SERVICE	Archaeology Planning Advisory Service
SERVICE MANAGER	Ian Hesketh
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Green

Financial Performance

	Budget £203,231	Outturn £200,708	Variance £2,523 under			
	Summary of key variances					
No major issues to report as a balanced budget was achieved						

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	Comments	Rating
	Actual	Target	Actual		
Percentage of	10%	5%	10%	This equates to a total of 6164	Green
records in the				records edited	
Cheshire Historic					
Environment					
record reviewed					
per annum (Code					
ARC H001)					
Percentage of	99%	90%	99%	This equates to a total of 149	Green
general inquiries to				inquiries	
the Cheshire					
Historic					
Environment					
Record responded					
to within 15					
working days					
(Code ARC H002)					
Percentage of	100%	100%	100%	This equates to a total of 161	Green
Countryside				inquiries	
Stewardship					
inquiries to the					
Cheshire Historic					
Environment					
record responded					
to within the					
nationally agreed					
service standard of					
20 days (Code ARC					
H003)					
Percentage of	100%	100%	100%	This equates to a total of 412	Green
archaeological				responses	
development					
control advice					
provided within 15					
working days					
(Code ARC H004)					

In addition to the key Performance Indicators noted above, during 2018-19 the Archaeology Planning Advisory Service has:

- Assessed 1091 planning applications for archaeological implications and provided archaeological advice on 412 applications.
- Monitored 53 schemes of archaeological fieldwork.
- Provided access to HER records to 3382 users of Revealing Cheshire's Past, the public access version of the Cheshire Historic Environment Record.
- Secured the publication in the *Journal of the Chester Archaeological Society* of the results of excavations at the Chester Storyhouse (Roman), Saighton Camp (medieval) and the North gate, City walls, Chester (Roman).
- Also published in the latest edition of the *Journal* was an article by Dr Rob Philpott considering the results of c 30 supervised metal detecting projects carried out on development-led projects in Cheshire. This work was commissioned by the Archaeology Planning Advisory Service.
- A further milestone was the publication of excavations carried out in the 1980s on two
 moated sites in Warrington in the monograph Archaeopress series. This work was
 commissioned by the Archaeology Planning Advisory Service.
- Reports on excavations at Backford Hall and Puddington, together with a consideration of the results of excavation works on the sites of buildings depicted on the tithe maps have all been accepted for publication and should appear in the next edition of the *Journal of the Chester Archaeological Society*.
- Secured a further five-year agreement with Halton Borough Council for the provision of archaeological development management advice and maintenance of the Halton element of the Historic Environment Record.

KEY DELIVERABLES 2019-20

- Continue to deliver the service within the agreed budget.
- Continue to deliver the service in accordance with the Key Non-Financial Performance Indicators noted above.
- Continue to monitor ongoing post-excavation work on the results of fieldwork at Saighton Camp (Roman evidence), the A556 upgrade, and Chester leadworks.
- Secure the publication of a popular publication concerning the results of investigations on various industrial sites across Cheshire by Dr Mike Nevell of Salford University

SERVICE	Archives and Local Studies
SERVICE MANAGER	Paul Newman
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Green

Financial Performance

Budget £419,728	Outturn £420,152	Variance £424
Summary of key issues		
No financial issues reported, and	balanced position achieved.	

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	Comments	Rating
	Actual	Target	Actual		
Customer	9.0	9.0	9.5	Rating out of 10 from	Green
satisfaction				national survey	
Volunteer hours	3,241	3,000	3,100	Online project finished,	Green
committed				resulting in small drop in	
				number of hours from 17/18	
Accredited	Retained	Retained	Retained	Interim review took place	Green
Archive status				Nov 2018 with positive	
				feedback about future	
				direction of service	
Number of	2,821,828	1,649,617	1,603,650	Includes onsite and online	Amber
people who				engagement. NB The way in	
engage with				which online visitors to our	
service				commercial partner's	
				website was measured	
				temporarily changed in	
				17/18.	
%age of new	80	80	82		Green
accessions of					
archives made					
available to					
public within one					
month of receipt					

- Submission of Round 1 Heritage Lottery Fund bid for 'Cheshire's archives: a story shared' relocation project. Bid unsuccessful in very competitive funding round but with very positive feedback and encouragement to resubmit.
- Archives Accreditation retained through 3-year review by The National Archives, with positive feedback about direction of service.
- Made more family history material available online via commercial partner, Find My Past
- Launched new online historic mapping system (http://maps.cheshireeast.gov.uk/tithemaps)
- Online volunteer projects have resulted in over 45,000 records being made available online.
- Customer Survey: average score of 9.5/10 in national survey of visitors to British archives, when people were asked how they rated the Archives Service, above the national average.

