

AGENDA ITEM 6

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

13 NOVEMBER 2013

REPORT OF HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2013-18

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To determine the Committee's Capital Programme for 2013-18 based on a review of spending in the current year's programme and schemes included in the programme for later years.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that:-

- (i) the Committee approves the revised Capital Programme for 2013-18 and;
- (ii) Members consider the schemes being submitted in 2013-18 for funding as part of the budget setting process to ensure they meet the Council's priorities.
- (iii) the Project Mandates as summarised in Appendix C be approved for inclusion in the Capital Programme.
- (iv) The business case for the cemetery lodge works at Appendix D and supplementary estimate request from the special expenses reserve as outlined at paragraph 3.2.8 be submitted to Policy, Finance and Administration for approval.

3.0 KEY ISSUES

3.1 Capital Programme 2013-18

- 3.1.1 The Capital Programme 2013-18 for this Committee is attached at Appendix A. The Programme gives the total cost of each scheme, the spending profile, the amounts authorised to be spent and the stage each scheme has reached within the Capital Programme Project Appraisal System.

3.2 Changes to the Programme

- 3.2.1 The changes that have been made to the Capital Programme for the current and future years are set out in Appendix B.
- 3.2.2 The above changes result in £4,197,000 of schemes being included in the capital programme for 2014-15, £1,294,000 related to General Expenses, £30,000 related to Special Expenses, and £2,873,000 related to Housing Revenue Account as shown in Appendix A.
- 3.2.3 There is a £1,210,000 reduction in the current year, the most significant reduction relating to the transfer to 2014/15 of the Local Authority Mortgage Scheme (LAMS).
- 3.2.4 In addition as no applications have been received for the community grants schemes it is proposed to remove those funded from general expenses from the programme for this year. However, it is proposed to retain the grant scheme for special expenses to support the proposal for the new pavilion at Melton Country Park.
- 3.2.5 The other proposed changes to the programme are to match to available funding for two schemes (Fuel Poverty and Scalford Brook Play Area), to reduce the requirement for the home owner loan scheme whilst demonstrating the required support for private sector housing, and to remove the Cemetery Natural burial scheme from the

programme as the proposed expenditure to date on the project will be revenue rather than capital in nature.

- 3.2.6 All of the schemes mentioned in 3.2.3 to 3.2.5 above had allocated funding for 2013/14. The net impact of these changes is to reduce the requirement for capital receipts in the current year by £1,111k but £1.0m will be moving to next year with the LAMS project, reduce grant funding and third party contributions by £87k, and use of the special expenses reserve by £12k.
- 3.2.7 A list of new schemes is set out in Appendix C and is submitted for approval for inclusion into the Capital Programme. The Project Mandates for these schemes, as approved by the Councils Programme Board, are attached.
- 3.2.8 Members are asked to approve the business case attached at Appendix D in respect of works at the cemetery lodge in the current financial year and request approval from Policy Finance and Administration for a supplementary estimate from the special expenses reserve to cover the cost.

4.0 POLICY AND CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

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

5.0 FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 All financial and resource implications have been addressed within paragraph 3.

6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Individual schemes could have links to legal issues. These should be covered in any associated reports and forms linked to these schemes as they progress through the decision making process.

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 these 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 these schemes as they progress through the decision making process.

9.0 RISKS

- 9.1 There will be risks associated with each of the individual projects and these should be considered as the schemes progress through the decision making process. There is also the risk that the Council is unable to fund all of the schemes in the Capital Programme and therefore public expectations may not be met.

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 these schemes as they progress through the decision making process.

11.0 CONSULTATION

- 11.1 In preparing the appendices to this report consultation takes place between Project Managers and the Accountancy Assistant – Community Services regarding changes to the existing programme and new schemes to be included. In addition, the capital programmes reports are submitted to the Council's Programme Board. The extent to which consultation has been undertaken on individual schemes is set out in the associated project mandates.

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 2013-18
Appendix B - Capital Programme Amendments
Appendix C – List of new schemes and copies of project mandates
Appendix D – Business Case Cemetery Lodge

Background Papers: Capital Programme as per Budget Book
Programme Board Minutes

Reference: X: C'ttee, Council & Sub-C'ttees /CSA/2013-14/13-11-13/DG - Capital Programme 2013-18