

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

BUDGET 2024/25

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FOREWORD BY THE DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND GROUP DIRECTOR FOR FINANCE, DIGITAL AND FRONTLINE SERVICES

Rhondda Cynon Taf Council's Revenue Budget for the 2024/25 financial year and Three-Year Capital Programme 2024/25 – 2026/27 were approved by full Council on 6th March 2024 in line with the Cabinet's proposals and recommendations.

The revenue budget setting process was once again undertaken within the context of significant financial pressures and increasing demand for services as a result of the on-going UK wide cost-of-living crisis and legacy of the Covid-19 pandemic. Against this position, on the 27th February 2024 the Minister for Finance and Local Government (Rebecca Evans MS) announced revenue funding levels for local authorities in Wales, an increase of 3.0% for Rhondda Cynon Taf, which was below the average all Wales increase of 3.3%, with settlement levels ranging from 2.3% to 5.0%.

The Minister for Finance and Local Government, when publishing the 2024/25 Welsh Government settlement, acknowledged the challenges facing local authorities across Wales as a result of high rates of inflation, rising costs and demand for services, and councils having to make difficult decisions on services, efficiencies and council tax in setting budgets. This operating environment is indeed one that applies to Rhondda Cynon Taf, with the 2024/25 settlement following a sustained period of real term reductions to our funding alongside a limited ability to increase Council Tax (with a low tax base).

Within this challenging environment, the Council's medium term financial planning arrangements enabled the formulation of robust spending requirements and forecasted funding well in advance of March 2024, and informed the delivery of a programme of work to propose, publicly consult on and agree a strategy to address the second largest budget gap the Council has ever faced of over £36Million, and followed on from successfully addressing the largest budget gap of £38Million in the previous year.

The outcome was the construction of a balanced budget for 2024/25 that is equitable for all, does not compromise our financial stability and protects and develops our key services. More specifically, the revenue budget: took account of the principles being developed as part of the Council's new Corporate Plan 2024 – 2030 'Working With Our Communities'; provided for pay and non-pay inflation and the forecasted impact of additional burdens and demand led pressures on Council services; prioritised funding to cover additional costs in our schools together with the requirement for schools to deliver an efficiency saving target; and set a Council Tax increase of 4.99%, one of the lowest increases across Wales. These measures resulted in a remaining budget gap of £7.5Million, that was balanced through the Council's on-going prudent management of reserves.

Alongside setting the revenue budget, the Council also agreed a new 3-year Capital Programme which will see investment in infrastructure across the County Borough of £165.630Million to enable the continued development of key services, including additional funding of £19.3Million targeted to support the

aspirations and priorities of the new Corporate Plan. The updated Capital Programme, supported by Council resources and a proactive approach to securing funding from a range of external organisations, provides investment in areas such as:

- Regeneration – an on-going and long-term funding commitment to the economic regeneration of the County Borough, investing in support for local businesses, town centre regeneration and the re-development of key sites and transport infrastructure, that will enable further business development and employment growth;
- Housing – a programme of targeted work to support bringing empty homes back into use; creating more affordable housing; helping to ensure people can live as independently as possible via, for example, disabled facilities grant support; and grants that help to make homes more energy efficient, for example, the Heating Grant and Solar Panel Grant;
- Social care – on-going investment in Children’s Services facilities and Adult Services establishments, including the extra-care programme;
- Highways, roads and flood alleviation – through on-going maintenance and investment in highways structures, that will help to reduce our day-to-day maintenance and running costs, and drainage infrastructure;
- Parks, green spaces and play areas;
- Schools – through progressing the delivery of an ambitious programme to create new schools and further improve the condition of existing schools; and
- Solar projects and electric vehicle charging provision as part of supporting the Council’s climate change ambitions.

As we move into 2024/25, we know the medium-term operating environment will be very challenging in terms of expected funding settlements, rising costs and demand for services, as well as the on-going impact of geo-politics. Notwithstanding these challenges, Rhondda Cynon Taf Council will continue to apply its well-established medium term financial planning arrangements to robustly manage resources, maintain financial stability and support the delivery of affordable and sustainable services that are vital to our local communities.

Finally, I would like to record my sincere thanks to everyone who has played a part in helping to formulate this year’s budget, including the many people who participated in the Council’s Budget Strategy Consultation process. I am confident that by continuing to work together we will meet the challenges that lie ahead and deliver the 2024/25 Budget, secure a stable and sustainable financial position into the future and successfully deliver the Council’s Corporate Plan priorities.

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RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

AUTHORITY PROFILE

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL - PROFILE

Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council was formed in 1996 from the three districts of the former Mid Glamorgan County Council, and is the third largest unitary authority in Wales in population terms, with a total of 239,018¹ living in the area. The County Borough Council occupies an area of 424 Sq. km in the South Wales Valleys, stretching from the Brecon Beacons in the North to Cardiff in the South.

The three geographical districts that make up Rhondda Cynon Taf share a range of common socio-economic and cultural characteristics with high levels of relative poverty and social exclusion, particularly in the northern valleys which have some of the highest deprivation indicators in the United Kingdom.

On the 6th of March 2024, the 2024/25 Revenue Budget Strategy and three-year Capital Programme were approved by Council. Links to view these documents can be found below.

- [Revenue Budget Strategy 2024/25](#)
- [Capital Programme 2024/25 – 2026/27](#)

The Council's services are managed and delivered by its group directorates which manage and co-ordinate related services. There are four directorates in the Council's current structure:

Education and Inclusion Services Providing support services to children and their families via a range of service areas. These include Schools; Access and Inclusion; School Admissions; School Governance; Attendance and Wellbeing; Sustainable Communities for Learning; Asset, Systems and Data Management; Music; Catering Services; Childcare and Early Years; School Improvement, including through the commissioned services provided by Central South Consortium.

Community & Children's Services Providing Adult Services (Community Care Services and Health and Social Care Services); Children's Services; Community Housing Services; Public Health & Protection; Leisure, Countryside and Cultural Services (including Theatres); Visitor Attractions & Heritage; Community Learning Services; Libraries; Welsh Language Services; Youth Engagement & Participation; and Employment Programmes.

¹ Stats Wales - Mid-year estimate 2022

Finance, Digital and Frontline Services

Providing Finance and Digital Services together with the frontline services of Highways; Transportation; Strategic Projects; Streetcare (including Waste and Street Cleansing); and Parks Services.

Chief Executive

Providing the authority wide functions of Human Resources, Legal and Democratic Services; the frontline services of Regeneration, Housing, Planning Services, Housing Benefits and Council Tax administration; and key support services of Corporate Estates and Procurement.

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

**BUDGET
2024/25
SUMMARY**

AUTHORITY WIDE BUDGET SUMMARY

Total resources available for the Authority in a financial year are split into two elements, Revenue Expenditure and Capital Expenditure.

Revenue Expenditure

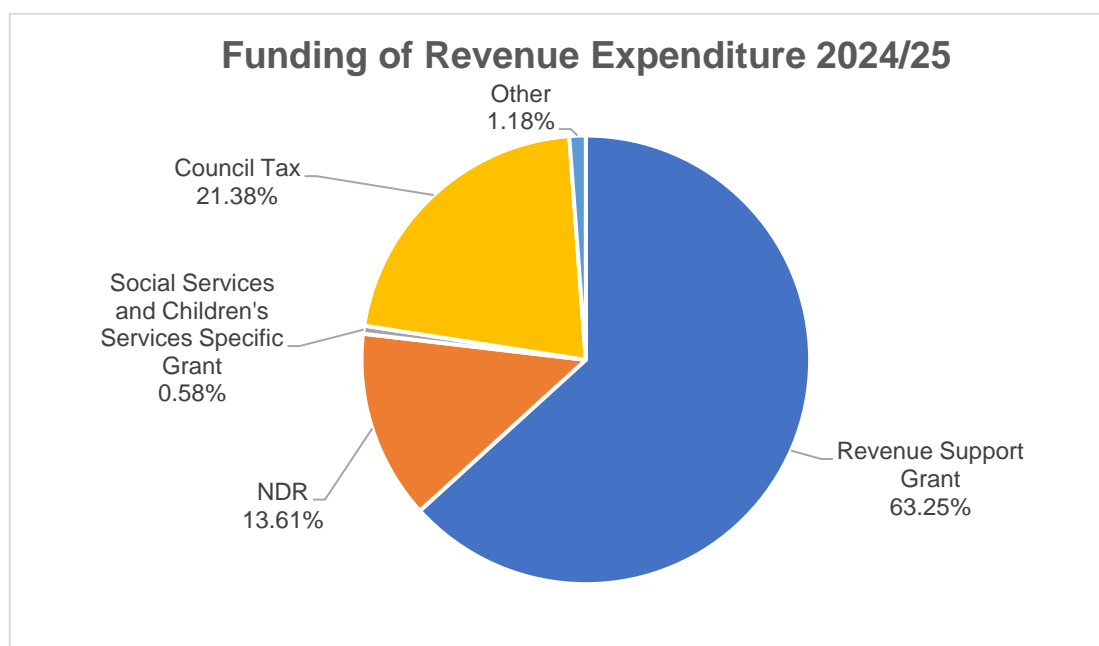
The final Local Government settlement figures for 2024/25, after adjusting for transfers of expenditure responsibilities, saw an increase in Revenue Support Grant (RSG) and Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) funding for Rhondda Cynon Taf of 3.0%. With a Council Tax increase of 4.99%, the Council's Net Revenue Budget for 2024/25 was set at £631.795M.

The total amount to be collected from Council Taxpayers to support the Council's expenditure is £135.058M.

The 2024/25 Budget Requirement

	£M
2024/25 Net Revenue Spending	631.795
LESS: Revenue Support Grant & NDR Contribution	485.567
LESS: Social Care Workforce Grant	3.668
Sub total	142.560
LESS: Release of Earmarked Reserves	7.502
To be met from Council Taxpayers	135.058

This is further illustrated in the chart below.

