BUDGET SAVINGS POSITION - 2015/16 SAVINGS
APPENDIX 3(b)

REF	Directorate 16/17	Directorate Savings 2015/16	Total Saving (£'000)	Savings already achieved 2015/16 (£'000)	Balance of savings to be found (£'000)		Savings not achieved in 2016/17 (£'000)	Comments
1	City Operations	In House Improvements (Council wide) and Neighbourhood Services (Council wide) - the saving involves delivering year one modified in-house services through an improved in-house infrastructure services and neighbourhood based approach to service delivery across council functions of several directorates. This cost benefit proposal is not confined to the Environment directorate as it is a cross directorate 'One Council' project to bring resilience to services that manage streetscene, parks, bereavement maintenance of land, open landscape, enforcement activities including waste and parking enforcement, highways maintenance, technical design. It will include savings for directorate areas that support them, e.g. fleet services, facilities management and depots.		304	296	188	108	The balance of savings was to be delivered through further voluntary severances and small scale staff restructures. The delivery plan indicated a shortfall in 2016-17 but that it should be fully deliverable in 2017-18.
2		Redesign of cleansing as part of Neighbourhood Services (Environment only) - as part of neighbourhood services project and in-house improvements the cleansing of all Council land operational methods across the city would be redesigned. This is an approach taken by other authorities in Britain, which often results in a 'Streetscene' service that not only achieves efficiency in back office support and budgetary savings, but also see the services become more responsive to the needs of the local community and allows staff to have more autonomy in responding and addressing these needs. The service changes will be responding to needs of local communities rather than relying on frequency as a measure of quality, savings will be found by bringing service teams together, removing duplicate work, based on local areas, pooling skills and resources such as enforcement and cleansing activities. This will maintain current quality standards and build resilience in these critical frontline services.	450	431	19	19	0	This saving has now been fully achieved, due to the full year effect of posts deleted in 2015/16.
3	CILV Operations	Bute Park Horticultural Nursery - increase income from the nursery by selling hardy stock and bedding plants throughout the city.	40	26	14	14	0	The saving was achieved through various internal and external promotions.
4	City Operations	Highways Income - fee increases in line with inflation.	10	0	10	10	0	Fees were increased for 2016-17 and generated the income in full.
5	City Operations	Highways Street Lighting - LED conversion main routes - replace main route lighting with LED to reduce long term energy expenditure.	50	0	50	50	0	The LED programme was delayed in 2015-16 as additional trials were required due to public concern. The implementation went ahead in January 2017 and achieved the savings target.
6	City Operations	Highways Charge for Land Searches - bench marking exercise undertaken - other authorities charge for this service.	50	12	38	38	0	The increased income target has been achieved.
7	City Operations	Renewable Energy Generation - a number of renewable energy schemes will become operational by or during 2015/16. Income will be derived from these through government incentives related to energy generation (feed In tariffs, etc), the sale of energy to the grid and/or other rental income.	85	0	85	12	73	The Radyr Weir Scheme is complete and income is being generated however this is currently insufficient to meet the target.
8	City Operations	Reduction in sport, leisure and culture staffing - Deletion of 13 posts including vacant and VS in Parks (11) and Leisure (1) with the impact mitigated via flexible deployment of staff.	329	293	36	36	0	The deletion of a post has enabled this saving to be achieved.
9	(ITV ()nerations	Canton Community Centre - new management operator for Canton Community Centre to be operational by September 2015.	53	11	42	0	42	Whilst there were initial expressions of interest these have not materialised. A review of the future plans is now required. In the meantime the saving will not be achieved and has been written out as part of the 17-18 budget.
10	City Operations	New Operating Model for Leisure Centres - the Council has agreed to progress with a procurement process to determine a new operating model for its leisure centres which will be tested against the current in-house provision. Saving expected to be generated for the final quarter of 2015/16. The level of saving is dependent on the procurement process that is being run in respect of leisure centre management throughout the first half of 2015/16. At this stage the level of savings to be achieved can only be estimated until the outcome of the procurement process in Autumn 2015.	435	0	435	80	355	The transfer to the new operator took place on 1st December 2016. The saving of £80k reflects the benefit the Council received for the four months of the year This has left a shortfall but will be realised in the following year in line with the contract arrangements.
