RURAL, ECONOMIC & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

10 NOVEMBER 2010

REPORT OF HEAD OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2010

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To update the Committee on the progress of schemes within the Capital Programme to 30 September 2010.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that:-
- (a) the progress made on each capital scheme be noted.
- (b) the changed phasing of the Burton Street car park lighting scheme and its funding, as outlined in para 5.2 be submitted to the 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 2010/11 Budget	Authorised Funding 2010/11 (Form B or Business Case Approved)	Actual Expenditure to 30 Sept 2010	Balance to be Spent 2010/11 (Authorised funding less Actual)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
General Expenses	122	82	25	57

Progress on schemes is generally good with the forecast for the year being broadly in line with authorised expenditure. The one exception to this relates to the lighting improvements scheme at Burton St Car Park which is linked to progress on the new build project. The work is now not expected to be carried out in this financial year. It is therefore recommended that a request be made to the Policy, Finance & Administration Committee to transfer this scheme to the 2011/12 capital programme. This would commit the Council to using £20,000 of its own resources in 2011/12 ahead of the budget setting process in February 2010. A business case in respect of this scheme is attached at Appendix B.

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 Senior Accountancy Assistant - Capital 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 – September 2010 Appendix B – Business Case – Provision of Lighting Burton St Car Park

Background Papers: Oracle Financial Reports Budget Holder Comments on Performance

Reference: X: Committees/REEA/2010-11/10-11-10/DG-Capital Prog.Monitoring-Sept 2010