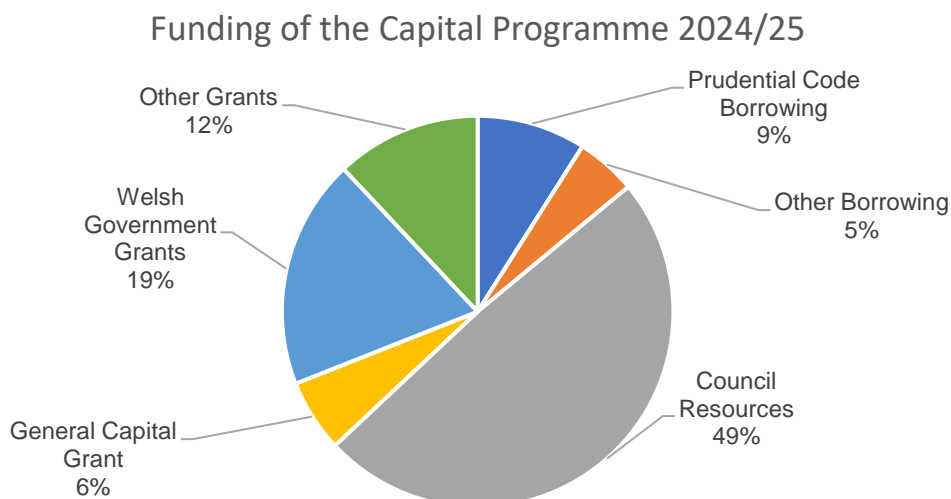


Capital Expenditure

The funding of the Capital Programme for 2024/25 is detailed in the table below.

	£M
Supported Borrowing	6.822
Unsupported Borrowing (Prudential Code Borrowing)	12.157
General Capital Grant	7.006
Welsh Government (WG) National Empty Homes Grant Scheme	2.383
WG Local Transport Fund	0.580
WG Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Grant	0.070
WG Flood Recovery Grant	3.619
WG Coal Tips Safety Grant	0.866
WG Sustainable Communities for Learning	10.721
WG Universal Primary FSM Grant	0.360
WG Access Improvement Grants	0.078
WG Voluntary Aided Schools Urgent Capital Repairs	0.350
WG ENABLE	0.476
UK Government Levelling Up Fund	0.731
UK Government Shared Prosperity Fund	14.752
WG Transforming Towns	1.336
WG Private Rented Sector Lease Scheme	2.104
Wales Council for Voluntary Action Local Places for Nature	0.539
WG Childcare	1.588
Third Party Contributions	0.015
Revenue Contributions	49.757
General Capital Fund Resources	14.925
2024/25 Capital Programme	131.235

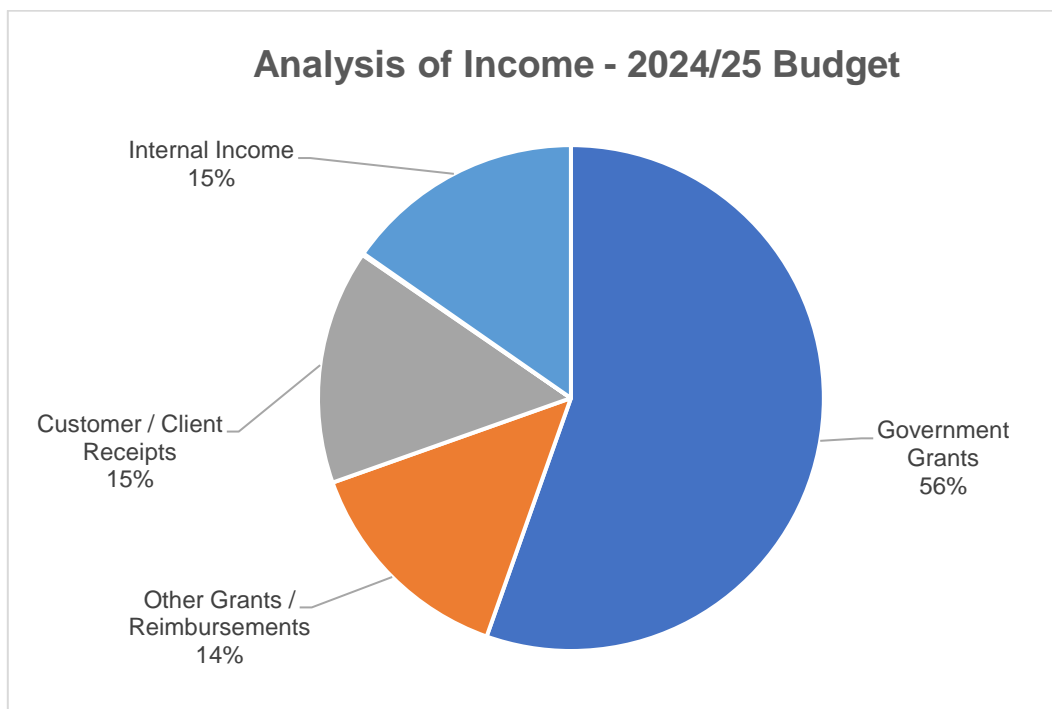
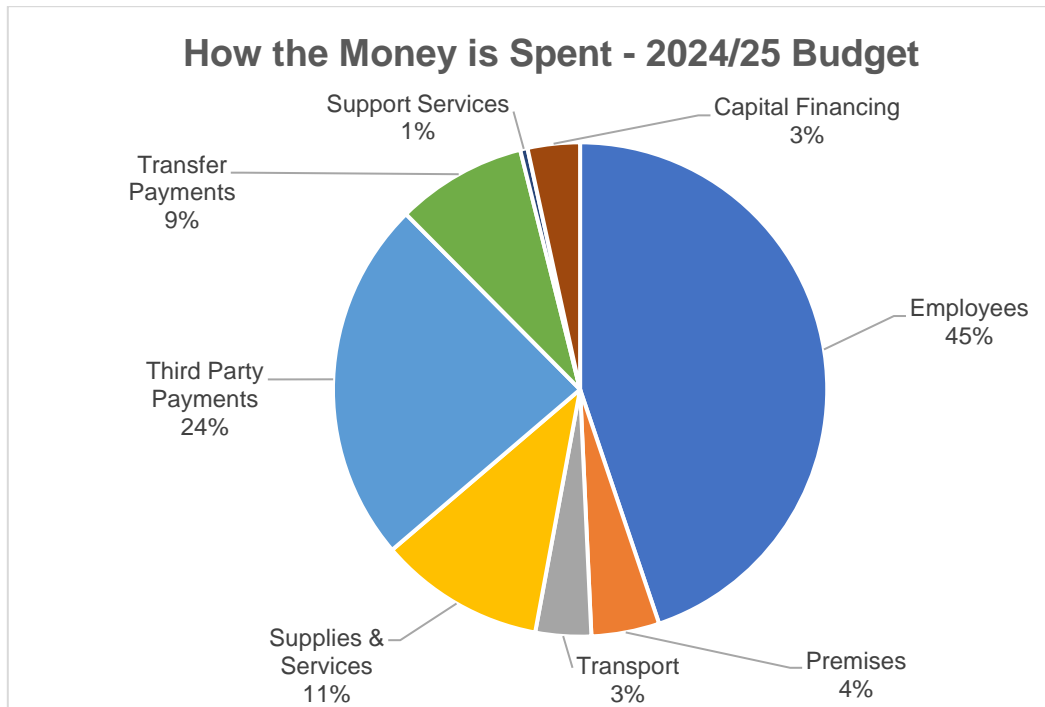
This is further illustrated in the chart below.



A summary of the Three-Year Capital Programme for the Authority is provided at the end of this section and detailed within subsequent sections for each Group.

REVENUE EXPENDITURE

The Net Revenue Budget for the Authority for 2024/25 amounts to £631.795M. Gross expenditure is estimated at £876.891M and this is analysed by expenditure type in the chart below.



GENERAL FUND REVENUE: TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
151.023	Teachers	159.272
202.614	NJC Local Govt Workers	213.550
1.052	JNC Blind Workshops	1.120
2.420	Soulbury	2.330
6.067	JNC Chief Officers	6.160
0.116	JNC Youth Leaders	0.054
12.403	Other	10.539
375.695		393.025
	<u>Premises</u>	
7.386	Repairs & Maintenance	7.169
0.642	Maintenance of Grounds	0.642
19.974	Energy	14.688
1.287	Rents	1.088
6.775	Local Tax	6.734
0.654	Water	0.638
9.817	Cleaning/Domestic	7.603
0.330	Insurance	0.327
0.168	Other	0.133
47.033		39.022
	<u>Transport</u>	
9.810	Direct Transport	7.582
18.736	Contract Hire	22.284
0.587	Public Transport	0.603
1.208	Car Allowances	1.175
0.259	Other	0.296
30.600		31.940
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
16.149	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	19.914
3.551	Communications/Computing	2.857
5.470	Provisions	5.481
0.701	Printing/Stationery	0.697
0.356	Advertising	0.330
0.022	Members Expenses	0.005
13.392	Grants & Subscriptions	11.958
39.479	Services	43.270
6.462	Miscellaneous	7.706
2.961	Other	2.877
88.543		95.095

	<u>Third Party</u>	
12.558	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	14.796
47.944	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	51.023
92.133	Rendered by Private Contract	110.250
5.948	Supporting People	6.375
15.477	Foster Care	15.317
8.645	Transport	7.290
0.236	Structural	0.104
0.689	Cyclic	0.454
0.440	Safety Aids	0.417
0.072	Winter Maintenance	0.078
2.350	Street Lighting	2.370
0.033	Highways Drainage	0.024
0.184	Miscellaneous	0.181
186.709		208.679
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
1.094	School Children/Students	1.119
75.966	Housing Benefits & Council Tax Reduction Scheme	73.384
0.425	NDR Relief	0.425
77.485		74.928
	<u>Support Services</u>	
4.206	Recharges	4.214
4.206		4.214
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
31.343	Capital Charges	29.988
31.343		29.988
841.614	Total Expenditure	876.891
	<u>Income</u>	
-127.637	Government Grants	-135.804
-32.488	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-34.724
-35.676	Customer/Client Receipts	-36.770
-0.913	Interest	0.000
-0.552	Recharges–Other Revenue Account	-0.260
-34.393	Internal Income	-37.538
-231.659	Total Income	-245.096
609.955	NET REVENUE BUDGET	631.795

Note

Prior year (2023/24) figures are provided for information. Changes in accounting requirements and functional responsibility can distort comparison between years.

