

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Education Culture & Sport
DATE	23/2/12
DIRECTOR	Annette Bruton
TITLE OF REPORT	Capital Monitoring – Education, Culture & Sport Projects
REPORT NUMBER:	EPI/12/061

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise the Committee of the capital spend to date for the Education Culture & Sport projects included within the Non-Housing Capital Programme.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

The Committee note the current position.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The monies required to fund these projects are achieved through external borrowing, capital receipts and grant income. These projects are all accommodated within the Non-Housing Capital Programme. Any under-spend, carry forward or overspend will have implications for the programme. An underspend is currently predicted as detailed in section 5.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no other implications at this time but as projects progress or indeed fail to progress then other implications may arise and will be reported at an appropriate Committee.

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

As reported at the previous meeting of this Committee the monitoring/management of the Capital Programme lies with the Head of Asset Management & Operations. The Planning & Monitoring Officer

within Asset Management & Operations is in regular contact with the Service Representative and the Capital Accountant, reporting in the first instance to the Corporate Asset Group. This is the third capital monitoring report of 2011/12 flowing from this arrangement.

Education Culture & Sport has a total of £958,000 allocated to it from the Non-Housing Capital Programme. The projects included in the programme are:-

- 1) Dyce Music School Accommodation
- 2) Outdoor Education Move to Kingswells
- 3) Information Communication Technology Connectivity
- 4) Replacement of Education Management Information System
- 5) Bucksburn / Newhills Proposed Amalgamation
- 6) Provision for Children with Complex Needs
- 7) Oldmachar Academy Heating/Ventilation

The total expenditure for the service at the end of period 9 is £351,000; spend of 37%, with a further 20% legally committed. Appendix A provides a detailed breakdown of this spend.

The Service currently forecast that there will be an overall underspend against budget of £221,000. Officials from Asset Management & Operations will continue to work closely with the Service to assess the robustness of the forecast outturn.

6. IMPACT



Corporate - The capital programme encompasses projects which link to the Community Plan, Single Outcome Agreement, Corporate and Individual Service Plans and Vibrant, Dynamic & Forward Looking.

Public - This report will be of interest to the public as it outlines the Council's capital spending to date on Education Culture & Sport Projects.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Non-Housing Capital Programme 2011/12 – Monitoring Report approved at Finance & Resources Committee on 6 December 2011

8. REPORT AUTHOR'S DETAILS

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Appendix A - Non Housing Capital: Education, Culture & Sport spend to Period 9 (December)

Education, Culture & Sport: All Projects spend to December

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
Replacement of Education M.I.S.	474	334	86	41
Provision for Children with Complex Needs	316	211	178	0
I.C.T. Connectivity	105	179	75	9
Bucksburn / Newhills Proposed Amalgamation	50	5	5	0
Outdoor Education Move to Kingswells	6	1	0	0
Music School Accommodation	5	6	6	0
Oldmachar Academy Heating/Ventilation	2	0	0	0
Totals	958	737	351	50

Education, Culture & Sport: By Project

Capital Item 751: Replacement of Education M.I.S.

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
Replacement of Education M.I.S.	474	334	86	41

- Current profile showing an anticipated underspend of £140,000.
- Remainder of budget will be spent on licences and services, with a further £220,000 legally committed on training.

Capital Item 776: Provision for Children with Complex Needs

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
Provision for Children with Complex Needs	316	211	178	0

- Current profile shows underspend this financial year of £105,000.
- Spend continues to facilitate decant of pupils from Raeden to Kaimhill, Seaton and Ashgrove sites.

Capital Item 750: I.C.T. Connectivity

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
I.C.T. Connectivity	105	179	75	9

- Current profile shows previously reported committed overspend of £74,000.
- Overspend may be a result of budget holder not budgeting for the involvement of a team to administer health & safety regulations, resulting in the need for Design team involvement. This project has moved from being an Education, Culture & Sport project to a joint venture with Enterprise, Planning & Infrastructure involvement.
- Budget holder now has a breakdown of expenditure and invoices are expected for payment through to the end of the financial year.

Capital Item 773: Bucksburn / Newhills Proposed Amalgamation

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
Bucksburn / Newhills Proposed Amalgamation	50	5	5	0

- The £5,000 spend on this project has been exclusively on Design team fees.
- No further expenditure is anticipated for this project this financial year.

Capital Item 742: Outdoor Education Move to Kingswells

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
Outdoor Education Move to Kingswells	6	1	0	0

- Final account yet to be settled. Problems previously encountered with the provision of the Making Good Defects certificate have now been rectified.
- Design team have advised that the above certificate will be issued in February, final payment will be issued and the project completed.

Capital Item 682: Music School Accommodation

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
Music School Accommodation	5	6	6	0

- Project completed £1,000 over budget due to settlement of final account.

Capital Item 780: Oldmachar Academy Heating/Ventilation

	Budget 11/12 £'000	Year Projection £'000	Total Spend £'000	December Spend £'000
Oldmachar Academy Heating/Ventilation	2	0	0	0

- Project has been completed and final account settled with no further fees to pay. The £2,000 contingency budget allocated to this project is not required and therefore reported as a saving.