11	City Operations	Leisure Centres - reduced subsidy to be achieved through a combination of expenditure efficiencies and additional income generation.	340	102	238	363	(125)	Improved performance up to the transfer to the new operator was sufficient to exceed the target.
12	City Operations	Cardiff International White Water - increase income.	30	0	30	30	0	Turnover has increased compared to the previous year so the saving has been fully realised.
	City Operations	Total City Operations	2,472	1,179	1,293	840	453	

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13	Communities Housing & Customer Services	Alarm Receiving Centre Income - additional income through the creation of an Alarm Receiving Centre	250	0	250	64	186	This target was linked to the construction of the new Alarm Receiving Centre (ARC) which experienced delays to the full implementation of the new initiative. Due to these delays, the target was not achieved in 2015-16 and was underachieved by £186,000 in 2016-17. The balance of this saving is expected to be fully achieved in 2017-18.
14	Communities Housing	Implementation of Community Hub Strategy - saving is associated with the implementation of the Hub Strategy. The strategy addresses the need for change including financial pressures and changing demand through a range of themes including co-delivering services through Community Hubs, greater community involvement and use of technology.	100	50	50	50	0	This saving target was linked to the creation of the Community Partnership Hub in Rumney and the closure of Rumney Library. A part year saving and a £50,000 shortfall was achieved due to the delays in property moves and closures with the transfer of the library completed in November 2015. The full year impact was achieved in 2016/17.
15	& Customer Services	Development of a City Centre Superhub - Central Library currently accounts for a significant amount of the overall Libraries' budget. In order to achieve the savings and safeguard Central Library, it is necessary to review the delivery options and/or the potential to bring services together.	349	233	116	116	0	This target was linked to the demolition of Marland House and the transfer of staff and services to the new Superhub at the Central Library. This transfer was not completed until August 2015 and part year premises costs at both venues resulted in part savings of £233,000 achievable in the year. The full year impact was achieved in 2016/17.
	Communities Housing &	Total Communities Housing & Customer Services	699	283	416	230	186	
16	Corporate Management	Management and Related Savings - review of the Council's management structures.	650	563	87	87	0	Full achievement of this target was not possible due to part year impacts in 2015/16 and a final shortfall of £87,000 was reported last year. The full year impact of the changes to the Council's management structure fully achieved this target in 2016/17.
	Corporate Management	Total Corporate Management	650	563	87	87	0	
17	Economic	Capitalisation of posts in Major Projects - two part-time posts and one full time post in Major Projects to be funded via capital rather than revenue.	163	0	163	163	0	This saving has been achieved by a combination of various staff recharges to capital schemes that were identified within 2016-17 and the transfer of three members of staff who are no longer charged to Major Projects.
18		Capitalisation of Posts in Strategic Estates - two full-time posts in Strategic Estates that work on the disposal of Council properties generating capital receipts to be funded through capital rather than revenue.	96	38	58	58	0	The saving has been achieved in full.
19		Rent review income - generate additional income as result of future rent reviews that need to be negotiated in 2015/16.	120	0	120	25	95	Although rental income shortfalls of circa £284,000 were reported within 2016-17, this saving has been partly achieved due to rent reviews due throughout 2016-17. Increased budget pressures in this area in 2017/18 will necessitate ongoing detailed monitoring.
22	Economic Development	Increased income through rent reviews of non-operational property - Strategic Estates-Review rental income on properties across the Council owned non-operational estate.	100	25	75	75	0	This saving has been achieved in full as a result of rent reviews throughout the year.
	Francomic	Total Economic Development	479	63	416	321	95	
20		Waste Disposal Stop Post Sort - the allocation is used to support the post sort of waste received to increase recyclables and reduce residual waste and to ensure that Local Authority recycling targets are met. Loss of this budget can only be accommodated if the Waste strategy with residual waste restriction in relation to collections is also implemented.	316	101	215	215	0	The Post sort budget was removed, with no post sorting undertaken in 2016-17.

