

**Decision Session – Cabinet Member for  
City Strategy**

**3 November 2011**

Report of the Director of City Strategy

**City Strategy Capital Programme – 2011/12 Monitor 1  
Report**

**Report Summary**

1. The purpose of this report is to set out progress to date on schemes in the 2011/12 City Strategy Capital Programme, including budget spend to the end of September 2011.
2. The report also proposes adjustments to scheme allocations to align with the latest cost estimates and delivery projections.

**Recommendations**

3. The Cabinet Member is requested to:
  - i) Approve the adjustments to scheme allocations set out in Annexes 1 and 2.
  - ii) Approve the increase to the 2011/12 City Strategy capital budget, subject to the approval of the Cabinet.

Reason: To enable the effective management and monitoring of the council's capital programme.

**Background**

4. The City Strategy Capital Programme budget for 2011/12 was confirmed as £1,999k at Full Council on 24 February 2011. The programme was finalised on 26 July 2011 when the Cabinet Member was presented with the Consolidated Capital Programme, which included all work that had carried over from 2010/11.
5. The current approved budget for the City Strategy Planning & Transport Capital Programme is £3,210k, which includes

£1,601k of Local Transport Plan funding, plus other funding from the Regional Funding Advice (RFA) Supplementary Grant, developer contributions, Local Sustainable Transport Fund grant funding, other grant funding, and council resources. This represents the budget available to spend, and is therefore net of the overprogramming built into the Local Transport Plan element of the programme. Overprogramming is used as a means to ensure the available funding is fully spent in each year.

6. The City Strategy Planning & Transport capital programme also includes £134k of funding from council resources for the maintenance of the City Walls.
7. The Accommodation Review and the Stadium schemes being progressed by the City Strategy Directorate are reported separately.
8. Table 1 shows the current approved capital programme.

**Table 1: Current Approved Capital Programme**

	<b>Gross Budget</b>	<b>External Funding*</b>	<b>Capital Receipts</b>
	<b>£000s</b>	<b>£000s</b>	<b>£000s</b>
Original City Strategy Capital Programme	1,999	1,849	150
Variations approved at July Decision Session	+1,211	+1,167	+44
<b>Current Approved City Strategy Capital Programme</b>	<b>3,210</b>	<b>3,016</b>	<b>194</b>

\*External funding refers to government grants, non government grants, other contributions, developer contributions and supported capital expenditure.

## **Summary of Key Issues**

9. At this stage of the year, few changes are proposed to current scheme allocations as the majority of schemes in the Planning & Transport capital programme are in the feasibility and outline design stages. As work progresses through the year, scheme costs will be confirmed and the current allocations will be adjusted as required.
10. The current spend to the end of September is £1,403k, which represents 44% of the total budget allocation (ie: the programme minus overprogramming). This a higher spend than at this time

in 2010 (28% of the total budget allocation), which is mainly due to the number of carryover schemes that have already been completed.

11. It is proposed to bring forward some of the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) funding to 2011/12 to allow development of schemes in the LSTF programme for implementation in future years.
12. The current approved budget and proposed adjustments are indicated in Table 2. Additional information, including details of the proposed changes to scheme allocations, is provided in the Annexes to the report.

**Table 2: Capital Programme Budget 2011/12**

<b>City Strategy Capital Programme</b>	<b>2011/12 Programme</b>	<b>Paragraph Ref</b>
	<b>£000s</b>	
<b>Current Approved City Strategy Capital Programme</b>	<b>3,210</b>	
<b><u>Adjustments:</u></b>		
Addition of s106 funding for completion of Transport Model	+10	Annex 1
Addition of s106 funding for bus stop improvements	+20	Annex 1
Addition of Sustrans funding for the Heslington Lane cycle route scheme	+90	Annex 1
Addition of LSTF funding to develop schemes for implementation in future years	+38	Annex 1
<b>Revised City Strategy Capital Programme</b>	<b>3,368</b>	

### **Scheme Specific Analysis**

13. The key proposed changes included in the report are summarised below and are detailed in Annex 1.
  - Increased allocation for the Transport Model Upgrade, to enable the validation of the model to be completed.