GENERAL FUND REVENUE: SERVICES PROVIDED

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Community & Children's Services</u>	
114.826	Adult Services	122.341
62.112	Children's Services	65.338
1.541	Transformation	1.102
23.669	Public Health, Protection & Community Services	18.370
202.148		207.151
	<u>Education & Inclusion Services</u>	
36.024	Education & Inclusion Services (Non Delegated)	36.213
186.976	Delegated Schools	198.462
223.000		234.675
	<u>Chief Executive</u>	
0.411	Chief Executive	0.453
13.163	Human Resources	13.657
5.301	Legal & Democratic Services	5.385
6.405	Corporate Estates	5.067
3.219	Prosperity & Development Services	3.105
28.499		27.667
	<u>Finance, Digital & Frontline Services</u>	
11.889	Finance & Digital Services	11.903
67.706	Frontline Services	70.853
79.595		82.756
533.242	Total Group Budgets	552.249
	<u>Authority Wide Budgets</u>	
21.708	Capital Financing	21.708
14.960	Levies	15.941
13.836	Miscellaneous	14.902
0.425	NDR Relief	0.425
25.784	Council Tax Reduction Scheme	26.570
76.713	Total Authority Wide Budgets	79.546
609.955	TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET	631.795

THREE YEAR SUMMARY CAPITAL PROGRAMME

GROUP	BUDGET		
	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
	£M	£M	£M
Community & Children's Services			
Adult & Children's Services	7.464	0.456	0.456
Public Health, Protection & Community Services	5.000	0.290	0.290
Education & Inclusion Services			
Schools	32.475	1.844	0.100
Supplementary Capital Programme	6.315	2.673	2.673
Chief Executive's Division			
Regeneration	15.875	0.400	0.400
Cardiff Capital Region City Deal	1.000	1.000	1.000
Planning & Countryside	0.943	0.000	0.000
Private Sector Housing	11.574	6.256	3.955
Corporate Estates	8.829	1.650	0.900
Finance & Digital and Frontline Services			
Finance & Digital Services	1.582	1.582	1.582
Highways Technical Services	14.265	1.595	1.395
Strategic Projects	16.629	0.120	0.120
Parks	1.643	0.065	0.065
Storm Dennis Flood Recovery	4.485	0.000	0.000
Waste Strategy	1.184	0.000	0.000
Fleet	1.758	1.600	1.600
Buildings	0.214	0.164	0.164
TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET	131.235	19.695	14.700

* The 2024/25 budget includes estimated slippage from 2023/24 and additional grant aided schemes that were known when the three-year programme was agreed.

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COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES

COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES OVERVIEW

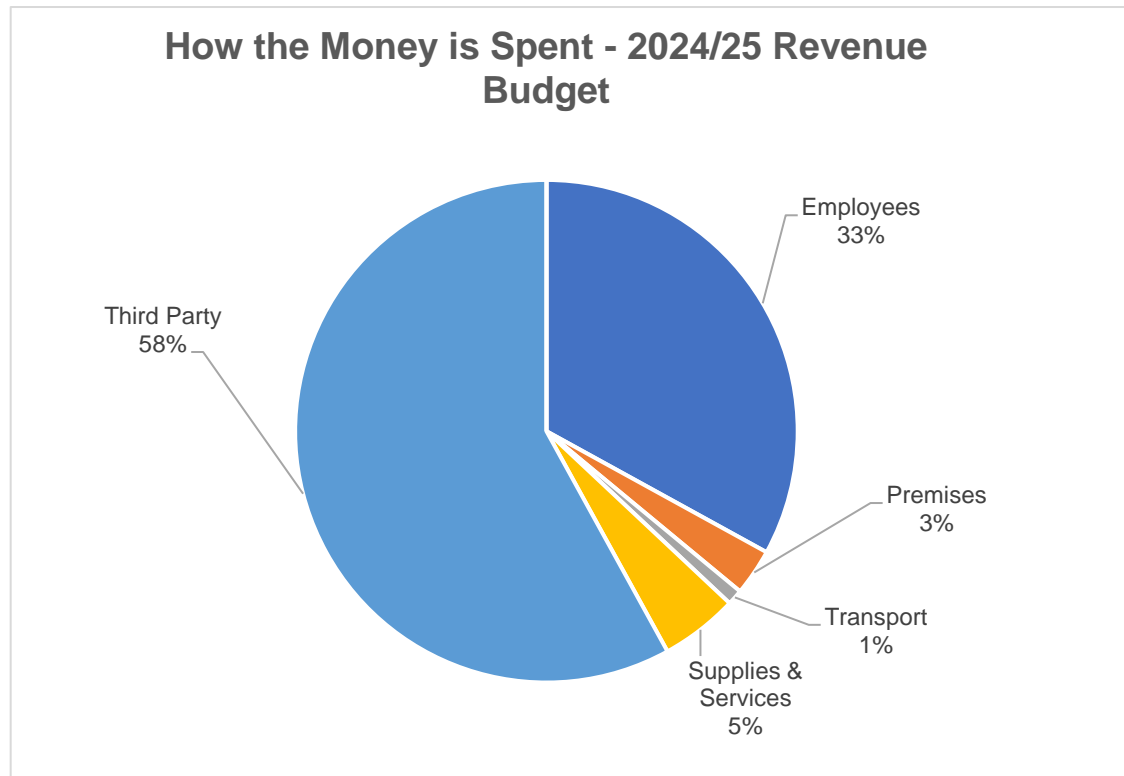
The Community & Children's Services Group comprises the majority of the Council's front line customer contact services and are responsible for delivering a range of statutory and discretionary services. These include Adult Care Services, Children's Services, Transformation and Public Health, Protection & Community Services.

A summary of the total resources available for the Community & Children's Services Group in the 2024/25 financial year is as follows: -

	Gross Expenditure	Income	Net Expenditure
	£M	£M	£M
Capital Programme	12.464	0.000	12.464
Revenue	309.083	-101.932	207.151
Total	321.547	-101.932	219.615

COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES REVENUE EXPENDITURE

The Net Revenue Budget for the Community & Children's Services Group for 2024/25 amounts to £207.151M. Gross expenditure is estimated at £309.083M and this is analysed by expenditure type in the chart below.



Income receivable by the Group of £101.932M reduces net expenditure to £207.151M. A detailed analysis of how this money will be spent can be found on the subsequent pages within this section.

Specific Revenue Grants 2024/25

The table below identifies the main areas of expenditure funded by Specific Revenue Grants, which are included within gross expenditure / income figures as appropriate.

Award Body	Purpose	Amount £M
Arts Council Wales	Arts Portfolio Wales	0.150
Cwm Taf Health Board	Community Joint Care Programme	0.068
Department for Work and Pensions	Housing Benefit Subsidy Bed & Breakfast Scheme	0.437
	Supported Employment	0.258
Home Office	Police & Crime Commissioner	0.182
	Youth Justice Provision	0.839
Sport Wales	Disability Sport Wales Community Scheme	0.020
	Free Swimming	0.060
	LAPA Sport	0.039
	Local Sport Plan	0.495
	60 plus Active Leisure Scheme	0.051
Welsh Government	Adult Community Learning	0.531
	Children & Communities Grant	14.915
	Communities for Work	1.810
	Direct Food Support	0.087
	Eliminate Profit Grant	5.417
	ENABLE – Support for Independent Living	0.004
	Homelessness Prevention	0.155
	Housing Support Grant	13.391
	National Exercise Referral Scheme	0.168
	National Approach to Advocacy for Children & Young People	0.049
	Radical Reform Grant	1.584
	Regional Integrated Fund	3.160
	Social Care Wales Workforce Development Programme	0.661
	Substance Misuse Action Fund	6.604
	Turnaround Grant	0.208
	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children	0.027
Youth Support Grant	0.782	
UK Government	Shared Prosperity Fund	0.908

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
96.252	NJC Local Govt Workers	95.559
1.052	JNC Blind Workshops	1.120
1.727	JNC Chief Officers	1.790
5.351	Other	3.466
104.382		101.935
	<u>Premises</u>	
1.929	Repairs & Maintenance	1.772
8.694	Energy	4.518
0.716	Rents	0.424
1.513	Local Tax	1.449
0.382	Water	0.371
0.819	Cleaning/Domestic	0.776
0.079	Other	0.042
14.132		9.352
	<u>Transport</u>	
1.671	Contract Hire	2.457
1.000	Car Allowances	0.951
0.259	Other	0.296
2.930		3.704
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
5.393	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	5.326
0.679	Communications/Computing	0.614
0.823	Provisions	0.820
0.227	Printing/Stationery	0.224
0.782	Grants & Subscriptions	0.140
4.399	Services	3.787
3.030	Miscellaneous	3.896
0.236	Other	0.188
15.569		14.995
	<u>Third Party</u>	
10.065	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	13.106
31.290	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	33.288
92.061	Rendered by Private Contract	110.175
15.477	Foster Care	15.317
5.948	Supporting People	6.375
154.841		178.261
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.181	School Children/Students	0.181
0.181		0.181

	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.627	Recharges	0.655
0.627		0.655
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
0.374	Capital Charges	0.000
0.374		0.000
293.036	Total Expenditure	309.083
	<u>Income</u>	
-44.458	Government Grants	-53.408
-27.088	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-29.028
-17.121	Customer/Client Receipts	-17.274
-2.221	Internal Income	-2.222
-90.888	Total Income	-101.932
202.148	NET COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES BUDGET	207.151

