

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Report to:	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Date:	24 SEPTEMBER 2024
Subject:	REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING, QUARTER 1 2024/25
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A –Recommendation/s and reason/s	
<p>Recommendation</p> <p>(i) To note the position set out in Appendices A, B and C in respect of the Authority’s financial performance to date and expected outturn for 2024/25;</p> <p>(ii) To note the summary of Contingency budgets for 2024/25, detailed in Appendix CH;</p> <p>(iii) To note the monitoring of agency and consultancy costs for 2024/25 in Appendices D and DD.</p> <p>Reason</p> <p>The overall forecasted position at the end of the first quarter indicates that the final position will result in an overspend on the revenue budget of £90k (0.05%).</p> <p>This report sets out the financial performance of the Council’s services at the end of quarter 1, 30 June 2024. The projected position for the year as a whole is also summarised. It should be noted that predicting the final year-end position at the end of quarter 1 is difficult, and the position can change considerably as we move through the remainder of the financial year. There are key areas that are difficult to predict and forecast so far ahead, the key areas being:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A change in the requests for demand led services, mainly the placement of children in care, demand for adult services, homelessness, school transport and out of county education. 2. Additional grant funding received during the year that was not known. 3. Unforeseen one-off expenditure 4. Recruitment and retention difficulties leading to a higher than anticipated level of vacant posts. 5. Pay awards and the funding of increased pension contribution costs. <p>The forecasted position and other changes will result in the Council ending the financial year with a general balance of £10.991m (6.96% of the 2024/25 net revenue budget), which is £1.78m above the minimum figure recommended to the Council.</p> <p>Given that the forecasted financial position is for an overspend at the end of the financial year, and that the level of general balances is expected to exceed the minimum recommended level, the Executive is not required to approve any remedial action.</p>	
B – What other options did you consider and why did you reject them and/or opt for this option?	
Not Applicable – Monitoring Report with no options which require consideration.	
C – Why is this a decision for the Executive?	
Monitoring of the Council’s budget is a function that has been delegated to the Executive.	

CH – Is this decision consistent with policy approved by the full Council?		
Yes.		
D – Is this decision within the budget approved by the Council?		
Yes, but any change from the approved budget is noted in the report.		
Dd – Assessing the potential impact (if relevant):		
1	How does this decision impact on our long term needs as an Island?	The report is for monitoring purposes only and is used, along with other reports, to set the medium term financial strategy and annual budget. In setting the annual budget, the impact on the long term needs of the Island will be assessed.
2	Is this a decision which it is envisaged will prevent future costs / dependencies on the Authority? If so, how?	Not applicable
3	Have we been working collaboratively with other organisations to come to this decision? If so, please advise whom.	Not applicable
4	Have Anglesey citizens played a part in drafting this way forward, including those directly affected by the decision? Please explain how.	The citizens of Anglesey were consulted as part of the 2024/25 budget setting process and will be consulted on future budgets.
5	Note any potential impact that this decision would have on the groups protected under the Equality Act 2010.	Not applicable
6	If this is a strategic decision, note any potential impact that the decision would have on those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage.	Not applicable
7	Note any potential impact that this decision would have on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	Not applicable
E - Who did you consult?		What did they say?
1	Chief Executive / Leadership Team (LT) (mandatory)	The report has been considered by the LT at its meeting on 3 September 2024 and the comments made incorporated into the report.
2	Finance / Section 151 (mandatory)	N/A – this is the Section 151 Officer's report.
3	Legal / Monitoring Officer (mandatory)	The Monitoring Officer is a member of the LT and comments made have been considered.
4	Human Resources (HR)	N/A

5	Property	N/A
6	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	N/A
7	Scrutiny	The financial position at the end of quarter 1 was reviewed by the Finance Scrutiny Panel at its meeting on 11 September 2024.
8	Local Members	N/A
9	Any external bodies / other/s	N/A
F - Appendices:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix A - Provisional Revenue Outturn Report for 2024/25 • Appendix B - Table of Provisional Outturn 2024/25 • Appendix C - Analysis of the Forecasted Variance by Service and Reason • Appendix CH - Summary of Contingency Budgets position for 2024/25 • Appendix D - Information regarding monitoring of Agency Staff 2024/25 • Appendix DD - Information regarding monitoring of consultants 2024/25 		
FF - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):		
2024/25 Revenue Budget (as recommended by this Committee on 29 February 2024 and adopted by the County Council on 7 March 2024).		

REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT – QUARTER 1 2024/25

1. APPROVED REVENUE BUDGET 2024/25

1.1 The Council approved a net revenue for 2024/25 as follows:-

Table 1

Approved Budget and Funding for 2024/25

	£'000	£'000
Total Approved Revenue Expenditure	184,164	
Amendments to Budget Since Approval		
Use of Council reserves	(4,425)	
Current Approved Budget for 2024/25 (Net of Reserves)		179,739
Funded By		
Aggregate External Finance	127,586	
Standard Council Tax Debit Raised	48,387	
Premium Council tax on Second and Empty Homes	3,766	
Total Funding 2024/25		179,739

2. FORECAST BUDGET POSITION AS AT END OF QUARTER 1 2024/25

2.1 The estimated forecast position at the end of quarter 1 is shown in Table 2, below:-

Table 2

Summary Forecast Financial Position at End of Quarter 1

	2024/25 Budget	Q1 Forecast (Under) / Over	% Variance
	£'000	£'000	%
Service Budgets	165,854	1,333	0.80
Corporate Budgets	18,310	(652)	(4.7)
General Reserves	(4425)	0	0.00
Net Revenue Expenditure	179,739	681	(3.80)
Aggregate External Finance	127,586	0	0
Standard Council Tax	48,387	(68)	0.14
Council Tax Premium	3,766	(523)	13.89
Funding	179,739	(591)	
Net Forecast (Under) / Over	0	90	(0.33)

2.2 The estimated position for the Council's General Balances is shown in Table 3, below:-

Table 3

Estimated Council General Balances as at 31 March 2025

Executive Meeting	Amount £'m	Purpose
Opening Balance	(15,606)	Unaudited General Reserve at 31 March 2024
Used for Budget 2024/25	4,425	
Revised Council Fund General Balance	(11,181)	

2.3 During 2024/25, a sum of £100k has been released from General Balances to meet the cost of dealing with an animal health issue which has arisen. An application has been made to Welsh Government (WG) for additional funding to cover all or part of the costs relating to this matter. If funding is received, it will be credited back to the Council's general balances but, as at the end of quarter 1 of 2024/25, the available funding totalled £11.081m.

3. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE BY SERVICE

3.1 The overall combined position for the Council's services shows a forecasted overspend position at the end of the financial year of £1,966k. The analysis by Service is shown in Table 4, below:-

Table 4

Analysis of the Forecasted Budget Position By Service

	(Under) / Overspend £'000	%
Adult Services	(391)	(1.02)
Children's Services	1,775	7.61
Highways	(139)	(1.68)
Economic Development	(135)	(4.13)
Resources	(105)	(2.6)
Unbudgeted Costs (Insurance, Capital Pension Costs & Bad Debt Provision)	500	
Other Services (Variances under £100k)	(172)	(0.47)
Total Service Variances	1,333	1.19

3.2 The main reasons for the variances are summarised in Table 5, below, with a more detailed analysis by Service and Sub-Service provided in Appendix C:-

Table 5
Analysis of the Forecasted Variance by Reason

	Forecasted Variance £'000
Cost variances arising from changing demand for services	2,062
Variances in staffing costs arising from vacancies, net of the cost of additional temporary staff and the use of agency staff	(907)
Changes to contract prices not allowed for in the approved budget	127
Changes to grant funding which increase or reduce the requirement for funding from the core budget	(74)
Income from fees and charges (above) / below the income target	(620)
Cost variances relating to buildings	123
Cost variances relating to the employment of external consultants	71
Transfer of funding to / (from) earmarked reserves and general balances	(103)
Clearly identified errors in the budget setting process	11
Miscellaneous reasons	643
TOTAL FORECASTED VARIANCE	1,333

3.3 The table above highlights that the main budget pressure that the Council is still experiencing is as a result of an increased demand for services, with £2.06m of budget pressure resulting. The main area of concern is within Children's Services, with an increase in both the number of children having to be placed with out of county providers and the cost of each placement. However, the position in respect of Adult Services has stabilised, with the budget currently sufficient to meet the level of demand. The demand for school transport is also lower, but this can change in September as the new academic year commences.