- Addition of Section 106 funding for improvements to bus stops on Lawrence Street and Hallfield Road.
- Increased allocation for the completion of the Library Square improvement scheme.
- Increased allocation for the Rawcliffe Recreation Ground shared-use path scheme.
- Addition of Sustrans grant funding for the Heslington Lane Cycle Route scheme.
- Addition of LSTF funding to allow three cycle schemes to be developed in 2011/12 for implementation in 2012/13.

## Consultation

14. The capital programme is decided through a formal process, using a Capital Resource Allocation Model (CRAM). CRAM is a tool used for allocating the council's scarce capital resources to schemes that meet corporate priorities.
15. Funding for the capital programme was agreed by the council on 24 February 2011. Whilst consultation is not undertaken on the capital programme as a whole, individual scheme proposals do follow a consultation process with local councillors and residents.

## Corporate Priorities

16. The City Strategy Capital Programme supports the emerging Council Plan priorities of 'Get York Moving' and 'Protecting the Environment'.

## Implications

17. The report has the following implications:
  - **Financial** – See below
  - **Human Resources (HR)** – There are no HR implications
  - **Equalities** – There are no equalities implications
  - **Legal** – There are no legal implications
  - **Crime and Disorder** – There are no crime and disorder implications
  - **Information Technology (IT)** – There are no IT implications
  - **Property** – There are no property implications
  - **Other** – There are no other implications

## Financial Implications

18. The Local Transport Plan (LTP) allocation for 2011/12 was confirmed by the Department for Transport on 13 December 2010. The City Strategy Capital Programme budget was agreed by the Budget Council as part of the overall CYC capital programme on 24 February 2011, and was amended in the report to the July Decision Session meeting to include carryover schemes and funding from the 2010/11 capital programme.
19. If the changes proposed in this report are accepted, the total value of the City Strategy Planning & Transport Capital Programme would be £3,804k. The overprogramming would increase from £401k to £436k (compared to £686k at this stage in 2010/11). The overprogramming level of £436k is considered appropriate for the level of funding available in 2011/12 and the anticipated lower funding allocations in future years. It is anticipated that the overprogramming level will be reduced at the Monitor 2 stage as delivery becomes more certain and following the announcement of the result of the Access York Bid. The budget would increase to £3,368k, and would be funded as follows:

Planning & Transport Capital Programme	Current Budget	Proposed Alteration	Proposed Budget
	£000s	£000s	£000s
LTP Settlement	1,549	-	1,549
Extra Funding	52	-	52
Regional Funding Allocation	669	-	669
Developer Contributions	530	+30	560
Other Grant Funding	27	+90	117
Local Sustainable Transport Fund	189	+38	227
CYC Resources – Library Square	60	-	60
CYC Resources – City Walls	134	-	134
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,210</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>3,368</b>

## Risk Management

20. The Capital Programme has been prepared to assist in the delivery of the objectives of the Local Transport Plan. Owing to the lower availability of funding there is a risk that the targets identified within the plan will not be achievable. Alternative funding sources such as the Local Sustainable Transport Fund have been successfully obtained to support the programme. A bid for additional funds for Access York through the Major Scheme process has been submitted with a decision expected in December 2011.

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**Specialist Implications Officer(s)** N/A

**Wards Affected:** List wards or tick box to indicate all

**All**

**For further information please contact the author of the report**

**Background Papers**

City Strategy Capital Programme: 2011/12 Budget Report – 1  
March 2011

City Strategy Capital Programme: 2010/11 Outturn Report – 28  
June 2011

City Strategy Capital Programme: 2011/12 Consolidated Report –  
26 July 2011

**Annexes**

Annex 1: 2011/12 Consolidated Report – Scheme Progress Report

Annex 2: Current and Proposed Budgets