

### **CABINET**

Date of Meeting	Tuesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
Report Subject	Capital Programme Monitoring 2017/18 (Month 4)
Cabinet Member	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance
Report By	Corporate Finance Manager
Type of Report	Operational

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The report summarises changes made to the Capital Programme 2017/18 since it was set in February 2017 to the end of month 4 (July 2017).

The Capital Programme has seen a net increase of £9.659m during the period. This is comprised of:-

- Carry forward, as approved by Cabinet during 2016/17, of £3.589m;
- Additional ADM works of £1.964m;
- Confirmation of Local Transport Grant Allocation of £1.947m;
- Street Lighting works of £1.400m; and
- Other changes during the period of ££0.759m

Actual expenditure was £14.349m.

Whilst all funding for 2017/18 schemes is in place, there is still a shortfall in the total programme (2017/18 - 2019/20) of £0.566m. The options for funding this were kept flexible. Options included a combination of future capital receipts, alternative grants, prudential borrowing or phasing schemes over several years that would be considered during 2017/18.

RECO	MMENDATIONS
(1)	Cabinet are requested to approve the overall report.
(2)	Cabinet are requested to approve the carry forward adjustments set out at 1.13.
(3)	Cabinet are requested to approve the additional allocation as set out at 1.15.

# **REPORT DETAILS**

1.00	EXPLAINING THE MONTH 4 CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING POSITION- 2017/18
	Background
1.01	The Council approved a Housing Revenue Account (HRA) capital programme for 2017/18 of £27.744m and a Council Fund (CF) capital programme of £19.435m at its meeting of 14th February, 2017.
1.02	For presentational purposes the capital programme is shown as a whole, with sub-totals for the Council Fund and HRA. In reality the HRA programme is ring fenced and can only be used for HRA purposes.
	Changes since Budget approval
1.03	Table 1 below sets out how the programme has changed during 2017/18. More detailed cumulative information relating to each Portfolio is provided in Appendix A:-
	Table 1

## <u>Table 1</u>

REVISED PROGRAMME	Original Budget 2017/18	Carry Forward from 2016/17	Changes - This Period	Revised Budget 2017/18
	£m	£m	£m	£m
Chief Executives	0.100	0	0	0.100
People & Resources	0.250	0.153	0	0.403
Governance	0.620	0.145	0	0.765
Education & Youth	7.792	0.453	0.612	8.857
Social Care	2.145	0	0	2.145
Community & Enterprise	5.044	0	0	5.044
Planning & Environment	0	1.011	0	1.058
Transport & Streetscene	2.110	0.820	3.347	6.277
Organisational Change 1	0.524	0	2.064	2.588
Organisational Change 2	0.850	1.007	0	1.857
Council Fund Total	19.435	3.589	6.070	29.094
Housing Revenue Account Total	27.744	0.000	0.000	27.744
Programme Total	47.179	3.589	6.070	56.838

1.04	Carry forward sums from 2016/17 to 2017/18, totalling £3.589m (CF £3.589m, HRA £0.000m), were approved as a result of the quarterly monitoring reports presented to Cabinet during 2016/17.		
	Changes during this period		
1.05	Changes during this period have resulted in a net increase total of £6.070m (CF £6.070m, HRA £0.000m). A summa detailing major items, is shown in Table 2 below:-		
	Table 2		
	CHANGES DURING THIS PERIOD		
	OOLINGII FUND	£m	
	COUNCIL FUND Increases		
	ADM - Additional work approved by Cabinet	1.964	
	Local Transport Grant - Confirmation of allocation	1.947	
	Street Lighting - Introduction of Salix Funding	1.400	
	Schools modernisation - Connah's Quay HS Re-profiling of budget	0.359	
	Other Aggregate Increases	0.400	
		6.070	
	Decreases		
	Other Aggregate Decreases	0.000	
		0.000	
	Total	6.070	
	HRA		
	Increases		
	Other Aggregate Increases	0.000	
		0.000	
	Decreases		
	Other Aggregate Decreases	0.000	
		0.000	
	Total	0.000	
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1.06	At its meeting on 18th July 2017, Cabinet approved add on new health & fitness facilities and changing spaces at Centre and Jade Jones Pavilion in order to assist Aura ADM in generating additional income. This is to be fund Borrowing but offset by a reduction in the funding provide	t both Mold Leisu Leisure & Librari led from Prudent	

It is usual in the early part of the financial year to receive notification of

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funding allocations that were not available at budget setting time. This is
the case with both the Local Transport Grant and Salix funding for Street
Lighting.