3.4 The financial position is improved due to staff vacancies, where pay costs, net of any additional costs incurred in employing temporary staff and agency staff, is forecast to underspend by £907k, although recruitment issues in the Council's residential homes and within Legal Services has resulted in agency costs being higher than the staffing budget available in these services. Further information on agency costs is provided in paragraph 7 and Appendix D.

3.5 School meal prices will increase in September, and this will create a budget pressure, given that the level of grant funding for universal free school meals in primary schools will remain unchanged. This pressure could be reduced by increasing the price of meals to pupils in secondary schools.

3.6 Increased grant funding has improved the financial position in some areas but the grant that is used to fund Welsh Language Centres reduced in 2024/25, which has resulted in a forecast overspend of £101k on this service.

3.7 Forecasting income generated through fees and charges is always difficult, particularly at this early stage in the financial year, but the indications are that overall income will exceed the budget by £620k, with income levels in Leisure and Highways being significantly higher than the income target.

4. FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF CORPORATE BUDGETS

4.1 The forecasted financial position at the end of the financial year for Corporate Budgets is shown in Table 6, below:-

Table 6
Corporate Budgets Forecasted Financial Position 2024/25

	2024/25 Budget	Q1 Forecast (Under) / Over	Variance	Reason for Variance
	£'000	£'000	%	
Levies	4,931	0	0.00	
Discretionary Rate Relief	105	26	24.48	
Capital Financing	5,753	(604)	(1.21)	Lower borrowing and higher investment returns
Benefits Granted	7,392	(498)	(6.73)	Lower than anticipated case load
Support Services Contribution by HRA	(800)	0	0.00	
Budget Savings to be Achieved	(1,000)	452	0.00	Work still ongoing to achieve the saving
General & Other Contingencies	1,929	(28)	(1.470)	
Use of General reserves	(4,425)	0	0.00	
TOTAL	13,885	(652)	(0.85)	

5. COLLECTION OF COUNCIL TAX

5.1 The Council Tax Fund budget is determined using the estimated collectable debt for the current year only, based on the tax base figure set in November 2023. It does not provide for arrears collected from previous years, adjustments to liabilities arising from previous years (exemptions, single person discounts, transfers to business rates etc.), changes to the current year's tax-base or the provision for bad and doubtful debts. These changes cannot be estimated when the budget is set and, invariably, lead to a difference between the final balance on the Council Tax Collection Fund and the original budget. Historically, the forecasted levels of Council Tax fall during the year as recovery action is undertaken and taxpayers come forward to claim exemptions and discounts that they are entitled to. The current core Council Tax income is forecasted to be £68k above the budget.

5.2 The Council Tax premium is designed to encourage owners of empty properties and second homes to return the property to general use and, as such, there is a risk that the number of properties paying the premium can reduce significantly during the year. In order to mitigate this risk, the tax base for premium properties is set at 80% and, if the numbers of properties paying the premium does not fall significantly, then the budget will generate a surplus. The change in the eligibility rules for business rates on self catering accommodation has resulted in a number of properties being transferred back from business rates to Council Tax, which has increased properties subject to the second home premium, and this has offset the reduction in properties resulting from the increase in the premium from 75% to 100%. As a result, the Council Tax premium budget is forecasting a surplus of £523k at the end of the financial year.

6. BUDGET SAVINGS 2024/25

6.1 As part of the budget, a target of £1m was set for savings in staff costs. The savings would be generated by assessing the need for posts as they become vacant. To date, £548k of savings have been identified and work is ongoing to identify further savings as posts become vacant.

6.2 The budget also included a package of budget savings amounting to £1.165m, which included the deletion of unused budgets, additional income generation, reduction of grants to outside bodies and the reduction of some services. The budget monitoring review has not identified any issues in delivering the savings proposals made.

