2024/2025 Precept - Final agreed by councillors 4th January 2024

BUDGET NAME	2023-24 Budget	Projected Outturn	*Proposed Budget 2024 - 25 Includes VAT*	Delta to 2023/2024 budget	Notes
1. Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay (RCCO)					
Capital Expenditure					
Hwb Rhuddlan Loan Repayment	£ 6,877	£ 6,877	*£ 6,877*	£ -	No Change
HWb Rhuddlan Adaptations	£ -	£ 7,759	*£ -*	£ -	2023/2024 Outturn include path prep/automation of toilet door. No budget for 2024/2025
Road Safety SIDs	£ 5,000	£ 12,290	*£ 1,500*	-£ 3,500	Assume no additional SIDS but included £1,500 in for SID maintenance and other Road Safety initiatives Overspend due to late DCC invoicing
Path PWLB repayment	£ -	£ -	*£ 4,563*	£ 4,563	New cost 2023/2024 first payment in other outturn spend CYB Adaptations
2. Revenue Budget					
Administration					
Salaries	£ 26,000	£ 26,413	*£ 28,552*	£ 2,552	Include a 1 increment and £1/hr rise from 1/4 (8.1%)
PAYE & NI	£ 11,400	£ 13,621	*£ 14,724*	£ 3,324	Include a 1 increment and £1/hr rise from 1/4 (8.1%)
Pension	£ 3,420	£ 3,859	*£ 4,172*	£ 752	Include a 1 increment and £1/hr rise from 1/4 (8.1%)
Payroll Administration	£ 412	£ 300	*£ 330*	-£ 82	Estimate 10% increase
Office Expenses	£ 200	£ -	*£ 200*	£ -	
Training	£ 1,200	£ 912	*£ 1,000*	-£ 200	Reduce as councillor uptake is very low plus includes 1 conference for Clerk CPD
Mayors Allowance	£ 1,500	£ 1,500	*£ 1,500*	£ -	No Change
Deputy Mayors Allowance	£ 500	£ 500	*£ 500*	£ -	No Change
Councillors Allowance	£ 2,288	£ 2,120	*£ 2,288*	£ -	Assumes 100% councillors will take
Extra Responsibility Allowance	£ 500	£ 500	*£ 500*	£ -	No Change
Bank Charges	£ 120	£ 139	*£ 100*	-£ 20	Assume £8/month and 4 cheques
Audit Fees	£ 800	£ 800	*£ 800*	£ -	No Change
Professional Fees	£ 250	£ -	*£ 250*	£ -	No Change
Subscription & Membership	£ 1,000	£ 1,239	*£ 1,300*	£ 300	Assume +5%
Insurance	£ 2,500	£ 2,750	*£ 2,750*	£ 250	Additional cost of including the path
Stationery & Postage	£ 800	£ 1,006	*£ 800*	£ -	No change
Civic Duties	£ 1,000	£ 1,256	*£ 1,250*	£ 250	Increase Civic duties to participate in
Telephone & Broadband	£ 350	£ 211	*£ 232*	-£ 118	Assume +10%
Website & Social Media	£ 6,480	£ 9,734	*£ 6,480*	£ -	Same as last years budget which includes additional costs of managing tourism website. Outturn includes cost of website
Financial Software	£ 700	£ 753	*£ 828*	£ 128	Assume +10%
Hire of Facilities	£ 100	£ -	*£ -*	-£ 100	Not used as have Hwb so no budget required
Bus Shelters maintenance and cleaning	£ 1,500	£ -	*£ 1,500*	£ -	Not done last year but will need to be carried out in 2024/25
Elections	£ -	£ -	*£ -*	£ -	No election envisaged
Elections Booklet	£ -	£ -	*£ -*	£ -	No election envisaged
Travel Expenses	£ 1,100	£ 1,700	*£ 1,650*	£ 550	12 months at £120 plus £200 Conference travel. Assumes additional caretaking Hwb visits. 2023/24 includes 1 conf in Jan/Feb
Sundries	£ 1,500	£ 4,093	*£ 1,500*	£ -	Outturn includes £2,600 of un-budgeted Regalia costs
Translation Services	£ 3,500	£ 3,492	*£ 3,500*	£ -	No Change
Printer/Scanner	£ 450	£ 257	*£ 300*	-£ 150	Assume +5%
3 - Community Projects					
Sundries	£ 3,000	£ 3,789	*£ 3,000*	£ -	Outturn includes road sign for CC
Christmas Street Lights	£ 11,000	£ 13,664	*£ 13,664*	£ 2,664	Includes additional lights
Remembrance Day	£ 500	£ 371	*£ 500*	£ -	No Change
CCTV - Crime & Disorder	£ 3,500	£ 3,400	*£ 7,000*	£ 3,500	Contract Renewal will be significantly more so +100%
Section 137 Grants - Town	£ 12,750	£ 14,100	*£ 12,750*	£ -	2023/24 Outturn includes unplanned £4,000 match funding grant to the Community Centre - 2024/2025 No Change
Section 137 Grants - Community Events including council led events	£ 10,000	£ 8,975	*£ 10,000*	£ -	No Change as expect a summer event
Section 137 Grant - Youth Projects	£ 5,000	£ 5,180	*£ 5,000*	£ -	No change as assume one off fees will mitigate any potential increase in charges from DCC
Green Community Projects	£ 3,000	£ -	*£ 3,000*	£ -	No spend 2023/2024 - Assume Bio-diversity Committee will need a budget for 2024/25 - No Change
Library Running Costs	£ 17,000	£ 12,000	*£ 12,000*	-£ 5,000	No Change
Fresh Air Gym Sessions	£ 500	£ -	*£ -*	£ -	Do not do in 2024/25
New Cemetery	£ -	£ -	*£ -*	£ -	See Potential projects
Pressure washing	£ -	£ -	*£ -*	£ -	

