requirement in order to deliver a balanced budget position whilst meeting the Council's objectives. This outcome can be achieved by focusing mainly on identifying savings in advance of the budget being set in order that they can be realised in time for the start of the relevant financial year.

6.6 The key elements of the budget strategy that will contribute to a balanced budget are:

- Planning to provide flat budget allocations to services which therefore need to meet their increased costs from service efficiency, income and cost recovery, and change within the service area as a whole. The overall reduced levels of funding to be met from corporate transformational change, service reviews and third party expenditure reduction.
- Council Tax increases will take into account the need to ensure that there is sufficient funding to protect key services.
- The budget will generally be set so that no demand is made from General Fund Balances to support the base budget other than for funding exceptional and agreed priority one off items.
- Income will be maximised through application of the Income Management and Cost Recovery Policy.
- Efficiency savings (including invest to save schemes, shared services, procurement savings) will continue to be sought as a natural part of

improved service delivery.

- Savings achieved in advance of the annual budget requirement will be usefully applied to earmarked reserves in particular to support the Council Strategic Priorities with one off capital funding requirements as well as applying the savings to the base budget in the appropriate later year of need.

6.7 The following are key strategic capital budget setting aims:

- Asset Management Planning along with the Carbon Management Programme will inform the setting of the capital programme and necessary expenditure on existing, and new, Council assets.
- Identification of expenditure that can attract grant funding.
- Invest to save schemes are regarded as high priority as they provide a positive contribution to the medium term budget position.
- The capital programme budget will normally be set so that no demand is made of prudential borrowing other than to fund specific capital projects. Consideration will also be given to use prudential borrowing when revenue savings are identified which can be used to fund the capital financing costs.
- Use of the corporate capital reserves will support the capital programme, in particular the 21st Century Schools Programme (referenced is paragraph 2.5 above), schemes that boost the local economy and protect the coast.
- Capital receipts are regarded as a positive contribution to the overall capital programme and will be allocated in accordance with the balance available at the start of the year. Appropriate responses to major disposals will take place as and when they arise.
- Expenditure and investment on any assets are to make a positive contribution to, and support, corporate and service objectives.
- Develop a funding strategy to support planned future major projects.

6.8 Covid-19

2020/21 and 2021/22 has seen unprecedented challenges for the Council both financially and operationally due to the COVID19 pandemic. The financial impact is being dealt with as a corporate Council wide issue with the pressures to date being claimed from the WG Hardship grant and this includes increased expenditure and decreases in Fees & Charges income across Services as well as reduced Council Tax collection rates.

It is anticipated that the Finances of the Council will continue to be affected by Covid 19 during 2022/23 and beyond.

7 Partnership Working, External Funding and Collaboration

7.1 The Council works with partners to secure best outcomes for the benefit of its citizens and is investigating opportunities for joint work with other agencies / local authorities. The financial strategy takes a realistic but prudent approach to possible partnership funding that is not yet certain or confirmed. Specific partner funding or grant income is generally not assumed in the forward forecasts unless its allocation has been confirmed.

- 7.2 To Boost the Economy the Council will work with various partners including:
- Welsh Government
 - UK Government
 - Growing Mid Wales Partnership
 - Further and Higher Education establishments
 - Skills and training providers
 - Business representative bodies
 - Private and public funders
 - Third sector organisations
- 7.3 The Council has significant grant funding for delivering its gross revenue budget. There have been transfers of specific grants into the revenue support grant and this current trend may well continue. This means that the services will be able to decide how best to spend the funding as part of a local strategy as opposed to being part of a national one.
- 7.4 The Council works in partnership with the Welsh Government on many revenue and capital projects.
- 7.5 Budgets must clearly reflect the substance of any collaborative working that the Council is party to. The gross expenditure principle of budgeting requires that budgets show separately the expenditure and income of all transactions. Where joint committees exist these need to agree a budget for the joint committees' work early enough for the Council's share to be reflected in the budget. WG are introducing Corporate Joint Committees (CJC) throughout Wales commencing in 2022/23. Ceredigion is partnered with Powys County Council (and the Brecon Beacons National Park for Strategic Planning only) and will form the Mid Wales CJC. Auditors may review the reasons for entering into collaborative arrangements and make assessments about service improvements or cash savings realised under their value for money assessments.

8 The Medium Term Financial Forecast for 2022/23 to 2024/25

- 8.1 Details of the medium term financial forecast for are not known in advance and are estimated. Estimated funding gaps in recent years have varied although reasonable estimates have resulted.

The Welsh Government's Provisional Local Government Settlement for 2022-23 has given indicative Wales-level core revenue funding allocations for 2023-24 and 2024-25 of £5.3 billion and £5.4 billion respectively – equating to an uplift in the first year of £177 million (3.5%) and, in the second year, of £128 million (2.4%). Take into account the formula for the Council's share of this uplift it is estimated the share will be an effective uplift for the Council of 1.75% and 1.2% respectively. Council Tax increases of various amounts together with various settlement predictions are included in paragraph 8.2.3 below.

Table 1 below uses a 4% amount for planning purposes. The actual Welsh Government settlement will differ to the projection and could be worse or less, likewise Council Tax increases will vary.

The tables below set out the income and expenditure projections and therefore the estimated savings requirement over the next three years based on the following funding projections.

Table 1 – Funding Projections - Indication

	Indicative		
	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Council Tax	4.75%	4.0%	4.0%
WG Funding	8.6%	1.8%	1.2%

Table 2 – Revenue Budget – Income

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Council Tax	45	47	49	51
WG Funding	110	119	122	123
Total Income	155	167	171	174

Table 3 – Revenue Budget Shortfall

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Planned Expenditure	158	168	178	181
Expected Income	155	167	171	174
Savings Requirement	3	1	7	7

Based on these assumptions, the Council is required to save at least £15m by March 2025 on top of the savings achieved between April 2012 and March 2022 of £50m. This will be £51m total savings achieved between April 2012 and March 2023.

8.2 The main assumptions included in the forecast are explained below:

8.2.1 **Inflation** – The forecast provides for general pay inflation and changes due to living wage. Contractual supplies and services and other budget pressures have been assumed.

See 12.14 for the Bank of England's inflation projections. There are expected significant short term inflation pressures with CPI predicted to rise to 6% during 2022. This will have significant pressures on the Council's budget.

8.2.2 **AEF Rates** – At the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic The Bank of England initially reduced the interest base rate from 0.75% to 0.25% on the 11th March 2020 and subsequently to 0.1% on the 19th March 2020, it's lowest ever level. In December 2021 the rate was raised to 0.25%. The Council's Treasury advisors forecast that rates may increase to 0.5% in June 2022, then to 0.75% in quarter 2 of 2023. A 1% rise in interest rates could mean up to an extra £200k of income in a full year but against

this must be set the cost of any new loans, with higher interest rates, falling within the period.

- 8.2.3 **Aggregate External Finance** – the three year budget forecast includes estimated sums for the AEF Budget Settlement for the next three years. Declining population figures in Ceredigion as described in 12.1 below have and will continue to negatively affect the Council's AEF Budget Settlement.

The potential range of Budget shortfall in the medium term as a consequence of the uncertainty around the annual AEF Budget Settlements is illustrated in the tables below.

A 1% change in Aggregate External Finance equates to approximately £1.1m and a 1% increase in Council Tax raises an extra £450k, net of the increased CTSS cost that's £385k.

2023/24: Budget Funding Gap Scenario Analysis – ie potential savings required

		<u>Council Tax Increase</u>							
		0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%
<u>Aggregate External Finance Settlement (AEF)</u>	0.0%	£10.8m	£10.3m	£9.9m	£9.4m	£8.9m	£8.4m	£8.0m	£7.5m
	1.0%	£9.6m	£9.1m	£8.7m	£8.2m	£7.7m	£7.2m	£6.8m	£6.3m
	2.0%	£8.4m	£7.9m	£7.5m	£7.0m	£6.5m	£6.0m	£5.6m	£5.1m
	3.0%	£7.2m	£6.7m	£6.3m	£5.8m	£5.3m	£4.8m	£4.4m	£3.9m
	4.0%	£6.0m	£5.5m	£5.1m	£4.6m	£4.1m	£3.7m	£3.2m	£2.7m
	5.0%	£4.8m	£4.4m	£3.9m	£3.4m	£2.9m	£2.5m	£2.0m	£1.5m

2024/25: Budget Funding Gap Scenario Analysis – ie potential savings required

		Council Tax Increase							
		0.0%	1.0%	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%
Aggregate External Finance Settlement (AEF)	0.0%	£10.2m	£9.7m	£9.2m	£8.7m	£8.2m	£7.7m	£7.2m	£6.7m
	1.0%	£9.0m	£8.5m	£8.0m	£7.5m	£7.0m	£6.5m	£6.0m	£5.5m
	2.0%	£7.8m	£7.3m	£6.8m	£6.3m	£5.8m	£5.3m	£4.8m	£4.3m
	3.0%	£6.6m	£6.1m	£5.6m	£5.1m	£4.6m	£4.1m	£3.6m	£3.1m
	4.0%	£5.3m	£4.8m	£4.4m	£3.9m	£3.4m	£2.9m	£2.4m	£1.9m
	5.0%	£4.1m	£3.6m	£3.1m	£2.6m	£2.2m	£1.7m	£1.2m	£0.7m

8.2.4 **Income** – each year a cost recovery review will take place including updating of fees and charges and any identified increases either over and above inflation, or in respect of new charges, will inform the annual budget model setting and assist services meet their inflation and other cost pressures.

8.2.5 **Savings** – each year savings will continue to be sought from service delivery. Various services will be reviewed to determine whether savings can be achieved. It is acknowledged that further savings need to be identified, in order to meet the forecasted funding deficit, during the term of this Strategy.

In undertaking reviews relating to the future delivery of services the Council will engage with the public and arrange for consultation to take place with staff, unions, stakeholders and the public as appropriate.

8.2.6 **Transfer of Grants** – the general principle is that where specific grant funding is transferred into RSG then these resources will be allocated directly to the relevant service's budget.

8.2.7 **Additional Funding for Council Priorities** – Cabinet will continue to direct financial resources to priority areas that can deliver real and sustained improvements. Corporate items recognised as requiring annual allocations in the budget model, include the Council Tax Support Scheme increase linked to the increase in Council Tax, Funding of the Capital Programme, the Council Tax Premium, Out of County Placements, Democratic costs and the increase in the Mid and West Wales Fire Authority Levy. For 2021/22 the Mid and West Wales Fire Authority Levy reduced because of a significant reduction in the projected population figures for the County, although usually the Council's share of the Levy is expected to increase year on year.

9 Earmarked Reserves and Balances

- 9.1 A statement of the Council's Earmarked Reserves and General Balances is updated at least twice each year and presented to Members during the budget setting and the final accounts preparation. A summary of the reserves position is below:

	31.3.21	31.3.22	31.3.23
	Actual	Planned	Planned
General Balances - Amount	£6.1m	£6.1m	£6.1m
General Balances - Percentage	4.0%	3.9%	3.6%
Earmarked Reserves (Inc. Schools)	£38.5m	£43m	£38m

The Council's approved target is for General Balances to be maintained at between 3% and 5% of net expenditure.

WG have issued guidance for local elected members of scrutiny of Local Authority holding and utilising of reserves and details can be found on Welsh Governments website as follows:

<https://llyw.cymru/sites/default/files/publications/2019-06/cronfeydd-wrth-gefn-yr-awdurdodau-lleol-canllawiau-i-aelodau-etholedig-a-phrif-swyddogion-cyllid.pdf>

<https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-06/local-authority-reserves-guidance-for-elected-members-and-chief-finance-officers.pdf>

The Council had maintained a level of circa £20m of internal borrowing by utilising funds held in earmarked reserves which has reduced the need to borrow. It is estimated this approach has saved the tax payer annually £800k which equates to a saving in Council Tax charges of nearly 2% annually.

10 Risk Assessment & Sensitivity

- 10.1 The indicative budget scenarios are considered on a regular basis. For planning purposes some guidelines include:-

- A 1% change in Aggregate External Finance equates to approximately £1.1m.
- A 1% increase in pay equates to approximately £1.0m.
- The amount of core balances held as cash deposits varies and this together with the interest rate (which also varies) impacts significantly on the level of interest income received. A 1% increase in interest rates, depending on the amount of core balances on deposit, generates between £100k and £200k additional income.
- Negative interest rates will lead to a cost being incurred on core balances held on deposit.
- A 1% increase in Council Tax raises an extra £450k, net of the increased CTSS cost is £385k.

10.2 Included in the Council's Corporate Risk Register, which is scrutinised by the Governance and Audit Committee, is the following risk description:

- The reduction of core and external funding will lead to the reduction in service provision in some areas. Failure to adapt, implement identified savings and consider alternative models of service provision in line with the Medium Term Financial Plan will affect future service delivery and the financial responsibilities of the Council.

The potential consequences of this risk are:

- Risk of failing to meet statutory budget setting deadlines.
- Risk of service delivery impacted due to decreasing resources, short lead in times to service changes or failure to effectively prioritise spend in line with corporate priorities.
- Risk that savings plans identified are not achieved as planned.
- Risk that annual budget setting frustrates longer term planning.
- Risk that increased demand in service areas where there are statutory obligations to meet needs e.g. Adult Social Care, exceeds budget allocation.

The Council continues to monitor and review its Medium Term Financial Strategy. The Council monitors the budgets set, the savings planned and has been going through an extensive process of considering future options to identify future savings.

11 Council Tax – comparative data on Welsh Authorities' Council Tax levels is available on the Statistics for Wales website using the following links:-

<https://gov.wales/council-tax-levels>
<https://llyw.cymru/lefelaur-dreth-gyngor>

Band D has historically been used as the standard for comparing council tax levels between and across local authorities. This measure is not affected by the varying distribution of properties in bands that can be found across authorities.

Average Band D council tax for Wales for 2021/22 is £1,731, which includes £1,403 for county councils; £290 for police authorities and £39 for community councils. The Council Tax range is from £1,504 in Pembrokeshire to £2,078 in Blaenau Gwent, compared with Ceredigion's Council Tax of £1,725.

The average County Council element (i.e. excluding Police and community councils) is £1,403 for Wales and is £1,413 for Ceredigion; with a range from £1,190 in Pembrokeshire to £1,768 in Blaenau Gwent.

12 Demographics and Other Trends

12.1 Demographics

Wales' population is projected to increase by 3.5% up to 2038, rising from 3.1 million to 3.2 million. Over this period the percentage of over-65s in Wales is set to increase from around 21% to 26% of the population, and the proportion aged 75 and over is projected to increase 51%. It is anticipated that during the next twenty years life expectancy will continue to increase but at a slower pace.

Conversely, over this period, the number of children under 16 is projected to decrease from approximately 18% to 16% of the population. The number of households in Wales is also projected to grow faster than the overall population, leading to smaller household sizes and the need for a greater number of homes.

Ceredigion is one of four counties whose population is expected to decrease over this period from 72,695 in 2019 to 69,338 in 2038. The number of children in Ceredigion are projected to decline by about 15%, a reduction of 1,500 by 2038. This decline can be attributed to the expected stalling of fertility rates in Ceredigion, a trend also seen nationally.

The working age population of Ceredigion is 43,000 as at 2019, which is 60% of the total population of the county and compares with Wales' 61%. It is predicted that the working age population in Ceredigion will decrease by about 14% over the next twenty years. This reduction can be attributed to the internal out-migration of people to different parts of the UK. This includes the high proportion of students in Ceredigion aged 21-24, who tend to leave the area after graduation to pursue employment and education opportunities elsewhere.

However, growth is expected in the number of over 65s, the proportion is set to increase from around 25% to 32% of the population, an additional 4,300 people over the twenty year period. In addition to a longer life expectancy, the growth in the 65+ age group is prompted by the ageing of the significant birth cohort of the 1950s and 1960s baby boomer generation, who in 2028 will be aged 64 to 82.

It is important to note that these projections do not attempt to predict how changing economic and social circumstances may impact demographic behaviour, thus, the potential impact of Brexit and the COVID-19 pandemic on Ceredigion's population change is not accounted for here. Anecdotal evidence in the wake of the pandemic highlighted a trend of people seeking to move away from urban areas to "safer" rural areas. This potential counter-urbanisation may impact the population of Ceredigion through internal migration, however, the long-term trend and its effects on local population change is unknown.

12.2 Deprivation

According to the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation (2019), access to services and housing are the areas of most concern. Whilst the Index should be used with caution due to the way in which it can mask rural

deprivation, it does provide an insight into relative deprivation across Wales.

The access to services domain measures travel time to a range of services, both physical access and digital access. Half of Ceredigion's areas fall into the most deprived 10% in Wales in this domain. Meanwhile, the housing domain identifies inadequate housing, in terms of physical living conditions, and availability. In this domain, over a quarter of areas in Ceredigion fall into the most deprived 10% of areas in Wales, the highest proportion nationally.

Conversely, based on the overall measure and key areas such as income, employment, health and education, Ceredigion is one of the least deprived counties in Wales. Only one area in Ceredigion appears in the most deprived 10% of areas in Wales (Aberteifi/Cardigan Teifi). The disparities in the concentrations of multifaceted deprivation among areas within Ceredigion serves as a reminder of the wide gap in opportunities that can be found within a county and in communities situated in close proximity to one another.

12.3 **Employment**

Ceredigion's economic activity rate has continued to increase in recent months, reaching 76.7% for the year ending March 2021, and moving above Wales as a whole (75.2%). Economic activity rates are traditionally lower in Ceredigion, mainly due to the high proportion of full-time students in the working age population, who account for about 11% of the county's overall population, and influenced by a relatively high proportion of early retirees.

A similar trend is visible in employment rate figures. As at March 2021, the employment rate in Ceredigion was 73.3%, higher than across Wales (72.2%). However, these trends should be treated with considerable caution due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on many of the economic indicators, and because the impacts tend to only be visible in the figures many months later.

The Council continues to take a proactive approach to monitoring the impact of COVID-19 on its local economy and its communities. It recently confirmed its commitment to its existing set of Well-being Objectives to provide focus on the recovery from the pandemic.

12.4 **Unemployment**

The unemployment rate in Ceredigion for the twelve months ending March 2021 was 3.4%. In recent years unemployment in the county had shown a positive trend - decreasing from a peak of 4.2% at March 2018, to a low of 2.6% at March 2020, just before COVID-19 sent the county, and the nation, into lockdown. At that time, Ceredigion's unemployment rate was noticeably lower than the 3.7% across Wales as a whole.

However, since then, the impact of the pandemic on the workforce is very visible – Ceredigion's unemployment rate has been increasing each quarter, reaching 3.4% by March 2021, and is reflective of the way in

which some of Ceredigion's staple industries have been hit, such as tourism, hospitality, food services and agriculture.

A more immediate measure of the impact can be seen in the claimant count, which is a measure of people claiming Job Seeker's Allowance or Universal Credit or for the purposes of being unemployed. The numbers increased sharply between March and April 2020, rising from 830 to 1,730, which equates to a 110% increase.

Since March 2021, however, there has been a sustained decrease as lockdown restrictions were lifted and many people began to return to work. At that point, the figure had decreased to 1,425, its lowest level since the pandemic began. There is still some concern as to the impact of the end of the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (Furlough) Scheme at the end of September 2021. The financial impact and loss of income due to the pandemic are being monitored closely by the Public Services Board Poverty Sub Group, who are implementing the Tackling Hardship Strategy across Ceredigion in the wake of the pandemic. It is clear that the impact on the workforce will continue to be a key focus of the recovery period over the next three to five years.

12.5 Income and Earnings

Earnings refers to money earned from employment, whereas income is total money received, including from earnings, benefits and pensions. Both earnings and incomes in Ceredigion are lower than across Wales and noticeably lower than the UK as a whole. This is a common trend amongst predominantly rural counties.

The latest Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings 2020 shows that average annual earnings are lower in Ceredigion than across Wales, and with the exception of Powys, also lower than the rest of Mid and South West Wales. The average (median) annual earnings for those who live in Ceredigion are £26,282, almost £2,000 less than the £28,273 across Wales.

The trend is similar with household incomes. The median household income in Ceredigion is £28,595 compared to £28,999 across Wales and £33,124 throughout the UK. The majority of Ceredigion's households (52.7%) have a household income of £30,000 or less, and almost a third (32.5%) have an income of £20,000 or less.

12.6 Health

Life expectancy is good in Ceredigion – the average life expectancy for males is 79.3 years and 84.1 years for females. These are both above the national average of 78.5 years for males and 82.3 years for females. Life satisfaction and happiness are equal to the national average in Wales, while general health is above the average. In 2019/20, 73% of residents in Ceredigion reported having 'Good' or 'Very Good' general health, slightly, higher than the national average of 72%.

However, the latest Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation (2019), shows that within the health domain, 2 out of the 46 areas in Ceredigion appeared in the most deprived 30%, whereas none appeared in this

category in the 2011 index. Additionally, 4 areas in the county appeared in the most deprived 50% of areas in the 2019 WIMD, an increase of 1 since 2011.

12.7 Adult Social Care

Thanks to ground breaking developments in technology and healthcare, the global population of over 60s is growing faster than any other age group. By 2038, one in four of the population of Wales will be over 65.

In Ceredigion, the number of people aged 65 and over is already higher than one in four and is estimated to increase to one in three by 2038. The proportion of Ceredigion's population aged 75 and over is estimated at 11.2% for 2018, and this is estimated to grow to 14.9% by 2028 and to 17.0% by 2038, representing a 45% increase in this age group. The proportion of the Ceredigion population aged 85 and over is estimated at 3.4% for 2018, and this is expected to grow to 4.2% by 2028 and 5.8% by 2038, representing a 61% increase in the number in this age group.

Ceredigion's Old Age Dependency Ratio is projected to see a rise from 419 dependants per 1,000 in 2018 to 517 dependants per 1,000 in 2038. (The ratio is the number of State Pension age people per 1,000 people of working age). Despite the increase in the state pension age to 67 in 2028, the Old Age Dependency Ratio is continuing to increase. This is significant, because the increase in the ageing population is a major challenge for all Local Authorities as it will inevitably lead to a greater demand for council services.

12.8 Education

In April 2021 there were 4,755 pupils in Ceredigion of primary school age in years Reception to Year 6, with 3,510 pupils of secondary school age (years 7-11) and a further 755 in year 12 and 13 pupils in Ceredigion schools. The Pupil Level Annual School Census (PLASC) would usually take place in January each year. However, school closures between December 2020 and March 2021 due to COVID-19 meant that the census date was delayed until April 2021.

The small size of Ceredigion schools means that it is more difficult for them to deal with reductions in revenues than it is for larger schools elsewhere in Wales.

The apportionment of RSG depends on the relative movement in numbers of pupils across the Welsh Authorities. The total amount of funding to be apportioned through the RSG also changes from year to year. The effect of these two factors on the share of the RSG is therefore not quantifiable, although it is reasonable to assume that both factors are likely to drive down Ceredigion's funding.

A number of Ceredigion's schools are sited close to borders with other counties and the number of pupils in those schools can be influenced by local factors affecting the popularity of schools either side of the border.

In April 2021, there were 755 year 12 and 13 pupils in Ceredigion schools. By January 2024 this number is forecast to increase to 776. The Audit Commission has suggested that school sixth forms must have at least 150 pupils in order to be viable and sustainable. By 2024, five out of the six Ceredigion sixth forms are likely to have fewer than 150 pupils.

An analysis of post-16 provision across the County is currently being undertaken to ensure that:

- educational opportunities for 14-19 year olds in the County are expanded
- a rich vocational curriculum is provided, which will be appropriate for all learners to achieve their full potential and which will meet the needs of all stakeholders and the local economy in Ceredigion
- there is equal and fair access to a wide range of efficient learning pathways at different levels with the aim that Ceredigion continues to have the lowest number of NEET school leavers in Wales.

12.9 Transportation

Ceredigion has one of the largest accumulative road lengths in Wales at 2,265km in total. Around 51.5% of roads in Ceredigion are B and C roads (1,167km), which are classed as 'minor roads'.

The percentage of A, B and C roads in Ceredigion in poor condition have decreased slightly over the last three years, although the condition for A and C roads remains above the target. A roads in poor condition decreased from 4.4% in 2017/18 to 3.2% in 2020/21, but remain above the target of 3%, B roads in poor condition decreased slightly from 3.1% to 2.0% and is within the target of 6%, and C roads decreased from 17.5% to 14.7% and above the target of 12%.

