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Introduction

1. This publication provides details of all grants made by the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales (HEFCW) to higher education institutions (HEIs) and directly funded further education institutions (FEIs) in Wales for 2012/13. Except where noted otherwise, all information refers to payments made in the academic year (AY) 1 August 2012 to 31 July 2013.
2. All figures recorded are actual payments made to institutions during that AY. Details of HEFCW's formula funding methods can be found on HEFCW's website at www.hefcw.ac.uk.
3. These allocations were first announced in Circular W12/10HE (HEFCW's Funding Allocations 12/13) and then updated in Circular W13/09HE (HEFCW's Funding Allocations 13/14). The detail in this circular will not match either exactly due to the fact that the first circular is a forward looking budget position, the second an in year position, and the detail in this circular a retrospective actual position. The variations will be due to payment timing differences and/or changes in budget line amounts, and/or in year addition of budget lines.
4. Annex A presents the grant payments by budget line and under the headings: Teaching, Research, Skills, Other and Non-Grant in Aid (GIA). Annex B details the Welsh Fee Grant payments made to institutions by the Student Loans Company (SLC) (taken from the September 2013 Welsh Fee Grant Payments Report provided by the SLC). Each budget line is described below.
5. Annex C presents details of the 20 highest Rest of UK recipients of the Welsh Fee Grant. This information is also taken from the September 2013 Welsh Fee Grant Payments Report provided by the SLC.

Description of lines

Teaching

Foundation Degrees

6. HEFCW provided funding across the 2011/12, 2012/13 & 2013/14 academic years for the development and delivery of new part-time foundation degree provision. The initiative was HEFCW's contribution to fulfil a Welsh Government (WG) commitment to increase the number of foundation degrees in Wales. Foundation degrees were seen as a solution to addressing a national skills shortfall, making higher education affordable to a wider range of students, bringing higher and further education institutions in closer partnership with employers and extending routes to lifelong learning

ITT Strategy

7. Funding has been provided since 2003/04 AY to support institutions, and subsequently Centres, in the implementation of initial teacher training (ITT) strategies. The strategies take account of the reconfigured Centres of Teacher Education (South East Wales, South West Wales and North and Mid Wales).

Learning and Teaching Fund

8. This budget line includes: (i) allocations to support institutional (including OU) learning and teaching strategies; (ii) the HE Academy grant (including National Teaching Fellowship (NTF) Awards); (iii) the QAA Service Level Agreement funding (including the foundation degree review); (iv) the National Student Survey and Key Information Sets; the NUS Wales 'Have Your Say' work; and incidental programme-related costs.

Part-time Fee Waiver Scheme

9. The PT Fee Waiver scheme provides institutions with funding for fee waivers to PT students in receipt of certain benefits. The scheme was established in 1999 at the request of the then Welsh Office (Circular W12/18HE: The HEFCW Part-Time Undergraduate Fee Waiver Scheme).

Public Investment Fund (PIF)

10. Following the introduction of the new tuition fees regime in 2012/13 full-time UG and PGCE teaching funding is now distributed through the PIF. This is a premium and per capita based fund designed to focus funding in the areas of more expensive provision or areas of provision of special interest to WG.

Teaching

11. Circular W11/40HE confirmed that, given the Ministerial direction to concentrate funding on priority For our Future activity, it was important that HEFCW funding should be even more sharply focussed than previously. In the circular we noted that we would no longer operate a funded credit based system for FT UG and PGCE students (new entrants and continuing students) from AY 2012/13. The circular also outlined the intention to use current and new premia as a basis for allocation.
12. Funds for PT/PGT teaching have been determined using HEFCW's established teaching funding method. This is described in detail in HEFCW circular W99/71HE, dated 30 July 1999. HEFCW circular W01/66HE, dated 3 August 2001, sets out the arrangements and procedures under which funding by credit value operates. A change was made in AY 2011/12 with the removal of the recovery element of the method.

