

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services

Council: 21 December 2011

Subject: General Services Capital Budgetary Control Report to 31 October 2011 (Period 7)

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Members on the General Services Capital Plan for 2011/12.

2. Background

- 2.1 The revised Capital Plan for 2011/12 was reported to Council on 30 November 2011 with an updated planned spend of £24.493m.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1 Since 30 November 2011 there have been new resources identified within Housing, Environmental and Economic Development and Educational Services (which have a nil effect on the net capital budget) relating to asbestos works incurred during the demolition works at St Eunan's primary school. It is anticipated that up to 75% of the costs incurred to date will be covered by an insurance receipt, the value of which has been estimated at £0.205m.

Funding agreed by Council 30 November 2011	£24.493m
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<u>New Contribution Funded Projects</u>	
St Eunan's	£0.205m

Revised capital plan	£24.698m
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- 3.2 The attached appendix details the current forecast for resources and expenditure (both totalling £24.698m).
- 3.3 The appendix details the funding allocations, summarises both resources and expenditure to date and lists the major projects estimated to cost £0.100m and over.
- 3.4 Resources achieved to date total £5.589m. When compared to the profiled anticipated resources of £5.566m this indicates a favourable position currently of £0.023m (0.41% of the year to date anticipated resources).

3.5 Expenditure incurred to date totals £6.050m. When compared to the profiled budget of £6.043m, this indicates an overspend position currently of £0.007m (0.12% of the year to date budget).

4. People Implications

4.1 There are no people implications.

5. Financial implications

5.1 When compared to the profiled position to date, resources shows a favourable variance of £0.023m, while expenditure shows an adverse variance of £0.007m. The situation will be monitored and action taken as necessary.

6 Risk Analysis

6.1 The main risks are as follows:

- (a) As a consequence of current market conditions, capital receipts may either not be received or they may be less than anticipated.
- (b) If departments overspend on any capital budget this will have a detrimental effect on the capital programme in current and future years.

7. Equalities Impact Assessment

7.1 No equalities impact assessment was required in relation to this report.

8. Strategic Assessment

8.1 The Council has identified four main strategic priorities for 2011/2012, namely Social & Economic Regeneration, Financial Strategy, Asset Management Strategy; and Fit for Purpose Services.

8.2 The General Services capital plan contributes to both Social & Economic Regeneration and the Asset Management Strategy in relation to regeneration and marketing of West Dunbartonshire Council, infrastructure, attainment and achievement, modern schools and care homes amongst others.

9. Conclusions and Recommendations

9.1 Both anticipated resources and spend are higher than the profiled position to date by £0.023m and £0.007m respectively, however this will be monitored and appropriate action taken as necessary.

9.2 Members are asked to:

- (a) Note the position to date as outlined in the attached appendix; and
- (b) Note the position regarding the anticipated insurance receipt.

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Appendices: General Services Capital Programme
– Financial Year 2011/12

Background Papers: General Services Capital Plan 2011/12
- Council 30 November 2011

Wards Affected: All wards affected.