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21	Economic Development (Commercial Services)	Remaining two Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC) with reduced operating days and hours - the proposal is that both sites will operate five days per week with reduced opening times and that they would be closed on different days enabling access to a HWRC facility seven days a week. Both facilities will open on Saturdays and Sundays to manage the busiest periods of usage at weekends. Bank holiday opening will be maintained for the same reasons. Savings are generated from different working patterns and plant and equipment resources. The proposal enables the retention of sufficient resources and the ability to achieve high recycling and tonnage throughputs with customer care and education to further improve recycling rates.	42	0	42	42		A delay to the introduction of reduced opening hours at the HWRC's resulted in the 2015-16 saving being delayed until 2016-17. These savings have now been achieved.
	Economic Development (Commercial Services)	Total Economic Development	358	101	257	257	0	
	Economic Development	Grand Total Economic Development	837	164	673	578	95	
23	Education	Education Other Than at School (EOTAS) - the Local Authority has the statutory responsibility to provide full time educational opportunity for all pupils of statutory school age. There are occasions when individual tutors have to be engaged to provide ongoing educational support. Historically this has been achieved through the direct employment of tutors. With effect from 1 February 2014 the All Wales Framework Agreement for Educational temporary staff was introduced which included a single provider for the provision of all educational temporary staff and a maximum charge rate. By implementing the framework agreement the service area will make savings on the cost of providing tutors, current rates paid to tutors range from £27.00 to £45.00 per hour.	150	42	108	108		These savings were only partially achieved in 2015-16, due to the resistance from delegated schools in accepting the charges and charges not reflecting a recovery of total cost. Despite challenges within this budget, it was possible to achieve this saving.
24	Education	Pupil Referral Unit - an important part of the Council's provision for pupils with behavioural challenges is the Pupil Referral Unit based at Mynachdy. The unit provides educational provision for pupils at Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4. Although managed through a management board its budget is not part of the schools delegated budget. Savings could be achieved through a rationalisation of provision and further exploration of the sharing of certain costs with schools.	100	50	50	50	0	The savings were only partially achieved in 2015-16. Despite other challenges within this budget, it was possible to achieve this saving this year.
25	Education	Staffing Realignments and Restructures within Education - the 2014/15 budget savings for the Education directorate included £450k to be achieved through a rationalisation of management arrangements. These further savings will be achieved through making further cuts to management capacity and exploring further opportunities for collaborative working with other directorates and possibly other Local Authorities.	3/18	188	160	160	0	The savings were only partially achieved in 2015-16. However, due to management actions taken to review the distribution of costs across the directorate and a vacant post, it has been possible to report this saving as achieved in full.
26	Education	Admissions and Education Welfare - increasing demands on school places has led to pressures on the admissions function with a significant increase in the number of appeals having to be administered. The current process, whilst meeting statutory requirements is particularly paper intensive. An online system has been in place now for two years and many more applications are received through this process, however this has not led to any efficiencies. Savings could be achieved through exploring business process efficiencies from the on line application process and potential greater use of the Council Hubs. Additionally the changes made to the Attendance Policy and greater delegation of funds and responsibilities to schools may provide further opportunity to reduce the size of the centrally held Education Welfare Team.	50	20	30	30	0	This saving was achieved in full.
27	i Fallcation i	School Effectiveness Grant - following a reduction in Welsh Government grant funding, there will be a cut in the match funding element of the School Effectiveness Grant.	79	33	46	0	46	This saving was not achieved, however it is anticipated that it will be achieved in 2017-18.
		Total Education	727	333	394	348	46	
28	Resources	Projects Accountancy Additional Income - additional internal income from support provided by Project Accountancy to Major Projects across the Council including an additional recharge in respect of city centre major project initiatives.		0	45	29	16	Additional income of £29k has been achieved in respect of various training initiatives and projects, including City Deal.
29	Resources	Implementation of Corporate Debt Approach - Implement a more Corporate and strategic approach to debt management by moving responsibility for the bailiff collection function of Penalty Charge Notices to Revenues and also consideration of the transfer of the accounts receivable function. These changes should enable a more holistic approach to debt management. There should also be opportunities to improve the level of income collected and the amount of internal bailiff fee income generated.	80	23	57	57	0	The total saving target in respect of this is £230k. Overall £165k has been achieved, meeting the full £80k target from 2015-16 and £85k of the £150k target in 2016-17.
30		Commissioning and Procurement Local Authority Trading Company - to allow the Strategic Commissioning team to trade through the creation of an alternative trading company.	30	12	18	18	0	The £30k saving was impacted by delays with company proposals resulting in a saving of only £12k in 2015-16. Cabinet approved the creation of the company in June and the saving of £18k was achieved.