7. AGENCY AND CONSULTANCY COSTS

- 7.1** During the year to date, £290k was spent on Agency staff. These were, in the main, part-funded from staffing budgets as they related to staff vacancies, while £163k related to staff cover for vacant posts. The Waste Service spent £93k for site agents at the recycling centres. The full details can be seen at Appendix D.
- 7.2** A total of £248k was spent on Consultancy during the period April to June 2024, with £159k funded through grant or external sources. A full summary of expenditure per service, and additional details of the expenditure, can be seen at Appendix DD.

8. CONCLUSIONS

8.1 The initial projection at the end of the first quarter is that the budget will be overspent by £0.090m for the year ending 31 March 2025. Forecasting accurately the financial position at this early stage is always difficult, and it is likely that the position will change as services deal with issues and service demands during the year. There are also a number of matters which have yet to be resolved which will also impact on the final financial position.

8.2 The main areas that have yet to be finalised relate to:-

- i.** The pay award for both non-teaching staff (from April 2024) and teaching staff (from September 2024) have yet to be agreed. The provision made in the budget for the pay award for non-teaching staff is sufficient to meet the employers' current pay offer. However, the Unions are seeking a higher award and are currently consulting their members on strike action. The recent announcement by the Government of increases of between 5% and 6% for other public sector pay groups may put pressure on the Employers to increase their offer. The Council has an earmarked reserve of £1.7m to cover inflationary pressures, but this may not be sufficient if the final pay award is close to the Unions' demand.
- ii.** Teachers' pay is set by Welsh Government (WG). It was recently announced that teachers in England would receive a 5.5% pay rise and it may be the case that WG is considering a similar rise in Wales. Previously, any pay award for teachers that had been higher than allowed for in the local government settlement had been funded by Welsh Government. It is, therefore, possible that any additional cost may be cost neutral for the Authority.
- iii.** The employers' contribution towards teachers' pension costs rose from 23.68% to 28.68%. The additional cost of £1.3m was included in the delegated school budget, but no additional funding was included in the local government settlement. Discussions between WG and H.M.Treasury are ongoing, but it is likely that additional funding will be received by WG and this should be passed on to local authorities. The exact figure has not been announced and it may not cover the full cost but, if it is received, this will be a windfall and could be used to offset any additional unfunded pay costs.

8.3 The position in respect of Social Care is of particular concern, with a forecast overspend of £1.775m for Children's Services. The forecast is based on the current level of demand, but demand fluctuates during the year and can change significantly, e.g. one placement for a high dependency client with specialised care needs can amount to between £250k and £500k. Any increase in the demand for services will only worsen the position.

As we move through the remainder of the financial year, the impacts of the above will be factored into future monitoring reports as things become clearer.

8.4 The financial position in 2024/25 will also influence the Council's financial strategy for 2025/26 and beyond, as it will highlight the need to realign budgets to reflect the increases in costs seen in 2024/25 and to reflect the changing demand for services. Any significant overspending will also result in an erosion of the Council's earmarked reserves and general balances, and this will reduce the ability to use reserves and balances to help to balance the revenue budget in 2025/26. Management will review the financial position closely during the remainder of the financial year and may need to implement cost saving measures in 2024/25, in order to maintain the current level of earmarked reserves and general balances.