Town Plan Initiatives	£ 5,000	£ 4,428	*£ -*	-£ 5,000	Market should be cost neutral all other new town plan initiatives see additional projects. 2023/24 Outturn includes tree removal and other non-market charges
Hwb Rhuddlan Running Costs including public toilets	£ 13,250	£ 10,661	*£ 10,000*	-£ 3,250	Estimated net of income running costs of £9,672 which includes cost of public toilets of £7,224 so overall cost is £2,448, if take off what the council would pay the CC for meetings equates to NET cost of £1,848/year at current usage levels
Defibrillators	£ 2,000	£ 1,506	*£ 1,700*	-£ 300	Reduce - 1 new defib in Pentre Lane area
Car Parking fees to DCC	£ 10,500	£ 9,309	*£ 10,500*	£ -	No change as DCC will increase car parking charging with knock-on effect
Dog Waste initiatives	£ 500	£ 608	*£ 700*	£ 200	Reduced to current stock levels
4 - Playing Fields					
Sundries	£ 2,500	£ 2,875	*£ 2,500*	£ -	No Change
Repairs and maintenance	£ 4,000	£ 6,206	*£ 5,000*	£ 1,000	2023/24 Outturn includes tree removal and hedge cutting £1,800, increase to cover future playground maintenance
Electricity MUGA	£ 2,000	£ 1,355	*£ 1,200*	-£ 800	Reduce in line with estimated costs
Grass cutting	£ 1,450	£ 1,575	*£ 1,653*	£ 203	Increased with additional cuts and a 4% increase
Litter Collection	£ 1,400	£ 1,374	*£ 1,400*	£ -	No Change
VAT DATA (VAT refund)			*-£ 32,000*		Estimated VAT refund for 2023/2024 to receive in April 2024.
TOTAL Day to Day Costs	**£ 190,297**	**£ 205,457**	***£ 159,513***	**£ 1,716**	
Additional costs/projects					
Upgrade MUGA Lights	£ 10,000	£ 9,600	*£ -*		
Improvements to trees VL field	£ 2,500	£ -	*£ -*		
Replacement Planters High Street	£ 1,248	£ 1,260	*£ -*		
Match funds commuted sums	£ 2,000	£ -	*£ -*		
Extension of Christmas lights	£ 2,000	£ -	*£ -*		Included in day to day
Refurbishment of Admirals Field Gate	£ 5,000	£ 1,683	*£ -*		2023/2024 is net path costs. No refurbishment carried out. No Budget included for 2023/2024 costs
Additional Support for library			*£ 8,586*		
Town Plan Initiatives NEW TOWN PLAN			*£ 10,000*		
DCC Cutback Contingency			*£ 40,000*		
Mods to move some Xmas Lights			*£ -*		
Cemetery working group			*£ 5,000*		
Admirals Path Lighting			*£ -*		
Total Additional 2024/25 Costs			***£ 63,586***		
Total All			***£ 223,099***		

Surplus/reserve from previous year estimated at £81,338 **Last year's Precept was £106.48 equates to £8.87 per month**

Based on **1707** properties:	**Precept Amount**	**% Change**	**£ Annual**	**£ Monthly**	**Remaining Reserve**
Maintain last years Precept using £41,338 of reserve	£ 181,761	0.0%	£ 106.48	£ 8.87	£40,000.00
Use no reserve, leaves £81,338 of reserve	£ 223,099	22.7%	£ 130.70	£ 10.89	£81,338.00
Use £23,888 of reserve, leaves £57,450 of reserve	**£ 199,211**	**9.6%**	**£ 116.70**	**£ 9.73**	**£57,450.00**