

STATEMENT OF ASSEMBLY FUNDING

WELSH FINAL BUDGET FOR 2005-2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

- Line 1.** Departmental Expenditure Limit – total provision for budgets classified by HM Treasury as being within Departmental Expenditure Limit (DEL).
- Line 2.** Net changes to the DEL Budget since the 24th March published Supplementary Budget, showing the transfer of responsibility for the following:
- i. Net transfers from Whitehall Departments including additional funding for: Landfill tax credit; Hardship Loans from the Department for Education and Skills; Sure Start from the Department for Work and Pensions; and, Operation Tarian from the Home Office.
 - ii. Net transfers to Whitehall Departments in order to cover the costs of Severe Weather payments to the Met Office and Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit.
 - iii. Transfer to the Wales Office for previously notional costs for services provided by the Assembly for the Wales Office, but included within the Assembly grant.
- Line 3.** Latest Departmental Expenditure Limit for items within the National Assembly's Assigned budget (total of lines 1 and 2).
- Line 4** Annually Managed Expenditure (AME). Items of expenditure, which are classified as being demand-led. This expenditure is ring-fenced to the items to which it is allocated. The allocations are set by HM Treasury according to the latest forecast of demand. The provision is reviewed at least once a year and is updated following the Spending Review 2004 (SR2004) and latest assumptions.
- Line 5.** Provides increase due to latest forecasts since 24th March 2004 for the cost of capital for the roads network, other provisions for cost of capital and depreciation are classed as DEL.
- Line 6.** Further breakdown of Assigned AME:
- I. No change to Housing Revenue Account Subsidy (HRAS) forecast since 24th March 2004;
 - II. Latest forecast identified by HM Treasury, allowing for an increase based on latest assumptions for Supporting People;

- III. No change to Forestry Commission EU grants budgets since 24th March 2004;
- IV. A reduction for the Library and Museum staff pensions, following latest forecasts;
- V. New budget lines are now included for the Local Authority Business Growth Incentive Scheme and for Education Maintenance Allowances.

Line 7. The EC funded element of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) schemes is outside of the Assembly's Assigned Budget and the provision is fixed according to forecast receipts from Europe there has not been a change since 24th March 2004.

Line 8. Total of latest AME. (Lines 5 to 7).

Line 9. Latest Assigned Budget, (total of Lines 3, 5 and 6).

Line 10. Latest Non-assigned Budget, (Line 7).

Line 11. Total Assembly Budget (total of Lines 9 and 10).