The Council's current approved its Highway Asset Management Plan (HAMP) states that the strategy is to improve the condition of the carriageways to the target condition within the next 5 years. This requires an Annual Funding Requirement of £3.6m for Planned Works and £1.3m for Routine and Reactive works.

12.10 Waste

Landfill Tax standard rates introduced from 1996 at an initial £7/tonne rose more significantly from £24/tonne in 2007 to £80/tonne in 2017 and is £96.70/tonne as at April 2021. The lower Landfill Tax rates have remained low and are £3.10/tonne as at April 2021. The Waste (Wales) Measure sets statutory targets for recycling/preparation for re-use/composting of a minimum 58% from 2015/16, increasing to 64% from 2019/20 and 70% from 2024/25.

The WG has the power to impose financial penalties against failing authorities. The percentage of waste recycled, re-used or composted in Ceredigion in 2020/21 was 70.2% and continues to be one of the highest rates in Wales, and well above the statutory target. In the previous year,

2019/20, Ceredigion's recycling rate hit 72%, its highest ever result.

12.11 Crime

Ceredigion has the lowest recorded crime rate in Wales and half the average for Wales. Cyber Crime continues to be a real risk for Public Bodies and whilst some insurance cover is available there are potential financial risks attached to being affected by a Cyber Attack.

12.12 Culture

The percentage of people age 3 and over who spoke Welsh in Ceredigion according to results of the 2011 Census was 47.3% (compared with 53% in 2009) and the third highest amongst Welsh Local Authorities.

The number of visits to public libraries in Ceredigion in 2019/20 was around 4,012 per thousand population, this ranks as 10 out of 22 in Wales.

In 2019/20 66% of Ceredigion adults stated that they attended or participated in arts, culture or heritage activities three or more times a year a decrease of 9% since 2017/18.. This is lower than the national average of 71%.

12.13 The Tourism and Visitor Economy in Ceredigion

Like most coastal areas, the tourism industry plays a significant role in Ceredigion's economy, accounting for 13% of jobs and is the second largest industry in the county behind education. The total economic impact of the tourism industry in Ceredigion was estimated to be £403m in 2019, a 6.2% increase on the previous year and a 50% increase over the last decade. The industry supports 5,854 jobs county-wide, which increased by 4.5% on the previous year.

12.14 Inflation Prospects

The Bank of England's Monetary Policy Report (December 2021) contains the following projections for inflation as follows:

"Twelve-month CPI inflation rose from 3.1% in September to 5.1% in November..."

... Bank staff expect inflation to remain around 5% through the majority of the winter period, and to peak at around 6% in April 2022, with that further increase accounted for predominantly by the lagged impact on utility bills of developments in wholesale gas prices. Indicators of cost and price pressures have remained at historically elevated levels recently, and contacts of the Bank's Agents expect further price increases next year driven in large part by pay and energy costs. CPI inflation is still expected to fall back in the second half of next year."

- Monetary Policy Report December 2021

- 12.15 The Statistical Directorate of the Welsh Government issues many useful statistics for Wales each year. Information is available at www.statswales.wales.gov.uk where various reports can be found including Council Tax levels. Welsh Government have also issued a future trends report setting out further reading with respect to the matters referred to in this section for Wales as a whole. This can be found at:

<https://llyw.cymru/tueddiadaur-dyfodol-2017>

<http://gov.wales/statistics-and-research/future-trends/?lang=en>

13 Service Delivery, Planning and Developments

- 13.1 The Council prepares an improvement plan each year following the budget setting. It includes objectives for improvement and all have detailed actions on how the improvements will be made. These have all been resourced within the annual budget either in terms of staffing capacity or allocation of specific budgets.
- 13.2 The accountability for budgets is devolved supported by finance teams allocated to projects and each service area. The corporate finance function is well placed, through its service oriented provision, to ensure that it engages with service planning activities.
- 13.3 Improving procurement practices is seen as a must towards eliminating waste. Procurement is well placed to deliver savings in the medium term by capitalising on the savings achievable through greater buying capacity of Local, Regional and National Frameworks.
- 13.4 The transformation of services has progressed well with the final major change being the integration of Social care and Lifelong learning into 3 Services - Porth Cymorth Cynnar, Porth Gofal and Porth Cynnal who, along with Customer Contact, make up the 4 main areas that fall within the new Through Age & Wellbeing Programme of change. A new Strategy was agreed by Cabinet in October 2021 and this sets out how the Council will:
- Put in place a new Through Age and Wellbeing Model of delivery
 - Reduce demand on managed care and support and focus resources on those who most need them
 - Support our Workforce to develop a new approach to supporting individuals within Ceredigion
 - Focus on Preventative services which help people to remain independent or regain the independence they want and value
 - Provide Services within budget
 - Work with Partners to provide a more joined up Health, Wellbeing and Social care system

The Council's Budget saw a significant realignment during 2020/21 into the new Pyrth structure. The Strategy covers the 2021 to 2027 period and as the Programme advances, the Medium Term Financial Strategy

will be updated to reflect any material financial investment(s) and the expected financial outcomes.

- 13.5 The Authority consults its citizens on services provided through the citizen's panel and this provides the Council with information as to how to prioritise and deliver some of its services.

13.6 Workforce Planning

A Human Resources Strategy, and a Workforce and Training Plan, has been developed and approved by the Council and this will continue to be refined and updated.

It is inevitable that there will be some job losses as a consequence of the adverse medium term financial position. Staffing linked cost reductions have been achieved in recent years, for example car allowances and mileage rates were reduced, which assisted the Authority in protecting jobs as opposed to seeking to reduce the workforce and the services provided.

There are some financial risks related to the cost of the workforce, for example pension cost pressures are likely to continue due to people living longer, however the new regulations will require higher pension contributions from employees.

The Single Status Agreement was implemented during 2012/13 and all posts have continued to be evaluated.

Services take into account workforce planning issues when preparing their business and operational plans and annual budgets; and when considering requests for voluntary early retirement.

Recruitment will continue to be managed carefully in order to maximise efficiencies, for example continuing the practice of reviewing the need to fill each vacant post as vacancies arise.

14 Service Standards

- 14.1 Service standards are service specific or operational and many need to comply with statutory guidance and regulations. The Council's services are measured via a number of performance indicators, for example, National Strategic Indicators and local indicators. These demonstrate how well services are provided and annual targets are set for the standards to be achieved, which are subject to regular review. These are all funded within the base budget and any changes required with budget implications will be dealt with during the annual budget process.

- 14.2 The annual base budget reflects the usual service standards and targets for improvement. Any changes in those will need to be featured in service developments, or other changes, and will need to be dealt with during the annual revenue budget process, if not specifically in the financial appraisal of the particular development. There will be a need to assess whether there will be any significant changes to service standards as a

consequence of the Medium Term Financial position. Staff reductions could have an impact on service standards and this is dealt with through the current process of refilling a post, i.e. consideration is given to the consequences of not filling a post.

- 14.3 Councillors and employees of the Council are expected to carry out their responsibilities and duties with regard to ensuring that the relevant service standards are maintained at operational level and, where necessary, reported through the appropriate channels of business monitoring and reporting to meetings of Cabinet and Scrutiny.

15 Impact of the MTFs on Equalities and Diversity

- 15.1 As the largest employer in Ceredigion, we have a responsibility of ensuring that our greatest asset – the workforce, adequately represents the diversity of the County. We are committed to ensure fair, equal treatment and opportunity to all employees. As a major employer and provider of services, Ceredigion is committed to promoting equality and recognising and valuing diversity.
- 15.2 Under the Equality Act 2010 we have a duty to report on our equality action plan. An annual report will be developed and submitted to our Cabinet, Council and Scrutiny panels. The report will be published on our Intranet and Internet.
- 15.3 Councillors and employees of the Council are expected to carry out their responsibilities and duties with due regard to equal opportunities and it will therefore be necessary to consider equality issues that may arise from the budget process.
- 15.4 The Council is committed to providing a fully bilingual service and supports and encourages the use of the Welsh Language in its daily activities for the benefit of its staff and the public.

16 FINANCIAL SAVINGS PLAN

- 16.1 The corporate medium terms transformation savings plan is detailed below:-

Ref	Service	Lead Officer	Workstream Name	Estimated Achievable Savings £'000	Indicative Savings / Income £'000	Total Actual Savings Achieved to date £'000 (at October 2021)
1	Economy & Regeneration	Russell	Office / Building Rationalisation	300	-	-
2	Economy & Regeneration	Russell	Arriva Site Demolition	18	-	17
3	Economy & Regeneration	Russell	Investment Strategy (Including Use of Space)	-	500	-
4	Highways & Environmental	Rhodri	Review of Parking in Aberystwyth	-	250	-
5	Highways & Environmental	Rhodri	LED Street Lighting	50	-	-
6	Highways & Environmental	Rhodri	Review of Highways Service	-	175	-
7	Highways & Environmental	Rhodri	Waste Management	-	250	-
8	Highways & Environmental	Rhodri	Review of all Fleet leasing arrangements	100	-	-
9	People & Organisation	Geraint	Maximisation of Remote Technology and Reduction in Travel & Subsistence costs for Employees	200	-	200
10	Democratic Services	Lowri	Maximisation of Remote Technology and Reduction in Travel & Subsistence costs for Members	10	-	10
11	People & Organisation	Geraint	Review of Termination Enhancements and Employee Allowances	10	-	5
12	Schools	Meinir	Review of Catering Operations	70	-	-
13	Schools	Meinir	Cashless payments for Primary and Secondary sector	100	-	75
			SUBTOTAL	858	1,175	307
	Corporate	James	Social Care Transformation	-	Up to £1,350	-
			TOTAL	858	Up to £2,525	307

16.2 Brief Description / Rationale for each Transformation Work Stream.

Ref 1: Office / Building Rationalisation

- Full strategic review of buildings and sites used by services (to include Felinfach and Awel Deg)
- Rationalise / co-locate some to joint service Hwbs
- Move to more flexible / agile / efficient use of office space
- External use of 'business space'

Ref 2: Arriva Site Demolition

Business Rates Revenue saving from Old Bus Depot and Candleworks demolition plus there should be other medium to long term opportunities from the site in excess of the initial £18k

Ref 3: Investment Strategy (Including Use of Space)

- Optimise use of vacant land and buildings
- Expand commercial portfolio to seek increased income (towns / harbours / food industry)
- Consider options in commercial market e.g. retail parks, sites elsewhere
- Rent / lease arrangements for residential use of space above commercial properties
- Develop sites to increase income
- Delivery arm
- Increase income from use of space around County
- More investment in property to lease around towns and other appropriate locations (similar to prom, but other space)
- More involvement in events that could drive income (winter market etc)

Ref 4: Review of Parking in Aberystwyth

Potential for greater income generation

Ref 5: LED Street Lighting

Further phase of capital investment to reduce ongoing electricity and maintenance costs

Ref 6: Review of Highways Service

Planned review to include Highways Maintenance, Internal Workforce and Sub-contractors

Ref 7: Waste Management

Implementation of new operating model

Ref 8: Review of all Fleet leasing arrangements

Includes review of all Vehicle Fleet requirements to inform future capital programme investment requirements (i.e. purchase outright) as and when existing leases expire.

Ref 9: Maximisation of Remote Technology and Reduction in Travel & Subsistence costs for Employees

Review of Travel & Subsistence Policy to ensure its fit for purpose plus Increase awareness and use of remote technologies.

Ref 10: Maximisation of Remote Technology and Reduction in Travel & Subsistence costs for Members

Similar proposed work stream as for Employees but for Members.

Ref 11: Review of Termination Enhancements and Employee Allowances

May include (but not limited to) Redundancy enhancement multiplier, discretionary Teachers enhancement from age 55, Telephone allowances, Professional Subscriptions and Standby / Callout allowances.

Ref 12: Review of Catering Operations

Consider the feasibility of rationalising and consolidating meal preparation in fewer locations as Preparing kitchens plus review and rationalisation of Staff Canteen provision

Ref 13: Cashless payments for Primary and Secondary sector

Eliminate cash payments in schools, and therefore associated reduction in staffing costs. Initial implementation of system is completed.

Social Care Transformation

Implementation of new Porth Ceredigion, Porth Cymorth Cynnar and Porth Cynnal operating model.

- 16.3 The overall service inflation, cost pressures including demographic changes over the medium term (as per paragraph 6.6 above) have been quantified and Corporate Lead Officers need to plan in advance of each budget year to achieve the required savings. Services need to seek saving opportunities and utilise the income and cost recovery process annually together with other opportunities available to meet the inflation cost pressures. There are also negative cost pressures that arise within a service area due to changes in demographics and or other favourable structural changes and / or changes in circumstances. A summary is shown below:-

	Service Cost Pressure	Service Cost Pressure	Service Cost Pressure	Service Cost Pressure
	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Services Identified Cost Pressures				
Democratic Services	70	149	143	147
Finance & Procurement	71	127	118	122
Customer Contact	83	305	144	148
Legal & Governance	17	36	32	32
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	50	193	138	142
People & Organisation	35	76	66	68
Highways & Environmental Services	684	437	764	766
Economy & Regeneration	123	229	165	170
Porth Cynnal	2,511	4,737	2,758	2,732
Porth Gofal	1,139	1,687	1,283	1,279
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	165	631	254	259
Schools & Culture	1,308	2,259	2,200	2,200
Leadership Group	7	1,598	1,800	1,200
Total Service Cost Pressures	6,263	12,464	9,865	9,265
Other Operating Costs				
Fire Levy	(216)	104	120	120
Democratic Costs	6	70	15	15
Council Tax Support Scheme	510	290	250	250
Council Tax 2 Home Premium	0	45	0	0
Out of County Placements	0	0	300	300
Capital Account	0	200	250	250
Total Other Operating Cost Pressures	300	709	935	935
TOTAL COST PRESSURE	6,563	13,173	10,800	10,200
Savings Required				
ADDITIONAL FUNDING ALLOCATION	3,503	11,775	4,000	3,500
SAVINGS REQUIRED	3,060	1,398	6,800	6,700

Service pressures identified include increased costs arising from pay award and non-pay cost inflation, together with pressures arising from loss of income and loss of grant funding.

16.4 The cost pressures identified in 16.3 will be funded by the following three year savings plan. The two scenarios are shown in the table below.

	Savings Required 21/22 £'000	Savings Required 22/23 £'000	Savings Required 23/24 £'000	Savings Required 24/25 £'000
Services Saving Target				
Democratic Services	31	0	89	100
Finance & Procurement	51	0	73	83
Customer Contact	57	0	89	101
Legal & Governance	15	0	20	22
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	21	0	86	97
People & Organisation	21	0	41	46
Highways & Environmental Services	166	0	474	522
Economy & Regeneration	34	0	102	116
Porth Cynnal	216	0	1,710	1,863
Porth Gofal	104	0	795	873
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	34	0	157	177
Schools & Culture	493	0	1,364	1,500
Total Service Savings	1,243	0	5,000	5,500
Leadership Group	1,817	1,398	1,800	1,200
Total Service Savings Requirement	3,060	1,398	6,800	6,700

Original Approved by Council on 28th February 2013

Revised Approved by Council 29th January 2014

Revised Approved by Council 24th February 2016

Significant updates
Commencing August and
through to October 2017

Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny
Committee 6th December 2017

Member Budget Working Group on 6th
December 2017

Amended to reflect 2018/19 settlement
Cabinet and Council in 13th
February 2018

Amended to reflect 2021/22 provisional
settlement
Cabinet 23rd February 2021
and Council in 5th March
2021

Amended to reflect 2022/23 provisional
settlement
Cabinet 1st February 2022
and Council in 3rd March
2022

Proposed 3 Year Capital Programme 2022/23 - 2024/25
Including the updated 2021/22 current year Programme.

2021/22 latest	2022/23 proposed	2023/24 indicative	2024/25 indicative	Funding Stream
TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	

Schools

21st Century Schools programme (Phase 1)	37	-	-	-	CCC
21st Century Schools programme (Band B)	3,402	4,972	10,880	-	CCC/Grant
Reducing Infant Class Sizes	7	902	-	-	Grant
Childcare Provision	2,029	787	-	-	Grant
Penglais School - Learning Support Unit	-	687			CCC
School - additional Capital works	894	2,088	-	-	Grant
Underfloor Heating System - Schools	5	491	150	150	CCC
Urgent Works Schools	100	150	150	150	CCC
Encouraging Curiosity (Ceredigion Museum)	11	-	-	-	CCC/Grant

Total - Schools

6,485	10,077	11,180	300
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Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Community Hub - Lampeter	25	657	-	-	Grant
Flying Start Capital Grant	316	-	-	-	Grant
Cwrt Newydd Youth Service Campus	167	-	-	-	CCC
Leisure Centres upgrade Swimming Pools and sports hall	274	-	-	-	CCC

Total - Porth Cymorth Cynnar

782	657	-	-
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2021/22 latest	2022/23 proposed	2023/24 indicative	2024/25 indicative	Funding Stream
TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	

Economic and Regeneration

Canolfan Dulais - TRIP Development Funding	228	-	-	-	Grant
Widlife Site Cenarth Public Footpath	4	-	-	-	CCC/Grant
Sewage Treatment Works	316	500	-	-	CCC
Urgent Works Other	100	100	100	100	CCC
Buildings - Invest to Save	152	175	175	175	CCC
Non Operational Property – Invest to Save Development	72	-	-	-	CCC
Asset Development Programme	379	-	-	-	Grant
Market Hall Cardigan	164	200	-	-	CCC
Footbridge Replacement Programme	50	50	50	-	CCC
Lampeter Town Centre Green infrastructure Enhancements	209	-	-	-	Grant
Access improvement Grant	103	-	-	-	Grant
Green Recovery Grant	66	-	-	-	Grant
Local Places for nature Capital	115	-	-	-	Grant
Levelling up Projects	508	4,137	4,101	2,106	Grant
Hafan y Waun Housing Development	-	500	500	-	CCC
Total - Economic and Regeneration	2,466	5,662	4,926	2,381	

2021/22 latest	2022/23 proposed	2023/24 indicative	2024/25 indicative	Funding Stream
TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	

Highways and Environmental Services

Roads	264	200	200	200	CCC
Bridges	14	350	150	150	CCC
Environmental Services	92	60	60	60	CCC
General	919	700	700	700	CCC
Public Highways Refurbishment	775	-	-	-	Grant
Street Lighting Programme	380	-	-	-	CCC
Restore damage caused by Storm Callum	12	-	-	-	Grant
LTF TrawsCymru Bus Strategic Corridor	842	-	-	-	Grant
Resilient Road Grant - flood Modelling	20	-	-	-	Grant
Ultra Low emissions Vehicle Transformation	420	-	-	-	Grant
EV Charging Infrastructure Grant (WLGA)	-	300	-	-	Grant
ATF Core Funding	325	-	-	-	Grant
ATF Cardigan Town Package - Footway Improvements	206	-	-	-	CCC/Grant
ATF - Aberystwyth Town Footway Improvement Package	192	-	-	-	Grant
ATF - Lampeter University Path Link	148	-	-	-	Grant
Small Scale Works - Flooding and Erosion Risk Management Grant	215	-	-	-	Grant
Road Safety - Un-adopted roads pilot - Bryn Hafod,	100	-	-	-	CCC/Grant
Flood Alleviation Schemes Llandre/Borth Leat	70	-	-	-	Grant
Aberaeron Coastal Protection Detail Design	325	-	-	-	Grant
Aberystwyth Coastal Protection	120	140	-	-	Grant
Llangrannog Coastal protection	37	-	-	-	Grant
Borth & Ynyslas Coastal Protection	32	-	-	-	Grant
Coastal Protection schemes Aberaeron and Aberystwyth	-	13,000	7,000	3,000	CCC/Grant
Additional Replacement Vehicles (Civil Parking)	35	-	-	-	CCC
Absorbent Hygiene Product (AHP) Waste	24	-	-	-	Grant
Fleet Replacement	344	620	350	350	CCC
WasteTransfer Station	-	525	500	-	CCC
Total - Highways and Environmental Services	5,911	15,895	8,960	4,460	

2021/22 latest	2022/23 proposed	2023/24 indicative	2024/25 indicative	Funding Stream
TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	

Porth Gofal

Disabled Facilities Grants	1,500	1,400	1,400	1,400	CCC
Home Improvement & Houses into Homes Loan Schemes	172	-	-	-	CCC
Cylch Caron	-	252	-	-	CCC/Grant
Enable Grant for Independent Living	122	146	146	-	Grant
Warm Home Boiler Replacement Grant	15	-	-	-	Grant
Warm Homes Energy Measures Grants	500	323	-	-	Grant
Camu Mlaen - Canolfan Stefan	207	-	-	-	CCC
Urgent Works - Residential Homes	132	100	100	100	CCC
Day Centres - Public Protection and Environmental	20	150	-	-	CCC
Residential Homes upgrade	350	750	400	-	CCC
VAWADAS - Supported Accommodation	343	-	-	-	Grant
ICF Hafan Deg Dementia Project	296	-	-	-	CCC/Grant
Intermediate Care Fund	524	-	-	-	Grant
Intermediate Care Fund - Safe Warm and Secure & Care	159	-	-	-	Grant
Total - Porth Ceredigion	4,340	3,121	2,046	1,500	

2021/22 latest	2022/23 proposed	2023/24 indicative	2024/25 indicative	Funding Stream
TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	

Customer Contact

ICT Hardware
Smart Mobile Phones

197	100	100	100	CCC
133	50	-	-	CCC
330	150	100	100	

Total - Customer Contact**Finance & Procurement**

Community Grant Scheme

180	200	200	200	CCC
180	200	200	200	

Total - Finance & Procurement**Democratic Servies**

Council Chamber Equipment upgrade Phase 2

150	-	-	-	CCC/Grant
150	-	-	-	

Total - Democratic Services**Covid 19**

Covid 19 Field Hospitals

174	-	-	-	Grant
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Funding to be allocated

-	-	950	1,400	
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TOTAL WORKING PROGRAMME

20,818	35,762	28,362	10,341	
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2021/22 latest	2022/23 proposed	2023/24 indicative	2024/25 indicative	Funding Stream
TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL	
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	

Contingencies
 Profile re-alignment
 Capital Receipts Housing profile re-alignment
 New Approved Grants/Match funding for grant schemes

150	170	350	350
109	150	-	-
405	-	-	-
1,179	4,200	4,200	4,200

Total - Contingencies

1,843	4,520	4,550	4,550
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TOTAL OVERALL PROGRAMME

22,661	40,282	32,912	14,891
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CYNGOR SIR CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL**CAPITAL STRATEGY**

1. The Council will formulate a Capital Programme over at least a 3 year rolling period with the aim of working towards a longer term Capital financial planning horizon where feasible.
2. All planned Capital expenditure, Capital bids and proposed Capital investment in new or existing assets, whether through grant funding or otherwise, must support the Council's Corporate and Service objectives. Asset Management Planning should help inform the setting of the Capital Programme and essential expenditure on existing Council assets.
3. The Council currently operates a Corporate Project Management Group (which provides projects with appropriate support, advice and direction), a Capital Monitoring Group (which provides the operational management of the in-year Capital expenditure and funding position) and a Development Group (which provides a wider strategic input on Capital development proposals and opportunities). All 3 groups have key roles to play but with each one having their own specific Terms of reference.
4. The Council's Treasury Management Strategy will set out the approach to Treasury related activities for Investments and Borrowing and will take account of and be fully aligned with the Capital Programme proposals and will factor in proposed borrowing levels (both external and internal) consistent with these plans and a prudent approach. The Treasury management Strategy will also include the Council's Minimum Revenue Policy for the provision for repayment of debt over its life.
5. The Capital Programme and Treasury Management Strategy are managed by officers who are professionally qualified accountants who are required to undertake Compulsory Professional Development (CPD).
6. The guiding principles for the Council's current and future Capital planning will include:
 - Pursuing efficiency to make the best use of existing assets which includes land & buildings and information technology. E.g. Rationalisation of redundant and/or under-utilised buildings should reduce revenue costs and also generate potential capital receipts.
 - All major capital projects (grant funded or otherwise) require a funding strategy as part of the business case being developed.
 - The Capital Programme will normally be set so that no Prudential Borrowing is undertaken to fund the core Capital Programme except where funding specific Capital projects. There will need to be a business case to support the use of Prudential Borrowing e.g. Consideration would be given to use Prudential borrowing when revenue savings can be identified which would be used to fund the capital financing costs of the initial capital investment.

