

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: **CABINET**

DATE: **TUESDAY, 18 DECEMBER 2012**

REPORT BY: **HEAD OF FINANCE**

SUBJECT: **CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 (QUARTER 2)**

1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.01 To provide Members with the latest capital programme information for 2012/13.

2.00 BACKGROUND

2.01 The Council approved a Housing Revenue Account capital programme for 2012/13 of £9.398m at its meeting of 21st February 2012, and a Council Fund capital programme of £23.825m at its meeting of 1st March 2012.

3.00 CONSIDERATIONS

3.01 Programme - Movements

3.01.1 The table below sets out how the programme has changed during 2012/13.

	Council Fund	Housing Revenue Account	Total
	£m	£m	£m
Council 21.02.12. (HRA) and 01.03.12. (Council Fund)			
Original Capital Programme	23.825	9.398	33.223
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Cabinet 16.10.12			
Revised Capital Programme	29.882	10.888	40.770
Latest Monitoring			
As Previously Reported	29.882	10.888	40.770
Change this Period	0.194	0	0.194
	30.076	10.888	40.964
Identified Savings	0	0	0
Revised Programme	30.076	10.888	40.964

- 3.01.2 From the table it can be seen that the overall programme total of £40.770m reported at quarter 1 has increased to £40.964m by way of net increased Council Fund schemes of £0.194m.
- 3.01.3 Detailed cumulative information relating to each programme area is provided in Appendix A, and summarised below –

REVISED PROGRAMME	Original Budget 2012/13	Rollover from 2011/12	Changes	Not Yet Committed	Rollover to 2013/14	Savings	Revised Budget
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Corporate Services	3.458	0.697	(0.271)	0	0	0	3.884
Clwyd Theatr Cymru	0.025	0.050	0.095	0	0	0	0.170
Community Services	3.669	0.321	0	0	0	0	3.990
Environment	9.124	1.404	1.080	0	0	(0.008)	11.600
Lifelong Learning	7.549	3.800	(0.917)	0	0	0	10.432
Council Fund Total	23.825	6.272	(0.013)	0.000	0	(0.008)	30.076
Housing Revenue Account	9.398	1.490	0	0	0	0	10.888
Programme Total	33.223	7.762	(0.013)	0.000	0.000	(0.008)	40.964

3.02 Changes During This Period

- 3.02.1 A summary of those programme changes recorded during the reporting period (together with supporting narrative), is provided in Appendix B.

3.03 Not Yet Committed (Generally Financed) Budgets

- 3.03.1 Work continues in 'Stage profiling' all programme schemes i.e. assessing at what stage each scheme is at in terms of readiness for letting contracts and commencing works. This information together with the 'time profiling' of all anticipated funding resources assists the capital monitoring/management and reporting processes.
- 3.03.2 At this point in time, no programme budgets have been identified as not yet committed (and thereby available for release), but work continues in this respect (as part of the process identified in 3.03.1 above).

3.04 Identified Savings

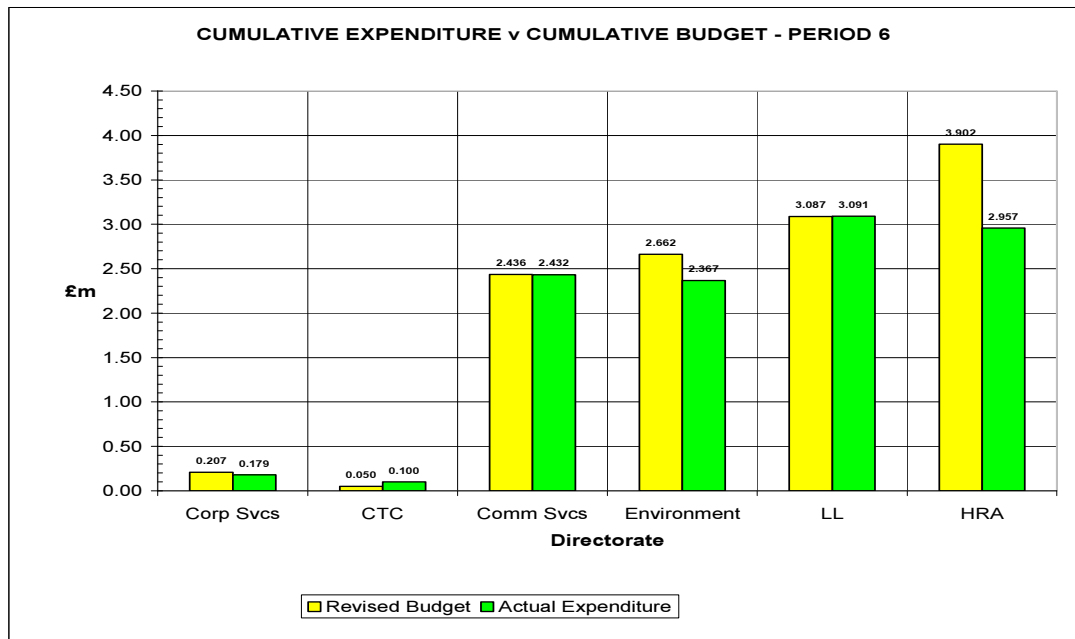
- 3.04.1 No new savings have been identified in the current quarter, though, as with uncommitted sums, work continues in this respect.