KEY DELIVERABLES 2018-19

- Re-submission of funding bid for relocation project; if successful, deliver first three months
 of activity plan.
- Further family history material available online.
- Introduce new online payments system to make customer journey more user-friendly.
- Review and implement new disaster recovery procedures.
- Agree and implement plan to extend volunteer family history provision in libraries, in partnership with Family History Society of Cheshire.
- Work with volunteers to trial new online volunteering system and agree future plan for it.

SERVICE	Libraries Shared Services including Education Library	
	Service and Booktrust	
SERVICE MANAGER	Rachel Foster – Senior Manager Libraries	
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Green	

Financial Performance

Budget £673,601 Outturn £616,370	Variance £57,231 under
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Summary of key variances

Underspend due to a reduction in non-pay cost through managing contracts and in year vacancies within the service to accommodate service changes. Adjusted Libraries Shared Service Structure to add capacity to Systems Team and implemented revised Education Library Service Structure at midyear after holding vacancies pending implementation.

Improved income at ELS despite a net loss of 10 schools due to some buybacks at higher rates from larger schools.

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	Comments	Rating
	Actual	Target	Actual		
M3	Stock orders submitted in 1.1 days and new stock supplied to services within 3 days	Stock orders submitted in 1.5 days and new stock supplied to services within 3 days	Stock orders submitted in 1.1 days and new stock supplied to services within 3 days	This is affected by seasonal ordering and year end, however throughout year it averages out to exceed target. Some exclusions for Large Print and Spoken Word where stock selection processes differ and more staff intervention is required.	Green
M7	5500 titles, 10934 borrowers and 14 issues per title	4750 titles, 4000 borrowers and average of 8 issues per title	5922 titles, 9422 borrowers and 17 issues per title	9422 borrowers is the combined figure for e-books, e-audio and e-magazines. This figure may include duplication as many borrowers may use more than one service. In addition total number of issues for all three resources is 100,089. No of titles available: e-books (3703) e-audio (2167) e-magazines (52) but does not include the fact that we have many editions of the e-magazines available.	Green

M8	Existing contract in	Ensure included in	Realigned to 2019/20 to	Shared meeting with Cheshire East and Cheshire	N/A
	place and	Library	tie in with	West to review wider ICT	
	extended	Management	LMS decision	implications and potential in	
	exteriaea	System (LMS)	LIVIS decision	service procurements to	
		procurement		replace Peoples Network led	
		discussion/		to agreement to defer to	
		decision		2019/20.	
		2018/19.			
M12	Reduction	Number of	Reduction of	Updated subscription	Amber
	of 1 to 23	Halton	2 to 21	documentation and all	
	schools	schools	schools	authorities now have same	
		subscribing is		subscription offer.	
		maintained		Attended range of meetings	
		or increased		including Heads, Governors	
				and Literacy Halton.	
				Value service but budget	
				reductions led to non-	
		200	222	renewal for 1 primary school.	
M13	298	298	288	Net loss of 10 schools:	Amber
				Halton -2	
				Cheshire East -6 Cheshire West +3	
				Warrington – 3	
				Stockport – 1	
				Manchester no change	
				Liverpool – 1	
				·	
				Main reduction in primary.	
				Improved income at ELS	
				despite net losses of 10 due	
				to some buybacks at higher	
				rates from larger schools.	
M14	Captured	Changes	Complete	Worked with eCWIP and	Green
	costs and	implemented		CW&C finance to revise	
	proposed			pricing structure to reflect	
	structure			costs of service delivery and	
	review.			streamline subscription	
				process.	
				New charges agreed and implemented for 19/20	
				subscriptions onwards.	
M15	CE 55%	Support and	CE 100%	All engaged with.	Amber
25		engage with	22 2370	300	
	CW&C 80%	Children's	CW&C 53%	Working with Starting Well	
		Centres to		Team to improve CW&C	
	Overall	achieve 100%	Overall 73%	number.	
	69%	subscription			
		to Bookstart		New structure in CE Early	
		Corner in		Years team and Children's	
		CW&C (15)		Centres has made a	
		and CE (11)		significant difference with	
				named Bookstart lead in	
				centres in 2018/19.	

				New centralised ordering system in 2019/20 will allow easier sign up so should	
				achieve 100%.	
M16	133 children in CW&C and 18 in CE – 6 packs sent to all 151 children 100%	100%	148 children in CW&C and 82 children in CE – 230 received 6 parcels plus extra funded festive parcel	2019/20 – CE haven't signed up to Letterbox for 2019. Efforts made to highlight benefits but chosen to go with Dolly Parton Imagination Library, via Head of Virtual School. Will need to adjust future measure.	Green
M17	25 packs	35 packs	100% 30 packs including universal baby packs, targeted Corner packs and additional needs packs.	Although we do gift baby and corner packs to Homestart, the prime work with them is via outreach work supporting their lottery funded CIRCLE project.	Amber
M18	CE 117 (65%) CW&C 173 (96%) Overall 80%	85%	CE - 325 books gifted (allocation 188) 172% CWC - 337 books gifted (allocation 174) 193%.	2019/20 – in recognition of our excellent figures BookTrust have raised our allocations to 600 overall.	Green
M19	CE – 780 (8% decrease) CW&C – 552 (26% decrease)	2% increase	CE – 823, 5.5% increase CWC 587, 6.3% increase Overall – 1410, 5.9% increase	2019/20 – continue to support libraries to run this scheme. Review of Rhymetimes occurring in both authorities to support this further.	Green
M20	Met	Met	Met	Regular meetings scheduled with representatives from Cheshire East and Cheshire West to ensure effective feedback and review takes place.	Green
M21	Met	Met	Met	Reporting reviewed annually to reflect any service changes.	Green
M22	Achieved	Specifications met and on	Specifications met, income	Balanced through non-pay and new structure. Reviewed	Amber

