

Meeting	Cabinet
Date	16 December 2014
Present	Councillors Williams (Chair), Crisp, Cunningham, Levene, Looker, Simpson-Laing (Vice-Chair) and Steward
In attendance	Councillors Cuthbertson, Healey, Orrell, Reid, Runciman and Watson

Part B - Matters Referred To Council

72. Capital Programme - Monitor Two 2014/15

Consideration was given to a report which set out details of the individual schemes under the Council's capital programme and the projected outturn position for 2014/15.

It was noted that there was a decrease of £3.764m in the monitor which resulted in a revised capital programme of £72.555m, the majority of which was due to re-profiling to budgets to future years. Details of the variances against each portfolio areas was shown at Table 1 of the report with details of the key exceptions and implications for the programme reported and summarised in the 5 year programme at Table 2.

Recommended: That Council agree the adjustments in the Capital programme of a decrease of £3.764m in 2014/15 as detailed in the report and contained in Annex A. ¹.

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

Action Required

1. Refer to Council.

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74. The Replacement of Ordnance Lane Homeless Hostel

Members considered a report which outlined the options for the replacement of the existing temporary homeless hostel at Ordnance Lane, York.

Officers confirmed that the final part of the Council's homeless accommodation improvement strategy had been re-provision of this homeless hostel with solutions having been pursued since 2008. Whilst a range of options outlined in detail in the report had been considered, the use of modular off site construction for the re-provision of the current facility provided the best timely solution and value for money.

Consideration was given to the following options:

Option one – demolition of the existing Ordnance Lane hostel to be replaced with a new modular build hostel, with the remainder of the site to be used for new council housing. This could include a proportion of market sale should any new housing development exceed 20 dwellings.

Option two – continue to search for alternative sites on which to build a replacement hostel, with the Ordnance Lane site to be allocated for an alternative use.

Members confirmed the Council's statutory and moral duty to provide accommodation that was fit for purpose and it was

Recommended: That Council use £3.56m from the Housing Revenue Account Investment Fund to demolish the existing accommodation and rebuild the new hostel. Any material changes will be reported to full Council through the capital monitoring process. ¹.

Reason: To release funding from the HRA Investment Fund to finance the required new hostel accommodation.

Action Required

1. Refer to Council.

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Cllr J Alexander, Chair

[The Meeting started at 5.30 pm and finished at 7.40 pm].