- Invest to save schemes that produce revenue savings following an initial capital investment will continue to be regarded as high priority as they can provide a positive contribution to the medium term revenue budget position (e.g. energy efficiency measures). This could also include schemes that are a capital investment to avoid future cost increases.
- Identify, lever in and maximise external grant funding opportunities where possible, although in isolation this may not always be the overriding driver to undertake a capital project.
- Exit strategies should be considered as part of any grant funding bids and successful grant awards.
- Corporate Capital earmarked reserves will be maintained to provide one-off funding to support the Capital Programme. Where revenue savings can be achieved in advance of the annual budget requirement, these may usefully be applied to earmarked reserves to support future Capital priorities. In particular the Council's matched funding contribution for the Band B 21st Century Schools Programme will be mainly supported through funding set aside in the Developing Education earmarked reserve.
- Capital receipts are regarded as a positive contribution to the overall Capital Programme and will be allocated in accordance with the balance available at the start of the year. A list of proposed Asset disposals will be maintained and regularly monitored. Appropriate consideration of major disposals will take place as and when they arise.
- If a Capitalisation Direction is made available by WG it will utilized if appropriate.
- The Council will continue to hold Investment Properties as part of its Corporate Estate. This is a form of commercial activity as the Council aims to lease these properties out at market rates and therefore make a commercial return. At present the Council's commercial activity represents a low risk as it is not significant relative to the context of the Council's overall budget and financial position. Should any new opportunities become available, then a business case would need to be produced which should include financial and legal due diligence, including ensuring compliance with the revised Prudential Code (December 2021) requirements which prohibit borrowing where obtaining financial returns is the primary aim, and the use of specialist internal/external advice where appropriate, together with the following appropriate governance arrangements.

7. The key priority areas that the Council will focus on in its forthcoming Capital Programme include:

- a) Essential maintenance of Buildings, Bridges and Roads.

- b) Boosting the Economy
 - Working with the private and public sector across the region, through the Growing Mid Wales Partnership, the Growing Mid Wales Growth Deal and Levelling Up Funding to boost the local and regional economy.
 - Implement Ceredigion Economic Strategy
- c) Investing in People's Future
 - Continuing to modernise Schools through the 21st Century Schools programme.
 - Carbon Management – Seek to further reduce carbon emissions and to reduce energy costs / mitigate as far as possible future increases, by enabling energy efficiency measures in both Council assets and also the private and RSL Housing stock.
 - Shared Equity Housing Schemes.
- d) Enabling Individual and Family Resilience
 - Providing funding for mandatory and discretionary Disabled Facilities grants.
 - Review and develop specialist residential accommodation schemes either by the Council or in conjunction with RSL and other partners.
 - Cylch Caron – the Ceredigion Local Service Board project for the delivering of health and social care in the Tregaron area
- e) Environmental and Community Resilience
 - Developing Coast Protection schemes to include Aberystwyth and Aberaeron.
 - Sewage Treatment Works– to conclude the programme of upgrade works and finalise the subsequent transfer and adoption of facilities to Dwr Cymru.
- f) Vehicle Replacement – To review the wider vehicle fleet across all services and how the resulting future requirements are best financed.

COST PRESSURES AFFECTING ALL / MOST SERVICES

The following Items are not specific to Individual Services and are therefore shown collectively:

	<u>£'000</u>	
1.	53	2021/22 Pay Award - APT&C
2.	365	Weeks Worked Term Time Staff
3.	2,252	2022/23 Pay Award - APT&C
4.	1,116	2022/23 Pay Award - Teachers
5.	718	Employers National Insurance Increase
6.	299	Energy Inflation
	<u>4,803</u>	

Further background to these items is noted below:

1. This assumes implementation of the Final 2021/22 Employers offer of 2.75% (lowest SCP) and 1.75% (all other SCPs). This remains subject to the outcome of Union Ballots, the final one of which is expected during w/c 21/02/22.
2. Part of the 2021/22 Final Employers pay offer was the completion of a joint Term-Time only Review group. This work has already been concluded and implemented in Ceredigion from April 2021 and impacted on the payroll calculation for Employees on term time contracts.
3. APT&C Employees - A core allocation of 2.5% for 2022/23 is included in each Service's Budget estimates with an additional contingency held corporately under LG, given the current elevated risk associated with Payawards.
4. Teachers – This includes the full year effect of the September 2021 payaward (£263k) and a core allocation within Delegated School Budgets of 2.5% for September 2022. An additional contingency is held corporately under LG, given the current elevated risk associated with Payawards.
5. Impact of the 1.25% increase in Employers National Insurance being introduced by UK Government from April 2022. The Employers rate will rise from 13.8% to 15.05% for all contributions above the Secondary Threshold. In future years this will move to become a separate Health & Social Care levy.
6. Contracts for electricity and mains gas (c95% of the Council's energy costs) run from October to September and are largely purchased in advance, so cost increases are minimal for the first 6 months of the 2022/23 budget, but then increases of c20% are forecast for the last 6 months.

The following table shows a breakdown of these amounts per Service, which is the same information shown in Appendix 1 of the 01/02/22 Cabinet Budget report:

	Employee Costs (2021/22 Pay Award Pending) £'000	Employee Costs (2022/23 Pay Award Provision) £'000	1.25% Employers National Insurance Increase £'000	Utilities / Energy Inflation £'000
Customer Contact	19	110	30	
Democratic Services	16	106	27	
Economy & Regeneration	(1)	125	36	69
Finance & Procurement	12	90	25	
Highways & Environmental Services	(12)	199	51	19
Legal & Governance Services	5	24	7	
People & Organisation	11	50	15	
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	35	105	30	
Porth Cymorth Cynnar	29	141	37	19
Porth Cynnal	20	136	36	
Porth Gofal	(4)	245	60	37
Schools & Culture	285	1,195	361	155
Leadership Group	3	842	3	
Levies, Council Tax Premium & Reserves				
TOTAL	418	3,368	718	299
GRAND TOTAL	4,803			

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CYNGOR SIR CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL

Report to: Healthier Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Learning Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Thriving Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Date of meetings: 14th, 17th and 18th February 2022

Title: Report on Service Specific Cost Pressures

Purpose of the report: To consider Budget Pressures affecting Individual Services

For: SCRUTINY

1. OVERVIEW

The respective Cabinet Member / Corporate Lead Officer will outline the Budget Pressures affecting each Service at the relevant Scrutiny Committee meeting.

There is an Appendix for each Scrutiny Committee which contains a template showing the key points relating to each Service / Cabinet Portfolio.**3.**

- Recommendations:**
1. That the Healthier Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider the information outlined in Appendix 1.
 2. That the Learning Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider the information outlined in Appendix 2.
 3. That the Thriving Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider the information outlined in Appendix 3.
 4. That the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider the information outlined in Appendix 4.

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Budget Pressures falling under Healthier Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Appendix 2 - Budget Pressures falling under Learning Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Appendix 3 - Budget Pressures falling under Thriving Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Appendix 4 - Budget Pressures falling under Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Reporting Officer: Duncan Hall (Corporate Manager – Service Finance)

Date: 7th February 2022

Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Healthier Communities

Service(s):

PYRTH - Porth Cynnal, Porth Gofal, Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Sian Howys, Donna Pritchard, Elen James

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Alun Williams, Cllr Catherine Hughes & Cllr Catrin Miles

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Porth Cynnal / Porth Gofal , Early Intervention, Wellbeing Hubs & Culture /
Schools, Lifelong Learning and Skills, Support and Prevention

A: Budget Context

	Porth Cynnal £'000	Porth Gofal £'000	Porth Cymorth Cynnar £'000	TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	23,633	11,656	3,829	39,118
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	28,648	13,617	4,401	46,666
Change	21.2%	16.8%	14.9%	19.3%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs
Savings:	The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG
Additional Income	Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Porth Cynnal £'000	Porth Gofal £'000	Porth Cymorth Cynnar £'000	TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	192	338	226	756	Covered in Appendix B paper
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pyrths					
a) Pump Priming Investment needed for new TAW Staffing model	196	301	360	857	This reflects the estimated cost of the TAW Staffing structure that went out to Staff Consultation in January 2022. The full cost is estimated at £1.081m but is being phased over more than 1 year to allow for recruitment impact
b) Provision for cost inflation for Externally Commissioned Services	2,153	420	-	2,573	Reflects £9.90 Real Living Wage for Registered Social Care Workers, 1.25% Employers NI + other inflation affecting Providers. Results in provisional inflation factors of 8.87% for Domiciliary Care/Supported Living, 9.13% for Residential Care and 11.15% for Direct Payments. Note Residential Care is currently subject to Fee Setting Review process
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	2,240	629	-	2,869	See Section D below
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	-	-	-	-	Not applicable for these Services
TOTAL	4,781	1,688	586	7,055	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Healthier Communities

Service(s):

PYRTH - Porth Cynnal, Porth Gofal, Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Sian Howys, Donna Pritchard, Elen James

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Alun Williams, Cllr Catherine Hughes & Cllr Catrin Miles

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Porth Cynnal / Porth Gofal , Early Intervention, Wellbeing Hubs & Culture /
Schools, Lifelong Learning and Skills, Support and Prevention

D: Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures - Breakdown

	Service	£'000	Additional Information
Looked after Children	Porth Cynnal	743	Increase in LAC numbers has translated into higher IFA costs, higher Allowances costs and increased Transport costs
Direct Payments	Porth Cynnal	437	Based on current volumes and trends
Direct Payments - Proposed Increase in core Hourly Rate	Porth Cynnal	513	£11.00 to £12.50 (excluding inflation)
Mother & Baby Placements	Porth Cynnal	-	Indicative amount of £50k to be funded from new Placements Equalisation reserve for High end placements
Older Persons Independent Sector Bed placements	Porth Cynnal	208	Reflects current level of commitments
Mental Health - New High end Step Down Placements	Porth Cynnal	190	Additional Indicative amount of £200k to be funded from new Placements Equalisation reserve
Carers Sitting Service	Porth Cynnal	149	Based on current volumes
New Domiciliary Care Provision	Porth Gofal	175	Maes Y Mor
Domiciliary Care waiting list provision	Porth Gofal	341	Currently c700 hours, this provides for approx. 50% of the Waiting List through the Enablement Team &
Camu Mlaen service	Porth Gofal	113	Mainly Transport costs for new Service Provision
TOTAL		2,869	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Healthier Communities

Service(s):

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Alun Williams

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Gareth Lloyd

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Finance & Procurement and Public Protection

A: Budget Context

	Policy, Performance & Public Protection		TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	2,146		2,146
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	2,355		2,355
Change	9.7%		9.7%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs
Savings:	The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG
Additional Income	Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Policy, Performance & Public Protection £'000			TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	170			170	Covered in Appendix B paper
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pyrths	-				Not applicable for these Services
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	23			23	This relates to Policy & Performance so is covered under Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	-			-	Not applicable for these Services
TOTAL	193			193	

D: Other Considerations

New Service Investment - Public Protection	PPP&P	55	There is considerable pressure on the Public Protection Service as a result of the ongoing Covid Pandemic. In particular, there are significant onerous statutory tasks in responding to cases in residential care and school settings in managing infection control, and providing expert advice and instruction to those in charge to manage clusters and incidents. Additional investment comes at a cost, however this may be part of Members' deliberations around the 3 different Council Tax options being looked at by Cabinet. For example £55k would broadly fund up to x1 additional Senior Environment Health Officer post.
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Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Learning Communities

Service(s):

Schools & Culture and Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Meinir Ebbsworth, Elen James

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Catrin Miles

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Schools, Lifelong Learning and Skills, Support and Prevention

A: Budget Context

	Schools & Culture £'000	Porth Cymorth Cynnar £'000		TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	48,721	3,829		52,550
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	50,965	4,401		55,366
Change	4.6%	14.9%		5.4%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	<i>All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs</i>
Savings:	<i>The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG</i>
Additional Income	<i>Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D</i>

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Schools & Culture £'000	Porth Cymorth Cynnar £'000		TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	1,996	226		2,222	<i>Covered in Appendix B paper</i>
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pwrths	-	360		360	<i>Considered under Healthier as part of TAW new operating model</i>
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	263	-		263	<i>See Section D below</i>
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	-	-		-	<i>Not applicable for this Service</i>
TOTAL	2,259	586		2,845	

D: Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures - Breakdown

	Service	£'000	Additional Information
Free School Meals	Delegated	170	<i>Increased volumes - Primary increase of +22 (£9k), Secondary increase of +101 (£161k)</i>
Catering	Delegated	27	<i>Food Costs inflation in Secondary schools</i>
Special Educational Needs	Retained	36	<i>Increased Transport Costs - Routes / Contract inflation</i>
Catering	Retained	30	<i>Food Costs inflation in Primary schools</i>
Additional Learning Needs Act - Transition to IDPs	Delegated	-	<i>Additional burden (£250k) but now covered by additional one-off grant funding from WG</i>
TOTAL		263	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Thriving Communities

Service(s):

Highways & Environmental Services

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Rhodri Llwyd

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Dafydd Edwards

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Highways and Environmental Services, Housing and Customer Contact

A: Budget Context

	Highways & Environmental Services £'000			TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	17,587			17,587
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	18,241			18,241
Change	3.7%			3.7%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs
Savings:	The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG
Additional Income	Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Highways & Environmental Services £'000			TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	257			257	Covered in Appendix B paper
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pwrths	-			-	Not applicable for this Service
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	180			180	See Section D below
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	-			-	Not applicable for this Service
TOTAL	437			437	

D: Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures - Breakdown

	Service	£'000	Additional Information
Highways Planned Maintenance		100	Estimated impact of Supplier inflation. Longer term Implications if maintenance budget is reduced to accommodate this
Transport Unit and Home to School Transport		50	Supplier inflation (Fuel & Materials) and contracts
Waste Management (Disposal)		30	Mainly on Food Waste contract (element not funded by grant)
TOTAL		180	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Thriving Communities

Service(s):

Economy & Regeneration

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Russell Hughes-Pickering

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Rhodri Evans

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Economy & Regeneration

A: Budget Context

	Economy & Regeneration £'000			TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	3,471			3,471
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	3,688			3,688
Change	6.3%			6.3%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	<i>All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs</i>
Savings:	<i>The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG</i>
Additional Income	<i>Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D</i>

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Economy & Regeneration £'000			TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	229			229	<i>Covered in Appendix B paper</i>
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pyrths	-			-	<i>Not applicable for this Service</i>
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	-			-	<i>Note Section D below</i>
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	-			-	<i>Not applicable for this Service</i>
TOTAL	229			229	

D: Other Considerations

New Service Investment - Planning Enforcement	E&R	45	There is considerable pressure on the Planning Enforcement Service. Temporary measures are currently being put in place, funded from one-off sources. Ongoing additional investment in the Service comes at a cost, however this may be part of Members' deliberations around the 3 different Council Tax options being looked at by Cabinet. For example £45k would broadly fund x1 additional Development Management Officer post.
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Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Corporate Resources

Service(s):

Legal & Governance, People & Organisation and Democratic Services

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Elin Pryor, Geraint Edwards, Lowri Edwards

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Ray Quant

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Deputy Leader (including Legal & Governance, People & Organisation and Democratic Services)

A: Budget Context

	Legal & Governance £'000	People & Organisation £'000	Democratic Services £'000	TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	1,535	2,093	4,120	7,748
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	1,569	2,165	4,391	8,125
Change	2.2%	3.4%	6.6%	4.9%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs
Savings:	The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG
Additional Income	Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Legal & Governance £'000	People & Organisation £'000	Democratic Services £'000	TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	36	76	149	261	Covered in Appendix B paper
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pyrths	-	-	-	-	Not applicable for these Services
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	-	-	-	-	Not applicable for these Services
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	-	-	105	105	See Section D below
TOTAL	36	76	149	261	

D: Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations - Breakdown

	Service	£'000	Additional Information
Members Allowances	Democratic	70	Estimated cost of implementing the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales proposed increases for 2022/23, net of a reduction in Members by 4
Hybrid Members Chamber set up	Democratic	35	Recurring cost
TOTAL		105	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Corporate Resources

Service(s):

Customer Contact

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Arwyn Morris

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Dafydd Edwards

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Highways & Environmental Services, Housing and Customer Contact

A: Budget Context

	Customer Contact £'000			TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	5,779			5,779
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	6,155			6,155
Change	6.5%			6.5%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	<i>All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs</i>
Savings:	<i>The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG</i>
Additional Income	<i>Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D</i>

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Customer Contact £'000			TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	159			159	<i>Covered in Appendix B paper</i>
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pyrths	-				<i>Not applicable for these Services</i>
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	111			111	<i>See Section D below</i>
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	-			-	<i>Not applicable for these Services</i>
TOTAL	270			270	

D: Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures - Breakdown

	Service	£'000	Additional Information
ICT Software Contracts	Customer	11	<i>Supplier inflation on annual Support & Maintenance charges</i>
Mobile infrastructure and Cyber security	Customer	80	
Merchant Charge Transaction costs	Customer	20	<i>Increased Online / Phone Card Payments</i>
TOTAL		111	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

Corporate Resources

Service(s):

Finance & Procurement and Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Corporate Lead Officer(s):

Stephen Johnson, Alun Williams

Cabinet Member(s):

Cllr Gareth Lloyd, Cllr Ellen ap Gwyn

Cabinet Portfolio(s):

Finance & Procurement and Public Protection, Leader (including Policy, Performance & Partnerships)

A: Budget Context

	Finance & Procurement £'000	Policy, Performance & Public Protection £'000		TOTAL £'000
2021/22 Updated Budget Totals:	20,188	2,146		22,334
2022/23 Draft Budget Totals (4.75% Scenario):	19,197	2,355		21,552
Change	-4.9%	9.7%		-3.5%

B: Provisional £0.5m Savings Target and How the Services will contribute

Cost Reductions:	All Services are expected wherever possible to make a contribution towards a £230k Target for a review & subsequent reduction in Officer & Member Travelling Costs
Savings:	The final decision on Council Tax will decide the final savings amount required, which will determine any Savings balance to be found collectively by LG
Additional Income	Proposed Fees & charges increases are outlined separately for consideration in Appendix D

C: Budget Cost Pressures - Summary

	Finance & Procurement £'000	Policy, Performance & Public Protection £'000		TOTAL £'000	Additional Information
1. Cost Pressures affecting All/Most Services	127	170		297	Covered in Appendix B paper
2. Cost Pressures affecting all Pyrths	-	-			Not applicable for these Services
3. Individual Service Specific Cost Pressures	-	23		23	See Section D below
4. Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations	490	-		490	See Section D below
TOTAL	617	193		320	

D: Proposed Corporate Topsliced Allocations - Breakdown

	Service	£'000	Additional Information
Loss of Grant funding (6 months effect)	PPP&P	23	Part year impact relating to Civil Contingencies/Brexit part of Policy & Performance
Council Tax Reduction Scheme	F&P	290	Scheme cost increases in line with an increase in Council Tax
Capital Programme Financing	F&P	200	Costs associated with Supported Borrowing
TOTAL		513	

CYNGOR SIR CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL

Report to: Healthier Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Learning Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Thriving Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Date of meetings: 14th, 17th and 18th February 2022

Title: Report on Fees and Charges proposals

Purpose of the report: To consider proposed changes to the Council's Fees and Charges

For: SCRUTINY

1. INTRODUCTION

As part of the budget setting process Cabinet Members and Corporate Lead Officers, with the support of the Finance & Procurement Service where required, review the Fees & Charges in place within their services. This is done in the context of the Council's financial position and with reference to the Council's Income Management and Service Cost Recovery Policy.

Scrutiny committees consider the budget proposals within their remits including the Fees & Charges proposals. Feedback from these committees will be reported to the meeting of the Cabinet on 22/02/2022, where the Fees & Charges setting report will be formally considered.

The existing Fees & Charges can also be found on the Council's website at:

[Fees and Charges 2021-2022 - Ceredigion County Council](#)

[Ffioedd a Chostau 2021-2022 - Cyngor Sir Ceredigion](#)

2. FEES AND CHARGES PROPOSALS

This report does not cover Fees & Charges not set by the Council (e.g. statutory fees or fees set by WG) as they will be updated as and when changes are notified by the relevant Fee setting body. The proposed Fees & Charges are shown in Appendix 1 to 4, which have been grouped accordingly to the respective Scrutiny committees. Any changes to Fees & Charges are proposed to be effective from 01/04/2022, with the exception of School Meals (in Appendix 2) which is proposed to be effective from 01/09/2022.

The respective Cabinet Member / Corporate Lead Officer will outline the main areas of change and the associated rationale at the relevant Scrutiny Committee meeting.

The majority of Fees & Charges fall into the category of either 'No change' or 'Inflationary Linked' changes. There is one area that will be the subject of a separate Cabinet report and that relates to Residential Care. This area is the subject of an independent Fees Setting Review which is currently being undertaken and the outcome will be reported as soon as this process has concluded.

3. CONCLUSION

The proposed Fees & Charges are presented for approval and are an important part of assisting the Council in achieving its 2022/23 budget, including contributing £155k towards the proposed £0.5m Savings target that was shown in the Budget report presented to Cabinet on 01/02/2022.

i) Healthier Communities

CLO	Fees & Charges Title	£'000
Porth Gofal	Housing	10
Policy, Performance & Public Protection	Licensing - General	2

ii) Learning Communities

CLO	Fees & Charges Title	£'000
Schools & Culture	Music Service	7
	School Meals (Part year)	27

iii) Thriving Communities

CLO	Fees & Charges Title	£'000
Highways & Environmental Services	Car Parks	58
	Cemeteries	6
	Harbours	12
	Section 38 Supervision and Administration Fees	2
	Street Works	9
	Temporary Road Closures	10
Economy & Regeneration	Facilities Hire	6

iv) Corporate Resources

CLO	Fees & Charges Title	£'000
Customer Contact	Births, Deaths and Marriages	4
Economy & Regeneration	Market Halls	2

Where a service area is not shown, that generally means that either the associated Fees & Charges income is either not material or where the Service still needs to make progress back to pre COVID levels of income (e.g. Wellbeing Centres, Ceredigion Museum, Community Warden Service). In these latter cases an element of the corporate COVID19 budget has been set aside as a Lost Income contingency to allow more time for certain services to recover.

