CABINET 17th JANUARY 2022

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22 UPDATE

Purpose: To report the latest projected outturn of the capital programme for the financial year and to agree the reprofiling of the budget.

Recommendations / key decisions required:

- 1. That the capital programme update report is received.
- 2. That the new projects are noted and agreed.

Reasons:

1. To provide an update of the latest budgetary position for the 2021/22 capital programme, as at the 31st October 2021.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted N/A

Cabinet Decision Required

Council Decision Required

YES

NO

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY CABINET 17th JANUARY 2022

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22 UPDATE

The current capital programme is based on information available as at the end of October 2021. **Appendix A** shows a forecasted net spend of £74,790k compared with a working net budget of £105,168k, giving a -£30,378k variance. The variance projected at this time relates mainly to delays with regeneration projects.

The net budget includes the original H.R.A. and General Fund capital programmes approved by Council on 3rd March and slippage from 2020/21 and, amendments approved by Cabinet on 25th October 2021. Some of the budgets have also been amended to account for differences in actual grant allocations compared with the anticipated allocations at the time the programme was approved.

Appendix B details the main variances within each department.

New Projects to note and approve for the current year:

Private Housing: Additional grant has been awarded to the ENABLE programme of £338k. taking the total amount of grant for this project to £307k in 2021/22 which is 100% funding by the grant.

Social Care: £375k has been awarded in Intermediate Care Fund (ICF) grant funding for various projects.

Regeneration: As part of Westminster Government's Levelling Up programme across the United Kingdom the Carmarthen West and Pembrokeshire South bid was successful in attracting £15.86m grant funding for the Carmarthen Hub. The grant requires a match funding from the County Council of £3.748m. This funding will be identified as part of the five-year budget setting process, however, £544k match funding is required in 2021/22 for the initial stages of the project. It is proposed to fund this from underspends within the current year and slip the variance as negative slippage to future years at the end of year.

Environment: The Dinefwr bid for Levelling up was also successful and awarded £16.775m to deliver the Towy Valley Path. This bid requires £1.864m match funding from the County Council which will be identified as part of the five-year budget setting process. £563k match funding is required during the current year and it is proposed to fund this from underspends on other projects and slip the variance as negative slippage to future years. As part of the current five-year programme, in-house council funding was reduced against this project as it had historically not been supported by external funds, however, a



commitment was given to restore that funding should external funding materialise. Supporting the match funding for this this project will deliver on that commitment.

Education and Children: £600k ICF grant has been awarded for the refurbishment of the residential accommodation at Rhydygors.

Slippage to future years of the five-year capital programme.

Regeneration: £20.594m of expenditure on City Deal projects to be slipped forward to future years to correlate with the construction phase.

Environment: £6.249m of expenditure on the fleet replacement programme. social welfare buses, refuse and highways lorries not being replaced in this financial year.

The slippage will be built into future years of the five-year capital programme.

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: I	Randal Hemin	igway		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

3. Finance

The capital programme shows an in-year forecasted variance of **-£30,378k** against the 2021/22 approved budget as at 31st October 2021.

7. Physical Assets

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



CONSULTATIONS

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I confirm that the below	appropriate consultations have tak	ten in place and the outcomes are as detailed
Signed:	Randal Hemingway	Head of Financial Services
(Please specify the following h		ons undertaken where they arise against
1. Scrutiny Co	mmittee	
Relevant Scruti	ny Committees will be consulte	d.
2.Local Membe	er(s) N/A	
3.Community	Town Council N/A	
4.Relevant Par	tners N/A	
5.Staff Side Re	presentatives and other Orga	anisations N/A
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HOLDER(S) A	WARE/CONSULTED	
NO		

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:		
Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
2021/22 Capital Programme		Corporate Service Department, County Hall, Carmarthen.
		On-line via corporate website – Minutes of County Council Meeting 3 rd March 2021.

