

EXECUTIVE BOARD

21ST MARCH 2016

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2015-16 UPDATE

To report the proposed virements and variances within the capital programme

RECOMMENDATIONS / KEY DECISIONS REQUIRED:

That the capital programme update report is received and that the virements within the report are approved.

REASONS:

To provide Executive Board with an update of the latest budgetary position for the 2015/16 capital programme, as at the 31st December 2015.

Relevant scrutiny committees to be consulted

N/A

Exec Board Decision Required YES

Council Decision Required NO

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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Purpose: To report the variances within the capital programme.

This report provides members with an update on the Capital programme spend against budget for 2015/16 as at the 31st December 2015.

MEMBER APPROVED VIREMENTS

CORPORATE SERVICES

Llandeilo Municipal Buildings £120k – relocation of library to the municipal buildings to be funded either by the capital receipt from the sale of the current building or income via letting.

MAIN VARIANCES

COMMUNITIES

Public Sector Housing

Fuel Switch – Gas Infrastructure -£130k -Installation of mains gas pipeline delayed due poor weather conditions affecting programme or works.

Planned M&E +£644k Higher than expected level of boiler failures at properties which were previously deemed to be compliant under the CHS, extra upgrades on Void works, additional costs linked to the sheltered scheme fire alarm upgrade works to connect to the Tunstall system. Additional costs to upgrade the sheltered complex heating plant (this needs to include new controls as well as the boiler plant itself).

Internal Refurbishment -£1,988k Due to postponement of various sites plus various tenant declines.

Housing Minor Works -£149k Delay in external works due to poor weather conditions.

External Rendering +£98k Additional remedial works to cavities.

External Insulation over Cavity -£125k Due to fewer properties being identified.

Re-Roofing Works -£100k Delays due to adverse weather conditions

Adaptations for the Disabled -£200k Large scale adaption to be carried out in 16/17

Housing Development Programme -£638k Part of overarching Affordable Housing Delivery Plan. Money to be carried forward to support substantive programme over next five years.

Private Sector Housing

Renewal Assistance -£299k Due to delay with partners

County Steelwork -£225k Less interest than anticipated.

Social Care

Learning Disabilities £-231k Options are being considered for the location of future learning disability provision as part of a review of council buildings.

Leisure

Y Ffwrnes -£22k Retention to be paid in 2016/17.

Countryside Projects -£27k Due to monies being retained for match funding purposes.

Carmarthen Museum -£250k Scheme led by 3rd party - Payment to be made in 2016/17.

ENVIRONMENT

Bridge Strengthening - £36k due to construction cost being lower than anticipated

EDUCATION AND CHILDREN

Disabled Discrimination Acts - +£296k Higher demand for pupil led adaptations, legal requirement.

MEP External Funding -£1,947k – Re-profiling required of 21st Century Schools grant from Welsh Government.

Ysgol Ffwrnes +£29k due to retention to be paid early due to works completed ahead of schedule.

Ysgol Maes Y Gwendraeth +£455k Re-profile required due to delays in 2014/15 works carried forward to 15/16.

Seaside CP School -£1,954k delay in approving outline business case by Welsh Government. The full business case has now been approved.

Cwm Tywi New Area School -£50k A number of options for the area are considered as part of the draft strategic review.

Ysgol Trimsaran -£664k Awaiting confirmation on statutory process on dual stream, flying start grant to be used in 2015/16.

Ysgol Y Strade +£120k Higher level of spend during the year than anticipated, no impact to overall scheme cost.

Ammanford Primary -£50k Development costs lower than anticipated.

Ysgol Parc y Tywyn +£700k Re-profile required due to significantly more design development than originally intended during the year. Additional funding used to progress scheme to detailed design and submit planning application with a number of corporate sites in the Burry Port area.

Band B Schemes +£72k Re-profile required due to design development commencing site selection exercises and initial design development on Band B projects.

MEP-Other Projects +£201k Re-profile required.

Completed Schemes +£43k Retentions held and paid on contractors on various schemes in order to ensure they are completed as per contract.

CORPORATE SERVICES

St David's Park -£430k due to delay in procuring works.

IT -£450k due Microsoft Enterprise Agreement, Budget allocated for payment that is due 1st April 2016 and review of works.

Eastgate Development -£279k due to delay - currently in procurement and design stage

CHIEF EXECUTIVE Regeneration

Cross Hands East Strategic Employment Site +£440k Land values had originally been estimated at the start of the Compulsory Purchase Order process based on the land uses allocated within the Unitary Development Plan. This had been subsequently challenged by the owners and the Authority is in negotiation with the owners and District Valuer to agree final terms. (Additional costs in 16/17 to complete phase)

Ammanford Town Centre Regeneration -£470k Funding is committed for the Ammanford Master plan and recently launched Transformation Regeneration Strategy. Works currently being prepared to implement a programme of support commencing 2016. Funding to roll forward into 2016/17.

Laugharne Car Park -£201k Delay to project commencement due to technical studies, construction commencement now expected in April 16

Opportunity Street (Llanelli) -£446k External funding to be used initially with CCC funding carried forward to 2016/17 in order to deliver the final year elements of the project. Should any works be accelerated and brought forward to 15/16 then the variance will be reduced accordingly.

Cross Hands East Office Development -£465k Project at early stage of development with concept currently being developed. Funding commitment required for implementation in 2016/17/18.

Pendine Iconic International Visitors Destination -£501k Funding package being worked up with Welsh Government and WEFO – decision expected early 2016. As such CCC capital spend forecast shows funding required in 2016/17.

Building for the Future -£656k This project is currently at an early grant application stage and a decision to approve (by Welsh Government) is anticipated later this financial year. In order to secure external grant funding (circa £1.6m) the approved budget must be safeguarded for future years delivery. This year's expenditure can only reflect early survey and feasibility works which will progress following confirmation of project grant approval.

Health and Safety Remediation Works -£90k Survey only in 15/16 - Implementation slipped to 16/17

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report :

Signed: **O. Bowen** Head of Financial Services

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	YES

Finance

The capital programme shows an under spend of **£-9.977m**.

Physical Assets

The capital programme will have an impact on the physical assets of the Authority.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: **O. Bowen** Head of Financial Services

1. Scrutiny Committee

Relevant Scrutiny Committees will be consulted.

2. Local Member(s) N/A

3. Community / Town Council N/A

4. Relevant Partners N/A

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations N/A

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THERE ARE NONE

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
2015-16 Capital Programme		Resources Dept, County Hall, Carmarthen