Recommendations:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That the Healthier Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider the proposals outlined in Appendix 1.2. That the Learning Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider proposals outlined in Appendix 2.3. That the Thriving Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider the proposals outlined in Appendix 3.4. That the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee consider the proposals outlined in Appendix 4.
Reasons for decision:	To consider Fees and Charges as part of the Council's budget setting process
Policy Framework:	Budget process, Medium Term Financial Strategy and Income Management & Services Cost Recovery Policy
Strategic Objectives:	Ceredigion County Council is an organisation that is fit-for-purpose to deliver improving services to meet the needs of our citizens
Financial implications:	2022/23 Budgets
Integrated Impact Assessment conclusions:	Equalities and Diversity: N/A Welsh Language: N/A Sustainable Development: N/A
Statutory Powers:	Local Government Finance Act 1972
Background Papers:	None
Appendices:	Appendix 1 - Fees & Charges proposals falling under Healthier Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee Appendix 2 - Fees & Charges proposals falling under Learning Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee Appendix 3 - Fees & Charges proposals falling under Thriving Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee Appendix 4 - Fees & Charges proposals falling under Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Corporate Lead Officer:	All Corporate Lead Officers
Reporting Officer:	Duncan Hall (Corporate Manager – Service Finance)
Date:	7 th February 2022

Council Set Fees and Charges (Proposed Fees and Charges from 01/04/2022)

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Appendix 1: Healthier Communities

Community Warden

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Admin fee for stray dogs (Fee excludes vets fees)	1st day or Part day		£87.00	£91.00	£4.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	2 days		£113.00	£118.00	£5.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	3 days		£136.00	£142.00	£6.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	4 days		£161.00	£168.00	£7.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	5 days		£185.00	£193.00	£8.00	4.3%	Inflation Linked
	6 days		£205.00	£214.00	£9.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	7 days		£232.00	£242.00	£10.00	4.3%	Inflation Linked
	8 days		£256.00	£268.00	£12.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	9 days		£280.00	£293.00	£13.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	Pest Control call out fee for responses that require no treatment		£45.00	£47.00	£2.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
Disinfestations domestic	Ants, Bees, Flies, Fleas and other Small insects - 1st visit (any subsequent visits are at the Pest Control call out fee plus materials costs)		£98.00	£102.00	£4.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	Wasp and Wasp Nests		£75.00	£78.00	£3.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
	Bed Bugs & Cockroaches	Charged subject to survey					No change
Disinfestations commercial (Materials are charged on top of fee)			£131.00	£137.00	£6.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Treatments for rats & mice			£57.00	£60.00	£3.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
Pest free Certificate (mainly for Landlords)	Single or 2 storey dwelling		£145.00	£152.00	£7.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Charge per storey for 3 storey or higher dwellings		£73.00	£76.00	£3.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	HMO Licensing dwelling (fee is per bedsit)		£73.00	£76.00	£3.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	Flats		£109.00	£114.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Domestic Premises with Poultry keeping and less than 2 acres of ground	Bait required above 20Kg cut wheat bait or 16 wax blocks to be charged as extra		£344.00	£359.00	£15.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
Domestic livestock & Registered Smallholdings up to 2 acres - pest control contract	Subject to survey. £ is per hour or part hour plus material costs		£64.00	£67.00	£3.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
Farm pest control contracts	Basic Plan:12 month plan starting from 1st April, consisting of one initial assessment inspection plus 1 revisit.		£300.00	£314.00	£14.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Mid Range Plan: 12 month plan starting from 1st April, consisting of one initial assessment inspection plus 5 revisits.		£800.00	£836.00	£36.00	4.5%	Inflation Linked
	Comprehensive Plan:12 month plan starting from 1st April consisting of one initial assessment inspection plus 11 revisits)		£1,600.00	£1,672.00	£72.00	4.5%	Inflation Linked
	Charge for additional revisits outside contract		£150.00	£157.00	£7.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked

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Community Warden

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Other Commercial Contracts	Charged subject to survey						No change
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Contaminated Land

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Search fee for information held regarding past contamination of land.	£ per hour (plus £64.19 per additional hour or part hour for more extensive searches)		£116.15	£121.95	£5.80	5.0%	Inflation Linked
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Food Export Certificate

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Food Export Certificate			£133.00	£140.00	£7.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
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Food Hygiene Rating

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Re-rating inspection under requirements of Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Act 2013			£180.00	£180.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
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Food Premises Register

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Full Copy			£1,000.00	£1,050.00	£50.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Any category entry copy			£213.00	£224.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
Individual entry copy			£8.00	£8.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Licensing - Gambling Act 2005

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Page 84	bingo premises licence	Non-conversion application fee for provisional statement premises		£1,140.00	£1,140.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Non-conversion application fee for other premises		£3,325.00	£3,325.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Annual fee		£955.00	£955.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application to vary a licence		£1,660.00	£1,660.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application to transfer a licence / Application to reinstate a licence		£1,140.00	£1,140.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application for provisional statement		£3,325.00	£3,325.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Adult gaming centre premises licence	Non-conversion application fee for provisional statement premises		£1,140.00	£1,140.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Non-conversion application fee for other premises		£1,900.00	£1,900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Annual fee		£955.00	£955.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application to vary a licence		£955.00	£955.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application to transfer a licence/Application to reinstate a licence		£1,140.00	£1,140.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application for provisional statement		£1,900.00	£1,900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Betting premises (track) licence	Non-conversion application fee for provisional statement premises		£900.00	£900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Non-conversion application fee for other premises		£2,380.00	£2,380.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Annual fee		£955.00	£955.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application to vary a licence		£1,190.00	£1,190.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Application to transfer a licence/Application to reinstate a licence		£900.00	£900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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<u>Licensing - Gambling Act 2005</u>		<u>Policy, Performance & Public Protection</u>					
Betting premises (track) licence	Application for provisional statement		£2,380.00	£2,380.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Family entertainment centre premises licence	Non-conversion application fee for provisional statement premises		£900.00	£900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Non-conversion application fee for other premises		£1,900.00	£1,900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Annual fee		£710.00	£710.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Application to vary a licence		£955.00	£955.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Application to transfer a licence/Application to reinstate a licence		£900.00	£900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Application for provisional statement		£1,900.00	£1,900.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Betting premises (other) licence	Non-conversion application fee for provisional statement premises		£1,140.00	£1,140.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Non-conversion application fee for other premises		£2,850.00	£2,850.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Annual fee		£570.00	£570.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Application to vary a licence		£1,425.00	£1,425.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Application to transfer a licence/Application to reinstate a licence		£1,140.00	£1,140.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Application for provisional statement		£2,850.00	£2,850.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Copy of Premises Licence			£23.00	£23.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Change of Circumstances (change of home or business address)			£44.00	£44.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
<u>Licensing - General</u>		<u>Policy, Performance & Public Protection</u>					
Hackney Carriage	New Hackney Carriage vehicle		£226.00	£226.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renewal Hackney Carriage vehicle		£171.00	£171.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Private Hire Vehicle	New Private Hire vehicle		£183.00	£183.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renewal Private Hire vehicle		£166.00	£166.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	New Private Hire Operator 3 years		£341.00	£341.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	New Private Hire Operator 5 years		£436.00	£436.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renewal Private Hire Operator 3 years		£317.00	£317.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renewal Private Hire Operator 5 years		£396.00	£396.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Dual badge taxi/driver licence	New Dual driver 1 year		£321.00	£321.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renewal Dual driver 1 year		£166.00	£166.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	New Dual driver 3 years		£374.00	£374.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renewal Dual driver 3 years		£219.00	£219.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Cherished transfer		£84.00	£84.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Reprint of licence		£22.00	£22.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Replacement door signs		£9.00	£9.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Replacement drivers badge		£12.00	£12.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
DBS Only			£65.00	£68.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked

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<u>Licensing - General</u>			<i>Policy, Performance & Public Protection</i>				
Acupuncture/Ear Piercing	Premises + 1 Person		£369.00	£387.00	£18.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Each Person Thereafter		£116.00	£122.00	£6.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
Animal Boarding (Vets fee charged on top, as required)	Initial Fee for premises hosting either cats or dogs, not both		£404.00	£424.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee for premises hosting either cats or dogs, not both		£341.00	£358.00	£17.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Initial Fee for premises hosting both cats and dogs		£460.00	£483.00	£23.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee for premises hosting both cats and dogs		£404.00	£424.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Home Boarding - Dogs	Initial Fee		£220.00	£231.00	£11.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee		£196.00	£206.00	£10.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Street/house to house collections	No Fee						No change
Dog Breeding Establishments (Vets fee charged on top, as required)	Initial fee (Up to 10 breeding bitches)		£434.00	£456.00	£22.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (Up to 10 breeding bitches)		£404.00	£424.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee (11-25 breeding bitches)		£483.00	£507.00	£24.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (11-25 breeding bitches)		£453.00	£476.00	£23.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee (26-50 breeding bitches)		£531.00	£558.00	£27.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (26-50 breeding bitches)		£502.00	£527.00	£25.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee (51-80 breeding bitches)		£858.00	£901.00	£43.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (51-80 breeding bitches)		£827.00	£868.00	£41.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee Over 80		£957.00	£1,005.00	£48.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee Over 80		£926.00	£972.00	£46.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Home Breeding (Vets fee charged on top, as required)	Initial fee (Up to 10 breeding bitches)		£362.00	£380.00	£18.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (Up to 10 breeding bitches)		£305.00	£320.00	£15.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee (11-25 breeding bitches)		£401.00	£421.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (11-25 breeding bitches)		£344.00	£361.00	£17.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee (26-50 breeding bitches)		£413.00	£434.00	£21.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (26-50 breeding bitches)		£356.00	£374.00	£18.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee (51-80 breeding bitches)		£733.00	£770.00	£37.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee (51-80 breeding bitches)		£656.00	£689.00	£33.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Initial fee Over 80		£742.00	£779.00	£37.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal fee Over 80		£689.00	£723.00	£34.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Horse drawn carriage	Fee excludes any additional costs incurred		£175.00	£184.00	£9.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Horse Riding (Vets fee charged on top, as required)	Initial Fee (up to 5 animals)		£188.00	£197.00	£9.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee (up to 5 animals)		£174.00	£183.00	£9.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Initial Fee (6-15 animals)		£288.00	£302.00	£14.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee (6-15 animals)		£275.00	£289.00	£14.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked

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<u>Licensing - General</u>			<u>Policy, Performance & Public Protection</u>				
Horse Riding (Vets fee charged on top, as required)	Initial Fee (16-25 animals)		£412.00	£433.00	£21.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee (16-25 animals)		£400.00	£420.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Initial Fee (26+ animals)		£525.00	£551.00	£26.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee (26+ animals)		£512.00	£538.00	£26.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Performing Animal Acts			£149.00	£156.00	£7.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
Scrap Metal (Collectors Licence)	Initial Fee		£607.00	£637.00	£30.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee		£463.00	£486.00	£23.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Variation Fee		£104.00	£109.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Scrap Metal (Site Licence)	Initial Fee		£675.00	£709.00	£34.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee		£463.00	£486.00	£23.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Variation Fee		£104.00	£109.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Pet Shops (Vets fees charged on top)	Initial Fee		£404.00	£424.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee		£346.00	£363.00	£17.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Dangerous & Wild Animals (Vets fees charged on top)	Initial Fee		£404.00	£424.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Renewal Fee		£399.00	£419.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Butterfly house, small aquaria, small park aries, museum type vivaria and small falconry centres	New Application		£1,091.00	£1,146.00	£55.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Licence renewal. With Section 14 dispensation (regardless SS1 or SS2)		£695.00	£730.00	£35.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Licence renewal. Without Section 14 dispensation (regardless SS1 or SS2)		£879.00	£923.00	£44.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Small and mixed zoos, medium sized aquaria, specialist reptile exhibits	New Application		£1,296.00	£1,361.00	£65.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Licence renewal. Without Section 14 dispensation		£1,063.00	£1,116.00	£53.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Large aquaria and small bird parks	New Application		£1,296.00	£1,361.00	£65.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Licence renewal. Without Section 14 dispensation		£1,063.00	£1,116.00	£53.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Large bird parks	New Application		£1,509.00	£1,584.00	£75.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Licence renewal. Without Section 14 dispensation		£1,295.00	£1,360.00	£65.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Medium sized zoo (Vets and additional fees charged on top)	New Application		£2,477.00	£2,601.00	£124.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Licence renewal. Without Section 14 dispensation		£2,029.00	£2,130.00	£101.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Large zoo (Vets and additional fees charged on top)	New Application		£4,320.00	£4,536.00	£216.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Licence renewal. Without Section 14 dispensation		£3,500.00	£3,675.00	£175.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Transfer of any Zoo Licence			£158.00	£166.00	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Sex establishments	Relates to new applications		£2,545.00	£2,672.00	£127.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Relates to Renewal		£514.00	£540.00	£26.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked

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Licensing - General

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Sex establishments	Relates to transfer		£514.00	£540.00	£26.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Copy of any licence permission			£18.00	£19.00	£1.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Mobile Home Fees	Application Fee		£560.00	£560.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Plus per pitch fee		£17.00	£17.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Replacement licence		£32.00	£32.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Lodging site rules		£58.00	£58.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Compliance notice (under Mobile Homes (Wales) Act 2014) Additional officer costs including expert advice and other costs associated specifically with an individual case will also be chargeable on a case by case basis. A detailed breakdown of the relevant expenses will be outlined in the demand which will accompany the payment.		£329.00	£329.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Fixed Penalty Notice (under Mobile Homes (Wales) Act 2014)			£79.00	£79.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	If paid within 10 days		£54.00	£54.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Zoos - Vets and additional fees charged on top

Trading Standards

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Primary Authority Partnership	Set-Up Fees	Price available on request based on cost recovery					New Fee
	Additional Services	Test House / Analytical Reports - Price based on cost recovery					New Fee
		Advisory Visits (Minimum of two hours)		£58.80			New Fee
Weights and Measures Activities: General fees	Hourly rate for support staff		£56.00	£58.80	£2.80	5.0%	Inflation Linked

Facilities Hire (Canolfan Enfys Teifi)

Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Canolfan Enfys Teifi - Room Hire	Yellow Room - Per Full Day (7 hours)		£68.00	£71.00	£3.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	Yellow Room - Per Half Day (3hours)		£34.00	£36.00	£2.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Yellow Room - Per Hour		£13.00	£14.00	£1.00	7.7%	Inflation Linked
	Green Room 1 or 2 - Per Full Day (7 hours)		£34.00	£36.00	£2.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Green Room 1 or 3 - Per Half Day (3hours)		£17.00	£18.00	£1.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Green Room 1 or 4 - Per Hour		£6.50	£7.00	£0.50	7.7%	Inflation Linked
	Red Room - Per Full Day (7 hours)		£34.00	£36.00	£2.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Red Room - Per Half Day (3hours)		£17.00	£18.00	£1.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Red Room - Per Hour		£6.50	£7.00	£0.50	7.7%	Inflation Linked
Canolfan Enfys Teifi - Out of Hours Bookings	Monday to Friday Evening (Per Booking)		£20.40	£21.60	£1.20	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Saturday (Per Booking & in addition to the hire charge)		£18.50	£19.50	£1.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	Sunday (Per Booking & in addition to the hire charge)		£27.25	£28.50	£1.25	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Canolfan Enfys Teifi - Tea & Coffee	To include refill		£1.50	£1.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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Facilities Hire (Penparcau Family Centre)			<i>Porth Cymorth Cynnar</i>				
Penparcau Family Centre - Contact Room	TAF Partner Agency (£ per session)		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
	External Agency (£ per hour)		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
Penparcau Family Centre - Meeting Room (Upstairs)	TAF Partner Agency (£ per session)		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
	External Agency (£ per hour)		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
Penparcau Family Centre - Rooms (Kitchen, Conservatory & Play Room)	TAF Partner Agency (£ per session)		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
	External Agency (£ per hour)		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
Wellbeing Centres			<i>Porth Cymorth Cynnar</i>				
Sports Hall - Aberaeron, Cardigan, Lampeter & Plascrug	Full Hall - Casual User (1 hour)		£43.00	£45.00	£2.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Full Hall - Sports Development Hire (1 hour)		£27.00	£28.00	£1.00	3.7%	Inflation Linked
	Half Hall - Casual User (1 hour)		£27.00	£28.00	£1.00	3.7%	Inflation Linked
	Half Hall (Plascrug Only) - Gymnasium (1 hour)		£27.00	£28.00	£1.00	3.7%	Inflation Linked
	Hall Activities - Badminton Court (55 min)	Adult	£6.20	£6.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Junior	£4.80	£5.00	£0.20	4.2%	Inflation Linked
	Hall Activities - Table Tennis	Adult Per Table	£6.20	£6.50	£0.30	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Junior Per Table	£4.80	£5.00	£0.20	4.2%	Inflation Linked
	Hall Activities - Short Tennis (55 mins)	Adult	£6.10	£6.40	£0.30	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Junior	£4.80	£5.00	£0.20	4.2%	Inflation Linked
	Hall Activities - Basketball Cross Court		£13.00	£14.00	£1.00	7.7%	Inflation Linked
	Hall Activities - Bouncy Castle/Soft Play Sessions per hour		£3.20	£3.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Hall Activities - Children's Parties (inclusive of Party Room)		£50.00	£50.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Exercise Class - Aberaeron, Cardigan, Lampeter & Plascrug	Adults 60 mins		£5.70	£6.00	£0.30	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Adults 45 mins		£4.80	£5.00	£0.20	4.2%	Inflation Linked
	Adults 30 mins		£3.80	£4.00	£0.20	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Junior		£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Health Maintenance Classes		£3.00	£3.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Family Activity Sessions			£7.50			New Fee
Shower			£2.50	£2.60	£0.10	4.0%	Inflation Linked
Room Hire - Aberaeron, Cardigan, Lampeter & Plascrug	Meeting/Activity Room - Per Hour		£15.00	£16.00	£1.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Meeting/Activity Room - Per Half Day		£43.00	£45.00	£2.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Meeting/Activity Room - Per Full Day		£64.00	£67.00	£3.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
Room Hire - Lampeter Only	Consultation Room - Per Hour			£10.00			New Fee
	Consultation Room - Per Half Day			£25.00			New Fee
	Consultation Room - Per Full Day			£45.00			New Fee

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Wellbeing Centres*Porth Cymorth Cynnar*

Room Hire - Aberaeron, Cardigan, Lampeter & Plascrug	Tea / Coffee per person		£2.20	£2.00	-£0.20	-9.1%	Recalculated Fee
Lampeter Only - Roller Skating (Per Hour)	Adults		£3.80	£4.00	£0.20	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Junior		£2.70	£2.80	£0.10	3.7%	Inflation Linked
Plascrug Only - Soft Play Parties			£45.00	£47.00	£2.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
Plascrug Only - Antur Aber Adventure Soft Play (per child)			£3.30	£3.50	£0.20	6.1%	Inflation Linked
Fitness Suite - Aberaeron, Cardigan, Lampeter & Plascrug	Individual		£5.60	£5.90	£0.30	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	11-16 years old		£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Student/OAP/Unemployed/Disabled		£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Induction		£16.00	£17.00	£1.00	6.3%	Inflation Linked
Squash - Plascrug Only	Adult		£6.20	£6.50	£0.30	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Adult Concession (12 for 10)		£62.00	£65.00	£3.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	2 Junior Players		£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Junior Concessions (12 for 10)		£50.00	£53.00	£3.00	6.0%	Inflation Linked
Equipment Hire - Aberaeron, Cardigan, Lampeter & Plascrug	Rackets and Bats		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Football		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Shuttlecock		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Equipment Hire	Roller Skates (Lampeter Only)		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Short Mat Bowls (Aberaeron, Cardigan & Lampeter)	Per Mat (Per Hour) - Adult		£9.00	£9.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Per Mat (Per Hour) - Junior/OAP		£6.50	£6.80	£0.30	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Outdoor Facilities (Lampeter & Plascrug Only)	Tennis (per court) - Adult		£6.80	£7.10	£0.30	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	Tennis (per court) - Junior		£4.90	£5.10	£0.20	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	Tennis (per court) - Senior Citizen		£4.80	£5.00	£0.20	4.2%	Inflation Linked
Outdoor Facilities (Cardigan & Lampeter)	Artificial Pitch (ATP) - Full		£43.00	£45.00	£2.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
Outdoor Facilities (Synod Inn, Cardigan & Lampeter)	Artificial Pitch (ATP) - Sports Development Hire - Full			£25.00			New Fee
	Artificial Pitch (ATP) - Half		£27.00	£28.00	£1.00	3.7%	Inflation Linked
Outdoor Facilities (Lampeter Only)	Tennis per court (with lights) - Adult		£13.50	£10.00	-£3.50	-25.9%	Recalculated Fee
	Tennis per court (with lights) - Junior		£11.50	£7.50	-£4.00	-34.8%	Recalculated Fee
	Outdoor Court (MUGA) 1 hour		£26.00	£27.00	£1.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Swimming (Lampeter, Plascrug)	Adult Swimming		£4.20	£4.40	£0.20	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Junior Swim		£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Under 5's	Free					No change
	Junior Swim lessons		£5.20	£5.50	£0.30	5.8%	Inflation Linked

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Current Fee **Proposed Fee** **Change (in £)** **Change (in %)** **Type of Change**

Wellbeing Centres

Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Swimming (Lampeter, Plascrug)	Swimming unemployed, retired, registered disabled/student		£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Junior Concession (12 swims)		£29.00	£30.00	£1.00	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Family Ticket (2 adults + 2 children or 1 adult + 3 children)		£11.00	£12.00	£1.00	9.1%	Inflation Linked
	Adult Swimming Instruction - 8 lessons		£47.00	£49.00	£2.00	4.3%	Inflation Linked
	Adult Aqua Aerobics		£5.70	£6.00	£0.30	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Adult 1 to 1 Swimming Instruction (half hour)		£18.00	£19.00	£1.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Junior 1 to 1 Swimming Instruction (half hour)		£18.00	£19.00	£1.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Swimming Pool Hire (Lampeter, Plascrug)	Regular Hire		£52.00	£55.00	£3.00	5.8%	Inflation Linked
	Pool Hire - Sports Development			£30.00			No change
	Lifeguard Hire (1 hour)		£17.50	£18.40	£0.90	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Gala Hire		£58.00	£61.00	£3.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Lane Hire		£16.00	£17.00	£1.00	6.3%	Inflation Linked
	Pool Birthday Parties		£46.00	£48.00	£2.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked

Wellbeing Centres - Ceredigion Actif Membership Packages

Porth Cymorth Cynnar

Fitness Suite, swimming and fitness classes	Adult - Unlimited	One off annual payment £336.00. Direct Debit £28.00 per month*	£323.40	£336.00	£12.60	3.9%	Inflation Linked
	Adult - Unlimited Concession & Corporate Student/OAP/Carers Corporate - Groups of 3 or more adults	One off annual payment £300.00 Direct Debit £25.00 per month*	£287.40	£300.00	£12.60	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	Adult - Unlimited Passport (Must be in receipt of a means tested benefit)	One off annual payment £180. Direct Debit £15.00 per month*		£180.00			New Fee
Fitness Suite, swimming and fitness classes	Junior - Unlimited (12-18 years)	One off annual payment £120.00. Direct Debit £10.00 per month*	£120.00	£120.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Fitness Suite and fitness classes	Adult - Unlimited Dryside	One off annual payment £276.00 Direct Debit £23.00 per month*	£263.40	£276.00	£12.60	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Swimming and Aquatics Classes	Adult - Unlimited Aquatics	One off annual payment £276.00 Direct Debit £23.00 per month*	£263.40	£276.00	£12.60	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Fitness Suite and fitness classes OR Swimming and Aquatics Classes	Adult - Concession / Corporate Student/OAP/Carers Corporate - Groups of 3 or more adults	One off annual payment £240.00. Direct Debit £20.00 per month*	£239.40	£240.00	£0.60	0.3%	Inflation Linked
Fitness Suite, swimming, fitness classes and Soft Play	Household - Unlimited (2 Adults and any number of children under 18 years in full time education or training).	One off annual payment £450.00. Direct Debit £45.00 per month*	£491.00	£450.00	£41.00	-8.4%	Recalculated Fee
Fitness Suite and fitness classes OR Swimming and Aquatics Classes	Household Passport - Unlimited (2 Adults and any number of children under 18 years in full time education or training). At least one adult must be in receipt of a means tested benefit.	One off annual payment £360.00. Direct Debit £30.00 per month*		£360.00			New Fee

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			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
<u>Social Care</u>							<u>Porth Cynnal</u>
Residential Care & Support charges subject to a financial assessment	Fees paid to Ceredigion Independent Sector Care Homes in respect of Long Term and Temporary stays (more than 8 but up to 52 weeks). Weekly Charge.	Residential Very Dependent Elderly	£644.00				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
		Residential Dementia	£686.00				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
		General Nursing	£668.15				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
		Nursing Dementia	£711.48				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
	Charge for Adult residential college placements (term-time only)	Capped Weekly Charge Subject to Financial Assessment	£31.00	£33.00	£2.00	6.5%	Inflation Linked
Non Residential care and support charges subject to a financial assessment and the weekly maximum charge as set by Welsh Government.	Supported living	Charge per hour Subject to Financial Assessment and weekly maximum charge as set by Welsh Government	£15.80	£17.20	£1.40	8.9%	Inflation Linked
	Adult placement – long term	Charge per night Subject to Financial Assessment and weekly maximum charge as set by Welsh Government	£21.00	£22.00	£1.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Brynsiriol Respite	Charge Per Night to other Local Authorities		£235.00	£247.00	£12.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
<u>Affordable Housing</u>							<u>Porth Gofal</u>
Affordable Housing Service Advice	Charge per hour exclusive of travelling costs		£67.00	£70.00	£3.00	4.5%	Inflation Linked
<u>Home Improvement Loans</u>							<u>Porth Gofal</u>
Administration Fee	Loan value up to £5,000	Owner Occupier	£650.00	£683.00	£33.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Loan value between £5,001 and £25,000	Owner Occupier	£1,000.00	£1,050.00	£50.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Loan value up to £10,000	Landlord	£1,035.00	£1,087.00	£52.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Loan value between £10,000 and £25,000	Landlord	£1,555.00	£1,633.00	£78.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Supervisory Service	The Council can provide a supervisory service for building works to ensure consistency in standards of workmanship and timely delivery of works	Charge of 10% on scheme costs					No change

Current Fee **Proposed Fee** **Change (in £)** **Change (in %)** **Type of Change**

Homelessness**Porth Gofal**

Admin fee for File inspection and copy documentation			£12.00	£13.00	£1.00	8.3%	Inflation Linked
Homelessness Property Service Charge	Charge per week		£25.00	£26.00	£1.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked

Houses into Homes (Empty Property) Loans**Porth Gofal**

Administration fee	Loan value up to £10,000		£1,035.00	£1,087.00	£52.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Loan value between £10,001 and £25,000		£1,555.00	£1,633.00	£78.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Loan value over £25,001 (Up to £250,000)		£2,278.00	£2,392.00	£114.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Supervisory Service	The Council can provide a supervisory service for building works to ensure consistency in standards of workmanship and timely delivery of works	Charge of 10% on scheme costs					No change

These fees for landlords will be waived if the property is offered for rent at the Local Housing Allowance rate for the duration of the loan period, and the landlord rents the property to tenants from the Council's Affordable Housing Register or otherwise a tenant who would be eligible to be on this Register.

