

AGENDA ITEM 6

RURAL, ECONOMIC & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

9 MARCH 2016

REPORT OF HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING TO 31 JANUARY 2016

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To update the Committee on the progress of schemes within the Capital Programme to 31 January 2016.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:-

- 2.1 The progress made on each capital scheme be noted along with the year end forecast position.

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 2015/16 Budget	Authorised Funding 2015/16 (Business Case Approved)	Actual Expenditure to 31 Jan 2016	Year End Forecast	Year End Variance Underspend (-)
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
General Expenses	928	881	222	272	-656

- 5.3 Two projects are now not expected to commence until 2016/17 as follows:

Project	Budget £'000	Reason
Cattle Market – Improvements to Access (Health and Safety)	78	Works are still being progressed at the design stage.
Snow Hill Industrial Units Roofing Works	47	Some maintenance works have been completed through the revenue budget, which has alleviated the initial issues. The position re the extent of the

requirement for future capital works will continue to monitored.

5.4 Three projects are now not expected to be complete until 2016/17 as follows:

Project	Project Budget £'000	Reason
Partnership Scheme in Conservation	6	The scheme is fully committed, with expenditure not expected until 2016/17.
Lighting on Burton Road Bridge	11	The first stage (electrical) is underway, the second stage (restoration) will not be started until 2016/17.
Cattle Market Phase 1 (Securing the Future)	750	The construction works are not expected to start on site until April 2016. Spend in 2015/16 relates to the pre-construction works of which only £238k is expected.

5.5 The Council is still awaiting formal written confirmation of funding from the LLEP for the Cattle Market works which is expected shortly. A verbal update on the latest position and any announcements will be made at the meeting.

5.6 The EMT Vehicle/Frontline Service Machine Replacement project has been completed with an underspend of £7k due to the costs of the vehicles being lower than anticipated.

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 Financial Accountant 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 the capital schemes overseen by this Committee.

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Appendices: Appendix A – Capital Programme Progress Report – Jan 2016

Background Papers: Oracle Financial Reports
Budget Holder Comments on Performance

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