	budget	balanced	charging scales for 2019/20.	

Libraries Shared Services;

- Rationalisation and streamlining of data held on LMS to ensure efficiency of current operation and will also enable a smoother transition of data if change in system were to happen.
- System development prioritised to improve outcomes for customers, added resource to Systems team through reduction and reallocation of cataloguing tasks.
- E-resources procurement prepared and pending procurement sign off.
- Library Management System procurement prepared and soft market testing pending.
- There have been significant staffing pressures owing to vacancies and illness. During 2018/19 we
 have been addressing these pressures and have implemented a temporary readjustment of staffing to
 meet service demands. We ended 2018/19 with a much more robust team structure for supporting
 business continuity especially in the increased demand for system support in East and West.
- We continued to support both East and West Cheshire libraries in their developments, including the rollout of new self-service kiosks, upgrades, till drawer automation, and library moves.
- We introduced a new issue and charging structure for the inter-lending music service which has ensured parity for users of the service

Education Library Service;

- Increased stock issues to 278,789 from 267k previous year.
- Revised pricing structure and issued new 3 year subscription offer
- Library Management System procurement prepared and soft market testing pending.
- Visited more than 65 schools to advise and assist in developing their library space.
- More than 30o young people attended Cheshire School Book Awards.
- Delivered training to 90 school librarians at ELS.
- Completed and implemented new staffing structure.

Booktrust;

- Improved presence amongst childminders including packs now regularly being distributed, sessions attended to meet face to face as well as an increase in direct enquiries from this target group.
- National Bookstart Week celebrations took place in the community in partnership with children's centres or in new and exciting places. For example, storywalk in Sandbach, Party in the Park in Ellesmere Port, Lache, Winsford and Northwich.
- BookTrust Coordinator ran a workshop at the annual Foster Carers Conference (CWC) for the first time in March 2019. The workshop for carers on 'Reading with your children' was a great success with lots of positive feedback about the new ideas generated. In September 2018, Coordinator was also invited back to BookTrust in London to help select titles for the Letterbox parcels for Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 children.
- Using our good links with the Family Nurse Partnership team (CWC), BookTrust is piloting a scheme in Cheshire to invite FNP teams to use their targeted Corner packs more widely. The trial began in January 2019 with hopes that the team can enrol on the scheme officially in September 2019. Early signs show that the initiative complements their PIPE framework.

• A new 'Book of the Month' article in the Early Years and Childcare e-bulletin (CE) started in CE in June 2018 and is continuing successfully.

KEY DELIVERABLES 2019-20

Completion of LMS procurement for Libraries Shared Services and Education Library Service and implementation of outcome. Deliver y of associated communications and training to staff and customers.

Completion of procurement for e-lending resources. This will bring our contracts in to line and enable us to test the market as products have developed significantly over the past couple of years since the last procurement exercise. Target date for awarding contracts is August 2019.

Support Public Library Services in CE and CW&C as they review services and adjust to changing demands.

Begin review of Service Level Agreement with CE for Libraries Shared Services.

Review impact of new charging scales for Education Library Service to ensure cost recovery.

Increase visibility and attendance at school forums, conferences and meetings to maintain profile of ELS. Develop a retention and acquisition marketing video/ social media to highlight impact and outcomes of ELS subscriptions.

Book trust;

CWC – Support the continued engagement of libraries and children's centres as they work in partnership to promote and highlight each other's work and work jointly on new projects to raise their profiles with families. Working with the Early Years team to raise the profile of the Bookstart team with early years setting who take advantage of our universal offers but less so our targeted resources. Continue to work with Health Visiting teams to improve the reach of the universal baby packs as well as completing an overhaul on all promotional materials and order forms to ensure they are fit for purpose.

CE – Support the Parenting Journey in Children's Centres and encourage strong links to the library service. Raising the profile of the team within the new Early Start team structure particularly contact and awareness training for Family Service Workers. Continuing to support the Children's Centre library project as it increases its bases from Macclesfield into Sandbach and Congleton.

