

From: Bull, Martin (EPS - LGFP)
Sent: 13 September 2017 13:38
To: PS Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government; Correspondence mail - MD
Cc: LGFP Ministerial Correspondence
Subject: FW: National Funding Position and Our Financial Sustainability - Flintshire County Council

Rebecca, Hollie,

I'm not sure if you have seen the attached correspondence to CSfFLG. LGFP will be providing the draft reply, can it be forwarded as a formal commission please?

Thanks
Martin

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From: Hay, Robert (EPS - LGFP)
Sent: 13 September 2017 11:47
To: Bull, Martin (EPS - LGFP)
Subject: FW: National Funding Position and Our Financial Sustainability - Flintshire County Council

From: Kilpatrick, Reg (EPS - LG Director)
Sent: 06 September 2017 18:18
To: Hay, Robert (EPS - LGFP)
Cc: Carter, Debra (EPS - LGSF); Heaney, Albert (HSS - Social Services & Integration); Davies, Steve (EPS - Education Directorate); Vincent, Stephen (EPS - SED); Davey, Alistair (HSS - Social Services & Integration)
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Inf. This will come through the system and I expect Albert and Steve will want a separate reply. For us, a concise reply will be adequate but please coordinate with colleagues..

Please note my new telephone number.
Cofiwch fy rhif ffôn newydd

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From: Chief Executive [Flintshire]

Sent: 05 September 2017 12:55

To: Evans, Owen (EPS - Deputy Permanent Secretary); Kilpatrick, Reg (EPS - LG Director); Carter, Debra (EPS - LGSF)

Cc: Joanne Pierce

Subject: FW: National Funding Position and Our Financial Sustainability - Flintshire County Council

Dear colleagues.

Please see attached correspondence with selective Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers over the national funding position and budget.

I am sure that this correspondence has been shared internally within Welsh Government. However, as a professional courtesy, I thought that I should forward it to you in person.

We feel that it is a responsible act to share the risk of the Council's financial position with you at this early stage of budget planning for 2018/19. Last year we similarly made early contact.

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Kind regards.

Colin

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From: Hayley Selvester **On Behalf Of** Aaron Shotton

Sent: 23 August 2017 12:10

To: 'Correspondence.Mark.Drakeford@gov.wales'

Subject: National Funding Position and Our Financial Sustainability - Flintshire County Council

Dear Mark,

As you know we are deeply concerned at the impacts of the ongoing fiscal policy of UK Government. For the last two years we have made our case, and the case for local government as a family, for some relief from the impacts of austerity in public finance.

We have enclosed a personal letter to you setting out our needs for 2018/19. It is a responsible act for us to share our position so openly given the risks we face. We encourage Welsh Government to work with us to find solutions. It is clear that if the financial position does not improve we, as the sixth largest council in Wales, face the reality of having an unsustainable financial position. Our most recent Cabinet report on our Medium Term Financial Strategy accompanies the letter.

We have also written to the respective Cabinet Secretary/Minister for Social Care and Education respectively, Rebecca Evans and Kirsty Williams, as both sets of key mandatory services are showing significant signs of stress locally. It is not always a popular argument but, nonetheless, we do have to again explain that our low funded position (per capita) is now having the effects we had forewarned.

We look forward to a discussion with you as the build up to the 2018/19 budget setting continues. We are keen to jointly lobby UK Government through every available route and would appreciate your advice on how we can best engage with you in this work at this critical time.

Kind regards,

Cllr. Aaron Shotton

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Deallir na fydd unrhyw safbwyntiau, na chynghorion, na chasgliadau nac unrhyw wybodaeth arall yn y neges hon, nad ydynt yn berthnasol i waith swyddogol

Cyngor Sir y Fflint, yn cael eu cynnig na'u cadarnhau ganddo nac ar ei ran, ac felly ni fydd Cyngor Sir y Fflint yn derbyn unrhyw gyfrifoldeb am y rhannau hynny o'r neges.
