

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

QUESTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL AGREED BY
COUNCIL ON 5TH MAY, 2010:

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TO THE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBER FOR CORPORATE
RESOURCES

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2011/12

The Statement of Accounts 2011/12 was approved by the Council (Minute 357) on 26th September. We would be obliged if the Council Leader can clarify a few points from the report.

Page 21 of the statement referred to income and expenditure and the third highest net expenditure, £19, 247,000, fell under the heading, 'Corporate and Democratic Core.'

What areas of expenditure are included within that heading?

In 2010/11 net expenditure was £3,307,000 on this head.

What is the reason for the £16m increase during 2011/12?

Page 30 identified transfers to and from earmarked reserves and line e) refers to the early retirement fund. No changes are shown for 2010/11 although in last year's statement £500,000 was transferred in and £23,000 out for that year.

£1,500,000 had been transferred out during the last financial year.

When was all this money earmarked?

What was it earmarked for and on what authority was it earmarked?

Was the £1,500,000 spent on early retirements and what qualifies for an early retirement payment from this money?

The schedule on top of page 62 sets out information on exit packages for the last financial year.

£462,379 had been spent on the highest band exit packages.

The ranges of the first two bands are £20,000 but the third band covers a range of £110,000.

Why is there such a significant difference in the range?

How much was spent on exit packages for a band in excess of £100,000 during the last financial year?

What elements make up these exit packages and how much was spent on each?

Is the total expenditure of £1,132,609 on exit packages additional to, or taken from, the £1,500,000 transferred from the earmarked reserves to the early retirement fund?