SERVICE	Emergency Planning
SERVICE MANAGER	Chris Samuel
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Green

Financial Performance

Budget £284,352	Outturn £194,228	Variance £90,124 (underspend)
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Summary of key variances

The service has had a number of vacancies during the year and also a member of staff on maternity, which was not backfilled. (Pay related underspend - £58k)

The service also achieved more income than budgeted and underspent in some areas of non-pay (combined underspend £32k).

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	Comments	Rating
	Actual	Target	Actual		
Overall delegate	100%	100%	100%	Continued excellent feedback	Green
satisfaction with				received on training courses.	
training events					
provided, i.e. Very					
Good, Good or					
Satisfactory.					
All CEC Senior	100%	100%	100%	90% - All CE Managers (M4 &	Green
Managers (M4 and				above) are reminded annually of	
above) have				the mandatory requirement to	
attended an EM				attend EM training.	
Workshop within					
the last 24 months.					
All CWAC Senior	100%	100%	100%	90% - All CWAC Managers (Tier 1-	Green
Managers (Tiers 1				4) are reminded annually of the	
to 4) have				mandatory requirement to attend	
attended an EM				EM training.	
Workshop within					
the last 24 months.					_
Statutory plans	100%	100%	100%	All COMAH, REPPIR and PSR plans	Green
and exercises				are currently within agreed ONR	
delivered within				and HSE timescales.	
agreed timescale	1000/	1000/	750/	Compared to the control of the contr	C
Four new	100%	100%	75%	Currently there are 20 Community	Green
Community				Emergency Plans in place across	
Emergency Plans in				the two LAs. Work is also ongoing	
place/				re: development of a targeted	
development.				approach to future plans. Work was put on hold in Q3 due to	
				· ·	
Major Incidents/	100%	100%	100%	capacity issues. The Service responded to 12	Green
Major Incidents	100%	100%	100%	incidents (2 in CE and 10 in CWAC)	Green
Standbys				in 2018-19 including 2 Major	
responded to by				Incidents and 5 Major Incident	
Duty Emergency				Standbys.	
Planning Officer				Juliubys.	
within appropriate					
timescales.					
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In a year in which the team operated at 60% capacity for over half the year, the following key achievements were delivered:

- 1. **Responding to incidents** Incidents that the Duty Officer/ Team responded to in 2018-19 included a chemical release at Vauxhall Motors; major fires at Chester Zoo, a recycling plant (Ellesmere Port), Stanlow Oil Refinery, and Tata Chemicals (Northwich); suspect device (Chester); heatwave and water shortages; a Police drugs operation and an illegal traveller encampment in Frodsham. The team also (a) co-ordinated the short notice implementation of additional security arrangements at CWAC buildings following a specific threat to staff, and (b) is co-ordinating EU Exit contingency planning in both authorities.
- 2. **Training** The Service implemented a series of 3 Emergency Management (EM) Workshops/ EM Refresher Sessions (5 in CWAC and 4 in CE) with a total of 50 managers attending from both authorities and ASDVs/ Companies. The team has also run a number of bespoke training events for individual Services in both Authorities. All of these training sessions received excellent feedback from delegates.
- 3. Industrial Hazard Planning The team is currently responsible for 17 top-tier COMAH sites, 1 REPPIR facility and over 600kms of Major Accident Hazard Pipeline. Over the course of 2018-19 the team has undertaken (a) 5 plan revisions including the Off-Site Plans for Avanti Gas, Coates, Ecolab, Veolia and Warehouse One, (b) the co-ordination of 6 multi-agency off-site plan exercises: Argent, Uniper, Coates, Ecolab, Veolia and Warehouse One, and (c) the review and distribution of the REPPIR Public Information Plan.
- 4. Emergency Preparedness Increased levels of emergency preparedness across both authorities generally through ensuring all generic and subject specific plans are fit for purpose, Senior Manager Emergency Response Duty Rotas are in place, implementing live testing of Main and Standby Emergency Control Centres, and ensuring regular liaison and awareness raising with key stakeholders and partners.
- 5. Significant Partnerships Continued to participate in and co-ordinate a number of Cheshire Resilience Forum (CRF) projects, planning, and training as well as acting as Capability Leads on a range of subjects including Warning & Informing, Animal Diseases, Community Resilience, Transport Water and Coastal Pollution. A key project delivered, under the team's leadership, was Exercise 'Checkmate 2' (Recovery Phase) in autumn 2018 with over 100 multi-agency representatives attending.
- 6. **Counter Terrorism** The Service has co-ordinated implementation of additional security measures at short notice to counter specific threat to CWAC staff in November 2018. The aim is to progress CT related arrangements further in 2019-20. Both LAs have 'Go to Critical' procedures in place for a CT incident with security options included. The Team Manager is currently leading a multi-agency project implementing CT control measures in the CWAC area.

