

Report of the Director of Learning, Culture and Children's Services and the Director of Resources

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING 2008/09 – MONITOR 1

Summary

- 1 This report is to:
- inform Members of the likely out-turn position of the 2008/09 Capital Programme.
 - advise Members of changes to existing schemes and reprofiling of expenditure to allow the more effective management and monitoring of the Capital Programme
 - inform Members of any slippage in budgets between financial years
 - inform Members of any new schemes and seek approval for their addition to the 2008/11 Capital Programme.

Background

- 2 The original capital programme for the financial year 2008/09 was approved at Council on 21 February 2008. Since then, a number of amendments to the programme have been approved as part of the 2007/08 out-turn report. This results in a current approved Children's Services capital programme for 2008/09 which shows gross capital expenditure of £33.347m with £27.112m of other funding which gives a net capital programme cost to the authority of £6.235m.
- 3 The table below details the approved changes to the 2008/09 capital programme since the original programme was approved in February 2008.

Table 1- Current Approved Children's Services Capital Programme 2008/09

	Gross Spend £m	Other Funding £m	Net Spend £m
Original Capital Programme 2008/09	45.103	39.300	5.803
Slippage and Adjustments from the 2007/08 Outturn report	(11.756)	(12.188)	0.432
Current Approved Capital Programme 2008/09	<u>33.347</u>	<u>27.112</u>	<u>6.235</u>

Consultation

- 4 Not applicable.

Options and Analysis Scheme Progress Reports and Updates

Devolved Capital

- 5 This scheme represents the devolved capital which has been allocated to schools in 2008/09, net of any contributions which the schools have agreed towards LA led schemes.

Fulford Secondary Targeted Capital (Scheme Cost £3.489m)

- 6 This scheme is now complete with only the retention payment on Phase 1 outstanding. This is still being finalised but is expected to be within the remaining budget.

Huntington Secondary (Scheme Cost £5.674m)

- 7 The major scheme for the provision of new Teaching and Performing Arts blocks is complete with the new facilities in full use. The final retention has not yet been settled, but is expected to be within the remaining budget.

Integrated Children's Centres (Overall Scheme Cost (£4.871m)

- 8 The schemes at the five new Children's Centres are now all complete or nearing completion.
- 9 The scheme at Carr is now complete and was handed over on 31st July 2008.
- 10 Haxby Road Children's Centre is progressing, with completion still expected in the autumn.
- 11 The Children's Centre at New Earswick is now complete. A key component of this scheme was the provision of a new school library and anecdotal evidence so far suggests that usage has increased significantly since the new facility was opened.
- 12 St Lawrence's is also complete. An official opening has been set for 26th September 2008.
- 13 As previously reported, Tang Hall Children's Centre became operational in mid-February with only some minor outstanding issues. The majority of these issues have now been rectified with only a small number of snagging issues to complete.
- 14 The outturn report for 2007/08 presented to EMAP on 10th June reported on the allocation of a further £1.196m of funding over the period 2008/11 to further develop the network of Children's Centres across the city. A separate paper on this agenda seeks approval for revising the reach areas of the eight existing children's centres and establishing a ninth centre.

NDS Modernisation (Scheme Cost £17.053m)

- 15 This scheme addresses condition and suitability issues at a number of schools in the city. In order to maximise the resources available schools have been invited to bid for this funding and encouraged to contribute their devolved capital to projects.
- 16 The most significant scheme within NDS Modernisation which is currently in progress is the Poppleton Road Primary Access works. Work is progressing well on this scheme with Phase 1 complete and Phase 2 scheduled for completion in November 2008.
- 17 The majority of other significant projects within the overall Modernisation programme are currently progressing well. These include an extension at Lakeside Primary to provide additional workspace and a hygiene suite, refurbishment to toilets and hygiene suite at Westfield Primary, and a classroom extension and window replacement at Wigginton Primary. However, due to delays on two schemes within Modernisation it is proposed to slip £200k of this budget into 2009/10.

Schools Access Initiative (Scheme cost £2.108m)

- 18 A total of 24 projects are being funded in 2008/09 from within this scheme. The schemes range from extensive work to doors and ramps at Westfield Primary School to the provision of sound-proof partitions at Copmanthorpe Primary. These schemes are expected to be carried out during 2008/09.

Skills Centre - Danesgate (Scheme Cost £2.740m)

- 19 The Walled Garden is the only part of this major scheme which was not completed in 2007/08. The contractor is now on site with the garden expected to be available for use by the start of September, and final completion scheduled for the end of September.

Extended Schools Sure Start Projects (Scheme Cost £1.668m)

- 20 A number of the previously approved extended schools projects within this overall scheme are now progressing. In addition, Children's Services EMAP on 17th July 2008 approved a further three projects for funding within this scheme, at Wheldrake, Headlands and Lord Deramore's Primary Schools.

York High School (Scheme Cost £12.600m)

- 21 Work is progressing well and handover is expected at the beginning of December 2008, ready for pupils to move in at the start of the Spring term 2009.

Manor School (Scheme Cost (3.500m)

- 22 This scheme is in the main construction phase with the local authority contributing to the cost as payments are made to the contractor, based on the proportion of the budget in the capital programme in relation to the overall scheme budget. The local authority has also reserved up to £500k from the Local Authority Coordinated Voluntary Aided Programme (LCVAP). This does not require including in the capital programme, as, although it is administered by the local authority, funding through LCVAP will be paid direct to the diocese.