Research

History Research Wales

13. History Research Wales (HRW) was established in 2009 to initiate collaboration between institutions. This collaborative development was led by Swansea University under the auspices of the Saint David's Day Alliance. As a result of HEFCW discussions with the Alliance funding was set aside in order to significantly enhance HRW activities and to trigger investment by the partner institutions.

Postgraduate Research (PGR) Funding

14. PGR funding is allocated by formula to help support the training of postgraduate research students.

Quality Research (QR)

15. QR is formula funding for research which is allocated on the basis of the outcomes of the Research Assessment Exercise (RAE 2008).

University of Wales Dictionary

16. The University of Wales Dictionary of the Welsh Language is a historical dictionary which is often described as being equivalent to a more concise version of the Oxford English Dictionary. The Unit which produces it is based in the University of Wales' Centre for Advanced Welsh and Celtic Studies. The Council provided limited financial support to this publication.

Other

Estates Capital Funding Infrastructure

17. The use of this capital will be restricted to capital estates or other capital infrastructure projects. The funding cannot be used to support the development or maintenance of the residential estate.
18. The allocations proposed align with the Council's strategic priorities of reconfiguration and collaboration and research and support those institutions who can demonstrate a clear alignment to the delivery of these strategic priorities (Circular W13/07HE: Estates and Infrastructure Capital Funding).

Innovation and Engagement

19. This fund is designed to support a permanent and sustainable stream of third mission funding in Wales (Circular W11/10HE: Innovation and Engagement funding arrangements 2011/12 to 2013/14).

Reaching Wider

20. This budget line funds in 2012/13 Reaching Wider strategies submitted to HEFCW for the period 2011/12 to 2013/14. The RW programme is a mechanism for widening access on a collaborative regional basis. The programme's focus is explicitly on Communities First areas, and looked after children and care leavers.

Reconfiguration and Collaboration

21. The Reconfiguration and Collaboration Fund was launched in July 2002 to support the reshaping of the higher education sector in Wales in order to achieve major performance gains and enhanced competitiveness. A large number of landscape changing developments have received support from the fund including institutional mergers and partnerships, collaborative research institutes and other developments. Whilst the fund was not open to new proposals after 2012, some ongoing developments continue to be supported including: the Low Carbon Research Institute; the Climate Change Consortium for Wales; and High Performance Computing Wales.

Strategic Development Fund

22. This fund is to support collaborative developments which play into the wider Reaching Higher agenda. Examples of uses of the fund include:
 - developing management capability shared between institutions (eg to address procurement, HR and sustainability issues)
 - collaborating in teaching and learning, including pedagogical innovation (eg technology enhanced learning)
 - subject rationalisation
 - developing third mission activity between institutions and with external partners
 - 'pump priming' (increasing expenditure to increase output) the development of research infrastructure between institutions
 - contributing to funding proposals involving other parties such as Welsh Government partners, the Research Councils and major charities, or other UK-wide agendas - particularly where a small investment by HEFCW could help secure a much larger investment from other, especially UK-wide sources

Subjects of Broader Importance

23. This budget supports subjects of broader importance to Wales. It is made up of the Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) Programme, focussing on sustainable activities with the potential to achieve long-term impact rather than short term gains and the provision of funding in support of Modern Foreign Languages.

Welsh Video Network (recurrent costs)

24. The Welsh Video Network (WVN) exists to provide video conferencing to Higher Education (HE) and Further Education (FE) institutions as well as some schools across Wales. It is managed by a Support Centre, unique in the UK in the range of services it provides to encourage and support the use of videoconferencing. Funding is provided by the then Department for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills (DCELLS) of WG and HEFCW to enable the WVN Support Centre to provide a 'core' service to institutions, but it also 'sells' additional services directly to some schools, colleges and universities.