KEY DELIVERABLES 2019-20

- 1. Continue implementation of the Emergency Management Training & Exercise Programme.
- 2. Continue implementation of the off-site planning and exercise regime to ensure that both authorities meet their statutory emergency planning obligations under the COMAH, REPPIR, PSR, and Flood & Water Management legislation.
- 3. Develop and implement exercises for Generic and Trentabank/ Ridgegate Reservoir Off-Site Plans.
- 4. Increase community resilience and emergency preparedness levels by continuing the implementation of medium and long-term projects.
- 5. Increase levels of emergency preparedness across both authorities generally.
- 6. Continue to implement recommendations from CEC Bosley Major Incident Structured Debrief Report and all other Incident Debrief Reports (Poynton Floods, Macon House Fire, and Bossons Mill).
- 7. Continue participation in and co-ordination of Cheshire Resilience Forum (CRF) projects, planning, training and exercises.
- 8. Develop and apply initiatives to drive continuous improvement in operations to enable clients to achieve their outcomes thereby increasing customer satisfaction and providing value for money.

SERVICE	Cheshire Farms
SERVICE MANAGER	David Job
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Green

Financial Performance

Budget £213,473	Outturn £154,008	Variance £59,465
Summary of key variances		

Underspend arising from retained vacant post (offset within service budgets through use of external consultants as required).

Measure	2017-18 Actual	2018-19 Target	2018-19 Actual	Comments	Rating	
	Cheshire West & Chester BC					
Value of property identified and marketed for disposal reported through disposals group.	£4.15m sales completed	£4.03m	£7.96m sales completed	Disposals ahead of profile but will impact on future years and revenue budget	Green	
Review planning potential pre disposal	100% of properties sold	100% of properties sold	100% of properties sold	Significant gains in value achieved from activity although regulation reportedly tightening.	Green	
		Che	eshire East Bo			
Report Progress of estate reorganisation	1	1	1	CIPFA annual report identifies progress on number of tenancies and average size	Green	
Value of property identified and marketed for disposal reported through disposals group.	£0.338m	£2.78m	£6.0m marketed £2.99m completed	Monthly disposals meetings feeding into corporate programme	Green	
Explore Planning potential pre disposal	100% of properties sold	100% of properties sold	100% of properties sold	Significant gains in value achieved from activity although regulation reportedly tightening as above.	Green	

All objectives delivered within management budget and delivering an underspend at service level for CEBC and including the following:

Cheshire West -

- Managing the end of seven longer term tenancies
- Delivering value enhancing planning consents secured on two disposals and;
- Total in year and year on year capital receipts ahead of original profiles including 7 farms and 17 transactions.
- Contributed to audit and changes implemented to address identified governance issues.

Cheshire East -

- Managing the end of nine longer term tenancies and letting three longer term farm business tenancies, including two new entrants and one promotion within the estate positively contributing to achieving the objective target structure;
- Bringing 6 property transactions forward through marketing post planning investigations, through to completion delivering capital receipts.
- Overseeing £354,144 capital investment in the holdings modernising the farms and delivering increased revenue.

KEY DELIVERABLES 2019-20

Cheshire West -

- Focus remains on the delivery of the capital receipts with business plan target for receipts in year identified as £8.71m and £3.27m to be identified and brought forward for disposal in 2020/21.
- Against that approx. £0.9m sales have been completed to date, £6.24m sales agreed in year to date and an additional £2.6m are identified for potential delivery in 2019/20 involving 7 properties and 18 transactions. A further £2.85m have been identified for potential disposal in 2020/21 thus far with relevant planning investigations ongoing.

Cheshire East -

- With a continuing emphasis on progressing to restructure the estate and modernising the service 2019/20 has already delivered one new entrant letting with one further dairy farm tenancy due to end and be re-let on the farms estate and investment in modernisation schemes ongoing.
- One large non farms estate farm letting is envisaged within 2019/20.
- ➤ Target capital receipts £2.78 million and identifying £2.78 million for disposal in 2020/21. Plans thus far encompass nine properties, 10 transactions and a total potential receipts in year of £4.8m.
- Capital Investment to continue and budget to be re-profiled. One major infrastructure scheme and one listed building refurbishment ongoing alongside tenant managed farm investments.