3.05 Capital Expenditure v Profiled Budget

- 3.05.1 Recorded capital expenditure across the whole programme stands at £11.126m at Quarter 2 (as detailed in the table below), representing 27.16% of the revised budget total of £40.964m.

EXPENDITURE	Revised Budget	Cumulative Profiled Budget Quarter 2	Cumulative Expenditure Quarter 2	Variance Expenditure v Profiled (Under)/Over
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Corporate Services	3.884	0.207	0.179	(0.028)
Clwyd Theatr Cymru	0.170	0.050	0.100	0.050
Community Services	3.990	2.436	2.432	(0.004)
Environment	11.600	2.662	2.367	(0.295)
Lifelong Learning	10.432	3.087	3.091	0.004
Council Fund Total	30.076	8.442	8.169	(0.273)
Housing Revenue Account	10.888	3.902	2.957	(0.945)
ProgrammeTotal	40.964	12.344	11.126	(1.218)

- 3.05.2 More specifically, the table also provides details of cumulative expenditure compared to the profiled budget; the profiled budget total (i.e. that part of the total budget forecast to be spent during the reporting period) stands at £12.344m; recorded expenditure represents 90.13% of the profiled budget total, a net variance (underspend) of £1.218m. The cumulative position (by directorate) is displayed in the chart over page.
- 3.05.3 The significant variances (those greater than £0.025m) are individually listed in Appendix C, together with the reasons for such, and the required remedial action.
- 3.05.4 All other variances (those less than £0.025m), are aggregated within Appendix C, for each directorate. The aggregated figures include nil variances in some cases (such as Flintshire Connects within Corporate Services), which are listed in order to account for the total budget element (£0.521m in the case of Flintshire Connects) which forms part of the overall budget total of £40.964m, as recorded in the above table and throughout the report.
- 3.05.5 Quarterly capital programme management meetings form part of the ongoing capital monitoring procedures which have been established in order to provide tight project management and discipline, and to ensure a continuing reduction in the level of year-end rollover. The latest round of meetings took place at the end of November, the feedback from which confirms that progress continues to be made in programme delivery.



3.06 Financing

3.06.1 The capital programme is financed as summarised below –

FINANCING RESOURCES			
	General Financing	Specific Financing	
	Supported Borrowing / General Capital Grant / Capital Receipts	Grants & Contributions / CERA / Reserves / Prudential Borrowing	Total Financing
	£m	£m	£m
Latest Monitoring			
Council Fund	20.509	9.575	30.084
Housing Revenue Account	1.752	9.136	10.888
	22.261	18.711	40.972
Savings			
Council Fund	(0.008)	0	(0.008)
Housing Revenue Account	0	0	0
	(0.008)	0.000	(0.008)
Total Financing Resources	22.253	18.711	40.964