Welsh Medium Provision Fund

25. The Welsh Medium Provision Fund for 2012/13 AY brings together several elements into a single budget. This recognises in particular the establishment of the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol and the funding which will support its activities. The Coleg has subsumed the work of the Centre for Welsh Medium Higher Education which has previously been funded under a number of different budget headings, including fixed-term Reconfiguration and Collaboration Fund and One Wales funding. The budget line therefore incorporates the original Welsh Medium Provision Fund, the Centre for Welsh Medium Higher Education, funding to replace the Reconfiguration and Collaboration/One Wales funding, as well as funding for new activities by the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol agreed by WG and funding transferred by WG for the Welsh for Adults Tutors qualification.

Widening Access Fund

26. This budget line funds in 2012/13 institutional widening access strategies submitted to HEFCW for the period 2011/12 to 2013/14. This fund supports targeted, strategic interventions for widening access students in line with institutions' mission and purpose and taking account of HEFCW and WG priorities. Widening access interventions aim to raise educational aspirations and skills and increase participation in higher education, higher level skills and the priority sectors.

Skills

Graduate Opportunities (GO) Wales

27. Go Wales is a major programme to develop student and graduate employability across Wales and, through that, support economic growth, particularly through small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Part of this will be assigned to the European Social Fund (ESF) projects.

Skills and Employability Action Plans

28. In 2013 HEFCW invited all higher education institutions in Wales to complete Skills and Employability Action Plans that highlighted initiatives which would increase graduates' appeal to employers. To support this process funding was provided to encourage all institutions to develop new and innovative initiatives and programmes and strengthen this area of institutional provision.

Non Grant in Aid

CCC Scholarships

29. Funding for the Coleg's scholarship schemes is made available by virtue of a separate agreement between the Welsh Government and HEFCW on the basis that HEFCW does not have powers to support students directly. Scholarship scheme funding does not, therefore, form part of the Coleg's main grant from HEFCW, but is essentially ring-fenced for the provision of scholarships.

BIS Match Funds

30. The Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS) confirmed that it would provide research capital funding to the four UK HE funding bodies for 2012-13. The funding would be awarded pro rata to the average research council income received by their respective institutions. BIS requires this funding to be matched by a similar contribution and WG had agreed to provide this.
31. The Welsh Government element of the grant was allocated pro rata to recurrent Quality Research (QR) and other research income. In calculating the allocations we used the most recent data available with the WG element based on 2012/13 recurrent QR grant and 2010/11 other research income. Similarly the BIS allocation had been calculated by reference to an average of the 2008/09-2010/11 research council income received.

Jobs Growth Wales

32. In 2012 HEFCW signed an agreement with Welsh Government for a graduate strand of the Jobs Growth Wales Programme, to sit alongside the GO Wales Programme. A budget was agreed with Welsh Government and allocated to HEIs to deliver Jobs Growth Wales graduate placements.

Universities of the Heads of the Valleys Institute (UHOVI)

33. The Universities of the Heads of the Valleys Institute is a venture established by the University of Glamorgan and the University of Wales, Newport which aims to inspire people to improve or update their qualifications and skills. It offers opportunities for adults of all ages to study

at local venues across Blaenau Gwent, Caerphilly, Merthyr Tydfil, Rhondda Cynon Taff and Torfaen.

SLC Payments to Institutions

34. Annex B covers Welsh Fee Grant payments made to Institutions by the SLC at 30 September 2013 (year to date). It includes payments made in regards to both Welsh and EU students. This data is taken from the September 2013 SLC Welsh Fee Grant Payments Report.
35. Details of the 20 highest Rest of UK recipients of the Welsh Fee Grant can be found at Annex C. This information is also taken from the September 2013 Welsh Fee Grant Payments Report provided by the SLC.

