

## RURAL, ECONOMIC & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

6 MARCH 2013

### REPORT OF HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES

#### CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING TO 31 JANUARY 2013

#### 1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To update the Committee on the progress of schemes within the Capital Programme to 31 January 2013.

#### 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 **It is recommended that the progress made on each capital scheme be noted.**

#### 3.0 KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 Under the Capital Programme Project Appraisal System, monitoring of actual capital expenditure against authorised expenditure is undertaken on a regular basis and reported to the Management Team in its capacity as the Council's Programme Board. Appendix A gives details of the spending against budget for all schemes within this Committee up to 31 January which is the latest available information at the agenda date.

#### 4.0 POLICY AND CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Policy and corporate implications were addressed in setting the current year's budget. There are no further policy and corporate implications arising from this report.

#### 5.0 FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The financial implications for each scheme are as set out in Appendix A
- 5.2 The overall position for all capital schemes falling within this Committee is as set out below.

Capital Schemes	Allocated Funding 2012/13 Budget	Authorised Funding 2012/13 (Business Case Approved)	Actual Expenditure to 31 Jan 2013	Balance to be Spent 2012/13 (Authorised funding less Actual)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
General Expenses	654	654	152	502
Special Expenses	18	18	3	15

- 5.3 The forecast shows that a number of the schemes are likely to show variations at the end of the financial year and result in carry forward requests.

The most significant of these relates to the Burton St Car Parking Scheme. This is due to delays in achieving planning permission for the project due to having to meet the requirements of the Environment Agency for a sustainable urban drainage scheme. This means that only the initial consultant costs will be spent this year and therefore a carry forward will be required.

In addition, the budget in respect of the lighting improvements at Burton Street will not now be required as this was a sum allocated for any works which might be required whilst the public consultation on the Burton St site was on-going. However it is likely that the budget may be required to meet any additional costs associated with the drainage scheme mentioned above.

In respect of the Partnership in Conservation Area Grant Scheme it is likely that commitments may be made from the additional £15k approved by Policy, Finance and Administration Committee in September 2012 and English Heritage have confirmed matched funding provided all monies are spent by the end of the financial year. A discussion is required as to whether this can be achieved or whether commitment of the monies will be sufficient. As the associated works may not be completed in the year, not all grant monies will be paid. As a result a carry forward will be required for this scheme.

In respect of the Bus Shelter scheme, the shelter at the junction of Dorothy Avenue and Asfordby Road has been completed. The work on examining the remainder of the bus shelter provision as indicated in a report to this committee on 9th January 2013 is on-going and a carry forward of the unspent monies will be required to meet any additional provision identified.

## **6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Legal implications/powers were addressed in setting the current year's programme. There are no further legal implications arising from this report.

## **7.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY**

7.1 Individual schemes could have links to community safety issues. These should be covered in any associated reports and forms linked to those schemes as they progress through the decision making process.

## **8.0 EQUALITIES**

8.1 Individual schemes could have links to equalities issues. These should be covered in any associated reports and forms linked to those schemes as they progress through the decision making process.

## **9.0 RISKS**

9.1 These should be covered in any associated reports and forms linked to those schemes as they progress through the decision making process.

## **10.0 CLIMATE CHANGE**

10.1 Individual schemes could have links to climate change issues. These should be covered in any associated reports and forms linked to those schemes as they progress through the decision making process.

## **11.0 CONSULTATION**

11.1 Consultation takes place between project managers and the Accountancy Assistant – Community Services to determine the information included in Appendix A. Reports are also prepared on a quarterly basis for the Programme Board.

## **12.0 WARDS AFFECTED**

12.1 To varying degrees all wards are affected by capital schemes within this Committee

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Appendices: Appendix A – Capital Programme Progress Report – Jan 2013

Background Papers: Oracle Financial Reports  
Budget Holder Comments on Performance

Reference: X: Ctte,Council & SubCttes/REEA/2012-13/06-03-13/DG-Capital Prog.  
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