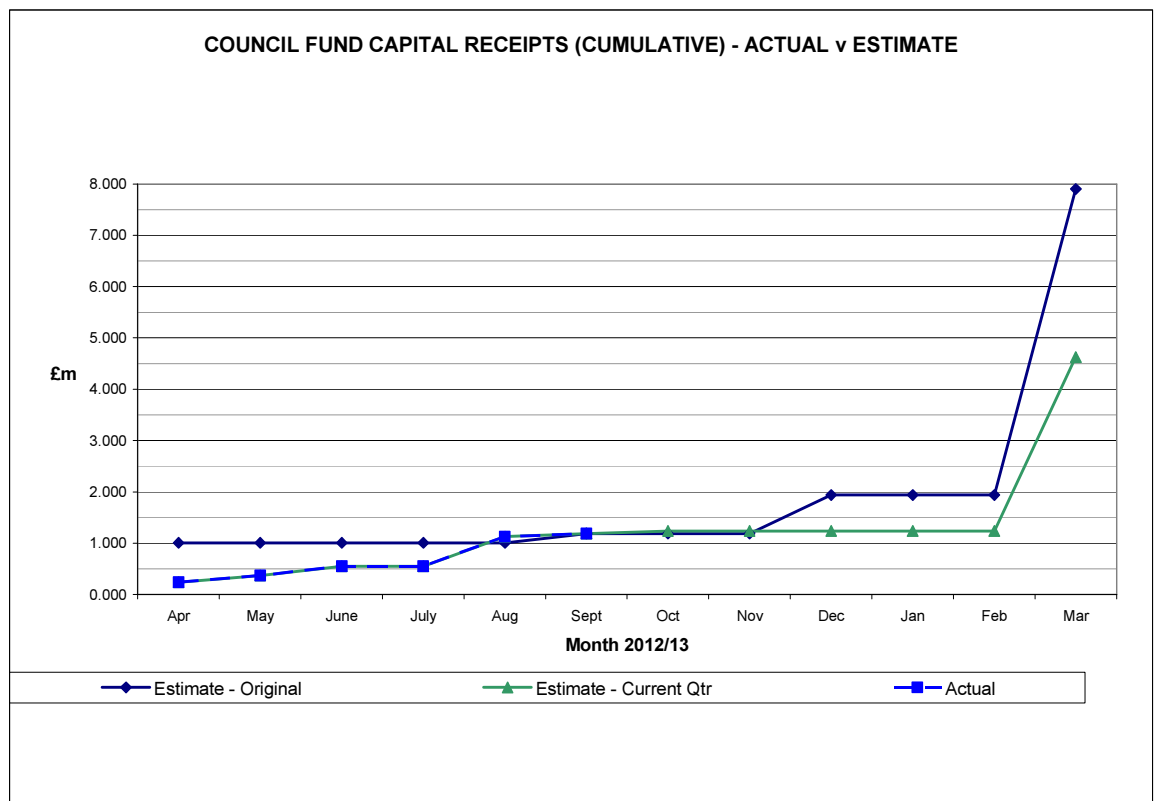
3.06.2 That element of the Council Fund total financed from general (non-specific) financing resources, relies in part on the generation of capital receipts from asset disposals. The continuing harsh economic climate is impacting on the ability to achieve the budgeted level of anticipated capital receipts, a situation that is likely to continue until the economy picks up at some future point. The capital receipts situation is being closely monitored as part of overall capital monitoring arrangements.

3.06.3 The chart below provides details of the moving (cumulative) capital receipts position – 3 line graphs, 2 of which record the moving estimate and 1 recording actual receipts. The positions are summarised as –

Estimate (Original) – The opening anticipated capital receipts total (£7.903m including the rolled over requirement from 2011/12), with anticipated receipts due in April, September, December, and more significantly so in March 2013.

Estimate (Current Quarter) – The latest reviewed position (reflecting the economic conditions referred to in 3.06.2 above), indicating an altered profile and a reduced total (£4.629m), with the major part of the receipts total anticipated in March 2013.

Actual – The value of actual receipts received as at Quarter 2 (£1.189m).



3.06.4 The HRA resources are ring-fenced and used only for HRA purposes.

4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.01 Cabinet is requested to note and approve the report.

5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.01 As set out in sections 2 and 3 of the report.

6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT

6.01 None.

7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

7.01 Many of the schemes in the programme are designed to improve the environment, infrastructure and assets of the Authority.

8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT

8.01 None.

9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.01 None.

10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED

10.01 None.

11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

11.01 None.

12.00 APPENDICES

12.01 Appendix A : Capital Programme – Changes During 2012/13
Appendix B : Changes During This Period
Appendix C : Variances

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985
BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Capital Programme Monitoring Papers 2012/13

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