Gwasanaeth/Swyddogaeth Service/Function	2024/25 Cyllideb Blynyddol Annual Budget	2024/25 Ch1 Cyllideb hyd yma Q1 Budget Year to Date	2024/25 Ch1 Gwir Wariant ac Ymrwymadau Q1 Actual & Committed spend	2024/25 Ch1 Amrywiad Q1 Variance	2024/25 Ch1 Gwir Wariant ac Ymrwymadau Q1 Actual & Committed Spend	Ch1 : Q1 Amcangyfrif Gwariant i 31 Mawrth 2025 Estimated Expenditure to 31 March 2025	Ch1 : Q1 Amcangyfrif o Alldro 31 Mawrth 2025 gor/(tan) wariant Estimated Outturn 31 March 2025 over/(under)	2024/25 Gor/(tan) wariant fel % o'r Gyllideb Gyfan Projected Over /(Under) spend as a % of Total Budget	2023/24 Gor/(Tan) Wariant Drafft Draft Over/Underspend)
<u>Priffyrdd, Eiddo a Gwastraff Highways, Property & Waste</u>									
Priffyrdd Highways	8,264	1,758	1,755	(3)	-0.15%	8,125	(139)	-1.68%	79
Eiddo Property	1,991	(858)	(857)	1	-0.17%	1,974	(17)	-0.85%	106
Gwastraff Waste	10,111	1,506	1,494	(12)	-0.81%	10,016	(95)	-0.94%	(513)
<u>Rheoleiddio a Datblygu Economaidd Regulation & Economic Development</u>									
Datblygu Economaidd Economic Development	3,271	960	884	(76)	-7.95%	3,136	(135)	-4.13%	(500)
Cynllunio a Gwarchod y Cyhoedd Planning and Public Protection	2,917	893	775	(119)	-13.27%	2,696	(6)	-0.21%	(182)
<u>Trawsnewid Transformation</u>									
Adnoddau Dynol Human Resources	1,713	481	478	(4)	-0.79%	1,724	11	0.64%	(3)
TGCh ICT	4,701	2,282	2,418	136	5.96%	4,650	(51)	-1.08%	(546)
Trawsnewid Corfforaethol Corporate Transformation	1,243	270	255	(14)	-5.34%	1,210	(33)	-2.65%	(89)

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<u>Adnoddau Resources</u>	4,032	1,109	1,043	(66)	-5.94%	3,927	(105)	-2.60%	(26)
<u>Busnes y Cyngor Council Business</u>	2,125	524	463	(60)	-11.53%	2,195	70	3.29%	(46)
<u>Costau Corfforaethol a Democrataidd Corporate & Democratic costs</u>	2,193	861	928	67	7.80%	2,176	(17)	-0.78%	(76)
<u>Rheolaeth Corfforaethol Corporate Management</u>	809	208	195	(13)	-6.11%	833	24	2.97%	(3)
Costau heb gyllideb, ac na ellir eu rheoli: yswiriant, costau pensiwn a dileu drwg ddyledion / lwfansau amhariad ar incwm gwasanaethau <i>Unbudgeted, uncontrollable costs: insurances, pension costs and bad debt write offs / impairment allowances on services' income</i>						500	500	0.00%	595
Cyfanswm Cyllidebau Gwasanaethau Total Service Budgets	165,854	34,907	34,654	(254)	(0.73%)	167,187	1,333	0.80%	(1,073)
Ardollau Levies	4,931	4,931	4,931	0	-0.00%	4,931	0	0.00%	0

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<u>Cyllido Funding</u>									
Trethi Annomestig <i>NDR</i>	(25,341)	(7,797)	(7,797)	0	0.00%	(25,341)	0	0.00%	0
Y Dreth Gyngor <i>Council Tax</i>	(48,387)	0	0	0	0.00%	(48,455)	(68)	0.14%	513
Premiwm y Dreth Gyngor <i>Council Tax Premium</i>	(3,766)	0	0	0	0.00%	(4,289)	(523)	13.89%	(176)
Grant Cynnal Refeniw <i>Revenue Support Grant</i>	(102,245)	(31,461)	(31,460)	0	0.00%	(102,245)	0	0.00%	0
Cyfanswm Cyllid 2024/25 Total Funding 2024/25	(179,739)	(39,257)	(39,257)	0	0	(180,330)	(591)	0.33%	337
Cyfanswm yr alldro, yn cynnwys effaith y cyllido Total outturn, including impact of funding	0	3,898	4,000	103	2.63%	90	90	0.05%	(1,732)

