



CABINET REPORT

Report Title	CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2007-08 – ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS
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AGENDA STATUS: PUBLIC

Cabinet Meeting Date:	5 November 2007
Key Decision:	YES
Listed on Forward Plan:	YES
Within Policy:	YES
Policy Document:	NO
Directorate:	Governance and Improvement
Accountable Cabinet Member:	Malcolm Mildren
Ward(s)	Not Applicable

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to request approval for additions and amendments to the Council's Capital Programme for 2007-08.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Cabinet approve:
- a) The proposed additions to the Council's General Fund capital programme for 2007-08, listed at paragraph 3.2.6 & 3.2.7
 - b) The funding sources for the proposed additions to the Council's General Fund capital programme for 2007-08 listed at paragraph 3.2.6 and 3.2.7

3. Issues and Choices

3.1 Report Background

3.1.1 The Council's capital programme for 2007-08, and associated amendments, has been approved by Cabinet at meetings on the following dates:

- 9 December 2006
- 29 January 2007
- 30 July 2007
- 1 Oct 2007

3.1.2 The approved capital programme for 2007-08 is fully funded.

3.2 Issues

3.2.1 All proposals put forward for approval have been submitted on capital project appraisal forms, which have been signed off by, amongst others, the relevant Corporate Director, the Section 151 Officer and the appropriate Member with Portfolio.

3.2.2 Copies of the capital project appraisals are available on request

Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme

3.2.3 Approval of the draft HRA capital programme for 2007-08 on 29 January 2007 was subject to the proposed schemes for 2007-08 being assessed in accordance with the normal capital scheme appraisals mechanism, and brought back to a future meeting of the Cabinet for consideration prior to any expenditure commitments being made.

3.2.4 The majority of the HRA capital schemes for 2007-08 were approved at 1 October Cabinet. However approval is still outstanding for three schemes. These will be brought to Cabinet at a future date.

General Fund Capital Programme

3.2.5 As it is best practice for all schemes in the capital programme to be backed up by capital appraisals, these are also to be submitted for all General Fund Schemes where they have not already been provided.

3.2.6 Appraisals for the following schemes in the agreed General Fund capital programme are hereby put forward for approval.

Improvements to Corporate Buildings. As part of the Councils Asset Management Plan, programmed condition surveys of corporate (non housing) properties are undertaken in order to identify and prioritise planned works. These works are prioritised on the basis of urgency, either to comply with legislative requirements, health and safety or to prevent deterioration of the building fabric, services or infrastructure.

The works comprise:

- Improvements to roads and footpaths
- Improvements to building fabric, structure & services
- Improvements to walls and security fencing
- Electrical upgrade works

All works forming part of this particular project have been identified as requiring to be addressed within 12 - 24 months of the survey (ie by end of 2008).

The total value of works is £1.2m. This amount has been set aside in the Council's draft capital programme for 2007-08.

The capital costs are to be funded from capital receipts. There are no revenue budget implications

3.2.7 In addition, a new capital scheme has been put forward for Cabinet approval for inclusion in the 2007-08 capital programme, as follows:

Legal Case Management System. The project is for the implementation of a legal case management system. This includes software for case management and time recording together with hardware to support the implementation. The scheme has already been agreed in principle due to the significant risk of loss of the Council's key records if it were not to go ahead. The £25.5k costs are to be funded from capital receipts.

Revenue costs of £4k per annum have been included in continuation budget submissions.

3.3 Choices (Options)

3.3.1 Cabinet are asked to approve the inclusions and amendments to the Council's capital programme for 2007-08.

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Policy

4.1.1 The proposed capital schemes are within existing policy.

4.2 Resources and Risk

4.2.1 All schemes put forward for approval are fully funded

4.2.2 Financial and non-financial risks related to the capital projects are addressed in the capital project appraisals.

4.3 Legal

4.3.1 Legal implications related to the capital projects are addressed in the capital project appraisals.

4.3.2 There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

4.4 Equality

4.4.1 Equalities implications related to the capital projects are addressed in the capital project appraisals.

4.5 Consultees (Internal and External)

4.5.1 The capital project appraisals and project variations have been put together by the Project Manager, in consultation with:

- The Budget Manager
- The relevant Finance Manager
- The relevant Corporate Director (or the Chief Executive)
- The appropriate Member with Portfolio,
- The Section 151 Officer.

4.5.2 Specific consultations with stakeholders are described within the capital project appraisals

4.6 How the Proposals deliver Priority Outcomes

4.6.1 The extent to which the project meets the Council's objectives and priorities is described within the capital project appraisals.

4.6.2 The use of capital project appraisals to determine and agree capital schemes in accordance with the objectives and priorities of the authority contributes to improving the CPA Use of Resources score. This, in turn, contributes to the priorities of:

- Continuing to improve our weakest services, and
- Continuing to strengthen our financial management.

4.7 Other Implications

4.7.1 There are no other specific implications arising from this report.

5. Background Papers

- 5.1 Cabinet Report – 4 December 2006 – General Fund Capital Programme 2006-07 and onwards
- 5.2 Cabinet Report – 29 January 2007 – General Fund Capital Programme 2006-07 and onwards
- 5.3 Cabinet Report – 29 January 2007 – Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme 2006-07 Onwards
- 5.4 Cabinet Report – 1 October 2007 – General Fund Capital Programme 2007-08 – Additions and Amendments
- 5.5 Cabinet Report – 1 October 2007 – Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme 2007-08 – Approval of Schemes

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SIGNATORIES

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Date Of Call-Over	17 October 2007

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Name	Signature	Date	Ext.
Monitoring Officer or Deputy			
Section 151 Officer or Deputy			