

Executive Member for Leisure and Culture and Advisory Panel 4 September 2007

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

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING 2007/08 - REPORT 1

Summary

- 1 This report is to:
 - inform Members of the likely out-turn position of the 2007/08 Capital Programme based on the spend profile and information to the end of July 2007.
 - advise Members of changes to existing schemes to allow the more effective management and monitoring of the Capital Programme.
 - inform Members of any new schemes and seek approval for their addition to the Capital Programme.

Background

The original capital programme for the financial year 2007/08 was approved at Council on 21 February 2007. A number of amendments were then approved as part of the 2006/07 outturn report. This has resulted in a current approved Leisure & Culture Capital Programme for 2007/08 which shows gross capital expenditure of £4.592m, with £0.902m of other funding which gives a net capital programme cost of £3.690m. The table below details the approved changes to the 2007/08 capital programme since the original programme was approved in March 2007.

	Gross Spend £m	Other Funding £m	Net Spend £m
Original Capital Programme 2007/08	4.477	0.825	3.652
Slippage and Adjustments from the 2006/07 Outturn report	0.115	0.077	0.038
Current Approved Capital Programme 2007/08	4.592	0.902	3.690

Consultation

3 Not applicable

Options and Analysis

2007/08 Scheme Updates

Each major scheme in the capital programme has been reviewed to provide an assessment of its current status. Annex A shows the current approved capital programme and the projected outturn position for 2007/08, together with any slippage that is required into future financial years. Updates are only provided for significant schemes, with progress and variations explained in the following paragraphs.

York Pools and Indoor Sports Provision (Scheme Total £9.564m)

- The major investment in swimming provision in the city has previously been reported in the capital programme as one scheme. However, now that significant investment has been approved at both Oaklands Pool and Yearsley Pool, all the individual elements of the scheme have been split so that progress on these schemes can be monitored separately in future reports. Annex A has been amended to show all the elements of the Pools scheme as separate projects.
- The scheme to undertake repairs at Yearsley Pool was approved by the Executive on 12th June 2007. The contractor is now on site with work expected to be completed in September 2007.
- 7 The new Oaklands Community Pool is currently at the detailed design stage with building work expected to be carried out in 2008.
- The remaining major element of the pools investment is the £2m contribution towards a third pool within York. This is now expected to be required no earlier than 2008/09, therefore the capital programme has been amended to reflect this with £1.8m moved from the 2007/08 programme to 2008/09.
- An amount of £200k was earmarked for the provision of a community building for users displaced following the closure of the Barbican. It is proposed that this be retained in the 2007/08 programme pending the results of the Strategy Review for the Pools which is scheduled to go to the Executive on 25th September 2007.

Museum Service Heritage Lottery Bid (£1.900m)

- The amount of £400k in the programme for 2007/08 will be paid to the Museums Trust to support two specific elements under the rolling programme of investment that the Trust presented to EMAP on the 5th September 2006. The contribution will support works to the Castle Museum and the Hospitium.
- The latest Heritage Lottery bid has been withdrawn by the Museums Trust on the advice of the Heritage Lottery Fund. The Trust are now considering options for the possible resubmission of a revised bid, as well as exploring other funding options.

Oaklands Sports Centre Development (£1.892m)

12 This scheme is now complete with only retentions outstanding.

Parks and Open Spaces Section 106 Development (£0.501m)

Work to date in 2007/08 under this scheme has been concentrated in Hull Road Park. Resurfacing and improvement work on the Melrosegate path has been completed. The next project is to re-roof the maintenance depot and improve the surrounding area. This work is scheduled to be carried out in the autumn. Both these projects have been supported by a combination of Section 106, ward committee, and external funding contributions to restore and enhance the park with the long-term aim of meeting the Civic Trust Green Flag Award standard.

Acomb Library (£0.750m)

14 The contract for the provision of the improvements to Acomb Library has been let and building work is set to commence shortly.

Scheme Additions and Transfers

15 There are no additional schemes to report as part of this monitoring exercise.

Corporate Priorities

The budgets covered in this report reflect the council's corporate objectives for 2007/08.

Financial Implications

- As a result of this monitoring cycle a number of adjustments to existing schemes within the programme are required. Annex 1 provides a complete view of the 2007/10 Leisure and Culture Capital Programme, taking into account the review of all existing schemes set out in this report.
- The main amendment to the 2007/08 programme is the slippage of £1.8m within the Pools Scheme into 2008/09 to reflect the estimated timetable for the contribution towards the third York Pool.
- There is a minor amendment to the Parks Scheme in 2007/08 to reflect the addition of some minor external funding contributions towards the works at Hull Road Park.
- The result of the amendments described above is to produce a revised capital programme for 2007/08 of £2.801m funded by £0.911m of external resources, and resulting in a net cost to the council of £1.890m.

Table 2 - Summary of Amendments to the 2007/10 Capital Programme

Gross Leisure and Culture Capital Programme	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	Total
_	£m	£m	£m	£m
Current Approved Capital Programme	4.592	5.688	1.763	12.043
Adjustments: -				
Scheme Slippage and Reprofiling	(1.800)	1.800	-	-
Addition to Parks Scheme	0.009	-	-	0.009
Revised Capital Programme 2007/10	2.801	7.488	1.763	12.052

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

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

Recommendations

- 23 The Executive Member is recommended to: -
 - note the updates to schemes as detailed above
 - agree the scheme reprofiling and slippage reported above and summarised in Annex 1
 - approve the revised capital programme as set out in Annex 1

Reason: to enable the effective management and monitoring of the capital programme.

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Wards Affected: List wards or tick box to indicate all

All X

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Background Papers:

Capital Programme 2007/08 Estimate and Monitoring Files

Annex

Annex A - Approved Capital Programme and Projected Outturn