

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services

Council – 28 September 2011

Subject: General Services Capital Budgetary Control Report to 31 July 2011 (Period 4)

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 agreed by Council on 31 August 2011 with a planned spend of £24.695m.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1 Appendix A details the current forecast for resources and expenditure (both totalling £21.890m).
- 3.2 Since Council on 31 August 2011 there have been new resources identified within Housing, Environmental and Economic Development and an amendment to resources previously identified within Educational Services which funds the following projects and have a nil effect on the net capital budget:

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| Funding agreed by Council 31 August 2011 | £24.695m |
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New Contribution Funded Projects

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| Town Hall Civic Heart Works | £2.400m |
| Roads (Strathclyde Passenger Transport) | £0.005m |

Earmarked Revenue Funded Projects

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| Milton Community Facility | £0.090m |
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Reduction to Grant Funded Projects

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| Dumbarton Academy (Scottish Futures Trust) | (£5.300m) |
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| Revised capital plan | £21.890m |
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- 3.3 Appendix B details the funding allocations, summarises expenditure to date totalling £2.775m and lists the major projects estimated to cost £0.100m and over. When compared to the profiled budget of £2.732m, this indicates an overspend position currently of £0.043m (1.57% of the year to date budget).

4. People Implications

4.1 There are no people implications.

5. Financial implications

5.1 There are no additional financial implications at present.

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, Health & Humans Rights Impact Assessment (EIA)

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 The 2011/2012 capital plan reported to Council in August has been updated for new funding projects. Spend to date is slightly higher than the profiled budget, however, this will be monitored and appropriate action taken as necessary.

9.2 Members are asked to note the position to date, including the new spend (which is ringfenced to the additional income) as outlined in appendices A and B.

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Appendices: A Available Resources
B Projects by Department

Background Papers: General Services Capital Plan 2011/12
- Council 31 August 2011

Wards Affected: All wards affected.