

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

14 NOVEMBER 2012

REPORT OF HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2012

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To update the Committee on the progress of schemes within the Capital Programme to 30 September 2012.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 **It is recommended that:-**

- (a) **the progress made on each capital scheme be noted.**
- (a) **the virements outlined in para 5.4 and 5.5 be submitted to Policy, Finance and Administration committee for approval.**

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 30 September 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 30 Sep 2012	Balance to be Spent 2012/13 (Authorised funding less Actual)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
General Expenses	4,188	4,188	843	3,345
Special Expenses	18	0	0	0
HRA	1,803	1,803	279	1,524

The forecast is generally within budget with schemes progressing although expenditure has yet to be incurred which may require a carry forward of budget at the year end.

5.3 In terms of the General Fund there are three notable examples of this. The first relates to the Private Sector Loans Scheme where, based on current demand, a lower expectation is forecast due to the current availability of grant funding secured in 2011/12. As a result of this a carry forward request is likely at the end of the year if take up remains low.

The second exception relates to Disabled Facilities Grants where a lower forecast is predicted. This is due to a combination of the high likelihood that not all of the large applications currently being processed will be completed by the end of the financial year, coupled with a significant backlog of referrals not yet received from the occupational therapists. As a result a carry forward is likely at the end of the financial year.

The third exception relates to the Local Authority Mortgage Scheme (LAMS) where it is predicted that assistance will be provided to approximately 5 households out of the 33 envisaged. It is anticipated that the scheme will come into operation after December 2012 provided that monies for the LCC LAMS scheme has been fully utilised. As a result a carry forward is likely on this scheme.

- 5.4 The level of works required in respect of HRA void repairs is currently predicted to be greater than the original budget due to three long term voids having been brought back into use this financial year plus an additional property in Old Dalby having been recently identified as requiring attention. Members are asked to approve a virement of £110,000 from the existing rewiring programme, to meet the additional requirement as indicated in Appendix A.
- 5.5 A number of additional properties have recently been identified as requiring window and door replacement this financial year. Members are asked to approve a virement of £50,000 from the Housing, Health and Safety related works programme, to meet this additional requirement as indicated in Appendix A.
- 5.6 In addition to the variations noted in paragraphs 5.4 and 5.5 above the forecast in respect of HRA spending shows there are a number of other schemes where a year end variation is currently predicted. The forecast to date on these schemes reflects the current known situation but there may be a need to respond to unidentified problems and issues as they occur during the remainder of the financial year which might require additional virements to be made on any scheme.

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 – Sept 2012

Background Papers: Oracle Financial Reports
Budget Holder Comments on Performance

Reference: X: C'tte, Council & Sub-C'ttes/CSA/2012-13/14-11-12/DG-Capital
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