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES: SERVICES PROVIDED**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Adult Services</u>	
9.129	Long Term Care & Support	9.129
73.812	Commissioned Services	82.971
24.001	Provider Services	21.632
10.522	Short Term Intervention	10.928
-4.146	Fairer Charging	-4.197
1.508	Management, Safeguarding & Support Services	1.878
114.826		122.341
	<u>Children's Services</u>	
37.606	Safeguarding & Support (Including Children Looked After)	41.998
8.750	Early Intervention	8.371
1.142	Cwm Taf Youth Offending Service	1.002
13.929	Intensive Intervention	13.456
0.685	Management & Support Services	0.511
62.112		65.338
	<u>Transformation</u>	
0.846	Regional Training Unit	0.667
0.553	Group & Transformation Management	0.291
0.142	Service Improvement	0.144
1.541		1.102
	<u>Public Health, Protection & Community Services</u>	
6.503	Public Protection	6.226
6.132	Community Services	5.222
0.343	Communities & Wellbeing	0.139
10.524	Leisure, Countryside and Cultural Services	6.664
0.167	Group Directorate	0.119
23.669		18.370
202.148	TOTAL COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES BUDGET	207.151

GENERAL FUND REVENUE
ADULT SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
40.383	NJC Local Govt Workers	39.713
1.052	JNC Blind Workshops	1.120
0.469	JNC Chief Officers	0.406
2.985	Other	2.199
44.889		43.438
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.291	Repairs & Maintenance	0.272
1.985	Energy	0.828
0.400	Rents	0.187
0.025	Local Tax	0.026
0.119	Water	0.122
0.299	Cleaning/Domestic	0.288
0.005	Other	0.003
3.124		1.726
	<u>Transport</u>	
1.162	Contract Hire	1.653
0.578	Car Allowances	0.537
0.106	Other	0.109
1.846		2.299
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
3.796	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	3.887
0.190	Communications/Computing	0.181
0.629	Provisions	0.650
0.094	Printing/Stationery	0.097
0.019	Grants & Subscriptions	0.027
0.364	Services	0.374
0.614	Miscellaneous	0.600
0.055	Other	0.045
5.761		5.861
	<u>Third Party</u>	
3.155	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	3.285
19.547	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	24.798
73.361	Rendered by Private Contract	79.492
96.063		107.575
	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.200	Recharges	0.200
0.200		0.200
151.883	Total Expenditure	161.099

	Income	
-7.597	Government Grants	-7.658
-24.394	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-26.185
-4.016	Customer/Client Receipts	-3.983
-1.050	Internal Income	-0.932
-37.057	Total Income	-38.758
114.826	NET ADULT SERVICES BUDGET	122.341

GENERAL FUND REVENUE
CHILDREN'S SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
27.378	NJC Local Govt Workers	28.036
0.563	JNC Chief Officers	0.669
1.021	Other	0.526
28.962		29.231
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.055	Repairs & Maintenance	0.043
0.412	Energy	0.242
0.163	Rents	0.144
0.108	Local Tax	0.088
0.019	Water	0.015
0.204	Cleaning/Domestic	0.192
0.064	Other	0.029
1.025		0.753
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.400	Contract Hire	0.681
0.300	Car Allowances	0.300
0.042	Other	0.076
0.742		1.057
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.126	Equipment/ Materials/Furniture	0.127
0.104	Communications/Computing	0.087
0.096	Provisions	0.090
0.021	Printing/Stationery	0.019
0.010	Grants & Subscriptions	0.010
1.523	Services	1.643
0.547	Miscellaneous	0.361
0.020	Other	0.018
2.447		2.355
	<u>Third Party</u>	
2.465	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	2.496
8.888	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	6.854
18.155	Rendered by Private Contract	30.328
15.477	Foster Care	15.317
44.985		54.995
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.181	School Children/Students	0.181
0.181		0.181

	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.215	Recharges	0.215
0.215		0.215
78.557	Total Expenditure	88.787
	<u>Income</u>	
-14.262	Government Grants	-22.051
-1.394	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-1.020
-0.544	Customer/Client Receipts	-0.057
-0.245	Internal Income	-0.321
-16.445	Total Income	-23.449
62.112	NET CHILDREN'S SERVICES BUDGET	65.338

GENERAL FUND REVENUE
TRANSFORMATION: TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
2.217	NJC Local Govt Workers	2.126
0.144	JNC Chief Officers	0.148
0.000	Other	0.000
2.361		2.274
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.021	Rents	0.022
0.002	Cleaning/Domestic	0.002
0.023		0.024
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.017	Car Allowances	0.017
0.003	Other	0.002
0.020		0.019
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.012	Equipment/ Materials/Furniture	0.012
0.012	Communications/Computing	0.011
0.007	Provisions	0.007
0.011	Printing/Stationery	0.010
0.057	Services	0.072
0.406	Miscellaneous	0.342
0.009	Other	0.012
0.514		0.466
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.065	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	0.056
0.323	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	0.096
0.112	Rendered by Private Contract	0.116
0.500		0.268
	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.018	Recharges	0.018
0.018		0.018
3.436	Total Expenditure	3.069
	<u>Income</u>	
-1.001	Government Grants	-1.039
-0.859	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-0.893
-0.035	Internal Income	-0.035
-1.895	Total Income	-1.967
1.541	NET TRANSFORMATION SERVICES BUDGET	1.102

GENERAL FUND REVENUE
PUBLIC HEALTH, PROTECTION & COMMUNITY SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
26.274	NJC Local Govt Workers	25.684
0.551	JNC Chief Officers	0.567
1.345	Other	0.741
28.170		26.992
	<u>Premises</u>	
1.583	Repairs & Maintenance	1.457
6.297	Energy	3.448
0.132	Rents	0.071
1.380	Local Tax	1.335
0.244	Water	0.234
0.314	Cleaning/Domestic	0.294
0.010	Other	0.010
9.960		6.849
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.109	Contract Hire	0.123
0.105	Car Allowances	0.097
0.108	Other	0.109
0.322		0.329
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
1.459	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	1.300
0.373	Communications/Computing	0.335
0.091	Provisions	0.073
0.101	Printing/Stationery	0.098
0.753	Grants & Subscriptions	0.103
2.455	Services	1.698
1.463	Miscellaneous	2.593
0.152	Other	0.113
6.847		6.313
	<u>Third Party</u>	
4.380	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	7.269
2.532	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	1.540
0.433	Rendered by Private Contract	0.239
5.948	Supporting People	6.375
13.293		15.423
	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.194	Recharges	0.222
0.194		0.222

	Capital Financing	
0.374	Capital Charges	0.000
0.374		0.000
59.160	Total Expenditure	56.128
	Income	
-21.598	Government Grants	-22.660
-0.441	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-0.930
-12.561	Customer/Client Receipts	-13.234
-0.891	Internal Income	-0.934
-35.491	Total Income	-37.758
23.669	NET PUBLIC HEALTH, PROTECTION & COMMUNITY SERVICES BUDGET	18.370

COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES THREE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME

	BUDGET		
	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
	£M	£M	£M
<u>Adult & Children's Services</u>			
Modernisation Programme (Adults)	6.968	0.095	0.095
Modernisation Programme (Children's)	0.160	0.025	0.025
Asbestos Remediation	0.025	0.025	0.025
Telecare Equipment (inc. Carelink Equipment)	0.140	0.140	0.140
Capitalisation of Computer HW / SW / Licences & Equipment	0.171	0.171	0.171
Total Adult & Children's Services	7.464	0.456	0.456
<u>Public Health, Protection & Community Services</u>			
Leisure Centre Refurbishment Programme	0.415	0.055	0.055
Play Areas	0.620	0.045	0.045
Cemeteries Planned Programme	0.110	0.090	0.090
Community Safety Initiatives	2.149	0.045	0.045
Community Hubs	0.348	0.000	0.000
Culture	0.130	0.020	0.020
Muni Arts Project	1.193	0.000	0.000
Buildings	0.035	0.035	0.035
Total Public Health, Protection & Community Services	5.000	0.290	0.290
TOTAL COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES BUDGET	12.464	0.746	0.746

* The 2024/25 budget includes estimated slippage from 2023/24 and additional grant aided schemes that were known when the three-year programme was agreed.

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EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES

EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES

The agreed overarching strategic priorities highlighted within the Education and Inclusion Services Delivery Plan for 2024-25 includes:

1. Delivering a highly skilled educational workforce and excellent leadership at all levels.
2. Supporting Educational Settings to deliver a transformational curriculum, high quality teaching and learning and improved outcomes for all.
3. Ensuring equity and support for vulnerable learners and their families.
4. Enhancing the wellbeing of learners and the workforce.
5. Delivering 21st Century learning environments and innovative services for our learners and communities.