Housing**Porth Gofal**

Administration Charge	Renewal Area Community Enhancement Scheme	Percentage charge up to 3% of total scheme cost					No change
Professional Services	Grants/Loans Agency Supervisory Service within Renewal Area/Area based improvement scheme.	12% of cost of works plus statutory fees (e.g. Building Control/Planning)					No change
	Agency Supervisory Service for grants and Loans outside Renewal Area	10% of cost of works plus statutory fees (e.g. Building Control/Planning)					No change
Housing in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Licensing*	Mandatory HMO licensing fee per habitable room for 1 to 14 rooms inclusive (*)	New Licence	£245.00	£257.00	£12.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Renewal of Licence (subject to renewal criteria being met)	£205.00	£215.00	£10.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Mandatory HMO licensing fee per habitable room for 15 to 25 rooms inclusive (*)	New Licence	£44.00	£46.00	£2.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Renewal of Licence (subject to renewal criteria being met)	£36.00	£38.00	£2.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Mandatory HMO licensing fee per habitable room for 26th room upwards (*)	New Licence	£21.00	£22.00	£1.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Renewal of Licence (subject to renewal criteria being met)	£15.00	£16.00	£1.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Additional HMO licensing fee per habitable room (for those not subject to mandatory fee)	New Licence	£245.00	£257.00	£12.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Renewal of Licence (subject to renewal criteria being met)	£205.00	£215.00	£10.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Partial refund – where HMO reverts to a single family home or is sold within the 5 year licence period, and where less than 2 visits have been carried out. (Up to £)		£205.00	£215.00	£10.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	HMO Administrative fee for variation to licence or copy of licence at request of the licence holder		£31.00	£33.00	£2.00	6.5%	Inflation Linked

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Housing

			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
<i>Porth Gofal</i>							
Housing in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Licensing*	HMO Administrative fee for material variation to a licence (reference Housing Act 2004 Schedule 5, Part 2) where the local housing authority are required to consult regarding variation of the licence.		£240.00	£252.00	£12.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Copy of HMO register		£42.00	£44.00	£2.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Immigration checks	Immigration housing standards checks		£160.00	£168.00	£8.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Housing in Multiple Occupation Advisory Service	Survey visit with detailed schedule of work and scaled drawing		£895.00	£940.00	£45.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Survey visit with detailed schedule of work, scaled drawing, tendering and full supervision of works.	12% of cost of works plus statutory fees (e.g Building Control/Planning)					No change
Charge for a full Housing, Health & Safety Rating System (HHSRS) assessment under Section 49 of the Housing Act 2004 together with the subsequent service of a non-statutory notice for non-compliance	Serving an Improvement Notice under Section 11 or 12		£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Making a Prohibition order under Section 20 or 21		£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Taking Emergency remedial action under Section 40		£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Making an Emergency Prohibition order under Section 43		£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Making a demolition order (Section 265 of the Housing Act 1985)		£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

From 01/04/2018, HMO licence application fees (for both new and renewal) will be split into two parts - pre and post-issue amounts. The full amount will be payable at application, with a refund issued if the application is considered and refused. These amounts will be split as follows: New applications: 80% pre-issue; 20% post-issue Renewal applications: 90% pre-issue; 10% post-issue

50% discount for larger HMOs providing for the accommodation needs of the University (but not directly owned or managed by them), provided they are registered and fully up to the ANUK code of practice for student accommodation

Public Health Funerals

<i>Porth Gofal</i>							
Investigations undertaken that successfully locate a legal next of kin or otherwise source an executor of the will who then proceed with the funeral arrangements.			£265.00	£278.00	£13.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Investigations undertaken into the identification of a legal next of kin or executor of the will, the costs of making the funeral arrangements and all communications and correspondence when referring cases to the Treasury Solicitor (BV).	The fee does not include the actual cost of the funeral or associated arrangement fees administered by the funeral director.		£1,065.00	£1,118.00	£53.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

Social Care

<i>Porth Gofal</i>							
Flat Rate Charges for Preventative Services	Meals @ Home	Charge Per Meal	£7.50	£7.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Charge Per Supper	£3.50	£3.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Lunch at Day Centre Establishments	Charge Per Meal	£7.20	£7.50	£0.30	4.2%	Inflation Linked
	Lunch at Luncheon Clubs	Charge Per Meal - Referred service users	£7.20	£7.50	£0.30	4.2%	Inflation Linked

Current Fee **Proposed Fee** **Change (in £)** **Change (in %)** **Type of Change**

Social Care*Porth Gofal*

Flat Rate Charges for Preventative Services	Lunch at Luncheon Clubs	Charge Per Meal - Non-referred service users	£7.20	£7.50	£0.30	4.2%	Inflation Linked
	Lifeline – Monitoring & Pendant	Charge Per Week	£3.20	£3.40	£0.20	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		One - off installation charge	£40.00	£42.00	£2.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Assistive Technology	Charge Per Week	£5.90	£6.20	£0.30	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Residential Care & Support charges subject to a financial assessment	Charge for residential accommodation in Local Authority homes in respect of Long Term and Temporary stays (more than 8 but up to 52 weeks). Weekly Charge.	Residential Very Dependent Elderly	£644.00				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
		Residential Dementia	£686.00				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
	Additional charge for En-Suite room within Local Authority Homes (Weekly Charge)		£38.00				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
	Administration charge (Self-funders and Deferred Payments)	Charge per annum	£624.00	£644.00	£20.00	3.2%	Inflation Linked
Non Residential care and support charges subject to a financial assessment and the weekly maximum charge as set by Welsh Government.	Domiciliary care service (or support using a Registered Domiciliary Care Provider)	Charge per hour Subject to Financial Assessment and weekly maximum charge as set by Welsh Government	£20.40	£22.21	£1.81	8.9%	Inflation Linked
	Direct payments in lieu of domiciliary care service	Contribution per hour Subject to Financial Assessment and weekly maximum charge as set by Welsh Government	£11.00	£13.89	£2.89	26.3%	Recalculated Fee
	Short-term stays and respite care (up to 8 weeks) or Direct payments in lieu of these services	Charge per night Subject to Financial Assessment and weekly maximum charge as set by Welsh Government	£91.00				To be determined separately and reported to Cabinet for decision
Day Centres - Charges to Other Local Authorities and/or Local Health Board/Joint Funding Application	Hourly Rate (Day rate charged at 6 hours)	HIGH Support Needs	£16.50	£24.54	£8.04	48.7%	Recalculated Fee
		MEDIUM Support Needs	£11.75	£16.36	£4.61	39.2%	Recalculated Fee
		LOW Support Needs	£10.00	£12.27	£2.27	22.7%	Recalculated Fee
	Local Authority Transport/day		£32.50	£34.25	£1.75	5.4%	Inflation Linked

Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
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Council Set Fees and Charges (Proposed Fees and Charges from 01/04/2022)

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Childcare Training

Schools & Culture

CYPOP5 (Childminding)			£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
First Aid			£30.00	£30.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Food Safety			£30.00	£30.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Non - attendance at training or cancellation within 5 working days of training	First Aid		£50.00	£50.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Food Safety		£15.00	£15.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Music Service

Schools & Culture

Musical Instrument	Purchase Assistance		£15.00	£16.00	£1.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Hire		£30.00	£32.00	£2.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
Instrumental Lessons	First Child (£ Per Annum)		£140.00	£147.00	£7.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Siblings (£ Per Annum)		£100.00	£105.00	£5.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Second or more instrument (£ Per Annum)		£100.00	£105.00	£5.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Access to Ensembles & Orchestras if not receipt of lessons provided by Ceredigion Music Service (£ per annum)			£80.00	£84.00	£4.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

School Meals

Schools & Culture

Pupil Meals	(Effective from 01/09/2022)		£2.50	£2.60	£0.10	4.0%	Inflation Linked
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Theatre/Canolfan Felinfach

Schools & Culture

Ticket Selling Service			£22.00	£23.00	£1.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Theatre Hire	Monday to Friday	Per full day	£332.50	£349.00	£16.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£166.00	£174.00	£8.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Per evening	£235.00	£247.00	£12.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Saturday & Sunday	Per full day	£570.00	£599.00	£29.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£285.00	£299.00	£14.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Per evening	£260.00	£273.00	£13.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Large Meeting Room hire (theatre-style seating)	Monday to Friday	Per full day	£277.00	£291.00	£14.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£139.00	£146.00	£7.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Per evening	£206.00	£216.00	£10.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Saturday & Sunday	Per full day	£510.00	£536.00	£26.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£260.00	£273.00	£13.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Per evening	£230.00	£242.00	£12.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
Standard Meeting Room hire	Monday to Friday	Per full day or Per evening	£55.00	£58.00	£3.00	5.5%	Inflation Linked

			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
<u>Theatre/Canolfan Felinfach</u>			<u>Schools & Culture</u>				
Standard Meeting Room hire	Monday to Friday	Per half day	£43.00	£45.00	£2.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Saturday & Sunday	Per full day or Per evening	£84.00	£88.00	£4.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£72.00	£76.00	£4.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Standard Meeting Room hire (with equipment)	Monday to Friday	Per full day or Per evening	£65.00	£68.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£51.00	£54.00	£3.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Saturday & Sunday	Per full day or Per evening	£100.00	£105.00	£5.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£86.00	£90.00	£4.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Per evening	£53.00	£56.00	£3.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
Lounge / Gwndwn hire	Monday to Friday	Per full day	£67.00	£70.00	£3.00	4.5%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day	£35.00	£37.00	£2.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
		Per evening	£53.00	£56.00	£3.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
	Saturday & Sunday	Per full day	£97.00	£102.00	£5.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Per half day or Per evening	£65.00	£68.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked

Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
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Council Set Fees and Charges (Proposed Fees and Charges from 01/04/2022)

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: Appendix 3: Thriving Communities

Building Regulations

Economy & Regeneration

Small Domestic Dwellings up to 300m2, including conversions of buildings to Dwellings (NET of VAT)	1 Dwelling	Plan Charge	£244.00	£244.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£507.00	£507.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£751.00	£751.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	2 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£317.00	£317.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£713.00	£713.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£1,030.00	£1,030.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	3 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£390.00	£390.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£896.00	£896.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£1,286.00	£1,286.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	4 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£463.00	£463.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£1,097.00	£1,097.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£1,559.00	£1,559.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	5 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£546.00	£546.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£1,314.00	£1,314.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£1,860.00	£1,860.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	6 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£623.00	£623.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£1,526.00	£1,526.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£2,149.00	£2,149.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	7 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£696.00	£696.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£1,732.00	£1,732.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£2,428.00	£2,428.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	8 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£769.00	£769.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£1,915.00	£1,915.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£2,684.00	£2,684.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	9 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£791.00	£791.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£2,133.00	£2,133.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£2,924.00	£2,924.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	10 Dwellings	Plan Charge	£846.00	£846.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£2,333.00	£2,333.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£3,179.00	£3,179.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Conversion to Flats	Number of Flats 1 - 4	Plan Charge	£301.00	£301.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£562.00	£562.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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<i>Economy & Regeneration</i>							
Conversion to Flats	Number of Flats 1 - 4	Building Notice Charge	£863.00	£863.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Number of Flats 5 - 10	Plan Charge	£406.00	£406.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£774.00	£774.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£1,180.00	£1,180.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Small Domestic Work (These fees are Net of VAT)	Domestic Garage Conversion to habitable accommodation	Plan Charge	£111.00	£111.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£168.00	£168.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£279.00	£279.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Garage/carport extension (up to 60m²)	Plan Charge	£111.00	£111.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£239.00	£239.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£350.00	£350.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Erection of a detached, non-exempt garage (up to 100m²)	Plan Charge	£145.00	£145.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£273.00	£273.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£418.00	£418.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Any extension of a dwelling or loft conversion (total floor area not exceeding 10m²)	Plan Charge	£145.00	£145.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£273.00	£273.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£418.00	£418.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Any extension of a dwelling or loft conversion (total floor area exceeding 10m² but not exceeding 20m²)	Plan Charge	£145.00	£145.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£345.00	£345.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£491.00	£491.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Any extension of a dwelling or loft conversion (total floor area exceeding 20m² but not exceeding 40m²)	Plan Charge	£184.00	£184.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£379.00	£379.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£563.00	£563.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Any extension of a dwelling or loft conversion (total floor area exceeding 40m² but not exceeding 100m²)	Plan Charge	£217.00	£217.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Site Inspection Charge	£418.00	£418.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£635.00	£635.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Domestic window replacement (Non Competent Person) up to 10 windows	Site Inspection Charge	£156.00	£156.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£156.00	£156.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Domestic window replacement (Non Competent person) between 10 and 20 windows	Site Inspection Charge	£195.00	£195.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£195.00	£195.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Installation of a controlled service or fitting in isolation of other building works	Site Inspection Charge	£195.00	£195.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£195.00	£195.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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Building Regulations			<i>Economy & Regeneration</i>				
Small Domestic Work (These fees are Net of VAT)	Renovation of a thermal element (Dwelling)	Site Inspection Charge	£195.00	£195.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£195.00	£195.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Domestic Electrical Installations (These fees are Net of VAT)	Any electrical work other than the rewiring of a dwelling	Building Notice Charge	£351.00	£351.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Electrical installation in new dwellings or rewire	£563.00	£563.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Small Non Domestic Work (These fees are Net of VAT)	Non Domestic window installations up to 20 windows	Building Notice Charge	£245.00	£245.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Non domestic window installations over 20	Building Notice Charge	£334.00	£334.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renovation of thermal element (Non Domestic) estimated cost up to £50,000	Building Notice Charge	£368.00	£368.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Renovation of thermal element (Non Domestic) estimated cost over £50,000	Building Notice Charge	£473.00	£473.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Any Other Work (These fees are Net of VAT)	Estimated Cost of Work (£) 0 - 5,000	Inspection Charge	£228.00	£228.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£228.00	£228.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Estimated Cost of Work (£) 5,001 - 15,000	Plan Charge	£145.00	£145.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Inspection Charge	£239.00	£239.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Estimated Cost of Work (£) 15,001 - 25,000	Building Notice Charge	£385.00	£385.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Plan Charge	£217.00	£217.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Inspection Charge	£306.00	£306.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£523.00	£523.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Estimated Cost of Work (£) 25,001 - 40,000	Plan Charge	£250.00	£250.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Inspection Charge	£412.00	£412.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£663.00	£663.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Estimated Cost of Work (£) 40,001 - 60,000	Plan Charge	£295.00	£295.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Inspection Charge	£539.00	£539.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£834.00	£834.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Estimated Cost of Work (£) 60,001 - 80,000	Plan Charge	£323.00	£323.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Inspection Charge	£574.00	£574.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£897.00	£897.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Estimated Cost of Work (£) 80,001 - 100,000	Plan Charge	£357.00	£357.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Inspection Charge	£680.00	£680.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Building Notice Charge	£1,036.00	£1,036.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Personal Search Con29 Building Regulations enquiries including Environmental information requests (£ per enquiry including VAT)			£20.00	£20.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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Building Regulations**Economy & Regeneration**

If a proposal does not fall within the standard charge table, then applicants shall request an individually determined charge for the Building Control Service, by emailing buildingcontrol@ceredigion.gov.uk or telephone 01970 633480 or 01545 572480

An application for a Regularisation Certificate, in respect of unauthorised building work, commenced on or after 11 November 1985, incurs a regularisation charge to cover the cost of assessing the application and all inspections. The charge is equivalent to the Building Notice Charge (excluding VAT) plus 50%

Coast & Countryside**Economy & Regeneration**

Rights of Way	Diversion of Rights of Way		£1,800.00	£1,900.00	£100.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Temporary diversion of Rights of Way (Less than 5 days)		£1,450.00	£1,500.00	£50.00	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Temporary diversion of Rights of Way (More than 5 days)		£1,450.00	£1,500.00	£50.00	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	Extension to application		£290.00	£310.00	£20.00	6.9%	Inflation Linked
General Fees & Charges	Definitive map & statement		£40.00	£42.00	£2.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Public Path Orders		£21.00	£22.00	£1.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Tree Preservation Orders		£21.50	£22.50	£1.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Certified copy of Common Land Register - 4 parts, charge per part		£31.25	£32.75	£1.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Each additional entry		£1.50	£1.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Common Land Register	Correction applications under Commons Act 2006		£1,350.00	£1,420.00	£70.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked

Facilities Hire**Economy & Regeneration**

Use of land around Council Offices for activities	Per Year		£200.00	£400.00	£200.00	100.0%	Recalculated Fee
	Per Event		£60.00	£100.00	£40.00	66.7%	Recalculated Fee
Town and Community Councils using Council Premises	Per Meeting		£36.00	£38.00	£2.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Charges Group A	Aberystwyth, Ceredigion Museum: The Exhibition Gallery	Per evening session	£72.00	£76.00	£4.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Adpar, District Office: Committee Room:	Per day session	£36.00	£38.00	£2.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Per evening session	£86.00	£90.00	£4.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Llandysul, Community Centre: Conference Room	Per day session	£26.00	£27.00	£1.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
	Aberaeron County Hall: Community- Ante Room (area behind partition)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£12.00	£12.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£26.00	£26.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£31.00	£31.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£41.00	£41.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£24.00	£24.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per evening session	£52.00	£52.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per afternoon & evening	£62.00	£62.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per full day	£82.00	£82.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Aberaeron County Hall: Community - Main Room	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£20.00	£20.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£40.00	£40.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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Facilities Hire			Economy & Regeneration				
Charges Group A	Aberaeron County Hall: Community - Main Room	Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£70.00	£70.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£85.00	£85.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£40.00	£40.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per evening session	£80.00	£80.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per afternoon & evening	£140.00	£140.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per full day	£170.00	£170.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Aberaeron County Hall: Community Room in its entirety i.e. combined facilities	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£32.00	£32.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£66.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£101.00	£101.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£126.00	£126.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£64.00	£64.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per evening session	£132.00	£132.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per afternoon & evening	£202.00	£202.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per full day	£252.00	£252.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Aberaeron County Hall: Conference Rooms	Weekday - Per evening session	£98.50	£98.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekend - Per evening session	£197.00	£197.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Conference Room Leri (12 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£37.00	£39.00	£2.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£132.50	£139.00	£6.50	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£233.00	£245.00	£12.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Neuadd Cyngor Ceredigion (Penmorfa): Council Chamber (200 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£86.00	£90.00	£4.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£170.00	£179.00	£9.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£221.00	£232.00	£11.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£335.00	£352.00	£17.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked

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Facilities Hire			Economy & Regeneration				
Charges Group A	Neuadd Cyngor Ceredigion (Penmorfa): Council Chamber (200 people)	Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£170.00	£179.00	£9.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£250.00	£263.00	£13.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£310.00	£326.00	£16.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£190.00	£200.00	£10.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£270.00	£284.00	£14.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£370.00	£389.00	£19.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£500.00	£525.00	£25.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Aeron (20 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£43.50	£45.50	£2.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£85.50	£90.00	£4.50	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£102.00	£107.00	£5.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£135.00	£142.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£102.00	£107.00	£5.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£135.00	£142.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£198.00	£208.00	£10.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£262.00	£275.00	£13.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£135.00	£142.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£170.00	£179.00	£9.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£235.00	£247.00	£12.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£300.00	£315.00	£15.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Ystwyth (60 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£63.00	£66.00	£3.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£128.00	£134.00	£6.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£150.00	£158.00	£8.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£200.00	£210.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£150.00	£158.00	£8.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£200.00	£210.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£300.00	£315.00	£15.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£390.00	£410.00	£20.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£200.00	£210.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£250.00	£263.00	£13.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£350.00	£368.00	£18.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked

Facilities Hire

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<i>Economy & Regeneration</i>							
Charges Group A	Conference Room Ystwyth (60 people)	Sunday - Per full day	£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£37.00	£39.00	£2.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Teifi (12 people)	Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£132.50	£139.00	£6.50	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£233.00	£245.00	£12.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Brennig (12 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£37.00	£39.00	£2.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£132.50	£139.00	£6.50	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£233.00	£245.00	£12.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Hawen (12 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£37.00	£39.00	£2.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked

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<u>Facilities Hire</u>			<i>Economy & Regeneration</i>				
Charges Group A	Conference Room Hawen (12 people)	Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£132.50	£139.00	£6.50	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£233.00	£245.00	£12.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 1/Ceremony Room (50 people)	Registrars (Per Wedding)	£60.00	£63.00	£3.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£63.00	£63.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£120.00	£120.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£198.00	£198.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per evening session	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per full day	£395.00	£395.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£250.00	£250.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£350.00	£350.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£440.00	£440.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 2/Seminar Facilities (35 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£47.00	£47.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£93.00	£93.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£110.00	£110.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£110.00	£110.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per evening session	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£225.00	£225.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per full day	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£185.00	£185.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£265.00	£265.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£335.00	£335.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>	
<u>Facilities Hire</u>			<u>Economy & Regeneration</u>					
Charges Group A	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 5 (18 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£43.00	£43.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Weekday - Per evening session	£85.00	£85.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Weekday - Per full day	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£102.00	£102.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Saturday - Per evening session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Saturday - Per full day	£265.00	£265.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Sunday - Per evening session	£168.00	£168.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£235.00	£235.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Sunday - Per full day	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 6 (10 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£35.00	£35.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Weekday - Per evening session		£63.00	£63.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Weekday - Per afternoon & evening		£78.00	£78.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Weekday - Per full day		£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session		£78.00	£78.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Saturday - Per evening session		£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Saturday - Per afternoon & evening		£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Saturday - Per full day		£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session		£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Sunday - Per evening session		£126.00	£126.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Sunday - Per afternoon & evening		£170.00	£170.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Sunday - Per full day		£222.00	£222.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 7 (18 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£43.00	£43.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Weekday - Per evening session	£85.00	£85.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Weekday - Per full day	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£102.00	£102.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
		Saturday - Per evening session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change	
			Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Facilities Hire			Economy & Regeneration				
Charges Group A	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 7 (18 people)	Saturday - Per full day	£265.00	£265.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£168.00	£168.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£235.00	£235.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Charges Group B	Aberystwyth, Ceredigion Museum: The Exhibition Gallery	Weekend - Per evening session	£72.00	£76.00	£4.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Adpar, District Office: Committee Room:	Weekend - Per day session	£49.00	£51.00	£2.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
		Weekend - Per evening session	£86.00	£90.00	£4.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Llandysul, Community Centre: Conference Room	Weekend - Per day session	£36.00	£38.00	£2.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Leri (12 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£50.50	£53.00	£2.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£78.50	£82.50	£4.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£98.00	£103.00	£5.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£127.50	£134.00	£6.50	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Neuadd Cyngor Ceredigion (Penmorfa) : Council Chamber (200 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£135.00	£142.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£170.00	£179.00	£9.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£221.00	£232.00	£11.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£335.00	£352.00	£17.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£170.00	£179.00	£9.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£250.00	£263.00	£13.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£310.00	£326.00	£16.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£190.00	£200.00	£10.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£270.00	£284.00	£14.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£370.00	£389.00	£19.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked

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			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Facilities Hire		Economy & Regeneration					
Charges Group B	Neuadd Cyngor Ceredigion (Penmorfa) : Council Chamber (200 people)	Sunday - Per full day	£500.00	£525.00	£25.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Aeron (20 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£70.00	£74.00	£4.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£86.00	£90.00	£4.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£102.00	£107.00	£5.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£135.00	£142.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£102.00	£107.00	£5.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£135.00	£142.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£198.00	£208.00	£10.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£262.00	£275.00	£13.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£135.00	£142.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£170.00	£179.00	£9.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£235.00	£247.00	£12.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£300.00	£315.00	£15.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Ystwyth (60 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£100.00	£105.00	£5.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£128.00	£134.00	£6.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£150.00	£158.00	£8.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£200.00	£210.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£150.00	£158.00	£8.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£200.00	£210.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£300.00	£315.00	£15.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£390.00	£410.00	£20.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£200.00	£210.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£250.00	£263.00	£13.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£350.00	£368.00	£18.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£440.00	£462.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Teifi (12 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£50.50	£53.00	£2.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked

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			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
<u>Facilities Hire</u>			<i>Economy & Regeneration</i>				
Charges Group B	Conference Room Teifi (12 people)	Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£78.50	£82.50	£4.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£98.00	£103.00	£5.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£127.50	£134.00	£6.50	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Brennig (12 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£50.50	£53.00	£2.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£78.50	£82.50	£4.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£98.00	£103.00	£5.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£127.50	£134.00	£6.50	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Conference Room Hawen (12 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£50.50	£53.00	£2.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per full day	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per evening session	£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£157.50	£165.50	£8.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Saturday - Per full day	£210.00	£221.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£78.50	£82.50	£4.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per evening session	£98.00	£103.00	£5.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£127.50	£134.00	£6.50	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Per full day	£178.50	£187.50	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Sunday - Registrars (Per Wedding)	£60.00	£63.00	£3.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
<u>Facilities Hire</u>			<u>Economy & Regeneration</u>				
Charges Group B	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 1/Ceremony Room (50 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£120.00	£120.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£198.00	£198.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per evening session	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per full day	£395.00	£395.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£250.00	£250.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£350.00	£350.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£440.00	£440.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 2/Seminar Facilities (35 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£75.00	£75.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£93.00	£93.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£110.00	£110.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£110.00	£110.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per evening session	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£225.00	£225.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per full day	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£185.00	£185.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£265.00	£265.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£335.00	£335.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 5 (18 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£66.00	£66.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£85.00	£85.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£102.00	£102.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per evening session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Facilities Hire			Economy & Regeneration				
Charges Group B	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 5 (18 people)	Saturday - Per full day	£265.00	£265.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£168.00	£168.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£235.00	£235.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 6 (10 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£48.00	£48.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£63.00	£63.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£78.00	£78.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£78.00	£78.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per evening session	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per full day	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£126.00	£126.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£170.00	£170.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£222.00	£222.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth: Meeting Room 7 (18 people)	Weekday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£67.00	£67.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per evening session	£85.00	£85.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per afternoon & evening	£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Weekday - Per full day	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£102.00	£102.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per evening session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per afternoon & evening	£200.00	£200.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Saturday - Per full day	£265.00	£265.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per morning OR per afternoon session	£135.00	£135.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per evening session	£168.00	£168.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per afternoon & evening	£235.00	£235.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Sunday - Per full day	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Canolfan Rheidol, Aberystwyth	Hire of entire ground floor (£ per day)	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Atrium (£ per day)	£350.00	£350.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Canteen (£ per day)	£300.00	£300.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

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			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
Facilities Hire							<u>Economy & Regeneration</u>
County Wide Licence	License for the use of a designated area approximately 10m x 10m (per day). Maximum duration of 3 days. No food and beverage sales.		£45.00	£47.00	£2.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	License for the use of designated areas more than 10 x 10m (per day) and for more than 3 days.	Size of designated area, fee and duration agreed on application. Minimum Fee - Price on application	£200.00	£210.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	License for the use of a Ceredigion County Council Food and Beverage trailer (normally in conjunction with a licence for use of Council land).	Location of trailers to be agreed via a separate procurement process		£2,060.00			New Fee
North Promenade, Aberystwyth	License for the use of a designated area approximately 10 x 10m (per day)		£45.00	£47.00	£2.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	License for the use of designated areas for seasonal trading (per sq m) for an agreed period (Minimum fee)	Size of designated area, fee and duration agreed on application, normally through a tender process		£50.00			New Fee

General Conditions Group A: Functions arranged by organisations (other than public bodies) the purpose of which is not for private or business gain, with the exception of dances and discotheques. Includes external organisations partly or fully funded by the Council.