1.08 As part of the overall funding for Band A schemes, budgets have been reprofiled to fund expenditure at Connah's Quay High School.

## **Capital Expenditure compared to Budget**

- Expenditure as at Month 4, across the whole of the capital programme was £14.349m. The breakdown of expenditure is analysed in Table 3, along with the percentage spend against budget. This shows that 25.25% of the budget has been spent (CF 13.77%, HRA 37.28%). Corresponding figures for Month 4 2016/17 were 30.05% (CF 35.50%, HRA 24.58%).
- 1.10 The table also shows an underspend (pending carry forward and other adjustments) of £2.156m on the Council Fund and an overspend of £3.219m on the HRA.

Table 3

EXPENDITURE	Revised Budget	Cumulative Expenditure Month 4	Percentage Spend v Budget	Projected Outturn	Variance Budget v Outturn (Under)/Over
	£m	£m	%	£m	£m
Chief Executives	0.100	0	0.00	0.100	0
People & Resources	0.403	0	0.00	0.403	0
Governance	0.765	0	0.00	0.765	0
Education & Youth	8.857	1.617	18.26	8.857	0
Social Care	2.145	0.048	0.00	0.444	(1.701)
Community & Enterprise	5.044	0.957	18.97	5.044	0
Planning & Environment	1.058	0.126	11.87	0.508	(0.550)
Transport & Streetscene	6.277	0.775	12.34	6.372	0.095
Organisational Change 1	2.588	0.175	6.77	2.588	0
Organisational Change 2	1.857	0.309	16.64	1.857	0
Council Fund Total	29.094	4.006	13.77	26.938	(2.156
Disabled Adaptations	1.030	0.198	19.22	1.030	0
Energy Schemes	0.500	0.141	28.20	0.500	0
Major Works	1.472	0.968	65.76	1.972	0.500
Accelerated Programmes	0.450	0.315	70.00	0.450	0
WHQS Improvements	16.588	7.168	43.21	16.088	(0.500)
SHARP Programme	7.704	1.553	20.16	10.923	3.219
Housing Revenue Account Total	27.744	10.343	37.28	30.963	3.219
Programme Total	56.838	14.349	25.25	57.901	1.063

1.11 Details of the variances for individual programme areas are listed in Appendix B, which includes the reasons, and remedial actions which may

	be required, where those variances exceed +/- 10% of the revised budget. In addition, where carry forward into 2018/19 has been identified, this is also included in the narrative.			
1.12	Although Table 3 appears to show an overspend of £3.219m for the SHARP programme, this is due to the re-profiling of expenditure and Prudential Borrowing from 2016/17 and therefore budget will be introduced to match this expenditure prior to the Month 6 Monitoring Report.			
	Carry Forward into 2018/19			
1.13	During the quarter carry forward of £2. which reflects reviewed spending plans committed amounts have been identified of programme works and/or retention page.	across all progr d as now requir	ramme areas; thesed to meet the co	
1.14	Information relating to each programme a summarised in Table 4 below:-	area is containe	d in Appendix B ar	
	Table 4			
	CARRY FORWARD INTO	Month 4	Total	
	2018/19	£m	£m	
		4.705	4.705	
	Social Care Planning & Environment	1.725 0.550	1.725 0.550	
	Transport & Streetscene	0.055	0.055	
	Council Fund	2.330	2.330	
	Housing Revenue Account	0.000	0.000	
	TOTAL	2.330	2.330	
	Additional Allocations			
1.15	Due to a landslip on the B5101 in Frith, allow the road to re-open. It is reque headroom provision of £0.260m be alloc	sted that £0.1	50m of the curre	
	Savings			
1.16	No savings have been identified in the p	rogramme in th	is quarter.	
	Funding of 2017/18 Approved Scheme	es		