Further information / responses to

36. For further information, contact David Hunt (tel 029 2068 2260, email david.hunt@hefcw.ac.uk).

Annex A																			
Academic Year 2012/13																			
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Teaching Lines	University of Glamorgan	Aberystwyth University	Bangor University	Cardiff University	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	Swansea University	Cardiff Metropolitan University	University of Wales, Newport	Glyndŵr University	Swansea Metropolitan University	University in Wales	University of Wales Registry	Bridgend College	Coleg Llandrillo Cymru	Coleg Sir Gâr	Swansea College	Neath Port Talbot College	Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol	Total
Foundation Degrees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	359,684	777,763	0	0	0	0	0	455,296	0	0	0	1,592,743
ITT Strategy	0	0	226,244	0	231,965	0	275,808	0	0	0	36,626	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	770,643
Learning and Teaching Fund	161,048	95,545	80,354	218,150	43,071	164,546	91,539	69,704	50,186	54,965	62,493	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,091,601
Part-Time Fee Waiver	249	35,897	84,654	107,908	-1,970	57,425	275	29,227	17,235	23,435	133,126	0	0	1,050	0	2,075	0	0	490,586
Public Investment Fund	13,407,109	7,265,392	8,149,635	28,805,779	1,437,630	10,276,508	5,514,577	1,873,552	1,723,159	2,058,928	0	0	7,595	189,528	72,905	2,045	53,489	0	80,837,831
Teaching	9,397,528	1,889,412	2,560,110	8,347,238	2,963,062	3,720,264	2,427,261	7,384,283	5,475,742	2,525,547	9,504,472	0	894	484,453	217,536	39,235	78,056	0	57,015,093
Total	22,965,934	9,286,246	11,100,997	37,479,075	4,673,758	14,218,743	8,309,460	9,716,450	8,044,085	4,662,875	9,736,717	0	8,489	675,031	745,737	43,355	131,545	0	141,798,497
Research Lines	University of Glamorgan	Aberystwyth University	Bangor University	Cardiff University	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	Swansea University	Cardiff Metropolitan University	University of Wales, Newport	Glyndŵr University	Swansea Metropolitan University	Open University	University of Wales Registry	Bridgend College	Coleg Llandrillo Cymru	Coleg Sir Gâr	Swansea College	Neath Port Talbot College	Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol	Total
History Research Wales	0	0	0	0	0	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,000
PGR	265,308	378,832	691,236	2,698,272	34,420	968,588	105,103	15,587	0	12,989	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,170,335
QR	2,381,744	7,335,976	6,977,490	39,982,078	662,754	11,621,605	1,126,661	453,887	0	135,488	0	399,660	0	0	0	0	0	0	71,077,343
University of Wales Dictionary Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	89,867	0	0	0	0	0	0	89,867
Total	2,647,052	7,714,808	7,668,726	42,680,350	697,174	12,600,193	1,231,764	469,474	0	148,477	0	489,527	0	0	0	0	0	0	76,347,545
Other Lines	University of Glamorgan	Aberystwyth University	Bangor University	Cardiff University	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	Swansea University	Cardiff Metropolitan University	University of Wales, Newport	Glyndŵr University	Swansea Metropolitan University	Open University	University of Wales Registry	Bridgend College	Coleg Llandrillo Cymru	Coleg Sir Gâr	Swansea College	Neath Port Talbot College	Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol	Total
Estates Capital Funding Infrastructure	1,496,842	445,522	334,227	1,670,133	408,558	550,118	0	643,089	0	451,511	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000,000
Innovation and Engagement Fund	1,319,852	571,603	782,717	2,455,332	154,492	1,187,149	388,500	609,162	236,450	228,035	257,858	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,191,150
Reaching Wider	815,479	0	637,262	45,000	0	469,641	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,967,382
Reconfiguration and Collaboration	0	1,803,365	855,924	562,824	0	0	4,500	0	269,769	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,496,382
Strategic Development Fund	400,000	837,551	0	389,016	92,566	297,020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50,210	0	0	0	0	2,066,363
Subjects of Broader Importance	0	0	5,250	0	0	22,364	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27,614
Video Services	0	0	0	0	0	130,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	130,000
Welsh Medium Provision Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,397,160	5,397,160
Widening Access Fund	891,778	212,692	174,906	412,127	216,369	324,358	269,095	745,299	432,669	162,840	1,320,217	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,162,350
Total	4,923,951	3,870,733	2,790,286	5,534,432	871,985	2,980,650	662,095	1,997,550	938,888	842,386	1,578,075	0	0	0	50,210	0	0	5,397,160	32,438,401
Skills Lines	University of Glamorgan	Aberystwyth University	Bangor University	Cardiff University	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	Swansea University	Cardiff Metropolitan University	University of Wales, Newport	Glyndŵr University	Swansea Metropolitan University	Open University	University of Wales Registry	Bridgend College	Coleg Llandrillo Cymru	Coleg Sir Gâr	Swansea College	Neath Port Talbot College	Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol	Total
Go Wales Convergence Non ESF	87,607	64,865	6,422	228,961	47,896	95,363	61,993	73,589	179,393	95,363	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	846,089
Go Wales Convergence Project	325,636	273,091	140,537	182,497	384,002	496,010	72,663	72,155	218,436	149,496	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,314,523
Skills and Employability Action Plans	0	17,666	27,305	23,255	50,295	26,644	0	0	5,223	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150,388
Total	413,243	355,622	174,264	434,713	482,193	618,017	134,656	145,744	403,052	149,496	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,311,000
Non GIA	University of Glamorgan	Aberystwyth University	Bangor University	Cardiff University	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	Swansea University	Cardiff Metropolitan University	University of Wales, Newport	Glyndŵr University	Swansea Metropolitan University	Open University	University of Wales Registry	Bridgend College	Coleg Llandrillo Cymru	Coleg Sir Gâr	Swansea College	Neath Port Talbot College	Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol	Total
CCC Scholarships NON GIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	196,500
DBIS Match Funds NON GIA	0	754,264	563,533	2,819,810	0	955,838	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,093,445
Jobs Growth Wales NON GIA	2,802	5,628	6,392	5,383	2,014	1,612	8,863	11,599	0	1,126	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45,419
UHOVI NON GIA	4,365,375	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,365,375
Total	4,368,177	759,892	569,925	2,825,193	2,014	957,450	8,863	11,599	0	1,126	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,700,739
Grand Total	35,318,357	21,987,301	22,304,198	88,953,763	6,727,124	31,375,053	10,346,838	12,340,817	9,386,025	5,804,360	11,314,792	489,527	8,489	675,031	795,947	43,355	131,545	5,593,660	263,596,182