There are two main areas of service:

- Education & Inclusion Services (Non-Delegated)
- Delegated Schools

EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES OVERVIEW

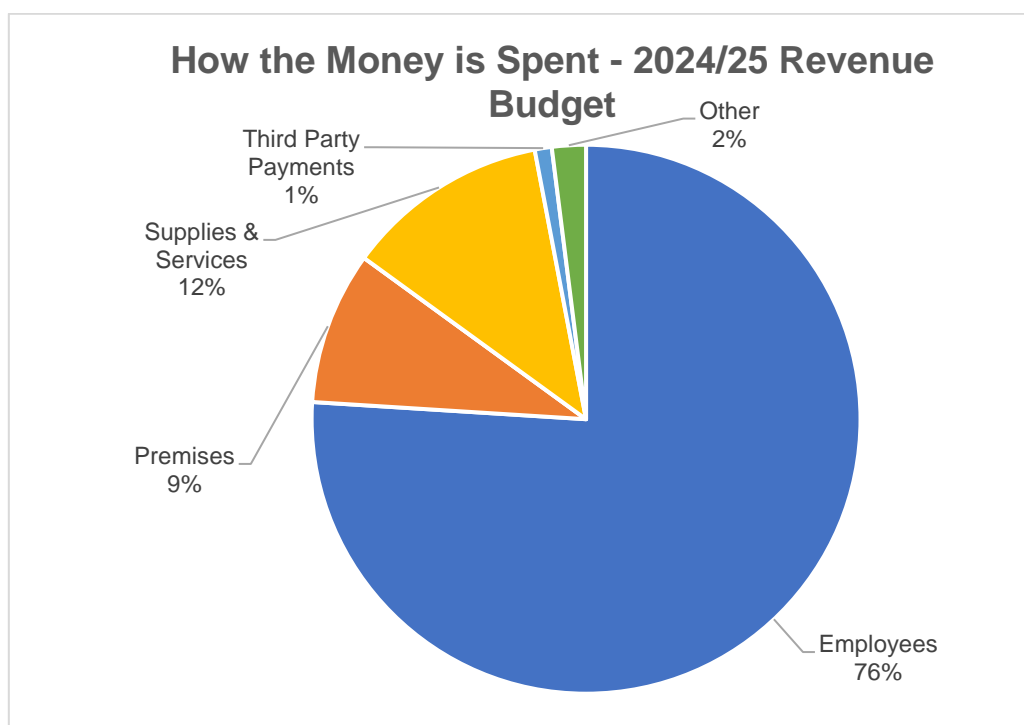
Education and Inclusion Services covers two main areas of service, namely, Education & Inclusion Services (Non-Delegated) and Delegated Schools.

A summary of the total resources available to Education & Inclusion Services in the 2024/25 financial year is as follows:

	Gross Expenditure	Income	Net Expenditure
	£M	£M	£M
Capital Programme	38.790	0.000	38.790
General Fund Revenue	275.623	-40.948	234.675
Total	314.413	-40.948	273.465

EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES REVENUE EXPENDITURE

The Education & Inclusion Services Net Revenue Budget for 2024/25 amounts to £234.675M. Gross expenditure is estimated at £275.623M and this is analysed by expenditure type in the chart below.



Income received of £40.948M reduces gross expenditure to £234.675M. A detailed analysis of how this money will be spent can be found on subsequent pages within this section.

Specific Revenue Grants 2024/25

The table below identifies specific revenue grants.

Award Body	Purpose	Amount £M
Welsh Government	Post-16 Provision in Schools	10.689
	School Standards - Schools and Education Other Than at School	11.837
	School Standards - Early Education	0.496
	School Standards - Support standards in education	0.382
	Equity – Pupil Development Grant	10.720
	Equity - Elective Home Education	0.090
	Equity - Family Engagement Officers	0.543
	Equity - Community Focussed Schools	0.032
	Equity - Education Welfare Officers	0.208
	Equity – Minority Ethnic and Gypsy, Roma and Traveller	0.324
	Reform – Additional Learning Needs	1.713
	Reform - Wellbeing	0.397
	Reform - Curriculum Reform	0.882
	Reform - Professional Learning	1.524
	Cymraeg 2050 - Welsh in Education	0.333
	Cymraeg 2050 - Welsh Professional Learning	0.202
	Cymraeg 2050 - Siarter Iaith	0.042
	Cymraeg 2050 - Late Immersion	0.117
	Transition Funding	0.078
	Learner Recovery Progression (for sixth forms)	0.287
	Seren Network (estimate)	0.058
	Out of School Childcare Grant	0.083
	Period Dignity Grant	0.218
	ICT Hwb in Schools Infrastructure Grant (estimate)	0.816
	School Essentials grant (estimate)	1.081
	Nursery Childcare Admin	0.279
	Nursery Childcare	0.300
Food and Fun (estimate)	0.215	
Universal Primary Free School Meals (estimate)	5.765	
Rural Payments Agency	Infant Milk (estimate)	0.542

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
151.023	Teachers	159.272
34.469	NJC Local Govt Workers	43.290
2.420	Soulbury	2.330
0.372	JNC Chief Officers	0.385
0.116	JNC Youth Leaders	0.054
3.490	Other	3.538
191.890		208.869
	<u>Premises</u>	
4.106	Repairs & Maintenance	4.070
0.620	Maintenance of Grounds	0.633
8.266	Energy	8.350
0.101	Rents	0.258
3.577	Local Tax	3.733
0.058	Water	0.063
8.637	Cleaning/Domestic	6.464
0.330	Insurance	0.327
25.695		23.898
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.034	Direct Transport	0.034
0.142	Contract Hire	0.141
0.060	Car Allowances	0.059
0.236		0.234
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
5.809	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	9.308
0.013	Communications/Computing	0.014
4.647	Provisions	4.661
0.028	Printing/Stationery	0.024
12.231	Grants & Subscriptions	11.424
6.345	Services	5.472
2.246	Other	2.540
31.319		33.443
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.841	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	0.340
1.600	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	1.754
2.441		2.094
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.692	School Children/Students	0.696
0.692		0.696

0.011	<u>Support Services</u>	0.011
0.011	Recharges	0.011
6.378	<u>Capital Financing</u>	6.378
6.378	Capital Charges	6.378
258.662	Total Expenditure	275.623
-22.098	<u>Income</u>	-26.009
-0.993	Government Grants	-1.131
-6.313	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-6.931
-6.258	Customer/Client Receipts	-6.877
-35.662	Total Income	-40.948
223.000	NET EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES BUDGET	234.675

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES: SERVICES PROVIDED**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Education & Inclusion Service (Non-Delegated)</u>	
1.129	School Achievement	1.029
0.866	Education Improvement Grant	0.866
0.371	Service Transformation & Education Information Systems	0.294
6.576	Additional Learning Needs	6.286
3.235	Education Other than at School	3.472
0.807	Attendance and Wellbeing Service	0.800
5.427	Nursery & Early Years	5.396
4.565	Group Directorate	4.645
0.191	Music Directorate	0.159
1.503	School Planning & Reorganisation	1.418
8.275	Catering	8.186
3.079	Asset Management	3.662
36.024		36.213
	<u>Delegated Schools</u>	
82.114	Primary Schools	84.895
63.831	Secondary Schools	61.938
28.983	Middle Schools	37.319
12.048	Special Schools	14.310
186.976		198.462
223.000	TOTAL EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES BUDGET	234.675

GENERAL FUND REVENUE
EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES (NON-DELEGATED):
TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
5.240	Teachers	5.463
19.947	NJC Local Govt Workers	21.335
2.420	Soulbury	2.330
0.372	JNC Chief Officers	0.385
0.014	JNC Youth Leaders	0.054
1.537	Other	1.658
29.530		31.225
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.748	Repairs & Maintenance	0.748
0.005	Maintenance of Grounds	0.005
0.346	Energy	0.276
0.101	Rents	0.258
0.010	Local Tax	0.010
0.011	Water	0.011
5.452	Cleaning/Domestic	6.035
6.673		7.343
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.034	Direct Transport	0.034
0.142	Contract Hire	0.141
0.055	Car Allowances	0.054
0.231		0.229
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.506	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	0.399
0.013	Communications/Computing	0.014
4.611	Provisions	4.616
0.028	Printing/Stationery	0.024
10.830	Grants & Subscriptions	10.518
4.510	Services	4.478
0.418	Other	0.455
20.916		20.504
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.841	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	0.340
1.600	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	1.754
2.441		2.094
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.688	School Children/Students	0.688
0.688		0.688

	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.011	Recharges	0.011
0.011		0.011
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
0.171	Capital Charges	0.171
0.171		0.171
60.661	Total Expenditure	62.265
	<u>Income</u>	
-11.073	Government Grants	-11.113
-0.993	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-1.131
-6.313	Customer/Client Receipts	-6.931
-6.258	Internal Income	-6.877
-24.637	Total Income	-26.052
36.024	NET EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICE (NON-DELEGATED) BUDGET	36.213

GENERAL FUND REVENUE
DELEGATED SCHOOLS: TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
145.783	Teachers	153.809
14.522	NJC Local Govt Workers	21.955
0.102	JNC Youth Leaders	0.000
1.953	Other	1.880
162.360		177.644
	<u>Premises</u>	
3.358	Repairs and Maintenance	3.322
0.615	Maintenance of Grounds	0.628
7.920	Energy	8.074
3.567	Local Tax	3.723
0.047	Water	0.052
3.185	Cleaning/Domestic ²	0.429
0.330	Insurance	0.327
19.022		16.555
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.005	Car Allowances	0.005
0.005		0.005
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
5.303	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	8.909
0.036	Provisions	0.045
1.401	Grants & Subscriptions	0.906
1.835	Services	0.994
1.828	Other	2.085
10.403		12.939
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.004	School Children/Students	0.008
0.004		0.008
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
6.207	Capital Charges	6.207
6.207		6.207
198.001	Total Expenditure	213.358
	<u>Income</u>	
-11.025	Government Grants	-14.896
-11.025	Total Income	-14.896
186.976	NET DELEGATED SCHOOLS BUDGET	198.462

² Cleaning / Domestic – part realignment of budget to Employees to reflect the nature of the expenditure incurred.

EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES THREE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME

	BUDGET		
	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
	£M	£M	£M
<u>Schools</u>			
School Modernisation Rhondda & Tonyrefail	0.974	0.000	0.000
School Modernisation	5.177	0.259	0.100
Bryncelynnog Comprehensive	0.296	0.000	0.000
Y Pant Extension	0.351	0.000	0.000
Aberdare Church in Wales Primary School	0.350	0.000	0.000
SRIC – School Modernisation Programme	1.089	0.000	0.000
Childcare Facility Improvements	1.588	0.000	0.000
21st Century Schools Band B			
YGG Awel Taf (New Welsh Medium Primary School Rhydfelin)	0.680	0.431	0.000
Ysgol Bro Taf (3-16 Pontypridd School Modernisation)	5.615	0.350	0.000
Ysgol Afon Wen (3-16 Hawthorn School Modernisation)	6.062	0.375	0.000
Bryncelynnog Comprehensive School Modernisation	1.592	0.000	0.000
YGG Llyn Y Forwyn	6.350	0.429	0.000
Mutual Investment Model Projects	2.351	0.000	0.000
Total Schools	32.475	1.844	0.100
<u>Supplementary Capital Programme</u>			
Planned Kitchen Refurbishments	0.390	0.130	0.130
Window & Door Replacements	0.100	0.100	0.100
Essential Works	0.651	0.270	0.270
Capitalisation of Computer Hardware/Software & Licenses	0.258	0.258	0.258
Roof Renewal	1.094	0.465	0.465
Boiler Replacement	0.290	0.170	0.170
Equalities Act/Compliance Works	1.939	0.155	0.155
Education & Inclusion Services	0.200	0.035	0.035
Condition Surveys	0.200	0.035	0.035
Electrical Rewiring	0.115	0.130	0.130
Asbestos Remediation Works	0.500	0.595	0.595
Fire Alarm Upgrades	0.045	0.065	0.065
Toilet Refurbishments	0.308	0.235	0.235
Universal Primary Free School Meals Capital	0.360	0.000	0.000
Improvements to Schools	0.065	0.065	0.065

Total Supplementary Capital Programme	6.315	2.673	2.673
TOTAL EDUCATION & INCLUSION SERVICES BUDGET	38.790	4.517	2.773

* The 2024/25 budget includes estimated slippage from 2023/24 and additional grant aided schemes that were known when the three-year programme was agreed.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

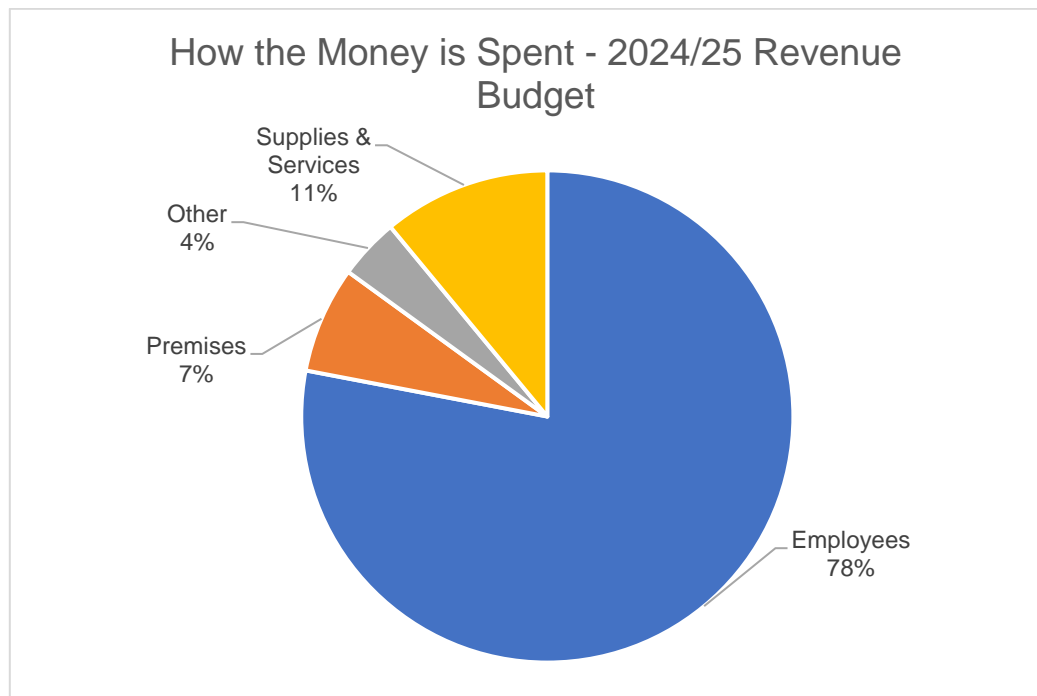
This Group contains both front line (i.e., Regeneration, Housing, Planning Services, Housing Benefits, Council Tax, Pensions and Electoral Registration) and corporate support functions (i.e., Human Resources, Legal & Democratic Services, and Corporate Estates) that underpin the service delivery capability across all groups.

A summary of the total resources available for the Chief Executive's Group in the 2024/25 financial year is as follows:

	Gross Expenditure	Income	Net Expenditure
	£M	£M	£M
Capital Programme	38.221	0.000	38.221
General Fund Revenue	48.735	-21.068	27.667
Total	86.956	-21.068	65.888

CHIEF EXECUTIVE REVENUE EXPENDITURE

The Net Revenue Expenditure for the Chief Executive's Group for 2024/25 amounts to £27.667M. Gross expenditure is estimated at £48.735M and this is analysed by expenditure type in the chart below.



Income receivable by the Group of £21.068M reduces net expenditure to £27.667M. A detailed analysis of how this money will be spent can be found on subsequent pages within this section.

Specific Revenue Grants 2024/25

The table below identifies the main areas of expenditure funded by Specific Revenue Grants, which are included within gross expenditure / income figures as appropriate.

Award Body	Purpose	Amount £M
Department for Work & Pensions	Housing Benefit Administration Grant	0.722
	Various Miscellaneous Grants	0.050
Welsh Government	NDR Admin Grant	0.394
UK Government	Shared Prosperity Fund	0.790

GENERAL FUND REVENUE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE: TYPE OF SPEND

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
33.183	NJC Local Govt Workers	34.793
2.431	JNC Chief Officers	2.409
0.526	Other	0.585
36.140		37.787
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.760	Repairs & Maintenance	0.755
0.022	Maintenance of Grounds	0.009
2.122	Energy	1.174
0.185	Rents	0.144
1.092	Local Tax	0.975
0.074	Water	0.069
0.171	Cleaning/Domestic	0.170
0.003	Other	0.002
4.429		3.298
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.039	Direct Transport	0.030
0.007	Contract Hire	0.007
0.006	Public Transport	0.006
0.078	Car Allowances	0.076
0.130		0.119
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.397	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	0.421
0.861	Communications/Computing	0.727
0.000	Provisions	0.000
0.227	Printing/Stationery	0.214
0.142	Advertising	0.101
0.208	Grants & Subscriptions	0.218
0.022	Members Expenses	0.005
2.944	Services	3.003
0.725	Miscellaneous	0.734
0.011	Other	0.011
5.537		5.434
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.089	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	0.087
0.094	Rendered By Vol Organisation	0.040
0.050	Rendered by Private Contract	0.052
0.018	Structural	0.019
0.007	Cyclic	0.006
0.006	Safety Aids	0.007

0.081	Miscellaneous	0.081
0.345		0.292
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.000	School Children/Students	0.002
0.000		0.002
	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.074	Recharges	0.078
0.074		0.078
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
1.725	Capital Charges	1.725
1.725		1.725
48.380	Total Expenditure	48.735
	<u>Income</u>	
-1.854	Government Grants	-1.957
-2.798	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-2.987
-7.021	Customer/Client Receipts	-7.215
-8.208	Internal income	-8.909
-19.881	Total Income	-21.068
28.499	NET CHIEF EXECUTIVE BUDGET	27.667

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**CHIEF EXECUTIVE: SERVICES PROVIDED**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Chief Executive</u>	
0.411	Chief Executive's Office	0.453
0.411		0.453
	<u>Human Resources</u>	
	<u>Human Resources</u>	
0.574	Support Services	0.433
1.331	Employee Relations	1.401
2.419	Organisational Development	2.428
4.324	Total Human Resources	4.262
	<u>Pensions, Procurement & Transactional Services</u>	
0.000	Pensions	0.000
1.424	Procurement	1.575
2.779	Transactional Services	2.880
4.636	Business Support	4.940
8.839	Total Pensions, Procurement & Transactional Services	9.395
13.163	Total Human Resources	13.657
	<u>Legal & Democratic Services</u>	
1.282	Legal Services	1.277
0.418	Legal Administration	0.424
3.601	Democratic Services & Communications	3.684
5.301	Total Legal & Democratic Services	5.385
	<u>Corporate Estates</u>	
0.050	Management of Surplus Sites	0.050
-0.259	Sundry Land and Properties	-0.727
1.611	Corporate Estates Management Department	1.460
3.583	Office Accommodation	2.867
1.420	Facilities Cleaning	1.417
6.405	Total Corporate Estates	5.067
	<u>Prosperity & Development</u>	
0.565	Central Services	0.518
1.063	Regeneration & Prosperity	1.078
0.200	Housing	0.272
1.190	Planning Services	1.020
0.201	Design	0.217
3.219	Total Prosperity & Development	3.105
28.499	TOTAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE BUDGET	27.667

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
0.052	NJC Local Govt Workers	0.085
0.222	JNC Chief Officers	0.227
0.274		0.312
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.001	Cleaning/Domestic	0.001
0.001		0.001
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.134	Grants & Subscriptions	0.138
0.001	Other	0.001
0.001	Miscellaneous	0.001
0.136		0.140
0.411	Total Expenditure	0.453
0.411	NET CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE BUDGET	0.453

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**HUMAN RESOURCES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
15.755	NJC Local Govt Workers	16.807
0.631	JNC Chief Officers	0.647
0.402	Other	0.441
16.788		17.895
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.025	Cleaning/Domestic	0.025
0.025		0.025
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.010	Direct Transport	0.004
0.002	Public Transport	0.002
0.021	Car Allowances	0.020
0.033		0.026
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.087	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	0.093
0.640	Communications/Computing	0.516
0.140	Printing/Stationery	0.129
0.030	Advertising	0.002
0.028	Grants & Subscriptions	0.034
0.608	Services	0.624
0.141	Miscellaneous	0.157
0.001	Other	0.001
1.675		1.556
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.059	Rendered By Vol Organisation	0.000
0.050	Rendered by Private Contract	0.052
0.109		0.052
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.000	School Children/Students	0.002
0.000		0.002
18.630	Total Expenditure	19.556
	<u>Income</u>	
-1.197	Government Grants	-1.197
-0.258	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-0.258
-0.934	Customer/Client Receipts	-0.994
-3.078	Internal Income	-3.450
-5.467	Total Income	-5.899
13.163	NET HUMAN RESOURCES BUDGET	13.657

