

## Budget Impact Assessment - First Stage

### 1. Details of the budget proposal

**Budget proposal description and summary:**

**SSHH1010 - Savings in legal budgets - £100k**

Reduced number of Looked After Children enabling savings from a reduction in commissioned reports and use of external legal services for court proceedings.

**Service Area:** Children's Services

**Directorate:** Social Services Health & Housing

### 2. Does the budget proposal affect:

	Yes	No
Service users		X
Staff		X
Wider community		X
Internal administrative process only	X	

**3. Does the budget proposal impact on people because of their:**

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't Know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence) / How might it impact?
Age		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Disability		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Gender Reassignment		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Marriage/Civil Partnership		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Pregnancy/Maternity		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Race		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Religion/Belief		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Sex		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.
Sexual orientation		X	None			This proposal does not result in any changes to provision or service. There are no known impacts for this group.

**4. Does the budget proposal impact on:**

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't Know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence)/ How might it impact?
People's opportunities to use the Welsh language		x	None			There are no known impacts on the use of Welsh language. A Welsh language service is provided in line with Council Policies and Welsh Language Standards.
Treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English		x	None			There are no known impacts. The proposal will not affect any potential future requests for a service in Welsh.

**5. Does the budget proposal embrace the sustainable development principle (5 ways of working):**

	Yes	No	Details
<b>Long term</b> - how the budget proposal supports the long term well-being of people	X		The proposal supports the aims to increase the number of children and young people who reside in a stable family setting.
<b>Integration</b> - how the budget proposal impacts upon our wellbeing objectives	X		The proposal is in keeping with the following Well-being objective and associated Improvement Priority:  <u>Well-being Objective</u> : 'To improve the well-being of children and young people'.  <u>Improvement Priority</u> : 'Children and young people in need of protection, care and support will be protected and safeguarded and more of those children and young people will be able to grow-up in a stable family setting'.

<p><b>Involvement</b> - how people have been involved in developing the budget proposal</p>	<p>X</p>		<p>The proposal supports the aims to increase the number of children and young people who reside in a stable family setting; on a case-by-case basis, children and young people are regularly consulted with regards to their specific care and support arrangements.</p>
<p><b>Collaboration</b> - how we have worked with other services/organisations to find shared sustainable solutions</p>	<p>X</p>		<p>Children and Young People Services have long-standing and robust relationships with multi-agency partners, with the common goal of improving the <i>well-being of children and young people</i>.</p>
<p><b>Prevention</b> - how the budget proposal will prevent problems occurring or getting worse</p>	<p>X</p>		<p>The proposal supports the aims to increase the number of children and young people who reside in a stable family setting and in doing so, reducing the likelihood of potential safeguarding issues.</p>

**6. Declaration - based on above assessment (tick as appropriate)**

A full impact assessment (second stage) <b>is not</b> required	<b>X</b>
Reasons for this conclusion	
This proposal is in keeping with Children and Young People Services long-term and successful strategy in safely reducing the number of Looked After Children and as a consequence; increasing the number of children and young people who reside in a stable family setting.	

A full impact assessment (second stage) <b>is</b> required	
Reasons for this conclusion	

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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