SERVICE	Cheshire Rural Touring Arts
SERVICE MANAGER	Jen Henry/Anne Crabtree – CRTA managers (under Arts
	team manager Carmel Clapson)
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Green

Financial Performance

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No issues - a balanced position was achieved					

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	Comments	Rating
	Actual	Target	Actual		
Maintain quarterly meetings with Client Managers	4	4	4	We have had a new relationship manager from Arts Council England this year, Holly Clarke. ACE have requested that we (and other tier 1 organisations) move to meetings only once or twice a	Green
Maintain quarterly meetings with Cheshire Lancashire Partnership	2	2	2	year from 2019 onwards. CRTA manage and chair these meetings between CRTA, CWAC manager, C.East manager, Spot On Lancashire, Lancashire County Council culture manager and ACE. The last meeting took place in May 19 and the next is scheduled for October 19.	Green
% of audience rating performance as good or excellent	95%	93%	95%		Green
Number of youth venues identified and supported	2	2	2	We work with Action Transport Theatre in Ellesmere port and Crewe Lyceum Theatre to deliver work specifically for young people.	Green
Number of venues maintained	29	29	29	We have around 24 core community venues (village halls, community centres, schools who each host a min of 2 performances per year). To this we also have a number of venues	Green

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				to take work occasionally form us	
				(perhaps once a year rather than	
				2). These venues include some	
				library and museum venues and	
				some venues who are trying out	
				rural touring before committing	
				to taking part longer term.	
Number of	5	5	5	Volunteer promoters are invited	Green
Promoter)	J)	1	Green
				to attend 4 menu meetings per	
meetings held p.a.				year (one held in each authority	
				per touring season) and are also	
				invited to attend an annual rural	
				touring promoters day each	
				September.	
Liaison with	Α	n/a	n/a	The artists pitching day was held	N/A
PANDA	successful			in Darlington in May 19. CRTA	
maintained	finding bid			were part of the day and have	
1	was made			taken a theatre company from	
CRTA are involved	in 2018 to			that day to mentor for the next	
in the planning	deliver a			year.	
and delivery of a				The northern consortium of rural	
1	new				
northern regional	version of			touring schemes meet quarterly	
artist mentoring	the			to work on joint projects and	
and development	mentoring			share programming. The future	
project	project.			of any further bids to expand this	
	PANDA			mentoring project will be	
	now			discussed at the next consortium	
	dissolved			meeting at the ned of June 19.	
Increase Facebook	444		471	Social media presence is steady.	Green
and Twitter	facebook		facebook	We are using the Facebook	
activity and usage	likes and		likes and	platform more than before, as	
to promote events	1200		1179	we do find it is reaching some	
'	Twitter		Twitter	new demographics for us. We	
	followers		followers	occasionally pay for marketing	
	as of June		as of	boosts for specific events, which	
	18		June 19	we have found to be effective.	
	10		Julie 13	We do not use Twitter as much	
				now, which is mostly due to the	
	0.554		655.	capacity of staff to work on this.	
Audience	90% of	90%	90%	Survey collation is done by Maria	Green
Feedback collated	events			Owen – CWAC creative industries	
to inform future	surveyed			assistant.	
programmes					
Annual Report	Report		Annual		Green
issued	completed		report		
	in May 18		has been		
	·		sent to		
			ACE June		
			19		
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CRTA are part of a collective of north west arts organisations for Children's Theatre called Big Imaginations consortium of North West Theatre venues. This led to a number of very high quality and culturally diverse pieces of work being toured into our rural spaces and we are involved in a digital festival in October 2019.

CRTA have maintained and supported our rural venues to maintain their audiences and in some cases increase their numbers. Our volunteer promoters have grown in confidence and skills, and many are taking artistic risks and trying new things. We are reaching a younger audience demographic (30-50 year olds) through our programming and marketing.

CRTA have delivered a number of successful international tours from Canada to our rural spaces this year.

CRTA have maintained a rich and diverse programme of performances, which are well received by audience's and promoters. Arts Council were positive about CRTA in their annual report, acknowledged the range and quality of programming and projects we undertake (on a relatively small amount of funding!).

An increased amount of reporting and data gathering has been requested by ACE this year for all its funded organisations. CRTA have 1 full time member of staff (split into part time staff members) to deliver the service. The increased amount of time spent gathering data and reporting has had a detrimental effect on the time and resources available to staff to deliver the work of CRTA in a way we would like to. It is also not always possible for CRTA to deliver some of these data requests due to its position in a local authority and under our GDPR regulations. We have been working with ACE and our partner organisation Spot On Lancashire, to help find solutions to these issues. We have made some strides so far in reducing the amount of financial reporting required.

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In partnership with Spot On Lancashire we are a joint National Portfolio organisation of Arts Council England. The partnership is working with reduced funding due to standstill funding from ACE for 7 years. We will be talking to our partners and relationship managers at ACE about ways in which we can help source other funding streams for areas of our work , and for our plans for future applications.

We would like to deliver a greater digital presence, through our website and social media and other platforms to be able to reach new and wider audiences. We have created a digital development plan, where we can look at how the scheme can develop digitally over the next few years. We continue to seek funding to help support this work.

We will continue to work closely in partnership projects such as Big Imaginations and the norther consortium of rural touring schemes in order to be able to deliver quality work to rural audiences and to have a support programme for new and emerging artists.

CRTA are developing a project to engage with young people in Chester and Crewe through a young promoters opportunity. This project will enable us to support a young person (or group of young people) to gain experience of programming and working in the arts. We are working with Crewe Lyceum theatre and Storyhouse young leaders along with the support of the arts teams in CWAC and C.East to develop a funding bid to enable this project to happen in 2019/20.