1.17 The position at Outturn is summarised in Table 5 below:-

# Table 5

FUNDING OF APPROVED SCHEMES	6	
	£m	£m
Surplus from 2016/17	(4.688)	
Assumed in 2017/18 Budget	3.567	(1.121)
Increases		
Shortfall in Capital Programme	3.187	
	_	3.187
Decreases		
Actual In year receipts	(1.499)	
Savings	_	(1.499)
Funding - (Available)/Shortfall		0.566

1.18 The final outturn surplus from 2016/17 was £4.688m. Of this £3.567m was allocated to schemes in 2017/18 as part of the budget setting process.

In addition, schemes put forward for the years 2017/18 - 2019/20 showed a potential shortfall in funding of £3.187m.

The detail behind the above figures can be found in the report 'Council Fund Capital Programme 2017/18 - 2019/20' which was presented to Council on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

Actual in year receipts as at Month 4 amount to £1.499m.

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2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	Financial implications - As set out in the body of the report.
2.02	Personnel implications - None directly as a result of this report.
3.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT

4.00	RISK MANAGEMENT
4.01	At this stage in the financial year and given the size and complexity of schemes within the programme, it is considered that the level of spend against budget is appropriate and poses no risk or negative impact for the Council e.g. loss of external funding.

5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	Appendix A: Capital Programme - Changes during 2017/18
5.02	Appendix B: Variances

6.00	LIST OF ACCESS	IBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS	
6.01	Capital Programme monitoring papers 2017/18.		
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7.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
7.01	<b>Budget Re-profiling:</b> Capital schemes are very dynamic and a number of factors can influence their timing and funding. Budget re-profiling assures that the correct resources are available in the correct accounting period to finance the actual level of expenditure.
	Capital Expenditure: Expenditure on the acquisition of non-current assets or expenditure which extends the useful life of an existing asset
	<b>Capital Programme:</b> The Council's financial plan covering capital schemes and expenditure proposals for the current year and a number of future years. It also includes estimates of the capital resources available to finance the programme.
	Capital Receipts: Receipts (in excess of £10,000) realised from the disposal of assets.
	Carry Forward: Carry forward occurs when schemes due to be completed in a given financial year are delayed until a subsequent year. In this case the relevant funding is carried forward to meet the delayed, contractually

committed expenditure.

**CERA:** Capital Expenditure charged to Revenue Account. The Council is allowed to use its revenue resources to fund capital expenditure. However the opposite is not permissible.

**Council Fund (CF):** The fund to which all the Council's revenue and capital expenditure is charged.

**Housing Revenue Account (HRA):** The fund to which all the Council's revenue and capital expenditure relating to its housing stock is charged.

**MRA:** Major Repairs Allowance. A general capital grant from WG for HRA purposes.

**Non-current Asset:** A resource controlled (but not necessarily owned) by the Council, from which economic benefits or service potential are expected to flow to the Council for more than 12 months.

**Target Hardening:** Measures taken to prevent unauthorised access to Council sites.

Unhypothecated Supported Borrowing (USB), commonly referred to as Supported Borrowing - Each year Welsh Government provide Councils with a Supported Borrowing allocation. Councils borrow to fund capital expenditure equivalent to that annual allocation, Welsh Government then include funding to cover the revenue costs associated with the borrowing for future years within the Revenue Support Grant. The Council decides how this funding is spent.

**Unsupported (Prudential) Borrowing:** Borrowing administered under the Prudential Code, whereby Authorities can set their own policies on acceptable levels and types of borrowing. The Prudential Framework allows Authorities to take out loans in response to overall cash flow forecasts and other factors provided they can show that the borrowing is to meet planned capital expenditure in the current year or the next three years.