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31	Resources	Recharge Mobile & Scheduling Licenses to Directorate Services - recover licence costs through service areas for utilising corporate technology	16	0	16	16	0	This saving was achieved through charges to directorates for work undertaken internally.
32	Resources	Mediation Service - this is a new mediation service which will be offered to directorates including Schools to support the Council in resolving disputes, thereby, reducing conflict and time involved in potentially lengthy disagreements. Human Resources People Services has trained mediators who will help resolve difficult situations and issues regarding employees, team leaders and senior managers using the mediator as an impartial third party.	10	0	10	10	0	The mediation service is built into the new Resolution Policy as a tool to achieve resolution of issues.
33	Resources	Restructure the way in which Cardiff manages its partnership working - we are working with our partners (particularly the Cardiff University Health Board) to join up our partnership support arrangements more effectively. The saving includes staff reductions however, partnership activity will also continue to be mainstreamed within Council services so that the activity is correctly funded as business as usual.	110	45	65	65	0	Following a detailed review of related budgets within the service area, savings were identified which have fully achieved the remaining savings target.
	Resources	Total Resources	291	80	211	195	16	
34		Supervised Contact Service - the service provides supervised contact for Looked After Children who meet their parents in supervised conditions because other types of contact have been deemed unsafe. Currently half the service is provided in-house and half is provided by Barnardos under a contract that ends in June 2015. Efficiencies will be achieved by externally commissioning the whole service given its size and the desirability of the contract; we would not expect to reduce the level of service. Externally commissioning the service would also address the challenges we experience in identifying internal accommodation that is fit for purpose to meet demand.	60	0	60	0	60	The procurement process for re-commissioning contact service was completed towards the end of 2015/16 and the new contract with the new provider subsequently commenced. Although the tendered prices initially suggested that this saving would be achieved in 2016/17, subsequent increases in usage and costs have offset initial price reductions.
35	Social Services	Payment by Results - Looked After Children & Rehabilitation Project Year 1 - a Social Impact Bond (SIB) Feasibility study provided a robust business case for significant savings to be achieved by developing a local enhanced fostering scheme that provides wrap around support to enable children placed in residential care to step down into a family placement. Potential providers and investors have been identified and have indicated that they have finance to take this forward. The service will therefore tender for a payment by results contract rather than a SIB arrangement that would seek to secure external funding as well as identify an appropriate provider of the service. The approach identified by the winning provider will have an evidence base that has robustly demonstrated success. The saving could be achieved alongside improving outcomes for this cohort of looked after children. This proposal is supported by the on-going care planning to return young people from placements outside of Cardiff to home or local placements.	674	198	476	476	0	The scope of this saving was widened in 2015/16 to include the return or step down of children from out of county placements to lower cost forms of care or independence. The service identified a number of children who were out of area and suitable for step down and returned them to foster care or independence during 2016/17. This led to significant savings which also contributed to targets in relation to 2016/17.
36	Social Services	Business Support Review (LEAN Review) - a Lean Review has commenced in the directorate and four value stream analysis workshops have been held where it has been identified that efficiencies can be made in relation to a wide range of operational processes. This may include further savings being achieved against the directorate's business support provision in addition to the savings already put forward (CHD10) as a result of a further review of business support arrangements.	327	0	327	0	327	Although a BPR/lean review was undertaken in 2015/16 it is evident that no significant cashable savings could be generated as a result. A significant element of administrative savings were achieved separately in 2015/16 as part of a review of business support arrangements but these contributed to another specific savings target. The saving will be written off as part of the 2017/18 budget.
37	Social Services	Block Purchase of residential beds - this saving is attributed to work that will be undertaken with an external residential provider to achieve a volume discount reduction against a block purchase arrangement of nine placements for children. The pattern of previous and current usage strongly indicates that this level of demand will continue. The savings is attributed to a 5% discount in the overall spend of £1.3m which is felt to be proportionate and achievable.	25	0	25	0	25	This saving was predicated on a block booking arrangement with a specific provider. Demand for LAC ASD placements has however subsequently reduced meaning that block booking arrangements are not currently considered viable. The saving will be written off as part of the 2017/18 budget.

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