

## Portfolio Holder for Children, Youth, Libraries and Leisure Services

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### **NOTICE OF INTENDED PORTFOLIO HOLDER DELEGATED DECISION**

The Portfolio Holder has received the following report for a decision to be taken under delegated authority. The decision will be taken on **20 July 2017** (i.e. 3 clear days after the date of this note). The decision will be published on the Council's website but will not be implemented until 5 clear days after the date of publication of the decision) to comply with the call-in process set out in Rule 7.37 of the Constitution.

<b>1.</b>	<b>BUDGET VIREMENT</b>
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## Powys County Council

For finance use

REF 2018  
JOURNAL NO  
JOURNAL NAME K17CAPAD00**Capital Budget Virement Application Form***[Please see guidance notes on page 2532 of the Intranet]*

To	Professional Lead Finance	
From	Steve Howell	Project Manager
	Steve Howell	Budget Holder
	Carolann James	Service, Head of Service
Date	8 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	

**Details of Virement***Please refer to notes to ensure all the relevant details are included.*

This virement is to fund two small projects in Golwg y Gamlas and Golwg y Bannau. These bids should have been considered as part of the small local capital bids process but missed the deadline. Both are considered to be projects that should be funded.

**1. Soft Play Rumpus Room (Golwg y Gamlas)**

To convert part of a living room into a Soft Play Rumpus Room cost £12,390.

What benefits will be delivered

- Health and Safety for children and young people when they become unsafe and challenging.
- Reduction in injury's to staff.
- Reduction in building maintenance due to less damage to the rest of the home from the children and young people's challenging behaviours.
- A safe and sensory low stimuli area for children and young people when they feel unable to control their risky behaviours.
- A safe area for children and young people to use when they are over stimulated and need to self soothe.
- A reduction in Physical Intervention (Team Teach) having to be used by staff to support young people when they become challenging to themselves and others.

Consequence of not carrying out the project

- The home was originally set up to manage children who have complex physical needs and not children who display challenging behaviours.
- Currently there is no safe area within Golwg y Gamlas that can withstand the challenges of the children and young people's behaviours when difficult.
- Continue budget spend on Building Maintenance to repair damages from the children and young people challenging behaviours.
- The home will not see a reduction in injury's to staff unless this room is created.
- Continue to see a rise in Physical Interventions having to be used with young people to maintain their safety and others.

**2. Replacement kitchen and floorings (Golwg y Bannau) cost £20,000**

To replace the kitchen units including the Fridge, Freezer and dishwasher, as well as the flooring in the kitchen and 5 bathrooms in both Bannau and Gamlas.

What benefits will be delivered

- Health and safety standards improved.
- Better quality of living for young people-floors more suitable for purpose, young people able to access kitchen safely for independent living skills.
- Reduced sensory stimulation for young people due to the noise and smells of food being cooked- which can often lead to over stimulation which causes an increase in challenging behaviour.
- Reduce Powys property repair charges from attempting to repair broken cupboards etc
- Ensure we are meeting environmental health and CSSIW standards

Consequence of not carrying out the project

- Kitchen and floorings have been in situ for 11 years in a busy residential home supporting up to six young people with Autism (although flooring is for both Bannau and Camlas bathrooms). Without replacement there is a:
- Risk of harm to young people from damaged cupboards/drawers
- Risk of contamination from worn and damaged units
- Increased likelihood of pest infestation
- Failure to meet needs of young people
- Failure to pass environmental health standards
- Potential actions raised in next CSSIW (Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales) inspection
- Other LA's are unlikely to wish to purchase beds from Powys if house is in disrepair

<b>New Scheme Name</b>	Golwg y Bannau/Gamlas Replacement Kitchen and Soft Play
<b>Job Code</b>	TBC

	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Prior Years</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>Future Years</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Existing Budget</b>				0.00		
<b>Revised Budget</b>				32,390.00		
<b>Increase Required</b>				32,390.00		

**Financing**

<b>Scheme Name</b>	Corporate Asset Management
<b>Job Code</b>	9F100 9UAMP

Existing Budget			192,245.27		
Revised Budget			159,855.27		
Decrease Required			32,390.00		

**Additional/New Resources**

Supported Borrowing			32,390.00		
Total			32,390.00		

**NOTE: Total financing must match increase required above.**  
**Other Financial Implications (future years capital/ revenue – Do not leave blank)**

**Soft Play Rumpus Room**

- The initial outlay for the project will be substantial, over time there will be on going costs to maintain the room but this will be a lot less compared to the spend on building maintenance.
- A greater reduction in the cost of replacing staff clothing and personal effects such as glasses.
- Our future plan is to sell beds to other local authorities, which will generate an income for Childrens services. This will not be achievable without investment to save as we will be unable to offer placements to some of the children and young people who will be referred to us.

**Replacement kitchen and floorings**

- Initially there will be an outlay but overall long term savings as there be no remedial works required from the damages (caused by wear and tear) as well as immediate repairs that are likely to be requested by environmental health.
- Our future plan is to sell beds to other local authorities, which will generate an income for Childrens services. This will not be achievable without investment to save.

**Approvals**

**Signatures**

Required in all cases	Inform Chris Cook Head of Service ISSUES OPERATIONS DIRECTOR		Date	22/06/17
Please print the name of the above		Carolann James LOUISE BARRY		
Required in all cases	Strategic Director: Resources DR		Date	22/06/17.
Please print the name of the above		Jane Thomas		
£25,001 to £100,000	Portfolio Cabinet Member		Date	30.6.17
Please print the name of the above				