SERVICE	ICT Services Delivery
SERVICE MANAGER	Gareth Pawlett, CIO and Head of ICT Services
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Amber

Financial Performance

Budget £ Net Nil	Outturn £0.481m	Variance £0.481m underspend

Summary of key variances

The outturn underspend for ICT Services Delivery has been achieved through:

- close financial management of costs
- higher than expected delivery of commissioned project work leading to higher than expected income
- Lower than expected spend on staffing. This has been the result of a combination of things including; a delay in recruitment ahead of the introduction of a new structure, difficulty in sourcing suitable quality of resource, a recruitment freeze and two major incidents.

The impact of the reduced recruitment leading to a shortfall in the required level of staffing resource has meant the shared service has failed to meet its performance targets for Business As Usual (BAU) as set out in the Service Level Agreement and whilst commissioned business change has been sufficiently delivered to realise the budgeted income target at 100k hours, this has been insufficient to meet required delivery schedules. This inevitably has wider implications for both Councils within their respective organisations.

Non Financial Performance – Key Measures

Method of calculating KPIs and PIs below

All figures are based on combining the individual monthly reported values, across both CE and CWaC, to give a single combined value for the whole year.

Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	Comments	Rating
	Actual	Target	Actual		
PI Ref 6.14: Service availability for a defined suite of ICT services and applications	99.8%	99.5%	99.8%	The performance was within SLA in 10 out of the 12 months.	Green
PI Ref 6.12: High level estimates produced within five working days	49.2%	75.0%	73.1%	174 out of 238. The upward trend continues and is now just outside SLA.	Amber
PI Ref 6.13: Projects delivered to the agreed milestones (time and cost)	37.1%	75.0%	48.2%	172 out of 357. The upward trend continues, although still Red.	Red

Non Financial Performance - Other Measures

P1 (Major) Incidents – Issues with those systems, applications or services rated as Mission Critical to business areas. These include Network, Email, Internet access and major Line of Business systems. Such incidents have a special process dedicated to urgent resolution by ICT Services.

P2 (VIP) Incidents – Issues raised by VIPs (Members, senior managers and key business teams) plus issues relating to systems, applications or services rated as Business Critical.

P3 Incidents – Issues raised by standard (non-VIP) users that require a faster response than P4 (e.g. affecting a group or team of users), plus issues with those systems, applications or services rated as Business Operational.

P4 Incidents – Issues raised by a standard (non-VIP) user, plus issues with those systems, applications or services rated as Business Administrative.

All assessments of the priority are based on Impact and Urgency, with P4 being the default level.

Measure	2017-18 Actual	2018-19 Target	2018-19 Actual	Comments	Rating
Call Responsiveness (telephone) – incoming calls answered by the ICT Service Desk	74.6%	80.0% within 90 secs	48.1%	29,840 out of 62,010. The performance was outside SLA every month. There are a number of contributory issues including unfilled posts and staff illness. A number of initiatives are underway within the Service Desk to improve this performance.	Red
% resolution of P1 (Major) incidents within ICT Services control	95.8%	90.0% within 4 hours	92.3%	The performance was within SLA in 9 of the 12 months. NB It was agreed that for low volumes in a given month (below 10), one failure is permitted within the SLA framework. In 18/19, there were 26 major incidents within ICT Services control. Of these 24 passed SLA (including five failing but allowable within the "one failure per month" criterion) and only two being further outside.	Green
% resolution of P2 (VIP) incidents within ICT Services	69.4%	90.0% within 8 hours	73.9%	Performance has improved marginally but is still below the SLA target. 1,271 / 1,721 incidents were within SLA. These incidents tend to be more difficult to resolve as they tend to be passed across to more technical ICT teams to resolve and tend to take longer. Initiatives are	Red

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Measure	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	Comments	Rating
% resolution of P3 incidents within ICT Services	74.5%	90.0% within 2 days	Actual 70.3%	Performance is slightly worse than the previous year and is still well outside the SLA target. 1,910 / 2,716 incidents within SLA. These incidents tend to be more difficult to resolve as they tend to be passed across to more technical ICT teams to resolve and tend to take longer. Initiatives are underway to bring as much into First and Second line support, to achieve speedier resolution for customers.	Red
% resolution of P4 incidents within ICT Services	87.5%	90.0% within 5 days	88.1%	Performance is slightly better than the previous year but remains just below the overall SLA target. 25,301 / 28,705 incidents were within SLA.	Amber
% resolution of S2 service requests within ICT Services	97.1%	95.0% within 2 days	97.2%	Performance remains strong and within SLA once again. 11,459 / 11,792 requests were within SLA.	Green
% resolution of S3 service requests within ICT Services	98.4%	95.0% within 3 days	99.0%	Performance remains strong and within SLA. 10,458 / 10,567 requests were within SLA.	Green