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
5.496	NJC Local Govt Workers	5.752
0.521	JNC Chief Officers	0.534
0.122	Other	0.141
6.139		6.427
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.005	Repairs & Maintenance	0.010
0.117	Rents	0.127
0.003	Cleaning/Domestic	0.003
0.125		0.140
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.003	Direct Transport	0.000
0.003	Public Transport	0.003
0.005	Car Allowances	0.005
0.011		0.008
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.145	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	0.165
0.083	Communications/Computing	0.078
0.078	Printing/Stationery	0.076
0.077	Advertising	0.064
0.022	Member Expenses	0.005
2.255	Services	2.297
0.140	Miscellaneous	0.142
0.001	Grants & Subscriptions	0.001
2.801		2.828
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.000	Rendered by Vol Organisation	0.005
0.000		0.005
	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.074	Recharges	0.078
0.074		0.078
9.150	Total Expenditure	9.486
	<u>Income</u>	
-2.537	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-2.726
-0.937	Customer/Client Receipts	-1.065
-0.375	Internal Income	-0.310
-3.849	Total Income	-4.101
5.301	NET LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES BUDGET	5.385

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**CORPORATE ESTATES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
6.705	NJC Local Govt Workers	6.974
0.558	JNC Chief Officers	0.489
7.263		7.463
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.752	Repairs & Maintenance	0.742
0.022	Maintenance of Grounds	0.009
2.116	Energy	1.169
0.062	Rents	0.010
1.086	Local Tax	0.969
0.071	Water	0.065
0.139	Cleaning/Domestic	0.139
0.001	Other	0.001
4.249		3.104
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.021	Direct Transport	0.022
0.006	Contract Hire	0.006
0.023	Car Allowances	0.022
0.050		0.050
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.117	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	0.115
0.123	Communications/Computing	0.118
0.003	Printing/Stationery	0.003
0.002	Advertising	0.002
0.020	Grants & Subscriptions	0.020
0.015	Services	0.015
0.331	Miscellaneous	0.324
0.007	Other	0.007
0.618		0.604
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.081	Miscellaneous	0.081
0.081		0.081
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
1.725	Capital Charges	1.725
1.725		1.725
13.986	Total Expenditure	13.027
	<u>Income</u>	
-2.913	Customer/Client Receipts	-2.899
-4.668	Internal Income	-5.061
-7.581	Total Income	-7.960
6.405	NET CORPORATE ESTATES BUDGET	5.067

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**PROSPERITY & DEVELOPMENT: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
5.175	NJC Local Govt Workers	5.175
0.499	JNC Chief Officers	0.512
0.002	Other	0.003
5.676		5.690
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.003	Repairs & Maintenance	0.003
0.006	Energy	0.005
0.006	Rents	0.007
0.006	Local Tax	0.006
0.003	Water	0.004
0.003	Cleaning/Domestic	0.002
0.002	Other	0.001
0.029		0.028
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.005	Direct Transport	0.004
0.001	Contract Hire	0.001
0.001	Public Transport	0.001
0.029	Car Allowances	0.029
0.036		0.035
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.048	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	0.048
0.015	Communications/Computing	0.015
0.006	Printing/Stationery	0.006
0.033	Advertising	0.033
0.025	Grants & Subscriptions	0.025
0.066	Services	0.067
0.112	Miscellaneous	0.110
0.002	Other	0.002
0.307		0.306
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.089	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	0.087
0.035	Rendered by Voluntary Organisations	0.035
0.018	Structural	0.019
0.007	Cyclic	0.006
0.006	Safety Aids	0.007
0.155		0.154
6.203	Total Expenditure	6.213

	Income	
-0.657	Government Grants	-0.760
-0.003	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-0.003
-2.237	Customer/Client Receipts	-2.257
-0.087	Internal Income	-0.088
-2.984	Total Income	-3.108
3.219	NET PROSPERITY & DEVELOPMENT BUDGET	3.105

CHIEF EXECUTIVE THREE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME

	BUDGET		
	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
	£M	£M	£M
<u>Prosperity & Development</u>			
Regeneration			
Enterprise Investment Fund	0.480	0.130	0.130
Town Centre Maintenance Grants (SPF)	0.050	0.000	0.000
Town Centre Property Improvements (SPF)	0.715	0.000	0.000
96-102 Taff St, Pontypridd	0.100	0.000	0.000
Pontypridd Southern Gateway	12.198	0.000	0.000
Transforming Towns Place Making Grant	0.690	0.000	0.000
Former Rates Building, Aberdare	0.646	0.000	0.000
Major Projects Investment Fund	0.589	0.000	0.000
Regeneration Investment	0.350	0.270	0.270
Ynysangharad Park Brilliant Basics Fund	0.037	0.000	0.000
Rock Grounds Development	0.020	0.000	0.000
Total Regeneration	15.875	0.400	0.400
Cardiff Capital Region City Deal			
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Total Cardiff Capital Region City Deal	1.000	1.000	1.000
Planning & Countryside			
Local Places for Nature	0.539	0.000	0.000
Countryside	0.404	0.000	0.000
Total Planning & Countryside	0.943	0.000	0.000
Private Sector Housing			
Disabled Facilities Grants/Adaptations (DFG)	2.315	2.875	2.875
Maintenance Repair Assistance (MRA)	0.235	0.235	0.235
Renovation Grants Exceptional Circumstances & Home Improvement Zones	0.711	0.235	0.235
Empty Properties Grants Investment	2.213	0.000	0.000
National Empty Homes Grant Scheme	2.383	1.811	0.000
Affordable Housing	2.000	1.000	0.515
Tackling Poverty Fund	0.250	0.000	0.000
Community Regeneration	1.467	0.100	0.095
Total Private Sector Housing	11.574	6.256	3.955
Total Prosperity & Development	29.392	7.656	5.355

<u>Corporate Estates</u>			
Major repair/refurbishment and/or rationalisation of Service Group Accommodation	0.611	0.100	0.100
Strategic Maintenance	0.040	0.040	0.040
Asset Management Planning	0.035	0.035	0.035
Asbestos Management	0.115	0.115	0.115
Asbestos Remediation Works	0.035	0.035	0.035
Legionella Remediation Works	0.180	0.180	0.180
Legionella Management	0.115	0.115	0.115
Carbon Reduction Programme	6.638	0.750	0.000
Electric Vehicles Charging	0.760	0.280	0.280
ULEV – WLGA third party grant for Local Authority EV charging infrastructure	0.300	0.000	0.000
Total Corporate Estates	8.829	1.650	0.900
TOTAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE BUDGET	38.221	9.306	6.255

* The 2024/25 budget includes estimated slippage from 2023/24 and additional grant aided schemes that were known when the three-year programme was agreed.

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FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES

FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES OVERVIEW

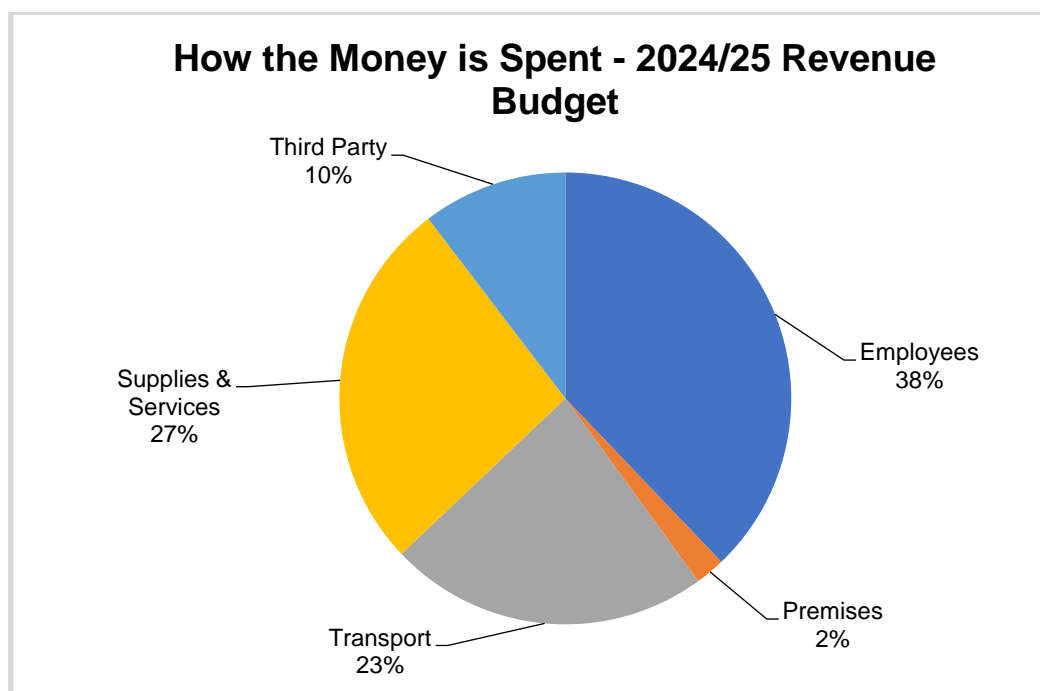
This Group contains Finance, Digital and Frontline Services (i.e., Highways, Transportation, Streetcare and Parks Services).

A summary of the total resources available for the Finance, Digital & Frontline Services Group in the 2024/25 financial year is as follows:

	Gross Expenditure	Income	Net Expenditure
	£M	£M	£M
Capital Programme	41.760	0.000	41.760
General Fund Revenue	117.050	-34.294	82.756
Total	158.810	-34.294	124.516

FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES REVENUE EXPENDITURE

The Net Revenue Budget for the Finance, Digital & Frontline Services Group for 2024/25 amounts to £82.756M. Gross expenditure is estimated at £117.050M and this is analysed by expenditure type in the chart below.