General Conditions Group B: Functions arranged:-1. For commercial purposes resulting in private or business gain, e.g. auction sales, trade exhibitions.2. By public bodies, e.g. health clinics, blood donor sessions and evening classes.3. For all dances and discotheque purposes.

Session times:• Morning – 9.00am to 1.00pm• Afternoon – 1.00pm to 5.00pm• Evening – after 5.00pmReduced rates apply to weekdays only.Evening sessions shall end before 10.00pm.A day session

Runs 9.00am to 5.00pm unless otherwise stated.Regular users of halls – rates to be negotiated with the Chief Estates Officer(Price per meeting). Rooms 5, 6 and 7 can be used in combination i.e. 5 and 7, or 5 and 6, or 6 and 7

Food Centre Wales

Economy & Regeneration

Room Hire per day per process area (inclusive of refrigeration equipment)	Commercial with Technical Services		£630.00	£630.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	SME with Technical Services		£420.00	£420.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Micro business with Technical Service		£215.00	£215.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Room Hire per day per process area (Inclusive of refrigeration equipment)	Commercial without Technical Service		£480.00	£510.00	£30.00	6.3%	Inflation Linked
	SME without Technical Service (Year 1)		£315.00	£315.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Micro business without Technical Service (Year 1)		£165.00	£165.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	SME without Technical Service (Year 2+)			£345.00			New Fee
	Micro business without Technical Service (Year 2+)			£195.00			New Fee
Technical support only (per hour)	Commercial with Technical Services		£105.00	£108.00	£3.00	2.9%	Inflation Linked
	SME with Technical Services		£56.00	£58.00	£2.00	3.6%	Inflation Linked
	Micro business with Technical Service		£36.00	£38.00	£2.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Aberystwyth Farmers Market	Introductory rate for New Stallholders (2 markets)		£26.00	£26.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Hire of Market Stalls		£40.00	£40.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Other Festivals	Hire of Market Stalls including setting up		£48.00	£50.00	£2.00	4.2%	Inflation Linked
General Equipment Hire	Hire of stall only to outside organisations		£30.00	£35.00	£5.00	16.7%	Recalculated Fee
	Hire of table to outside organisation		£7.00	£7.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Planning Policy			Economy & Regeneration				
LDP Inspector's report (Plus £8.90 postage if required)			£40.00	£40.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Ceredigion adopted LDP – 3 volumes (Volumes 1, 2a and 2b) (plus £15.85 postage if required)			£115.50	£115.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Planning Services			Economy & Regeneration				
Development Control	Copy of Planning permissions		£15.00	£15.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Request for historical planning information (fee per half hour)		£23.00	£23.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Viability Assessments	Sites of 1-9 Units		£195.00	£195.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Sites of 10-50 Units		£345.00	£345.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Sites of 51-100 Units		£495.00	£495.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Sites of more than 100 Units. Cost to be agreed with Council depending on size and complexity of proposal						No change
Viability Challenges (During the determination of a planning application)	1-9 Dwellings		£624.00	£624.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	10+ Dwellings (By Agreement)						No change
Viability Post Application Modifications	Sites of 1-9 Units (Minimum fee £, price per site)		£995.00	£995.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Sites of 10-25 Units (Minimum fee £, price per site)		£1,395.00	£1,395.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Sites of 25-50 Units (Minimum fee £, price per site)		£1,795.00	£1,795.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Sites of 51 or more units (By Agreement)						No change
Public Conveniences			Economy & Regeneration				
Radar Key			£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Charge for the use of the public conveniences	Aberystwyth - Park Avenue, Talybont, Aberystwyth Harbour and Aberystwyth Shelter, Marine Terrace.		£0.20	£0.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	North Pier (Aberaeron), Bath House (Cardigan) South John Street (New Quay), Market Street (Lampeter) and Tregaron.		£0.20	£0.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
All Accessible Toilets at these locations will remain free of charge, but will require a RADAR key to gain entry							
Tide Tables			Economy & Regeneration				
Advertising	Full page outside rear cover		£183.00	£192.00	£9.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Full page inside front/rear cover		£152.00	£160.00	£8.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Full page internal advertisement		£99.00	£104.00	£5.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Half Page internal advertisement		£68.00	£71.00	£3.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
Purchase of Tide Tables Booklet	Retail Purchase Price		£2.30	£2.40	£0.10	4.4%	Inflation Linked
Allotments			Highways & Environmental Services				
Plot for the year	All Allotments (Gwel Y Creuddyn, Lampeter & Blaenplwyf)		£53.00	£56.00	£3.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
Car Parks			Highways & Environmental Services				
Short Stay (Maximum period of stay - Three Hours)	Cardigan - Greenfield Square	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked

Current Fee **Proposed Fee** **Change (in £)** **Change (in %)** **Type of Change**

Car Parks**Highways & Environmental Services**

Short Stay (Maximum period of stay - Three Hours)	Cardigan - Greenfield Square	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
Short Stay (Maximum period of stay - Two Hours)	Lampeter - Sainsbury's (Market Street)	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Long Stay	Aberaeron - Lower Regent Street	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£1.80	£1.90	£0.10	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Aberaeron - North Beach	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Caravanettes: Per Day	£7.10	£7.50	£0.40	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Additional Charge for Caravan/Trailer: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Additional Charge for Caravan/Trailer: Per Day	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Aberaeron - South Beach (1st March - 31st October)	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Caravanettes: Per Day	£7.10	£7.50	£0.40	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Additional Charge for Caravan/Trailer: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Additional Charge for Caravan/Trailer: Per Day	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - Maesyrakon	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.80	£1.90	£0.10	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.70	£2.80	£0.10	3.7%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£4.80	£5.00	£0.20	4.2%	Inflation Linked
		Additional charge Caravan/Trailer Per Day	£4.80	£5.00	£0.20	4.2%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£16.30	£17.10	£0.80	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - Former Park and Ride Car Park - Park Avenue	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£1.90	£2.00	£0.10	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£10.10	£10.60	£0.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - Lower Park Avenue	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£1.90	£2.00	£0.10	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Heavy Vehicles: Per Day	£13.00	£13.70	£0.70	5.4%	Inflation Linked
		Coaches: Per Day	£13.00	£13.70	£0.70	5.4%	Inflation Linked

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			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
<u>Car Parks</u>			<u>Highways & Environmental Services</u>				
Long Stay	Aberystwyth - Lower Park Avenue	Additional charge for Caravan/Trailer: Per Day	£1.90	£2.00	£0.10	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£10.10	£10.60	£0.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - New Promenade (1st March - 31st October)	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Up to 2 Hours	£2.70	£2.80	£0.10	3.7%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£4.10	£4.30	£0.20	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Additional charge for Caravan/Trailer: Up to 2 Hours	£2.70	£2.80	£0.10	3.7%	Inflation Linked
		Additional charge for Caravan/Trailer: Per Day	£4.10	£4.30	£0.20	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Weekly Ticket	£16.30	£17.10	£0.80	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Caravanettes: Per Day	£7.10	£7.50	£0.40	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - North Road	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.80	£1.90	£0.10	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.70	£2.80	£0.10	3.7%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£4.10	£4.30	£0.20	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£16.30	£17.10	£0.80	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Caravanettes: Per Day	£7.10	£7.50	£0.40	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Bathhouse and Mwdan	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Heavy Vehicles: Per Day	£11.90	£12.50	£0.60	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Additional charge for Caravan/Trailer: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Quay Street	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Caravanettes: Per Day	£7.10	£7.50	£0.40	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Heavy Vehicles: Per Day	£11.90	£12.50	£0.60	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Fairfield	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Additional charge for Caravan/Trailer: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Gloster Row	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Lampeter - Rookery	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked

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<u>Car Parks</u>			<u>Highways & Environmental Services</u>				
Long Stay	Lampeter - Rookery	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Caravanettes: Per Day	£7.10	£7.50	£0.40	5.6%	Inflation Linked
		Cars: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Heavy Vehicles: Per Day	£11.90	£12.50	£0.60	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Lampeter - Cwmins	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Three Hours	£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Llandysul - Porth Terrace	Car: Two Hours	£1.00	£1.10	£0.10	10.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Four Hours	£1.40	£1.50	£0.10	7.1%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Per Day	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	New Quay - Church Road (1st March - 31st October)	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.10	£1.20	£0.10	9.1%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Caravanettes: Per Day	£7.00	£7.40	£0.40	5.7%	Inflation Linked
		Heavy Vehicles: Per Day	£11.90	£12.50	£0.60	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Coaches: Per Day	£11.90	£12.50	£0.60	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Additional charge for Caravan/Trailer: Per Day	£3.10	£3.30	£0.20	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Weekly Ticket	£10.40	£10.90	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	New Quay - Rock Street (1st March - 31st October)	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: One Hour	£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hours	£1.90	£2.00	£0.10	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£4.20	£4.40	£0.20	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Car: Weekly Ticket	£15.10	£15.90	£0.80	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Tregaron - Talbot Yard	Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Two Hour	£1.00	£1.10	£0.10	10.0%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Four Hours	£1.40	£1.50	£0.10	7.1%	Inflation Linked
		Car, Vans and Motorcycles: Per Day	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Season Tickets	Aberaeron - Lower Regent Street and North Beach	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£114.00	£120.00	£6.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£190.00	£200.00	£10.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£268.00	£281.00	£13.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£319.00	£335.00	£16.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Aberaeron - South Beach	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£114.00	£120.00	£6.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£190.00	£200.00	£10.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£268.00	£281.00	£13.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked

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<u>Car Parks</u>			<u>Highways & Environmental Services</u>				
Season Tickets	Aberystwyth - Park Avenue, Lower Park Avenue, Maesyrfaon and North Road	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£125.00	£131.00	£6.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£211.00	£222.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£293.00	£308.00	£15.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£346.00	£363.00	£17.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - Lower Park Avenue	HGVs including Coaches 6 month	£319.00	£335.00	£16.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		HGVs including Coaches 12 month	£509.00	£534.00	£25.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - New Promenade	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£125.00	£131.00	£6.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£211.00	£222.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£293.00	£308.00	£15.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Bath House, Fairfield, Mwldan & Quay Street	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£114.00	£120.00	£6.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£190.00	£200.00	£10.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£268.00	£281.00	£13.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£319.00	£335.00	£16.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		HGVs including Coaches 6 month	£319.00	£335.00	£16.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		HGVs including Coaches 12 month	£509.00	£534.00	£25.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Gloster Row	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£103.00	£108.00	£5.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£173.00	£182.00	£9.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£247.00	£259.00	£12.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£293.00	£308.00	£15.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Lampeter - Rookery and Cwmins	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£114.00	£120.00	£6.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£190.00	£200.00	£10.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£268.00	£281.00	£13.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£319.00	£335.00	£16.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Lampeter - Rookery	HGVs including Coaches 6 month	£254.00	£267.00	£13.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		HGVs including Coaches 12 month	£444.00	£466.00	£22.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Llandysul - Porth Terrace	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£84.00	£88.00	£4.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£141.00	£148.00	£7.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£195.00	£205.00	£10.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£228.00	£239.00	£11.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	New Quay - Church Road and Rock Street	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£114.00	£120.00	£6.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£190.00	£200.00	£10.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£268.00	£281.00	£13.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	New Quay - Church Road	HGVs including Coaches 6 month	£254.00	£267.00	£13.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Tregaron - Talbot Yard	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£84.50	£88.00	£3.50	4.1%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£141.00	£148.00	£7.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£195.00	£205.00	£10.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked

Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
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Car Parks**Highways & Environmental Services**

Season Tickets	Tregaron - Talbot Yard	Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£228.00	£239.00	£11.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	County Wide - Long Stay Car Parks Only	Cars and M-Cycles 3 month	£146.00	£153.00	£7.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 6 month	£247.00	£259.00	£12.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 9 month	£336.00	£353.00	£17.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Cars and M-Cycles 12 month	£417.00	£438.00	£21.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Allocated Spaces Per Annum	Aberystwyth - Poplar Row		£411.00	£432.00	£21.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Market Lane, Lower Mwldan & Pendre		£379.00	£398.00	£19.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Over 4 different registrations will incur an additional charge (per registration)		£9.30	£9.80	£0.50	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Fairfield, Cardigan - Test Driving Centre - 4 Spaces Per Annum		£1,515.00	£1,591.00	£76.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Exclusive Use of Car Park (Charge Per Day or Part thereof) Use of over 50% of car park	Aberaeron - Lower Regent Street		£195.00	£205.00	£10.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Aberaeron - North Beach		£141.00	£148.00	£7.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Aberaeron - South Beach		£238.00	£250.00	£12.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - Maesyrfaon		£422.00	£443.00	£21.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - New Promenade		£401.00	£421.00	£20.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Aberystwyth - Park Avenue		£298.00	£313.00	£15.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Bath House		£168.00	£176.00	£8.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Fairfield		£449.00	£471.00	£22.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Gloster Row / Red Lion		£70.00	£74.00	£4.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Mwldan		£105.00	£110.00	£5.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Cardigan - Quay Street		£357.00	£375.00	£18.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Lampeter - Rookery		£309.00	£324.00	£15.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Lampeter - Cwmins		£249.00	£261.00	£12.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Llandysul - Porth Terrace		£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	New Quay - Church Street		£422.00	£443.00	£21.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Tregaron - Talbot Yard		£125.00	£131.00	£6.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Use of up to 50% of a car park - number of spaces to be used x daily rate per space	Price on Application					Inflation Linked

Cemeteries**Highways & Environmental Services**

Internment*	In a vaulted grave		£1,080.00	£1,134.00	£54.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Internment	Other than a single or double grave	Price on Application					Inflation Linked
Exclusive Right of Burial*			£1,080.00	£1,134.00	£54.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Internment of ashes in Cefn Llan		£540.00	£567.00	£27.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Excavation of Graves*	First Internment		£915.00	£961.00	£46.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Subsequent Interment		£915.00	£961.00	£46.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

Appendix 3: Thriving Communities

			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Cemeteries			Highways & Environmental Services				
Excavation of Graves*	Cremated Remains		£384.00	£403.00	£19.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Additional Costs	Funerals taking place outside normal working hours		£422.00	£443.00	£21.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Right to Erect monuments and gravestones*	Headstone or Cross not exceeding 1.200m in height on graves or not exceeding 0.600m in height on plots with cremated remains		£247.00	£259.00	£12.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Right to Erect monuments and gravestones	Additional inscription per headstone (admin fee)		£61.00	£64.00	£3.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Deed	Supply of duplicate copy of a deed		£30.00	£32.00	£2.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Transfer of an existing deed		£30.00	£32.00	£2.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Extension of exclusive right of burial following expiry of original deed (additional 30 years)		£30.00	£32.00	£2.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked

In cases where the deceased is not an inhabitant of Ceredigion fees are increased by 50%. An additional 25% charge is incurred if less than two working days' notice is given.

From 23/11/2017, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between Welsh Ministers, the Welsh Local Government Association and One Voice Wales, and Cabinet Minute C121 of 06/03/2018, the Council will no longer charge the standard fees () for Child Burials and Cremations for a person under the age of 18 (including stillborn and foetal remains)*

Civil Parking Enforcement

Highways & Environmental Services

Penalty Charge	Parking waiver charge - Application fee		£27.00	£28.00	£1.00	3.7%	Inflation Linked
	Parking waiver charge - Plus fee per vehicle		£13.40	£14.10	£0.70	5.2%	Inflation Linked

These charges are in accordance with the Band 2 charge level as set out in the Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (Guidelines on the Level of Charges) (Wales) Order 2008.

Harbour Garages

Highways & Environmental Services

Garage 20,21,22,34,43,44 & 46 (per month)			£71.00	£75.00	£4.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Garage 13-19,23-33,35-38,42,45,47 (per month)			£45.50	£48.00	£2.50	5.5%	Inflation Linked

Harbour Sheds

Highways & Environmental Services

Shed 5,6 & 12 (per sq ft)			£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
Shed 1-4,7-11 (per sq ft)			£3.40	£3.60	£0.20	5.9%	Inflation Linked

Harbours

Highways & Environmental Services

Leisure Mooring Fees (per vessel per metre of overall length)*	Summer 1/4 - 31/10 - Aberystwyth	Town Quay and Pontoons	£53.00	£56.00	£3.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
		River Mooring & Inner Harbour and Hardstanding	£48.50	£51.00	£2.50	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Drying Grid	£34.00	£36.00	£2.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Summer 1/4 - 31/10 - Aberaeron & New Quay	All moorings and Hardstanding	£48.50	£51.00	£2.50	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Winter 1/11 - 31/3 - Aberystwyth	Town Quay and Pontoons, River Mooring & Inner Harbour and Hardstanding	£28.00	£29.00	£1.00	3.6%	Inflation Linked
		Drying Grid	£34.00	£36.00	£2.00	5.9%	Inflation Linked
	Winter 1/11 - 31/3 - Aberaeron & New Quay	All moorings and Hardstanding	£28.00	£29.00	£1.00	3.6%	Inflation Linked
	Summer 1/4 - 31/10 and Winter 1/11 - 31/3 - New Quay	Kayak/Windsurf Board Stand (1/5 – 31/3)	£45.50	£48.00	£2.50	5.5%	Inflation Linked

Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
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Harbours**Highways & Environmental Services**

Leisure Mooring Fees (per vessel per metre of overall length)*	Summer 1/4 - 31/10 and Winter 1/11 - 31/3 - New Quay	Pier Reserved Car Parking spaces (per annum)	£146.00	£153.00	£7.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Commercial Mooring Fees (All harbours, per boat)	Passenger Boats - Summer 1/4 - 31/10	0-5 Passengers	£449.00	£471.00	£22.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		6-25 passengers	£540.00	£567.00	£27.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		26-50 passengers	£865.00	£908.00	£43.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		51-75 passengers	£1,260.00	£1,323.00	£63.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		76+ passengers	£1,700.00	£1,785.00	£85.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Passenger Boats - Winter 1/11 - 31/3 (per metre)	All Number of Passengers	£24.50	£25.50	£1.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	Commercial fishing boats - Summer 1/4 - 31/10	Up to 6m	£545.00	£572.00	£27.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		6m to 8m	£730.00	£767.00	£37.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		8m to 10m	£910.00	£956.00	£46.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		10m to 12m	£1,095.00	£1,150.00	£55.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		12m to 14m	£1,265.00	£1,328.00	£63.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Commercial fishing boats - Winter 1/11 - 31/3 (per metre)	Any Length	£24.50	£25.50	£1.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
Deep Water Mooring Fees (All harbours, per boat)	All Boats		£136.00	£143.00	£7.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
Mooring Transfer fees (All harbours)	Commercial Boats		£1,700.00	£1,785.00	£85.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Leisure Boats		£492.00	£517.00	£25.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Passenger Loading Fee (ex Ceredigion Harbour Mooring holders) (All harbours)	All Boats		£27.00	£28.00	£1.00	3.7%	Inflation Linked
Mooring Waiting List Fee (Leisure, Commercial and Deep Water)	All Lists		£45.50	£48.00	£2.50	5.5%	Inflation Linked
Mooring Administration Fee (Leisure and Commercial)	Per Mooring		£35.00	£37.00	£2.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
Mooring Charges – Visiting Vessels (All Harbours)	Per Day	Vessels Launching using slipway and visiting yachts or motor vessels	£17.50	£18.50	£1.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
		Vessels over 80grt/per grt	£0.60	£0.60	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Services/Day: Water	£5.20	£5.50	£0.30	5.8%	Inflation Linked
		Services/Day: Electricity	£10.30	£10.80	£0.50	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Up to 1 Week	Vessels Launching using slipway and visiting yachts or motor vessels	£64.00	£67.00	£3.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Vessels over 80grt/per grt	£1.50	£1.60	£0.10	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Annual	Vessels Launching using slipway and visiting yachts or motor vessels	£201.00	£211.00	£10.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

* Measurements of vessels will be rounded up to the next whole metre. • Twin Hull Vessels x 2. • No charge for tenders marked with parent vessel name which do not need a separate mooring. • Parking is only permitted at the particular Harbour where a Mooring Fee has been paid.