Note: ITT provision is shown at the lead financial institution.

Annex B

	University of Glamorgan	Aberystwyth University	Bangor University	Cardiff University	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	Swansea University	Cardiff Metropolitan University	University of Wales, Newport	Glyndŵr University	Swansea Metropolitan University	Open University in Wales	University of Wales Registry	Bridgend College	Coleg Llandrillo Cymru	Coleg Sir Gâr	Swansea College	Neath Port Talbot College	Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol	Total
Institutions (at 30 September 2013)	12,214,667	5,673,880	5,267,815	8,508,503	3,068,773	6,252,836	9,474,591	4,254,933	2,079,692	6,429,170			22,978	680,139	270,345	0	6,420		64,204,743

Source: SLC Fee Grant Payments (September 2013)

Allocations have been amended to place franchise provision at the franchisor institution. □

Annex C

Top 20 RUK Fee Grant Payments

Institution	Count of Customers	Fee Grant Amount Paid (£)
University of West of England	483	2,559,039
Liverpool John Moores University	305	1,589,197
Chester University	342	1,436,097
Exeter University	235	1,230,315
Liverpool University	194	1,001,029
Manchester University	182	981,488
Manchester Metropolitan University	191	883,155
Bristol University	154	846,855
Bath University	162	783,788
Bath Spa University	147	757,244
Plymouth University	140	741,966
Birmingham University	126	690,491
Reading University	125	675,270
Gloucestershire University	135	620,513
Nottingham University	101	552,116
Loughborough University	97	521,674
Edge Hill University	97	516,125
University of Southampton	98	462,626
The University of Portsmouth	92	438,830
Leeds University	79	433,114
Total Top 20 RUK	3,485	17,720,931
Total RUK	6,693	33,362,780
Total Wales	12,702	64,204,743

Source: SLC Fee Grant Payments (September 2013)