

Outcome of the Chief Executive's Review of 2013/14 Service Delivery Plans

The overall net gap in the ability to deliver a balanced budget totalled £8.4 million and comprises the following:

	£m
Procurement savings at risk	1.03
Learning Disabilities Grant	3.80
Savings shortfall and new pressures	3.60
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The £8.432 million overall net gap comprised £7.402 million in Peoples Services and £1.032 million of procurement savings. The £7.402 million in Peoples Services includes a £3.8 million service specific grant that is now included in our direct grant from government. This money from central government was "passported" to Peoples Services to cover the loss of grant but the grant remained in the budget as an income line. This income will not be received so therefore it becomes an additional savings requirement.

The Chief Executive instructed the Chief Finance Officer to investigate the cause and consequences of the error. A review was immediately conducted by our auditor (KPMG). The review has provided some key learning points, but it is important to note KPMG's confirmation that the incorrect treatment of the £3.8 million had no impact on the Council's net budget total that forms the basis of setting the Council Tax.

The requirement to address the identified £8.432 million risk in 2013/14 has been met by the following (detail contained in Appendix C).

	£m
Adult Services	3.538
Children's Services	0.977
Public Health	0.097
Places and Communities`	1.442
Corporate Services	2.699
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