Joseph Rowntree One School Pathfinder (Scheme Cost £29.435m)

- 23 July was a busy and successful month for the project with the Final Business Case being approved by Partnership for Schools, the contract with the preferred bidder, Carillion signed, and work started on site. Completion is expected by February 2010, with occupation from Easter 2010.

Derwent MUGA (Scheme Cost £0.763m)

- 24 This scheme for the provision of a Multi Use Games Area and changing rooms on the Derwent School site is now almost complete.

Primary Capital Programme (Scheme Cost £8.378m)

- 25 The Planning and Development Team are working closely with the Education Advisory Service to develop a Strategy for Change template that can be used for all schools to assist in educational transformation. This can then be used to produce a school vision that includes the building changes that are needed to support that transformation. The template is being trialed at the first of the schools to enter the programme, Clifton Without Junior and Rawcliffe Infants.

- 26 The local authority is expecting to be informed shortly by the DCSF whether the submission for the first phase of the programme has been approved. Subject to approval being given, the process of appointing a contractor to deliver the first part of the Primary Capital Programme has begun with the aim of having an appointment made by the late autumn.

Targeted Capital Fund – 14-19 Diploma, SEN and Access (Scheme Cost £8.015m)

- 27 During 2007/08 the local authority was successful in obtaining funding as part of the first Gateway submission process under the 14-19 Diploma initiative for the capital costs of setting up two diploma lines. This funding of £515k has been allocated towards the purchase of equipment for the delivery of diploma lines in Society, Health and Development (SHD) of £240k, and Engineering of £275k. The expenditure for SHD includes the purchase of a Skills Bus to take specialist facilities to learners in schools and colleges instead of transporting learners to a single venue.

- 28 A report was approved at Children's Services EMAP on 17th July 2008 detailing some proposals for part of the allocation of £2m in 2009/10 and £6m in 2010/11 to facilitate the delivery of diplomas and to support special needs and access issues. A further report will be presented in the near future outlining proposals for utilising the remaining funding.

Harnessing Technology (£1.586m)

- 29 This scheme is funded by a DCSF grant which spans the years 2008/011 and is being made available to support schools in delivering the priorities of the government's Harnessing Technology Strategy. In 2008/09 £200k has been devolved to schools with the remainder being retained by the local authority to support the procurement of a new broadband contract and the provision of learning platforms.

Youth Service Connexions Building Works (Scheme Cost £0.101m)

- 30 Work to improve the Kingswater Centre is currently in progress with other work planned on Fulford and Moor Lane Youth Centres.

Scheme Addition

- 31 There is one new scheme that requires adding to the Capital Programme as part of this monitoring report.
- 32 Youth Capital Fund allocations have been announced for the period 2008/11. City of York has been allocated £70k a year for each of the three years. At present no decisions have been made on the allocation of this funding to projects.

Corporate Priorities

- 33 The budgets covered in this report reflect the council's corporate priorities for 2008/09.

Financial Implications

- 34 Annex A provides a scheme-by-scheme update to the 2008/11 programme, detailing predicted variances and the resulting amendments to the capital programme.
- 35 The effect of adding the new scheme in paragraph 30 into the capital programme is to increase the programme in each of the three years by £0.070m.
- 36 The changes to the capital programme for 2008/09 to 2010/11 are summarised in the table below.

Table 2 - Summary of Amendments to the 2008/11 Capital Programme

Gross Education Capital Programme	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Current Approved Capital Programme	33.347	31.670	20.653	85.670
<u>Adjustments: -</u>				
Scheme Slippage and Reprofilling	(0.200)	0.200	-	-
Scheme Addition	0.070	0.070	0.070	0.210
Revised Capital Programme 2008/11	33.217	31.940	20.723	85.880

Other Implications

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- **Human Resources:** not applicable
- **Equalities:** not applicable
- **Legal:** not applicable
- **Crime and Disorder:** not applicable
- **Information Technology:** not applicable
- **Property:** not applicable

Risk management

- 38 There is always a degree of risk associated with operating a capital programme as schemes are developed and implemented. The key to minimising this risk is the effective operation of monitoring and control processes. This report is part of that process, where updated figures and corrective actions are proposed. There are no specific risks arising from the recommendations in this report.

Recommendations

- 39 That the Advisory Panel advise the Executive Member to:
- note the capital programme forecast outturn for 2008/09 as shown in Annex A
 - approve the additions and amendments to the capital programme reported above and summarised in Annex A
 - approve the scheme reprofiling and slippage reported above and summarised in Annex A
 - agree the revised capital programme as shown at Annex A, subject to the approval of the Executive
- to enable the effective management and monitoring of the capital programme.

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Background Papers

2008/09 Capital Programme Estimate and Monitoring Files
2008/09 Capital Programme Final Accounts File

Annex

Annex A - Approved Capital Programme and Projected Outturn

Glossary

DCSF Department for Children, Schools and Families
LSC Learning and Skills Council
MUGA Multi-Use Games Area
NDS New Deal for Schools
NMOD New Deal for School Modernisation Scheme
NNI Neighbourhood Nursery Initiative
NOF New Opportunities Fund
PFI Private Finance Initiative
PRU Pupil Referral Unit
TCF Targeted Capital Fund