

POLICY, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

15 APRIL 2015

REPORT OF HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES

PROVISIONAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME YEAR END POSITION 2014-15

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide information on the provisional Capital Programme year end position for 2014-15, including a range of performance measures, and to give consideration for requests for carrying forward unspent budgets in 2014-15 to 2015-16 in respect of specific schemes.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That those schemes in the 2014-15 Capital Programme totalling £4,727,000 and shown in the column headed "Amount to Carry Forward to 2015-16 Scheme Specific" at Appendix A be carried forward and included in the Capital Programme as funded schemes.
- 2.2 That delegated authority be granted to the Head of Central Services to vary the amount of the agreed carry forward on any scheme subject to the spending on any scheme not exceeding the total approved amount.
- 2.3 A request to carry £25,000 from the Disabled Facilities Grant, underspend, over to the Warm Homes Grant for 2015/16, be considered.
- 2.4 Members approve the Business Cases attached at Appendix B and Appendix C to approve the replacement of the Pest control van and Front Line Mower in respect of the 2015/16 capital programme.
- 2.5 Memembrs approve the Business Case attached as Appendix D to approve the revised Waterfield leisure Pool Car Park Extension as partof the 2014/15 capital Programme

3.0 KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 It is seen as good practice for spend on the capital programme against budget to be at a reasonable level with slippage kept at a minimum. In order to monitor this during the year, progress against budget for each project within the capital programme is considered by the Council's Programme Board on a quarterly basis.
- 3.2 In addition to the above, quarterly monitoring of the programme is reported to each of the policy committees and to members generally via the Members Newsletter.
- 3.3 Provisional Year End Position
- 3.4 The provisional year end position is now available for the 2014-15 Capital Programme and is shown at Appendix A and summarised in the table below:

	Authorised Funding 2014-15	Estimated Year End Position 2014-15	Underspend 2014-15	Budget Spent	Amount C/fwd to 2015-16 Scheme Specific
	£'000	£'000	£'000	%	£'000
General Expenses					
Community & Social Affairs	1,570	433	1137	28	1,112
Rural, Economic and Environmental Affairs	51	39	12	76	12
Policy Finance & Administration	848	418	430	49	454
Total General Expenses	2,469	890	1,579	36	1,578
Special Expenses					
Community & Social Affairs	587	55	532	9	528
Total Special Expenses	587	55	532	9	528
Housing Revenue Account	4,326	1,774	2,552	41	2,453
Total – All Services	7,382	2,719	4,663	37	4,559

- 3.5 Overall the level of spending achieved is 34% of the authorised amount. This compares with a figure of 57% for 2013-14.
- 3.6 The financing for the new affordable homes included an amount of £70k from Section 106 monies. These funds have not been secured as such this funding is being replaced by HRA Capital receipts.
- 3.7 Any surplus funds from the underspends will go back into the appropriate reserve when the year end is closed down..
- 3.8 From the Disabled Facilities Grant budget, £145k has been spent and a further £108K is committed to be spent. Of the outstanding budget it is requested to carry forward £62k which is ring fenced from DCLG funding. Of the remaining £50k it is requested that Committee approve £25k going toward the Warm Home Grant Budget for 2015/16, with the remaining £25k going to reduce the use of Capital Receipts. Members may recall that at Community & Social Affairs Committee on 18 June 2014 it was agreed that any re-paid grants could be recycled to enable such additional works. Only £9k has

been repaid in 2014-15 so the £25k is requested to be able to help those vulnerable homes most in need in 2015-16 and therefore would provide a total budget of £34k..

- 3.9 Members have previously approved the Waterfield car park extension project and funds have been approved for this purpose. The scheme has slightly been amended in order to create extra car parking provision within the current footprint of the facility. Members are asked to approve the revised Business Case attached as Appendix D

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 There are no other financial and resource implications arising from this report.

6.0 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

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

7.0 **COMMUNITY SAFETY**

- 7.1 Community issues were addressed in setting the current year's budget. There are no further community safety issues arising from this report.

8.0 **EQUALITIES**

- 8.1 Equality issues were addressed in setting the current year's budget. There are no further equalities issues arising from this report.

9.0 **RISKS**

- 9.1 There are no risks identified as a result of this report.

10.0 **CLIMATE CHANGE**

- 10.1 Climate change issues were addressed in setting the current year's budget. There are no further climate change issues arising from this report.

11.0 **CONSULTATION**

- 11.1 Consultation takes place with budget holders and Heads of Service to enable the appendices of this report to be completed.

12.0 **WARDS AFFECTED**

- 12.1 To varying degrees, all wards are affected by schemes included in the Councils' Capital Programme.

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Appendices: Appendix A – Provisional Year End Position 2014-15
Appendix B – Business Case: Pest Control
Appendix C – Business Case: Lawn Mower
Appendix D – Business Case WLC

Background Papers: Oracle Financial Reports

Reference: X:\Cttee, Council & Sub Cttees\PFA\2014-15\15 April 2015 -DG - Provisional Capital Programme Year End Position 2014-15