APPENDIX C

ANALYSIS OF THE FORECASTED VARIANCE BY SERVICE AND REASON

Service	Sub Service	Variance £'000	Reason for Variance									
			Change in Service Demand £'000	Staff / Agency Variances £'000	Contract or Price Changes £'000	Changes to Grant Funding £'000	Income Variances £'000	Building Costs £'000	Consultancy £'000	Transfer To / (From) Reserves £'000	Budget Over / Under Provision £'000	Misc £'000
Central Education	School Transport	(172)	(172)									
	School Meals	105			105							
	ALN Strategy											
	School Exceptions	(19)							(19)			
	Language Centre	101				101						
	Early Years Provision	(47)	(40)	(7)								
	Clwb Gofal Plant	62					62					
	Further Education											
	Central Education	(48)				(48)						
	Out of County Placements	(19)	(19)									
	Millbank	15							15			
	Others	13										13
	TOTAL	(9)	(231)	(7)	105	53	62	(4)	-	-	-	13
Culture	Museums & Galleries	53		(52)			50	30				25
	Libraries	(73)		(78)		(10)	15					
	Archives	16		16								
	TOTAL	(4)	-	(114)	-	(10)	65	30	-	-	-	25

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		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Small Group Homes	59	(13)	72								
	Other Looked After Children	162	162									
	Family Support	(9)	(9)									
	Children with Disabilities	76	130	(54)								
	Commissioning & Social Work	(140)		(140)								
	Youth Services											
	Other	(71)	(1)	(70)								
	TOTAL	1,775	1,967	(192)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housing	Housing Services	(41)		(41)								
	Homelessness	(3)	210				(105)			(106)		(5)
	J.E. O'Toole Centre	(1)		(3)								2
	TOTAL	(45)	210	(44)	-	-	(105)	-	-	(103)	-	(3)
Highways	Highways Support & Management											
	Môn Community Transport											
	Car Parks & Parking Management	30					30					
	Development Control	(40)					(40)					

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		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	SERVICE TOTAL	1,333	2,062	(907)	127	(74)	(620)	123	71	(106)	11	646

SUMMARY OF QUARTER 1 POSITION ON CONTINGENCY BUDGETS

	Budget	Virements to Service Lines	Amended Budget YTD	Committed YTD	Currently Uncommitted Budgets	Budget Forecast
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Contingency	382,282	-	382,282	-	382,282	-
Salary and Grading	300,000	-	300,000	110,968	189,032	-
Other Earmarked	150,000	700,000	850,000	-	850,000	-
Pay Inflation	49,209	-	49,209	-	49,209	-
Regional Growth – Economic Ambition Board	86,250	(57,880)	28,370	-	-	(28,370)
Trainee Scheme	340,000	(71,014)	268,986	-	268,986	-
Climate Change	50,000	-	50,000	-	50,000	-
Total General and other Contingencies	1,357,741	571,106	1,928,847	110,968	1,789,509	(28,370)

AGENCY COSTS APRIL TO JUNE 2024

Service	Amount £	Source of Funding (Specific Core Budget / Un-utilised staffing budget / Grant / External Contribution)	Permanent / Temporary	Reason for Cover
Schools	34,695	Core Budget	Temporary	Supply teachers in specialist field
	34,695			
Waste	70,710	Specific Core Budget	Temporary	Specific Tasks on Site
	21,815	Specific Core Budget / External Contribution	Temporary	Specific Tasks on Site
	92,525			
Children's Services	34,698	Core Budget	Temporary	To cover vacant posts
	34,698			
Adult Services	128,072	Core Budget	Temporary	To cover vacant posts
	128,072			
Total	289,990			

SUMMARY OF CONSULTANCY EXPENDITURE TO END QUARTER 1 2024/25

Summary Consultancy Expenditure per Service		
Service	Quarter 1 £	Total 2024/25 £
Central Education	7,097	7,097
Culture	13,613	13,613
Economic & Regeneration	119,484	119,484
Property		
Highways	53,753	53,753
Schools		
Waste	19,093	19,093
HRA		
Housing		
Corporate & Democratic		
Adult Services		
Children's Services	3,209	3,209
Corporate		
Transformation	3,713	3,713
Council Business	18,168	18,168
Resources	9,970	9,970
Total	248,097	248,097
Funded by:		
Core Budget	72,552	72,552
Grant	129,111	129,111
External Contribution	29,411	29,411
Reserves / Provisions	17,023	17,023
Total	248,097	248,097