

COMMITTEE: GRAMPIAN JOINT POLICE BOARD

DATE: 2 September 2011

TITLE OF REPORT: Capital Monitoring Report

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update the Board on the progress of the 2011-12 Capital Plan, provide an update on the projected out-turn for the year, and highlight any changes since the last Board.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

To consider and note the contents of the report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Capital Plan sets out the Force's proposed investment in capital assets for the current and subsequent 3 financial years. The approved budget for 2011-12 amounts to £4.362m, and is funded by way of capital grant, capital receipts and revenue financing.

The Capital Plan is overseen by the Force's Programme Board, with any minor adjustments being reflected in a transfer from or to the Unallocated Capital Funds.

4. SERVICE & COMMUNITY IMPACT

It is important that the Force continues to invest in its infrastructure and systems in order that it can enhance the operational capacity and generate efficiencies for front line policing.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

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6. REPORT

A copy of the Capital Plan for 2011-12 is attached at Appendix A. The total budget allocated within the Force's Capital Plan for 2011-12 has increased by £30,000, from £4.332m to £4.362m. This adjustment reflects the award of capital funding by the Scottish Government to NESAMP, for the replacement of a vehicle in the current financial year.

In addition the Force will be spending £156,000 this financial year on the purchase of replacement body armour. Units of body armour have an approved lifespan for operational use and the expenditure this year follows on from the programme of replacement that commenced last financial year. A corresponding amount has been transferred from the Unallocated Capital Funds.

A separate paper has been prepared for the Board seeking approval to purchase land for new Aberdeen Custody facilities. If this is agreed, a bid would be made this year, which could utilise a significant proportion of the available budget for this year.

The total balance of Unallocated Capital Funds now stands at £2.377m, however the projected total expenditure against the Capital Plan assumes that this balance will be fully expended by the end of this financial year. The total also includes a contribution of £300,000 from the Force's Revenue Budget (referred to as Capital Financed from Current Revenue (CFCR)). If there is any slippage or underspend against the programme of spend this financial year, then any initial savings (up to £300,000) will also accrue within the Force's Revenue Budget.

The Force's Programme Board is also considering a number of other bids for capital resources. Should these bids be successful, then the projects will be included within the Force's Capital Plan for ratification by the Board.

National Project

Work is also progressing on the National Performance Platform Project. The budget for the current financial year is £277,000, and spend will be funded from the Efficient Government Grant carried forward from 2010-11. The profile of spend is included within Appendix B.

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8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

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