

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

**County Council
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REPORT AUTHOR: County Councillor Stephen Hayes, Portfolio Holder for Adult Services

SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Huw Williams

Can the Portfolio holder for Adult Social Care clarify which specific, Service led need, prompted the successful request to Cabinet, in late 2017, for additional financial support?

Answer

No request has been made to Cabinet for additional financial support within the current financial year. Further, no call has so far been made upon the Adult Social Care Reserve of £2.75m established to provide additional support against business case within this financial year, although a case is now being prepared for accessing £321k of this reserve in year, against the cost of preparing for and responding to the CIW inspection of Adult Social Services.

As part of formulating the Cabinet's recommendation to Council in respect of the 2018-19 budget, Cabinet has considered pressures totalling £9.4m which the service will face in the coming year, and as members will already be aware, the budget to be recommended includes an uplift of £6.8m to manage a part of those pressures; the balance being addressed by the service within existing resource. Additionally, the service is being asked to make efficiency savings of £1.4m within the financial year. It is acknowledged that this approach carries some risk. A major part of the proposed uplift will again be held as a reserve, released only against business case.