#### WELSH PURCHASING CONSORTIUM

## MANAGEMENT BOARD

## 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015

### REPORT OF THE TREASURER

## **Background**

- 1. In 2008 the sixteen member authorities of the Welsh Purchasing Consortium agreed to provide funding over a three year period to support the setting up and operation of a central management team to be based in Cardiff Council. Funding arrangements were extended and are due to end on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016. Three new authorities joined the Consortium in 2013/14 increasing members to nineteen.
- 2. This report presents the financial monitoring position for 2015/16 based on the first seven months of the financial year, as set out in the monitoring statement attached as Appendix A.

# **Budget Monitoring 2015/16 - Month 7**

- 3. The total expenditure budget for 2015/16 is £228,000 and provides funding for the three posts within the central management team. One post was vacated in July of this year and the manager post vacated on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015. The employee budget is projecting an overspend of £75,133. This is made up of a saving of £60,850 against salary costs offset by the unbudgeted costs of £135,983 relating to redundancy and pension strain costs. Premise costs are projecting an underspend of £5,500 based on the central team vacating their premises on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015. Transport costs are projected to underspend as well as supplies and services. Support costs are assumed to be in line with last years spend at this stage.
- 4. The income budget for 2015/16 is £12,150 based on contributions from the six associate members. Valleys to Coast Housing and Wales Probation Trust have since advised that they will not be renewing for 2015/16 thereby reducing income to £7,650.
- 5. Income from the nineteen member authorities is replaced with a contribution from the general reserve to the equivalent amount of £230,850 in 2015/16.
- 6. The current projection indicates that a deficit of £36,538 will have to be funded from the reserve, leaving a balance of £140,069 in the reserve at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.
- 7. The Officers group which met on the 27<sup>th</sup> November considered two options which are shown in Appendix B.

Option 1—the net expenditure for 2015/16 to be split equally between the 19 authorities and funded from their shares of the reserves. This option leaves a shortfall on the share balances of the three authorities in NE Wales which joined the WPC in 2013/14 and a surplus on the balances of the original 16 authorities.

Option 2 – the 3 NE Wales authorities to contribute to the net expenditure for 2015/16 up to the value of their shares of the reserves, the remainder to be funded by equal contributions from the other 16 authorities' shares. This option leaves a nil balance on the reserves for the 3 NE Wales authorities and a smaller surplus on the balances of the other 16 authorities.

The Officers group asked for both options to be presented to the Board.

### Recommendations

- 1. That the Management Board note the monitoring position for 2015/16 as at Month 7.
- 2. That the Management Board considers Options 1 and 2 in Appendix B.

Christine Salter
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The City of Cardiff Council
December 2015

## Welsh Purchasing Consortium Monitoring Position as at 31st October 2015

Appendix A

Actual 2014/15		Budget 2015/16	Projected 2015/16	Variance 2015/16
£		£	£	£
	Employees			
83,691	Manager	87,000	51,176	-35,824
76,832	Procurement Specialist & Support Officers	81,000	55,974	-25,026
787	Other Employee expenses (Training, Insurance)	1,000	136,983	135,983
161,310		169,000	244,133	75,133
	Premises			
15,421	Rents & Utilities	16,000	10,500	-5,500
15,421		16,000	10,500	-5,500
	Transport			
2,251	Car Mileage and travelling expenses	4,000	800	-3,200
2,251		4,000	800	-3,200
	Supplies & Services			
13,313	IT Hardware & Software	5,000	0	-5,000
12,184	Consultancy & Legal Advice	7,000	500	-6,500
	Other Supplies & Services	3,000	700	-2,300
3,288	Audit Fee	6,000	3,815	-2,185
32,220		21,000	5,015	-15,985
	Support	,	ŕ	
14,590	Central Support Charge: Prof, IT, Payroll, etc	18,000	14,590	-3,410
14,590		18,000	14,590	-3,410
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225,792	Total Expenditure	228,000	275,038	47,038
	Income			
-230,850	Full Members	0.00	. 0	0.00
-12,150	Associate Members	-12,150.00	-7,650	4,500.00
-243,000	Total Income	-12,150.00	-7,650	4,500.00
-787	Transfer to Accumulated Absences account	О	0	0
-17,995	Net Expenditure (income)	215,850	267,388	51,538

Balance on the Reserve Balance Brought Forward 1st April 2014	379,463		
Surplus 2014-15	27,995		
Balance on reserve at 31st March 2015	407,457		
Balance on the Reserve (Proactis Upgrade)			
Balance Brought Forward 1st April 2014	25,418		
Contribution required 2014-15	-10,000		
Balance on reserve at 31st March 2015	15,418		
Budgeted Contribution from Reserve to WPC 2015-16		-230,850	
Estimated Deficit WPC 2015-16		-36,538	
Estimated balance on reserve at 31st March 2016	=	140,069	
Estimated balance on reserve(Proactis upgrade) at 31st March 2016	-	15,418	

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WPC General Reserve						
3alance @ 31.03.2015		£407,457.92				
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Movement 2015-16		-£230,850.00				
Movement 2015-16		-£36,538.00				
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Balance @ 31.03.2016		£140,069.92	13			
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				2 Authorities	1Authority	T-4-1
Distribution of Reserve			16 Authorities	(Den & Flint)	(Wrexham)	Total £
		£	£	£	£	L
Jp to 31.03.2013		350,079.61	21,879.98		*	
2013 - 14 Underspend		29,383.00				
1.04.2013 - 31.10.2013		17,140.08	1,071.26			
01.11.2013 - 31.12.2014		4,897.17	272.06	272.06		
01.01.2014 - 31.03.2014		7,345.75	386.62	386.62	386.62	
2014 - 15 Underspend		27,995.31	1,473.44	1,473.44	1,473.44	
2015-16 Contribution to WPC		-230,850.00		-12,150.00	-12,150.00	
2015-16 Projected Deficit		-36,538.00		-1,923.05	-1,923.05	
2015-16 Projected Delicit		-30,530.00	1,020.00	1,020.00	.,,	
	TOTAL	140,069.92				
		Option 1	11,010.30	-11,940.93	-12,213.00	140,069.92
				0.00	0.00	440,000,00
		Option 2	8,754.37	0.00	0.00	140,069.92
WPC Proactis Reserve						
				2 Authorities	1Authority	
				1777		Total
Distribution of Reserve			16 Authorities		(Wrexham)	
		£	£	£	£	£
Up to 31.03.2014		25,418.00				
01.04.2013 - 31.10.2013		14,827.17	926.70			
01.11.2013 - 31.12.2014		4,236.33	235.35	235.35		
01.01.2014 - 31.03.2014		6,354.50		334.45	334.45	
2014-2015		-10,000.00			-526.32	
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	TOTAL	15,418.00				
	TOTAL	10,110.00				
		Option 1	970.18	43.48	-191.87	15,418.0
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		Option 2	963.63	0.00	0.00	15,418.0
GRAND TOTAL						
	TOTAL	155,487.92				
		Option 1	11,980.48	-11,897.45	-12,404.87	155,487.9
		Option 2	9,718.00	0.00	0.00	155,487.9
Note: Option 1 16 Member Authorities will Denbighshire & Flintshire w Wrexham will be required to Option 2 16 Member Authorities will	vill be re	Option 2 £11,980.48 equired to contri bute £12,404.87	9,718.00	0.00		