- Over the last three years significant reduction in Major Incidents from 146 in 16/17 to 60 in 17/18 to 35 in 18/19.
- 18/19 Major Incidents = 35

Root Cause	Number of Incidents
Network Hardware	11
Infrastructure Hardware	10
Infrastructure Software	7
Business Applications	3
Network Software	0
Telephony Hardware	2
Mobile Software	2

- Restoration activity following Kelly House Data Centre outage in January 2019
- Restoration activity following Goldsmith House flood. Minimised service impact whilst building maintenance completed.
- Governance improved following external Ernst Young review, established Joint Strategic Board supported by Joint Business Design Authority and Joint Service Improvement Board.
- Next Generation Wide Area Network Cabinet paper complete and approved by Joint Strategic Board. Cabinet approval to be sought in July 2019. Procurement will support operational delivery of WAN plus strategic requirements from both Councils around Digital/Smart Cities/5G.
- Infrastructure simplifications underway, targeting legacy infrastructure decommissioning.
 Hybrid cloud server infrastructure (Azure cloud and on premise Hyper Converged) replacing aging Citrix and VMWare hardware, a significant step in addressing issues affecting service availability, whilst enabling both Councils to become cloud ready organisations
- Successful implementation of VMWare Cloud in AWS.
- Backup Strategy complete, backup and storage improvements identified procurement complete.
- Key Line of Business (KLOB) Application Decommissioning 45 applications decommissioned to date, with a further 66 applications in the pipeline, equating to 22% of Key Line of Business systems.
- PSN certification achieved for both councils
- Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Plans updated.
- O365 Exchange Online targeted migration resumed in preparation for an organisation wide rollout
- Agreement of a new ICT shared service Agreement

KEY DELIVERABLES 2019-20

- Implementation of a new structure in ICT Services
- Windows 10 and Office 365 deployed and adopted by both councils, supported by an adoption and change management programme
- 50% of the current application estate, simplified, rationalised or decommissioned over the next 2 years
- Procurement and implementation of a new WAN solution, building on the foundations of our current PSN investment, removing the reliance on our data centre to provide LAN and WAN services
- Continue to progress along the Security Roadmap ensuring that both Councils are equipped to manage future cyber security threats
- Continue to support both Council's in maintaining PSN certification
- Improved service overall, by delivering improvements to the management of change programmes. Improvement to the end user experience overall
- ICT Product Catalogue 2020-2021

•	Cultural change Implement recommendations from EY with regard to portfolio/programme/project management and resource planning

SERVICE	Transactional Service Centre
SERVICE MANAGER	Jude Green
OVERALL PERFORMANCE RATING	Green

Financial Performance

Budget £132,170	Outturn £519,534	Variance 387,364 (overspend)					
Summary of key variances							
The main reasons for t	he overspend are:						
1) Redundancy co	osts						
2) Printing costs overspend							
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Measure	2017-18 Actual	2018-19 Target	2018-19 Actual	Comments	Rating
Delivery of efficient and effective recruitment processes (CE)	92.37%	85%	94.93%		Green
Provision of a responsive HR transaction service desk that efficiently deals with service requests and resolves any issues to the satisfaction of customers (CE)	96.2%	80%	99.68%		Green
Delivery of effective payroll system and service (CE)	99.96%	99%	99.81%		Green
Payments to suppliers within terms (CE)	97.5%	90%	98%		Green
Provision of a responsive transactional finance service desk that efficiently deals with service requests and resolves any issues within its contract to the satisfaction of customers (CE)	94.27%	80%	97.75%		Green
Timely and accurate creation of income related transactions based on client request (CE)	99.9%	99%	98.85%	During September staffing issues caused a dip in performance which affected the outturn	Green

Delivery of efficient and	81.96%	85%	90.55%	Green
effective recruitment processes				
(CWAC)				
Provision of a responsive HR	98.16%	80%	99.81%	Green
transaction service desk that				
efficiently deals with service				
requests and resolves any				
issues to the satisfaction of				
customers (CWAC)				
Delivery of effective payroll	99.72%	99%	100%	Green
system and service (CWAC)				
Payments to suppliers within	98.1%	90%	97.55%	Green
terms (CWAC)				
Provision of a responsive	97.04%	80%	98.13%	Green
transactional finance service				
desk that efficiently deals with				
service requests and resolves				
any issues within its contract to				
the satisfaction of customers				
(CWAC)				
Timely and accurate creation of	100%	99%	98.85%	Green
income related transactions				
based on client request (CWAC)				

The service has continued to reduce demand Significant increase in number of people signed up to e-payslips Officers supporting Business World project Improvement in some KPI performance

KEY DELIVERABLES 2019-20

Review targets necessary Identify areas to reduce expenditure Change to business processes through Business World Agreement of shared service agreement