Income receivable by the Group of £34.294M reduces net expenditure to £82.756M. A detailed analysis of how this money will be spent can be found on subsequent pages within this section.

Specific Revenue Grants 2024/25

The table below identifies the main areas of expenditure funded by Specific Revenue Grants, which are included within gross expenditure / income figures as appropriate.

Award Body	Purpose	Amount £M
Welsh Government	Sustainable Waste Management Grant	1.051
	Concessionary Fares	5.551
	Road Safety	0.101
	Bus Emergency Scheme	0.028
	Bus Service Support	0.581
	Wales Community Care Information System	0.470
UK Government	Shared Prosperity Fund	0.423

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
38.710	NJC Local Govt Workers	39.908
1.537	JNC Chief Officers	1.576
2.701	Other	2.682
42.948		44.166
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.591	Repairs & Maintenance	0.572
0.892	Energy	0.646
0.285	Rents	0.262
0.593	Local Tax	0.577
0.140	Water	0.135
0.190	Cleaning/Domestic	0.193
0.086	Other	0.089
2.777		2.474
	<u>Transport</u>	
8.594	Direct Transport	6.375
16.916	Contract Hire	19.679
0.581	Public Transport	0.597
0.070	Car Allowances	0.089
26.161		26.740
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
4.550	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	4.859
1.773	Communications/Computing	1.394
0.219	Printing/Stationery	0.235
0.209	Advertising	0.224
0.171	Grants & Subscriptions	0.176
17.441	Services	21.384
2.707	Miscellaneous	2.740
0.132	Other	0.138
27.202		31.150
	<u>Third Party</u>	
1.563	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	1.263
0.022	Rendered By Private Contract	0.023
8.645	Transport	7.290
0.218	Structural	0.085
0.682	Cyclic	0.448
0.434	Safety Aids	0.410
0.072	Winter Maintenance	0.078
2.350	Street Lighting	2.370
0.103	Miscellaneous	0.100

0.033	Highways Drainage	0.024
14.122		12.091
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.221	School Children/Students	0.240
0.221		0.240
	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.009	Recharges	0.009
0.009		0.009
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
0.248	Capital Charges	0.180
0.248		0.180
113.688	Total Expenditure	117.050
	<u>Income</u>	
-9.052	Government Grants	-7.624
-1.609	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-1.578
-5.174	Customer/Client Receipts	-5.302
-0.552	Recharges–Other Revenue Account	-0.260
-17.706	Internal Income	-19.530
-34.093	Total Income	-34.294
79.595	NET FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES BUDGET	82.756

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES: SERVICES PROVIDED**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Finance & Digital Services</u>	
	<u>Finance</u>	
4.022	Financial Management, Accountancy & Internal Audit	3.944
0.038	Public Service Partnerships	0.038
4.060	Total Finance	3.982
	<u>ICT & Digital Services</u>	
7.829	ICT & Digital Services	7.921
7.829	Total ICT & Digital Services	7.921
11.889	<u>Total Finance & Digital Services</u>	11.903
	<u>Frontline Services</u>	
4.611	Highways Management	4.448
19.146	Transportation	21.412
0.332	Strategic Projects	0.549
6.402	Street Cleansing	6.462
4.960	Highways Maintenance	5.483
24.497	Waste Services	24.979
1.899	Fleet Management	1.929
4.151	Parks Services	3.917
1.708	Group Directorate	1.674
67.706	<u>Total Frontline Services</u>	70.853
79.595	TOTAL FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES BUDGET	82.756

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**FINANCE & DIGITAL SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
11.553	NJC Local Govt Workers	12.341
1.036	JNC Chief Officers	1.062
12.589		13.403
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.001	Repairs & Maintenance	0.001
0.001	Rents	0.001
0.019	Local Tax	0.000
0.029	Cleaning/Domestic	0.029
0.050		0.031
	<u>Transport</u>	
0.002	Public Transport	0.001
0.013	Car Allowances	0.013
0.015		0.014
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
0.164	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	0.371
1.360	Communications/Computing	1.053
0.148	Printing/Stationery	0.169
0.010	Grants & Subscriptions	0.009
0.009	Services	0.008
0.334	Miscellaneous	0.320
0.000	Other	0.001
2.025		1.931
	<u>Third Party</u>	
0.304	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	0.000
0.022	Rendered By Private Contract	0.023
0.326		0.023
15.005	Total Expenditure	15.402
	<u>Income</u>	
-0.470	Government Grants	-0.470
-0.112	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-0.127
-0.266	Customer/Client Receipts	-0.274
-2.268	Internal Income	-2.628
-3.116	Total Income	-3.499
11.889	NET FINANCE & DIGITAL SERVICES BUDGET	11.903

GENERAL FUND REVENUE**FRONTLINE SERVICES: TYPE OF SPEND**

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
	<u>Employees</u>	
27.157	NJC Local Govt Workers	27.567
0.501	JNC Chief Officers	0.514
2.701	Other	2.682
30.359		30.763
	<u>Premises</u>	
0.590	Repairs & Maintenance	0.571
0.892	Energy	0.646
0.284	Rents	0.261
0.574	Local Tax	0.577
0.140	Water	0.135
0.161	Cleaning/Domestic	0.164
0.086	Other	0.089
2.727		2.443
	<u>Transport</u>	
8.594	Direct Transport	6.375
16.916	Contract Hire	19.679
0.579	Public Transport	0.596
0.057	Car Allowances	0.076
26.146		26.726
	<u>Supplies & Services</u>	
4.386	Equipment/Materials/Furniture	4.488
0.413	Communications/Computing	0.341
0.071	Printing/Stationery	0.066
0.209	Advertising	0.224
0.161	Grants & Subscriptions	0.167
17.432	Services	21.376
2.373	Miscellaneous	2.420
0.132	Other	0.137
25.177		29.219
	<u>Third Party</u>	
1.259	Rendered by Other Local Authorities	1.263
8.645	Transport	7.290
0.218	Structural	0.085
0.682	Cyclic	0.448
0.434	Safety Aids	0.410
0.072	Winter Maintenance	0.078
2.350	Street Lighting	2.370
0.103	Miscellaneous	0.100

0.033	Highways Drainage	0.024
13.796		12.068
	<u>Transfer Payments</u>	
0.221	School Children/Students	0.240
0.221		0.240
	<u>Support Services</u>	
0.009	Recharges	0.009
0.009		0.009
	<u>Capital Financing</u>	
0.248	Capital Charges	0.180
0.248		0.180
98.683	Total Expenditure	101.648
	<u>Income</u>	
-8.582	Government Grants	-7.154
-1.497	Other Grants/Reimbursements	-1.451
-4.908	Customer/Client Receipts	-5.028
-0.552	Recharges–Other Revenue Account	-0.260
-15.438	Internal Income	-16.902
-30.977	Total Income	-30.795
67.706	NET FRONTLINE SERVICES BUDGET	70.853

FINANCE, DIGITAL & FRONTLINE SERVICES THREE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME

	BUDGET		
	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
	£M	£M	£M
<u>Finance & Digital Services</u>			
CIVICA Financials	0.240	0.240	0.240
Capitalisation of Computer HW/SW & Licences	1.342	1.342	1.342
Total Finance & Digital Services	1.582	1.582	1.582
<u>Frontline Services</u>			
<u>Highways Technical Services</u>			
Highways Improvements	6.757	0.930	0.930
Car Parks	0.035	0.040	0.040
Structures	6.580	0.195	0.195
Parks Structures	0.320	0.000	0.000
Street Lighting	0.473	0.330	0.130
Traffic Management	0.100	0.100	0.100
Total Highways Technical Services	14.265	1.595	1.395
<u>Strategic Projects</u>			
Transportation and Travel Schemes	0.580	0.000	0.000
Transportation Infrastructure	14.779	0.025	0.025
Drainage Improvements	1.255	0.095	0.095
Land Reclamation	0.015	0.000	0.000
Total Strategic Projects	16.629	0.120	0.120
<u>Storm Dennis Flood Recovery</u>			
Storm Dennis Flood Recovery	4.485	0.000	0.000
Total Storm Dennis Flood Recovery	4.485	0.000	0.000
<u>Wastes Strategy</u>			
Waste Strategy	1.184	0.000	0.000
Total Waste Strategy	1.184	0.000	0.000
<u>Fleet</u>			
Vehicles	1.758	1.600	1.600
Total Fleet	1.758	1.600	1.600

<u>Buildings</u>			
Buildings	0.095	0.045	0.045
Capitalised Equipment	0.119	0.119	0.119
Total Buildings	0.214	0.164	0.164
Total Frontline Services	40.178	3.544	3.344
TOTAL FINANCE, DIGITAL AND FRONTLINE SERVICES BUDGET	41.760	5.126	4.926

* The 2024/25 budget includes slippage from 2023/24 and additional grant aided schemes that were known when the three-year programme was agreed.

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AUTHORITY WIDE BUDGETS

AUTHORITY WIDE BUDGETS OVERVIEW

Authority Wide Budgets represent those elements of financing which are Council wide, and which cannot be directly attributed to any specific service group.

A summary of the total resources available for these budgets in the 2024/25 financial year is as follows:

	Gross Expenditure	Income	Net Expenditure
	£M	£M	£M
General Fund Revenue	126.209	46.663	79.546
Total	126.209	46.663	79.546

AUTHORITY WIDE BUDGETS: SERVICES PROVIDED

2023/24 Budget		2024/25 Budget
£M		£M
21.708	Capital Financing	21.708
14.960	Levies	15.941
13.836	Miscellaneous	14.902
0.425	NDR Relief	0.425
25.784	Council Tax Reduction Scheme	26.570
76.713	TOTAL AUTHORITY WIDE BUDGETS	79.546