Current Fee **Proposed Fee** **Change (in £)** **Change (in %)** **Type of Change**

Highways Register

Highways & Environmental Services

Request for officer opinion in relation to the extent of County classified and unclassified highways. Desk-top study (excludes rights of way).			£98.00	£103.00	£5.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Request for officer opinion in relation to the extent of County classified and unclassified highways. Desk-top study and site visit (excludes rights of way).			£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Personal Search Con29 Highway EnquiriesRequest to provide details on any existing or proposed highway road, traffic or transport scheme. (£26 per enquiry)			£29.00	£30.00	£1.00	3.5%	Inflation Linked

Information on status, extent of public highway and any existing or proposed highway road, traffic or transport scheme

Section 38 Supervision and Administration Fees

Highways & Environmental Services

Works up to £500,000	8% of value of works (£5,000 minimum charge)						No change
Works in excess of £500,000	First £500,000	8% of value of works					No change
	Next £500,000 value in excess of £0.5m	7% of value of works					No change
	Next £2m value in excess of £1m	6% of value of works					No change
	Remainder of works value in excess of £3m	5% of value of works					No change

Street Markets

Highways & Environmental Services

Summer Fairs (Cardigan & Aberystwyth)	Stall per Metre Occupied		£10.50	£11.00	£0.50	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Minimum charge per stall		£53.00	£56.00	£3.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked

Street Works

Highways & Environmental Services

New Apparatus (These charges to apply for first 100 metres of excavation.)	One House		£474.00	£497.50	£23.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Two or more Houses		£575.00	£604.00	£29.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Non-residential Development		£575.00	£604.00	£29.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Agricultural/Horticultural		£471.00	£495.00	£24.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	General Development (Residential/Industrial)		£575.00	£604.00	£29.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Repair/Renew/Maintain EXISTING Apparatus	No SWL granted		£324.00	£340.00	£16.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	SWL granted		£271.00	£285.00	£14.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Unauthorised (Retrospective) charge		£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Where the excavation is in excess of 100 metres, then a further £ will be charged for each 100 metres or part.		£206.00	£216.00	£10.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Highways Act Licences - Excavation in public highway	To maintain property		£151.00	£159.00	£8.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	To construct cellar under highway		£324.00	£340.00	£16.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	To make an opening into cellar		£324.00	£340.00	£16.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked

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			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Street Works			Highways & Environmental Services				
Highways Act Licences - Excavation in public highway	Means of admission/light		£324.00	£340.00	£16.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Unauthorised (Retrospective) charge		£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Skips		£68.00	£71.00	£3.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
	Retrospective skip licence		£93.00	£98.00	£5.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	Scaffolding		£130.00	£137.00	£7.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	Retrospective scaffold licence		£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Hoarding/Fence		£76.00	£80.00	£4.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
		Per Additional Inspection	£87.00	£91.00	£4.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	Retrospective Hoarding/Fence licence		£108.00	£113.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	Inspections (Per Additional Inspection)		£87.00	£91.00	£4.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	Vehicular Access		£249.00	£261.00	£12.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Unauthorised (Retrospective) charge		£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Materials deposited on highway		£130.00	£137.00	£7.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	Retrospective or enforcement action	Administration Charge for consideration of the Application	£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Plus £ per inspection plus retrospective licence fee plus recovery of any appropriate costs.	£87.00	£91.00	£4.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	Enforcement of road closure	Administration Charge for consideration of the Application	£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Plus £ per inspection plus retrospective licence fee plus recovery of any appropriate costs.	£87.00	£91.00	£4.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	Pavement Café (Per m²)		£48.50	£51.00	£2.50	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Advertisement Signs (Per Sign)		£48.50	£51.00	£2.50	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Supply of information	Appropriate costs will be recovered					No change

NEW ROADS AND STREET WORKS ACT 1991 (NRASWA) Street Works Licence (SWL)

Sustainable Drainage Approval Body (SAB) Fees

Highways & Environmental Services

For the pre-application service the following fees are applicable.	0.01 to 0.099 ha	Pre-app fee	£108.00	£113.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	0.1 to 0.99 ha	Pre-app fee	£108.00	£113.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Plus per 0.1ha (or part of)	£55.00	£58.00	£3.00	5.5%	Inflation Linked
	1.0 to 2.9 ha	Pre-app fee	£615.00	£646.00	£31.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Plus per 0.1ha (or part of)	£21.50	£22.50	£1.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	3.0 ha and greater	Pre-app fee	£1,080.00	£1,134.00	£54.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

Temporary Road Closures

Highways & Environmental Services

More than 5 days (by order)	To process application		£1,565.00	£1,645.00	£80.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Extension/Amendment to original application		£366.00	£384.00	£18.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked

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Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
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Temporary Road Closures

Highways & Environmental Services

More than 5 days (by order)	Diversions route preparation, if required		£366.00	£384.00	£18.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Less than 5 days (by notice)	To process application		£690.00	£725.00	£35.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Extension/Amendment to original application		£366.00	£384.00	£18.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Diversions route preparation, if required		£366.00	£384.00	£18.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Emergency	To process application		£955.00	£1,005.00	£50.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Extension/Amendment to original application		£366.00	£384.00	£18.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Diversions route preparation, if required		£366.00	£384.00	£18.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Special Events Section 16A RTRA 2004	To process application		£655.00	£690.00	£35.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Extension/Amendment to original application		£206.00	£216.00	£10.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Special Events Section 21A TPCA 1847	To process application		£46.50	£49.00	£2.50	5.4%	Inflation Linked
			£196.00	£206.00	£10.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
			£655.00	£690.00	£35.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked

Event type reflects the perceived impact on the highway network and will include consideration of the expected number of attendees including spectators. The decision on which category an event falls into will be at the absolute discretion of the Corporate Lead Officer for Highways and Environmental Service. In addition, where necessary, the cost of providing the signage by the Council will be charged at cost. Ceredigion County Council as the Highway Authority reserves the right to refuse a road closure.

Temporary Road Closures - Road Rallies

Highways & Environmental Services

Road Rally S.12a to 12E of the Road Traffic Act 1988 Motor Race Order Special Events Section 16a(RTRA 2004)	To process application		£3,925.00	£4,125.00	£200.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Fee per Race Stage(should include Diversions Route for each stage)		£975.00	£1,025.00	£50.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked

Tourist Attraction Signs

Highways & Environmental Services

Initial Assessment (Determining whether proposal is viable)			£540.00	£565.00	£25.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Design of signage scheme and provision of cost estimate for manufacture and installation of the signs			£1,020.00	£1,071.00	£51.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Provision of signs including manufacture and installation	Actual Cost						No change

Traffic Management

Highways & Environmental Services

1 week of current traffic data from a temporary traffic counter (requires installation of counter)			£620.00	£650.00	£30.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
1 week of current traffic data from an existing telemetry site			£247.00	£259.00	£12.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
1 week of existing traffic data from information already held on database			£247.00	£259.00	£12.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Collision report, interpreted listing (£ per collision, Minimum charge £))			£98.00	£103.00	£5.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Access protection markings applications			£125.00	£131.00	£6.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked

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			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
<u>Traffic Management</u>			<u>Highways & Environmental Services</u>				
Car rally applications for Road Traffic Act 1988 Section 33 Consents			£125.00	£131.00	£6.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Doctor's parking spaces applications			£67.00	£70.00	£3.00	4.5%	Inflation Linked
<u>Transport (Passenger)</u>			<u>Highways & Environmental Services</u>				
Dial a Ride	Specialised door to door transport for people unable to use ordinary forms of transport. Currently only available in the Aberystwyth area. £ per return journey up to 10 miles and 0.40p per mile in excess of 10 miles		£3.80	£4.00	£0.20	5.3%	Inflation Linked
Social Services Vehicles	Use of Vehicles to Voluntary Groups (£ per mile)		£1.40	£1.50	£0.10	7.1%	Inflation Linked
<u>Waste Collection</u>			<u>Highways & Environmental Services</u>				
Bulky Collections (Domestic Properties only)	To include only items that you would take with you when you move house – up to six items		£48.50	£51.00	£2.50	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Other items e.g. doors, window frames, empty oil tanks can be collected at actual cost – minimum charge	Price on Application					New Fee
Green Garden Waste	Bags can be purchased from Council Cash Offices. This includes collection following a request being made with the contact centre. (£ per bag)		£1.50	£1.60	£0.10	6.7%	Inflation Linked
Black Waste Bags	Bags can be purchased from Council Cash Offices (£ Per 10 Bags)		£2.60	£2.70	£0.10	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Domestic Food Waste	Kerbside container 23 litre		£4.90	£5.10	£0.20	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	Liner Bags for use in Kerbside Container per roll (26bags)		£1.60	£1.70	£0.10	6.3%	Inflation Linked
	Kitchen caddy 7 litre		£1.90	£2.00	£0.10	5.3%	Inflation Linked
Compost Bin	330 litre		£48.50	£51.00	£2.50	5.2%	Inflation Linked
Water Butt	180 litre		£48.50	£51.00	£2.50	5.2%	Inflation Linked
Wheelie Bin	140 litre Food Waste Wheelie Bin (Trade & Chargeable Household customers only)		£37.00	£39.00	£2.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
	240 litre (if collected)		£59.00	£62.00	£3.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	240 litre (including delivery)		£78.00	£82.00	£4.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	1100 litre (if collected)		£406.00	£426.00	£20.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	1100 litre (including delivery)		£464.00	£487.00	£23.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Trade and Chargeable Household Collection - Residual	Trade waste bags – Residual (orange) per bag		£4.90	£5.10	£0.20	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	240 litre bin - collection charge only		£19.50	£20.50	£1.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	1100 litre bin - collection charge only		£77.00	£81.00	£4.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Annual fee for Composite hereditaments (mixed Commercial and Domestic)		£43.50	£45.50	£2.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Trade and Chargeable Household Collection - Recycling	Trade waste bags – Recycling (lilac) per bag		£2.60	£2.70	£0.10	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Trade and Chargeable Household Collection - Food	140 litre Food bin – collection charge (lilac tag)		£5.00	£5.30	£0.30	6.0%	Inflation Linked

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			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Waste Collection			Highways & Environmental Services				
Chargeable Household Waste - Residual	Household waste bags – Residual (blue) per bag		£2.90	£3.00	£0.10	3.5%	Inflation Linked
	240 litre bin - collection charge only		£10.10	£10.60	£0.50	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	1100 litre bin - collection charge only		£43.50	£45.50	£2.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Chargeable Household Waste - Recycling	Chargeable Household waste bags – Recycling (lilac)		£2.60	£2.70	£0.10	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Chargeable Household Waste - Food	140 litre Food bin – collection charge (blue tag)		£5.00	£5.30	£0.30	6.0%	Inflation Linked
Museum Service			Schools & Culture				
Hire of Coliseum	Daytime or Evenings per hour or part thereof excluding Stage/PA/AV.		£55.00	£58.00	£3.00	5.5%	Inflation Linked
	Daytime or Evenings per hour or part thereof including use of Stage/PA/AV.		£66.00	£69.00	£3.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
	Local amenity group meetings daytime or evenings per hour or part thereof excluding Stage/PA/AV.		£27.50	£29.00	£1.50	5.5%	Inflation Linked
	Local amenity group meetings daytime or evenings per hour or part thereof including Stage/PA/AV.		£33.00	£35.00	£2.00	6.1%	Inflation Linked
	Cleaning per event on a Weekday (VAT) (Up to 2 hours)		£30.00	£32.00	£2.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Cleaning per event on Saturdays (VAT) (Up to 2 hours)		£40.00	£42.00	£2.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Cleaning per event on Sundays (VAT) (Up to 2 hours)		£47.00	£49.00	£2.00	4.3%	Inflation Linked
	Cleaning per event on Bank Holidays (VAT) (Up to 2 hours)		£58.00	£61.00	£3.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Wedding Option 1: Up to 3 hour (Weekday)		£600.00	£630.00	£30.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Wedding Option 1: Up to 3 hour (Weekend)		£650.00	£683.00	£33.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Wedding Option 2: Up to 6 hours (Weekday)		£750.00	£788.00	£38.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
	Wedding Option 2: Up to 6 hours (Weekend)		£800.00	£840.00	£40.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Wedding Option 3: Up to 9 hours (Weekday)		£1,000.00	£1,050.00	£50.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Wedding Option 3: Up to 9 hours (Weekend)		£1,200.00	£1,260.00	£60.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Wedding Option 4: Up to 12 hours (Weekday/Weekend)		£1,600.00	£1,680.00	£80.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
Charges for photographs (Public use)	Up to A5 print from digital image on photographic paper		£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Up to A4 print from digital image on photographic paper		£7.00	£7.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Up to A3 print from digital image on photographic paper		£15.00	£16.00	£1.00	6.7%	Inflation Linked
	Up to A5 print from digital image on plain paper		£3.00	£3.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Up to A4 print from digital image on plain paper		£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Up to A3 print from digital image on plain paper		£11.00	£12.00	£1.00	9.1%	Inflation Linked
	Digital image sent by e-mail		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Digital image sent on disc (plus £1 per each additional image)		£12.00	£13.00	£1.00	8.3%	Inflation Linked
Charges for photographs (Commercial)	Digital image sent by e-mail (just under 1mb)	Educational/Academic	£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Books	£25.00	£26.00	£1.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
		Magazines	£37.00	£39.00	£2.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked

			<u>Current</u> <u>Fee</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Fee</u>	<u>Change</u> <u>(in £)</u>	<u>Change</u> <u>(in %)</u>	<u>Type of</u> <u>Change</u>
<u>Museum Service</u>							
							<u>Schools & Culture</u>
Charges for photographs (Commercial use)	Digital image sent on disc	Educational/Academic (plus £3.00 for each additional image)	£12.00	£13.00	£1.00	8.3%	Inflation Linked
		Books (plus £10.00 for each additional image)	£37.00	£39.00	£2.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
		Magazines (plus £20.00 for each additional image)	£62.00	£65.00	£3.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Real photography, especially commissioned	£40.00	£42.00	£2.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked

Current Fee **Proposed Fee** **Change (in £)** **Change (in %)** **Type of Change**

Council Set Fees and Charges (Proposed Fees and Charges from 01/04/2022)

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Archives Services

Customer Contact

Research (Per Hour)			£21.00	£22.00	£1.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
Photocopies or computer print-out supplied by member of staff - Black and White	A4 each		£0.15	£0.15	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	A3 each		£0.30	£0.30	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Photocopies or computer print-out supplied by member of staff - Colour	A4 each		£0.60	£0.60	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	A3 each		£1.20	£1.30	£0.10	8.3%	Inflation Linked
CD-Roms	Each		£1.00	£1.10	£0.10	10.0%	Inflation Linked
Photographs	Set up fee		£7.00	£7.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Per image thereafter (max. 20 images per order)		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Scans to e-mail	Low resolution scan each (PDF format ONLY, not JPG)		£3.00	£3.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	High resolution scan each		£8.00	£8.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Vehicle registration authentication	Per vehicle (including photocopy of the register entry)		£7.00	£7.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	A3 colour photocopy of register entry (incl. postage and packing)		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Births, Deaths and Marriages

Customer Contact

Registrars	Approved Premises License (for a 3 year period)(£600 of total payable at time of application (non-refundable))		£1,029.00	£1,080.00	£51.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Approved Premises License (for a 5 year period)(£600 of total payable at time of application (non-refundable))		£1,622.00	£1,703.00	£81.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Additional advertising/administration fee for new Approved Premises License Applications		£346.00	£363.00	£17.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Marriage/Civil Partnership/Other Ceremonies fee at Approved Premises (Monday to Thursday)		£442.00	£442.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Marriage/Civil Partnership/Other Ceremonies fee at Approved Premises (Friday and Saturday)		£494.00	£494.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Marriage/Civil Partnership/Other Ceremonies fee at Approved (Sunday or Bank Holiday)		£697.00	£697.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Additional payment for a "bespoke" ceremony package		£50.00	£50.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Marriage fee at the Ceredigion County Council approved premises		£171.00	£171.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Civil Partnership fee at the Ceredigion County Council approved premises		£171.00	£171.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Other Ceremonies fee at the Ceredigion County Council approved premises		£171.00	£171.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Booking/administration fee for all Ceremonies (Non refundable)		£30.00	£30.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Current Fee **Proposed Fee** **Change (in £)** **Change (in %)** **Type of Change**

Births, Deaths and Marriages

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Registrars	Private Citizenship Ceremony at the Ceredigion Register Office		£36.00	£38.00	£2.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Postage (Optional)	First Class Signed For Post		£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
			£2.00	£2.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Library Services

Customer Contact

Book Fines	Adults	Per Day	£0.20	£0.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Maximum	Per item	£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
DVD/Blu-ray	Loan Charge	Per title (3 titles at a time)	£2.60	£2.80	£0.20	7.7%	Inflation Linked
	Concession	Per title (3 titles at a time)	£1.40	£1.40	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Fines	Per Day	£0.50	£0.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Maximum	£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Classic DVD		Per title (3 titles at a time)	£1.00	£1.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
CD	Talking Book	Per title (3 titles at a time)	£1.50	£1.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Concession	Per title (3 titles at a time)	£0.60	£0.60	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Fines	Per day	£0.25	£0.25	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Maximum	£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Talking Book	Registered blind - Free					No change
Reservations		Per item for Books within Wales - Free					No change
		Books on inter-library loans outside Wales	£5.00	£5.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Rate of Books	Some items may be individually priced		£0.50	£0.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Replacement Library Card			£1.00	£1.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Internet: Printout	Black & White A4		£0.10	£0.10	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Colour A4		£0.20	£0.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Black & White A3		£0.20	£0.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Colour A3		£0.40	£0.40	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Photocopying

Customer Contact

Black & White Photocopying per side A4			£0.10	£0.10	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Black & White Photocopying per side A3			£0.20	£0.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Colour Photocopying per side A4			£0.20	£0.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Colour Photocopying per side A3			£0.40	£0.40	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Plan Printing/Photocopying	AO size (per sheet)		£6.80	£6.80	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	A1 size (per sheet)		£3.60	£3.60	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	A2 size (per sheet)		£2.50	£2.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change

			<u>Current Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	<u>Change (in £)</u>	<u>Change (in %)</u>	<u>Type of Change</u>
<u>Election of Town and Community Councillors</u>			<u>Democratic Services</u>				
Contested	Returning Officer: For the general conduct of the election and performance of all duties which a Returning Officer is required to perform under any order or other enactment relating to the election of Councillors. For each Electoral Division, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward.		£227.00	£238.00	£11.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Deputy Returning Officer: Deputising for the Returning Officer, attending to receive nomination papers, examining them and adjudicating on their validity; dealing with candidates; notifying candidates of decisions on nominations, publishing statements of persons nominated and attending to receive withdrawals. For each Electoral Division, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward.		£155.00	£163.00	£8.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
Uncontested	Returning Officer: For the general conduct of the election and performance of all duties which a Returning Officer is required to perform under any order or other enactment relating to the election of Councillors. For each Electoral Division, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward.		£72.00	£76.00	£4.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
	Deputy Returning Officer: Deputising for the Returning Officer, attending to receive nomination papers, examining them and adjudicating on their validity; dealing with candidates; notifying candidates of decisions on nominations, publishing statements of persons nominated and attending to receive withdrawals. For each Electoral Division, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward.		£62.00	£65.00	£3.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	Clerical Assistance: For each Electoral Division, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward.		£36.00	£38.00	£2.00	5.6%	Inflation Linked
Issuing of Postal Votes	Per Hour		£12.00	£15.00	£3.00	25.0%	Recalculated Fee
Opening of Postal Votes			£12.00	£12.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Issuing & Opening of Postal Votes	Up to 1,000 electors		£113.00	£119.00	£6.00	5.3%	Inflation Linked
	Up to 2,000 electors		£155.00	£163.00	£8.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Up to 3,000 electors		£227.00	£238.00	£11.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
	Up to 4,000 electors		£299.00	£314.00	£15.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
	Over 4,000 electors		£371.00	£390.00	£19.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Single Election	Polling Station Staff	Presiding Officer	£195.00	£240.00	£45.00	23.1%	Recalculated Fee
		Poll Clerk	£115.00	£150.00	£35.00	30.4%	Recalculated Fee
	Conducting the Count - For each Electoral Division, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward Count	Head of Table (Per Hour)	£12.00	£12.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
		Count Assistants (Per Hour)	£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 500 electors	£62.00	£65.00	£3.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked

Appendix 4: Corporate Resources							
			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Election of Town and Community Councillors			Democratic Services				
Single Election	Conducting the Count - For each Electoral Divison, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward Count	Up to 1,000 electors	£93.00	£98.00	£5.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 2,000 electors	£118.00	£124.00	£6.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 3,000 electors	£155.00	£163.00	£8.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 4,000 electors	£180.00	£189.00	£9.00	5.0%	Inflation Linked
		Over 4,000 electors	£211.00	£222.00	£11.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
		Recount Costs - Free					No change
Additional Fee for joint election	Polling Station Staff	Presiding Officer	£52.00	£55.00	£3.00	5.8%	Inflation Linked
		Poll Clerk	£31.00	£33.00	£2.00	6.5%	Inflation Linked
	Conducting the Count - For each Electoral Divison, Community/Town Council, Community/Town Council Ward Count	Up to 500 electors	£31.00	£33.00	£2.00	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 1,000 electors	£31.00	£33.00	£2.00	6.5%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 2,000 electors	£41.00	£43.00	£2.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 3,000 electors	£46.00	£48.00	£2.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
		Up to 4,000 electors	£52.00	£55.00	£3.00	5.8%	Inflation Linked
		Over 4,000 electors	£62.00	£65.00	£3.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
		Recount Costs	50% of the above fees				No change
Postal Voting & Poll Cards	Issue & Receipt of Postal Votes (per 100 or part thereof)	Single Election	£64.00	£67.00	£3.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Additional Fee for joint election	£64.00	£67.00	£3.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
		Issue of Poll Cards	Purchase & Postage costs only				No change
Travelling: Public transport if available, otherwise inland revenue tax free rate.	Per mile		£0.45	£0.45	£0.00	0.0%	No change
General: Printing, Stationery, Equipment, Postage, Hire of Premises as polling station and similar expenses associated with the conduct of the election	Actual & necessary expenditure						No change
Electoral Registration			Democratic Services				
Electoral roll letter of confirmation (including extract of register if required)			£31.00	£33.00	£2.00	6.5%	Inflation Linked
Translation			Democratic Services				
Hire of a set of Translation Equipment	Per day (1 set = 20 Headsets)		£31.00	£33.00	£2.00	6.5%	Inflation Linked
Lost headset replacement charge			£273.00	£287.00	£14.00	5.1%	Inflation Linked
Facilities Hire (Bandstand)			Economy & Regeneration				
Charges Group A	Aberystwyth Bandstand	Weekday - Per day session	£61.00	£64.00	£3.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£109.00	£114.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekend - Per day session	£70.00	£74.00	£4.00	5.7%	Inflation Linked
		Weekend - Per evening session	£109.00	£114.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked

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Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
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Facilities Hire (Bandstand)

Economy & Regeneration

Charges Group B	Aberystwyth Bandstand	Weekday - Per day session	£93.00	£98.00	£5.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
		Weekday - Per evening session	£109.00	£114.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekend - Per day session	£109.00	£114.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
		Weekend - Per evening session	£109.00	£114.00	£5.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked

Garages – Ground Rent

Economy & Regeneration

Bro Henllys, Felinfach & Bryn y Mor, Aberystwyth (per annum)			£163.00	£171.00	£8.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
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Land Charges (Local)

Economy & Regeneration

Enquires	One Parcel of land		£150.00	£150.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
CON29(R) Enquires	Additional parcel of land		£14.20	£14.20	£0.00	0.0%	No change
CON29(O) Enquiries	Each Printed Enquiry		£16.00	£16.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Own Written Enquiry		£18.50	£18.50	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Admin fee for an enquiry not linked to a CON29(R)		£12.40	£12.40	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Admin Fee for additional copy of pre 2002 search results			£18.00	£18.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Market Halls

Economy & Regeneration

Per stall per month - 6 days per week trading throughout the year (Fees quoted exclude VAT)	Stall 1-4,6-11,13-15		£191.00	£200.00	£9.00	4.7%	Inflation Linked
	Stall 5,12,16		£220.00	£230.00	£10.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Incubator Units – per unit per month. All incubator units have a rent free period for the first 6 months of a new occupant's licence.	Incubator Unit 1 - 4		£68.00	£70.00	£2.00	2.9%	Inflation Linked

Business Rates Summons/Liability Order

Finance & Procurement

NNDR Summons			£40.00	£40.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
NNDR Liability Order (Subject to Court Approval plus Actual Court listing fee charged on top)			£30.00	£30.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Council Tax Summons/Liability Order

Finance & Procurement

Council Tax Summons			£40.00	£40.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Council Tax Liability Order (Subject to Court Approval plus Actual Court listing fee charged on top)			£30.00	£30.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change

Legal Services

Legal & Governance

Section 38/278 charge	1% fee on up to the first £500,000 worth of works	Minimum £1,050 - Maximum £5,250					No change
	Section 38/278 variation charge		£598.00	£622.00	£24.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked

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			Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
Legal Services							
Legal & Governance							
Section 38/278 charge	Request for copy Section 38/278 including location plan. (£ dependent on size of plans)		£44.00	£46.00	£2.00	4.6%	Inflation Linked
Section 106 charge	Legal Element		£900.00	£922.00	£22.00	2.4%	Inflation Linked
	Planning Element		£182.00	£189.00	£7.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Unilateral Section 106 Charge	Legal Element		£900.00	£922.00	£22.00	2.4%	Inflation Linked
	Planning Element		£182.00	£189.00	£7.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Variation to Section 106 charge	Legal Element		£598.00	£613.00	£15.00	2.5%	Inflation Linked
Deed of Covenant under a Section 106			£348.00	£362.00	£14.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
Letter/certificate of consent under a Section 106			£53.00	£55.00	£2.00	3.8%	Inflation Linked
Request for Copy s.106. (£ dependent on complexity of charge)			£28.00	£29.00	£1.00	3.6%	Inflation Linked
Transfer or Agreement for Purchase/Sale. (£ dependant on complexity)			£549.00	£571.00	£22.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
Lease/Agreement for Lease	Lease/Agreement for Lease. (£ dependant on complexity)		£865.00	£900.00	£35.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	Variation of Lease. (£ dependant on complexity)		£380.00	£395.00	£15.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
	Consent to assign/sub-let, etc.		£122.00	£127.00	£5.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
	Licence or Deed of Covenant to assign/sub-let etc.		£365.00	£380.00	£15.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
Copy notifications of disposals required by deeds			£53.00	£55.00	£2.00	3.8%	Inflation Linked
Request for Copy Deed (£ dependent on size of Deed)			£23.00	£24.00	£1.00	4.4%	Inflation Linked
Removal of Restriction/Charge (Plus Land Registry Fees)			£61.00	£63.00	£2.00	3.3%	Inflation Linked
Easement (Minimum £)			£385.00	£400.00	£15.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Variation of Easement (Minimum £)			£221.00	£230.00	£9.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
Licence for Works (Minimum £)			£365.00	£380.00	£15.00	4.1%	Inflation Linked
Licence to Occupy (Minimum £)			£385.00	£400.00	£15.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Fee for Deferred Payment Agreements			£274.00	£285.00	£11.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
Removal of Legal Charge on a Deferred Payment Agreement (Plus Land Registry Fees)			£61.00	£63.00	£2.00	3.3%	Inflation Linked
Deed of Variation			£454.00	£472.00	£18.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
Sewage Treatment Works - Drainage Licence			£206.00	£214.00	£8.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
Legal Services fee for Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) Agreements	For adoption agreements relating to Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) plus disbursements (to include any SuDS applications currently with the SAB for consideration)		£1,082.00	£1,125.00	£43.00	4.0%	Inflation Linked
Disbursements on any of the above cases such as, but not limited to, Land Registry fees, Companies House fees etc	As set by Land Registry, Companies House etc.						No change

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Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Change (in £)	Change (in %)	Type of Change
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Human Resources

People & Organisation

Delivery of training to external agencies	Full Day		£750.00	£750.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Half Day		£375.00	£375.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Fee for individual member of staff from an external agency to attend training	Full Day		£100.00	£100.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
	Half Day		£50.00	£50.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
DBS Admin Charge			£22.00	£28.00	£6.00	27.3%	Recalculated Fee
Non-attendance at training or cancellation within 5 working days of training.			£25.00	£25.00	£0.00	0.0%	No change
Delivery of virtual/online training to external agencies	2 hr online session			£250.00			New Fee
Union Deductions Admin Fee - 2.5%							No change

Street Naming & Numbering

Policy, Performance & Public Protection

Change of house name			£56.00	£59.00	£3.00	5.4%	Inflation Linked
Register single plot			£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Register single plot with flats			£82.00	£86.00	£4.00	4.9%	Inflation Linked
Naming & numbering developments	Plus £ per flat		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked
	For 2-5 plots		£192.00	£202.00	£10.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Plus £ per plot		£26.00	£27.00	£1.00	3.9%	Inflation Linked
	6 - 25 plots		£192.00	£202.00	£10.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Plus £ per plot		£21.00	£22.00	£1.00	4.8%	Inflation Linked
	26 - 75 plots		£192.00	£202.00	£10.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Plus £ per plot		£16.00	£17.00	£1.00	6.3%	Inflation Linked
	76+ plots		£192.00	£202.00	£10.00	5.2%	Inflation Linked
	Plus £ per plot		£10.00	£11.00	£1.00	10.0%	Inflation Linked

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**Minutes of the Meeting of THRIVING COMMUNITIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE
held at the ZOOM on Thursday, 20 January 2022**

PRESENT; Councillor Marc Davies (Chairman), Councillors Euros Davies (Vice-Chair), Clive Davies, Gareth Davies, Gethin Davies, Ifan Davies, Meirion Davies, Rhodri Davies, Elizabeth Evans, Keith Evans, Gwyn James, Lyndon Lloyd MBE, Dai Mason and John Roberts

Also in attendance: Councillors Rhodri Evans, Ray Quant, Dafydd Edwards (until 10:45am), Alun Williams, Gareth Lloyd, Ellen ap Gwynn (Leader of the Council) and Catherine Hughes. (Cabinet Members).

Councillor Ceredig Davies was also present as an Attendee (non-Committee Member).

Steve Wilson, Managing Director of Wastewater, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water, Owain George Daniel, Planning Liaison Manager, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water.

Officers in attendance: Rhodri Llwyd, Corporate Lead Officer, Highways and Environmental, Sarah Groves-Phillips, Planning Policy Service Manager, Phil Jones, Corporate Manager, Highways Services, Owen Stephens, Senior Engineer, Norman Birch, Ash-die back Officer, Gerwyn Jones, Corporate Manager Environmental Services, , Beverley Hodgett, Service Manager, Nicola Parry, Parking Services Manager, Lyndon Griffiths, Corporate Manager, Russell Hughes Pickering, Corporate Lead Officer, Economy & Regeneration, Lisa Evans, Standards and Scrutiny Officer, Dwynwen Jones, Overview and Scrutiny Officer, Iona Davies and Carol Thomas (Translators).

(10:00am – 2:05pm)

26 Apologies

Councillor John Adams-Lewis apologised for his inability to attend the meeting.

Representatives from Natural Resources Wales apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

Councillor Dafydd Edwards, Cabinet Member, apologised that he would be leaving the meeting at 10:45am due to another commitment, however, Cllr Edwards had made prior arrangements for the relevant Officers to present the reports in his absence.

**27 Disclosures of personal interest (including whipping declarations)
Members are reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and prejudicial interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act**

2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. In addition, Members must declare any prohibited party whip which the Member has been given in relation to the meeting as per the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011.

Councillor Euros Davies disclosed a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in regard to agenda item 3, Natural Resources Wales and Dwr Cymru Welsh Water.

Planning and Phosphates - Councillor Clive Davies disclosed a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in regard to agenda item number 6, Pay and Display Car Parks. Both left the meeting during discussions.

28 Natural Resources Wales and Dwr Cymru Welsh Water planning and phosphates discussion

Representatives from Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) attended the meeting as requested at a previous Thriving Communities meeting. The request from Committee Members was to discuss the phosphate situation in Ceredigion, as well as issues around Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) discharging effluent into the other riverine areas of Ceredigion (namely Aberaeron harbour) and response times for consultations by the Development Management Service. DCWW Officers relevant to those topic areas in question agreed to attend this morning's meeting.

The Chair welcomed and thanked Steve Wilson and Owain George Daniel for attending the meeting and for their readiness to speak with Committee Members regarding this issue of concern. The Chairman expressed his disappointment that Representatives from NRW were not in attendance only having advised Council Officers yesterday evening that they could no longer attend.

Sarah Groves-Phillips introduced the background and current situation to the issues raised.

In January 2021 Natural Resources Wales released interim planning advice regarding development with the catchments of riverine Special Areas of Conservation SACs in Wales. This advice was to ensure compliance monitoring of the River Teifi which was suffering from episodic failure of its Phosphate level monitoring, no further development would be allowed which could increase or potentially increase phosphate levels in the riverine SAC.

Steve Wilson then gave a power point presentation outlining Dwr Cymru Welsh Water's plans. He also explained the process of mitigating the phosphates issue. Owain George Daniel assured Committee Members that there is ongoing background work being undertaken. He advised the Committee that relevant Stakeholders are fully engaged in this process.

The guidance issued has had significant knock-on impact across the County; namely:

1. Lampeter, Tregaron, Llandysul and surrounding settlements are affected;

2. The Local Development Plan has been put on hold;
3. Allocated sites within the affected areas are unable to be delivered (over 500 homes of which 114 were to be affordable);
4. Planning applications have had to be held in abeyance or refused;
5. Dwr Cymru Welsh Water has confirmed only one WWTP has phosphate stripping in place in Ceredigion located in Llanddewi Brefi, and there are unconfirmed plans that 1 other in Tregaron may be included in the 2025-2030 AMP period; and;
6. Preliminary source apportionment work (for DCWW on the River Wye) demonstrates a significant proportion of phosphates comes from agriculture as well as WWTP's.

Committee Members then had the opportunity to question DCWW and CCC Officers and the main points/concerns raised were:

- It was confirmed that following collection of samples from the Rivers, an Independent Source scrutinises the level of phosphates present;
- Concern was raised regarding Tregaron, Lampeter and Llandysul Towns as there are no plans for the next five years, which will result in no new approved developments. Steve Wilson responded advising that the AMP8 plan can still be amended;
- There is a firm commitment from DCWW to investigate appropriate solutions;
- NRW need to be persuaded to consider catchments rather than locations;
- Concern was raised in regard to discharge of raw sewage into the river Aeron, Aberaeron. Steve Wilson confirmed this is an issue he is aware of and will discuss with Councillor Elizabeth Evans, Local Member, following the meeting;
- A Member asked whether chemical filtration should be abandoned? Steve Wilson replied that there is a drive for a nature based low carbon, low chemical approach to treatment, but, unfortunately the only technique which offers a degree of certainty at present is chemical;
- In response to a question regarding bathing water, Steve Wilson confirmed that DCWW are 100% committed to ensure clean waters on all beaches;
- Fishing trade in the River Teifi is an issue of concern at present;
- A Member stated that there are un-adopted sewage works in old estates bought during the 1986 reform and many still have to pay high maintenance repairs of up to £900.00 per annum. DCWW confirmed that due to the phosphate issues they cannot be adopted at present;
- In response to a question Owain George Daniel stated that there is a willingness to enable development types that would not impact phosphates to ensure local trade can continue;
- The Leader of the Council, Councillor Ellen ap Gwynn and Councillor Rhodri Evans stated that the Cabinet has sent a letter to Mark Drakeford, First Minister, Julie James, Minister for Climate Change, Leslie Griffiths, Minister for Rural Affairs, and Vaughan Gething, Minister for Economy, regarding the Authorities Economic and Development concerns due to Phosphates, and no reply has been received to date;
- The Leader also confirmed that she has together with the Chief Executive, Eifion Evans, met with Natural Resources Wales. Councillor Ap Gwynn expressed her disappointment that no NRW representative was in attendance at this meeting;

- In response to a comment regarding the River Teifi not being far from compliant, DCWW stated that there is work in progress that provides some hope of a solution in the not too distant future and the importance of working collaboratively is a key requirement for the suggested successful outcome;
- A Nutrient Management Board comprising all relevant Stakeholders has been set up and are due to meet in the near future; and;
- It was suggested that DCWW approach IBERS as they are currently undertaking research at present to see if they can help with possible solutions.

The Chairman, on behalf of Committee Members, thanked the Officers from Welsh Water Dwr Cymru for attending and for their valued contribution at the meeting. The Chairman also thanked Sarah Groves-Phillips.

It was suggested and agreed by Committee Members that the Chairman writes to Natural Resources Wales, expressing their disappointment that a representative did not attend the meeting as was previously agreed.

29 Ash Dieback - Update for Information

Phil Jones introduced the report providing background information regarding the situation relating to Ash-die back. Ash Die-back (ADB) will lead to the decline and death of up to 95% of Ash trees in the UK, with the Ash being widespread across Ceredigion and across Wales. This includes outside of woodlands in the form of hedgerow and specimen trees along roads, other public rights of way (PROW's) and in public spaces. Ash is one of our three main hedgerow trees, alongside oak and beech.

The risk is that dead and diseased trees are likely to pose a health and safety danger to the public, together with the significant economic, environmental and landscape impact. The situation is of such a concern that Ash-die back is on the Authority's Risk Register.

Phil Jones advised the Committee of the work completed to date as outlined in the report. He then advised Members of the planned work for the coming months, as listed below:

1. Develop and maintain a continuity of response across all services likely to be in Contact with the public in relation to Ash Dieback to include:

- Coast and Countryside – Tree Officer
- Public Rights of Way
- Public Protection
- Planning/Building control
- Parks & Gardens

2. Deliver the communications plan, to provide information and guidance to:

- Farmers
- Foresters
- Woodland owners
- Other landowners
- Tree professionals (especially those not in professional associations)
- Government and agency staff

- Colleges
 - General public
 - Media
3. Analysis of survey data:
- April 2022 – March 2023, Prioritise works program of trees owned by Ceredigion, as per agreed tree risk matrix
 - Prioritise issuing of section 154 notices (Highway & PROW) and section 23 of the Miscellaneous provisions act notices (Council owned & public access land) to private landowners as, per agreed tree risk matrix
 - Send guidance/advice letters to private owners of lower risk trees, as per agreed tree risk matrix.
4. Manage reactive actions to ADB - Initial advice letter & section 154 notices to Landowners (issues raised other than from surveys)
- Issues raised by members of the public
 - Ceredigion staff
 - Other stakeholders
5. Produce and tender surveying works for 2022 - 2023
- Produce and tender surveying works as per Ash Dieback Action Plan for 22/23
 - Further investigation required to determine and review use of innovative solutions for surveying (Satellite imagery, drone surveying etc)

Norman Birch and Owen Stephens were also present to answer any questions.

A Committee Member asked if the possibility of purchasing machinery and using in-house Staff to undertake this work had been explored as requested during a previous meeting on the 15 January 2020, recommended to Cabinet on the 28 January 2020 as follows:

- *Explore the opportunity of establishing a team within the authority with the appropriate machinery to undertake the felling work due to potentially being more cost-effective instead of contracting out the work. The bi-product could be used for biomass therefore providing an additional saving to the authority.*

Officers confirmed that this option had not been considered to date. A Committee Member enquired whether the chip from the trees could be stored and used for the biomass. Norman Birch stated that using the ash bi-product as a fuel for the Authority's bio-mass would likely be unsuitable, however, it should be investigated and considered further as an option.

It was agreed that a recommendation be presented again to Cabinet as follows:

- *that a feasibility study is undertaken to explore options for this work to be undertaken internally, and the bi-products use for fuelling the Authority's biomass, and that this is then reported back to the Committee.*

Members were asked to note the update as information only. The Chairman thanked the Officers for the information.

At a previous meeting, Members requested specific information from Officers as follows:

1. A report outlining what efficiency benefits have accrued from the re-design of the routes and are they as predicted or exceeded what was envisaged in the redesign document.
2. Quantify the additional fuel costs attributed to the redesigning of the routes, net of any increase in day to day increase in fuel costs.
3. Quantify any additional wear and tear cost to the collection vehicles as a consequence of routes redesign.
4. Quantify any additional labour cost in terms of overtime etc. associated as a Direct consequent of route redesign.
5. Provide comparison data of missed weekly collection rates for the past 3 years.
6. Provide an update report of the direction the department will pursue in Renewing the collection fleet, bearing in mind their impact on the environment and the Council's aspiration to become a carbon free Council.
7. Provide a brief report on what stage we are currently at, regarding the Proposed Waste transfer station at Penrhos.
8. Provide comparative data for the last 2 years in reported fly tipping incidents.
9. Provide update re usage / tonnage deposited at our Civic Amenity Sites over the last year.
10. Provide an estimate of when the garden waste service is likely to be reinstated.

Gerwyn Jones presented the report explaining that questions 1 to 4 above relate to a new kerbside waste collection service and that due to COVID-19's new ways of working a review of this service had not been possible. Beverley Hodgett was also present to answer any questions.

Gerwyn Jones explained that the report does contain some data in Relation to the service's performance and constraints. An update was provided by means of a Power Point presentation to the Committee which included the Service's Objectives, Performance against Objectives, recent changes, Kerbside Collection Service and it's Performance, impact of Covid-19, Customer Care, Household Waste Sites, Missed bins and Fly Tipping, Strategy.

Members were then given the opportunity to ask questions which were answered in turn by Officers. Main points arising from discussion were:

- In response to a question, Officers confirmed that the public cannot take recycling bags to Household Waste Sites unless they have sorted its contents in readiness to place in the relevant skips;
- Members asked whether it is possible for the Council Website to be updated regularly throughout the day, rather than at the end of the working day; and;
- Members were complimentary of the purple bag service.

Members agreed to note the content of the report and requested another update in due course. The Chairman and Cabinet Member thanked the Staff for their hard work and commitment in continuing to provide this Service during the pandemic.

31 Pay and Display Car Parks

Members requested a report with further details to the proposals presented to the Committee on the 10 October 2019. Following that meeting, the Committee recommended to Cabinet:

- Further work is undertaken with regards to the proposals suggested in terms of the pay and display car parks; and;
- The required consultation processes in respect of the Pendre Car Park, Cardigan, proposal are pursued.

Gerwyn Jones advised Committee Members of the current situation via a Power point presentation stating that the COVID-19 pandemic has had significant impact on the Service's ability to progress projects and work beyond maintaining the delivery of front-line services.

The Parking Services team have been heavily involved with the Council's Corporate response to the pandemic which has seen staff redeployed to roles in the Test, Trace and Protect Team, Public Protection and to also support activities such as the delivery of food boxes to vulnerable individuals.

As the situation with the pandemic has evolved so has the response and in the case of the Parking Services team resumption of its full suite of activities, which are mainly related to monitoring, advising and enforcement work associated with the Council's Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) scheme and managing the portfolio of pay and display car parks, has taken place.

A new Parking Services Manager, Nicola Parry, was appointed and has been in Post since July 2021. The role had been vacant for over 12 months prior to this date due to the pandemic and the Environmental Services restructure. In addition to the Parking Services Manager, the small Parking Services Team currently consists of 4 x Parking Services Officers and 1 x Parking Services Works Leader.

There is currently 1 x vacant Parking Services Officer post and a recruitment process is ongoing in respect of this.

The small Parking Services Team are deployed on a prioritised basis where the need is deemed most and where their presence is likely to have a positive impact on issues or concerns. There are some issues and locations, such as in the vicinity of schools at the start and the end of the school day, and situations, such as pavement parking, where the scope of the team to influence these is limited.

Officers then advised the Committee of the amount of tickets purchased and income from all Ceredigion Town Pay and Display Car Parks as shown in the Report. The years 2020/21 and 2021/22 will obviously have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic both in terms of usage and income

generated via the machines.

Officers then referred to the information in relation to season tickets for use within the Ceredigion Pay and Display Car Parks.

Progress has been made following the suggestion from the Committee in October 2019 with regard to the provision of more card only parking machines. The Council's Pay and Display Car Parks have been cashless since the 1 December 2020. The transition, taking into account the number of transactions made, has gone well with arrangements reviewed and improved on an on-going basis to reflect feedback received and experience. The report to Cabinet, presented on the 12 January 2021 can be viewed via the following link:

[http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/cpd/Democratic_Services_Meetings_Public/\(Dwyieithog\)%20-%20Cashless%20Car%20Parking%20Charges.pdf](http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/cpd/Democratic_Services_Meetings_Public/(Dwyieithog)%20-%20Cashless%20Car%20Parking%20Charges.pdf)

It is proposed to rationalise the offering across the car parks and to charge a consistent price per space for these across the portfolio of car parks, as detailed on pages 49 and 50 of the report. If there was an appetite to consider rationalising the charging structure, further modelling work would be required to forecast the impact on income generation. Due to the level of income generated careful consideration would need to be given to the options considered.

Members were then given the opportunity to ask questions which were Answered in turn by Officers. Main points are:

- A Member stated that there is a suggestion in the report to commence charging at Llandysul and Tregaron car parks. This will be considered further during the Budget Preparation. The Member suggested that Committee Members consider how this would impact on both town centres in terms of economic activity. And confirmed that he did not consider that introducing car park charges would be cost effective for the Authority in both cases;
- A Committee Member referred to the cashless machines as not user friendly and suggested they re-visit this issue. The Officer confirmed that the need to insert registration number had already been removed following a Scrutiny suggestion; and;
- A Member stated that Wales Audit Office have recognised that the cost of car parking are key barriers to visiting Town Centres, therefore having an adverse effect on the economy.

Following discussion, Committee Members were asked to consider the Following recommendation:

- That the Committee supports further work to be undertaken on the concept of rationalising the charging structure at Ceredigion County Council's Pay and Display Car Parks.

Committee Members agreed to support further work to be undertaken on the

concept of rationalising the charging structure at Ceredigion County Council's Pay and Display Car Parks.

The Chairman thanked the Officers for the information.

32 Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment 2022

Sarah Groves-Phillips presented the report relating to the assessment of Gypsy and Traveller accommodation needs, and the duty to make provision for sites where the assessment identifies need, became statutory requirements under Section 101 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014.

The purpose of a Gypsy Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) is to ensure Local Authorities better understand how many Gypsy and Traveller pitches are required in their area, and should form a robust evidence base for local planning policies which meet those needs.

The GTAA must be carried out at least every five years and in this context Welsh Government published 'Undertaking Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessments Guidance' (2015) to assist Local Authorities in producing a robust assessment of Gypsy and Traveller accommodation needs in their area.

Ceredigion County Council submitted a GTAA to Welsh Government in January 2020, and received feedback requesting further work be undertaken on the potential need for transit site in the county. However following this advice, the Covid 19 pandemic emerged and this made engagement very difficult. Thus, Welsh Government provided an extension to all LPAs to undertake their GTAA until February 2022, in order to allow sufficient engagement with the GT community to be undertaken. The GTAA has been prepared in consultation with the Gypsy Traveller Steering Group.

The Officer stated that this report presents the results of the 2022 Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment undertaken by the Authority.

Currently there are no local authority Gypsy Traveller sites and only one authorised private site in the county. There is no permanent provision for Showmen. New Travellers are believed to be present in the County but the Council holds no records of their location. Since June 2016, ethnicity has been included in the housing register application process which identified four members of the Gypsy Traveller community, three of whom are not currently living in Ceredigion and one who lives in bricks and mortar accommodation.

There are two further members of the Gypsy Traveller community who have been housed in bricks and mortar accommodation for a number of years and prior to the ability to identify ethnicity through the housing register application process.

As expected, it has proved extremely difficult to locate the target population for this assessment. From the very small number of questionnaires returned and interviews/site visits carried out, and discussions with WG the assessment concludes that there is no need for a permanent residential

Gypsy Traveller site in the County, and following further engagement with the landowner and residents of the site in Plwmp no need for a transit site. However, further work with the landowner and residents is required to formally arrange for a 'tolerated site' approach allowed under the WG guidance and consideration of potential improvements.

Following approval of the GTAA 2022 by Welsh Government, another review will be required in 5 years time.

Following discussion, Committee Members agreed to recommend to Cabinet:

- that the GTAA 2022 is submitted to Welsh Government for Agreement.

33 To confirm the Minutes of the previous Meeting and to consider any matters arising from those Minutes

It was agreed to confirm the minutes of the 1 November 2021 and the 8 November 2021 as a true record.

In relation to the 1 November 2021 minutes, the Chairman referred to minute number 3, Active Travel Network Mapping (ATNM) Review, paragraph 7, in relation to Rhiwgoch, Aberaeron, in that he had requested land dedication letters be posted to landowners. The Chairman asked the Scrutiny Officer to contact the Officer for an update.

There were no matters arising from the 8 November 2021 minutes.

34 To consider the Overview and Scrutiny Forward Work Programme

Members agreed to note the Forward Work Plan as presented.

The Chair has requested that Democratic Services convey the following message to the Cabinet.

Cabinet members should be present at Scrutiny meetings to present items with Officers and listen to the important discussions. They are aware of the dates of Scrutiny meetings in advance, the same as all Members. Cabinet Members are paid for their duties the same as Scrutiny Chairs and should be expected to attend Scrutiny meetings.

This was after a number of Committee Members expressed their disappointment that the Cabinet Member for Highways and Environmental Services, Housing and Customer Contact was not present to listen to the discussions and answer questions. It should, however be noted that the relevant Cabinet Member had apologised at the beginning of the meeting and made arrangements for the relevant Officers to present in his absence.

**Confirmed at the Meeting of the Thriving Communities Overview and
Scrutiny Committee held on 18 February 2022**

Chairman:_____

Date:_____

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