CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 30.01.23

FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME (COUNCIL FUND) 2023/24 TO 2027/28

THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE IS ASKED TO:

As part of the budget consultation to examine the attached Capital Programme.

REASONS:

That the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee consider the content of this report and put forward any comments or observations for consideration by Cabinet.

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:

Cllr. Alun Lenny - Resources

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 30.01.23

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The report brings together the latest proposals for the five-year capital programme 2023/24 to 2027/28. It forms the basis of the budget consultation process with members and other relevant parties. Feedback from this consultation process, along with any updates, will inform the final Capital Programme budget report which will be presented to Cabinet, and in turn to County Council in March 2023.

The proposed gross expenditure on the capital programme for 2023/24 is £154.530m with the projected funding being £90.527m from the county council's own resources through the use of borrowing, reserves and direct revenue financing, capital receipts and general capital grant, with the balance of £64.003m coming from external sources. These figures include projects delayed in 2022/23 that have been carried over and built into the budgets of future years.

The new capital programme is fully funded over the five-year period; however, it is proposed to under commit some of the available funding in order to give flexibility across the programme to cover any unexpected additional costs and to allow further consideration to the Sustainable Communities for Learning review when complete.

The programme includes projected expenditure on the Swansea Bay City Region Deal projects against which the authority will borrow, with the funding being returned from both Welsh and UK governments over a 15-year period (from 2018/19).

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: Randal Hemingway			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 updated capital programme is projected to be fully funded for the five years 2023/2024 through to 2027/28, however, if any of the currently anticipated funding does not materialise it will need to be revisited. In addition, it is expected that further commitments will need to be considered when the Sustainable Communities for Learning review is complete, and this will then need to be considered further by the Council. You will note that the majority of potential schools funding has not been allocated directly to specific schools.

7. Physical Assets

New assets created from the capital programme will be added to the Council's portfolio. In addition, the programme proposes expenditure to improve the existing assets and comply with statutory responsibilities.

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) AWARE/CONSULTED	Include any observations here
YES	

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	
2022/23 – 2026/27 Capital Programme		Corporate Services Department, County Hall, Carmarthen. On-line via corporate website – Minutes of County Council Meeting 2 nd March 2022.	
2023/24 – 2027/28 Capital Programme		Corporate Services Department, County Hall, Carmarthen.	

