

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
Wales Audit Office performance work programme 2014-15

Improvement Assessment 2014-15	Output	Status
Local Study: Ensuring Performance Management drives further improvement (WAO)	Local Report	In progress with a focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult Social Care • Children's social care (December 2014) • Resources directorate Report February 2015
Local Study: Effectiveness of current arrangements for identifying and making savings. Good governance in the consideration of alternative service delivery models	Local Report	In development
Audit of Annual Report	Certificate to confirm compliance with LG Measure	In progress: Audit of Council's Annual Report. Certificate to be issued by WAO by 30 November 2014.
Audit of Improvement Planning (setting improvement objectives for 2014-15)	Certificate to confirm compliance with LG Measure	Completed. The Council has met its improvement planning duties.

Local Government All Wales /National Studies 2013-14	Output	Status
Whistleblowing Whistle blowing relating more to Governance framework and issues.	National Report	Completed: Findings are included in the local Safeguarding report
Safeguarding	National Report and Local Summary	Completed. (Included in 20 November 2014 Audit Committee Agenda)
Impact of Welfare Reform on Social Housing	National Report and Shared Learning Event	Completed: National report anticipated publication November /December 2014.
Delivering with less – the impact on Environmental Health Services and citizens	National Report and Local Summary	Completed. National report published 28 October 2014 http://www.wao.gov.uk/publication/delivering-less-%E2%80%93-impact-environmental-health-services-and-citizens

Local Government All Wales Studies 2014-15	Output	Status
Financial Planning Assessment To assess whether authorities have robust approaches in place to manage the budget reduction to secure a stable financial position, enabling them to continue to operate for the foreseeable future.	National Report and Local Summary Report	In progress: Draft report issued.
Delivering with less – Leisure Services A study involving all 22 local authorities to answer the headline question: Are councils effectively delivering their leisure and recreation services with fewer resources?	National Report	In Progress
Independence of older people A study involving all 22 local authorities to answer the headline question: Are Councils working effectively to minimise demand for social care and health services for older people and supporting them to live independently at home?	National Report	In Progress
Regional Education Consortia (VFM Study) To assess whether the Welsh Government's arrangements for regional consortia (are) likely to deliver the intended improvement in support to schools and local authorities.	National Report	In Progress
Housing Benefit: Discretionary Housing Payments Review will look at the management, customer focus, decision making and oversight of DHP monies	Short National Summary and short local summary for inclusion in Annual Improvement Report	In Progress