

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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| COMMITTEE | Education, Culture & Sport |
| DATE | 22 November 2012 |
| DIRECTOR | Gordon McIntosh |
| TITLE OF REPORT | Capital Monitoring – Education, Culture & Sport Projects |
| REPORT NUMBER: | EPI/12/213 |

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 underspend, carry forward or overspend will have implications for the programme. There are no issues at present that would result in such implications.

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 Finance & Resources Committee in December 2011 the overall responsibility for 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 ensures that the spend figures are always up to date and accurate.

Education, Culture & Sport has a total of 6 projects, totaling £2.537 million allocated to it from the Non-Housing Capital Programme in 2012/13. The projects and total budget committed to each project included in the programme are:-

- 1) Information Communication Technology Connectivity
£34,000
- 2) Replacement of Education Management Information System
£167,000
- 3) School Estate Strategy - Bucksburn / Newhills
£522,000
- 4) School Estate Strategy – Riverbank
£172,000
- 5) Provision for Children with Complex Needs
£771,000
- 6) Tullos Pool Refurbishment
£871,000

Spend for all projects to end of October is £68,000. Variances in monthly spend compared to predicted spend have been identified in some cases, which has resulted in spend profiles being amended.

Appendix A provides a breakdown of this spend to date and relevant supporting information as necessary.

An update on the capital position will be reported to this Committee on 31 January 2013.

6. IMPACT

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

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 2012/13 – Capital Monitoring Report approved at Finance & Resources Committee on 19 June 2012

8. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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Appendix A: Spend to date

| Project Description | Budget Holder | Total Budget 12/13 | Budget 13/14 | Budget 14/15 | Spend to end Oct. |
|---|------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| | | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Information Communication Technology Connectivity | Rosaleen Rentoul | 34 | 0 | 0 | 34 |
| Replacement Education Management Information System | David Wright | 167 | 0 | 0 | 31 |
| School Estate Strategy - Bucksburn / Newhills | Sharon McNut | 522 | 1,215 | 7,638 | 0 |
| School Estate Strategy - Riverbank | Sharon McNut | 172 | 1,490 | 88 | 3 |
| Provision for Children with Complex Needs | Sharon McNut | 771 | 5,722 | 6,393 | 0 |
| Tullos Pool Refurbishment | David Wright | 871 | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | | 2,537 | 8,527 | 14,119 | 68 |

- Information Communication Technology project has been concluded on budget.
- The Replacement Education Management Information System continues spend on staff secondments. This will continue to the end of the current financial year.
- A Design Team has been appointed for School Estate Strategy - Bucksburn/Newhills project. Outcomes from the first technical meeting and beyond will be reported to the next meeting of this Committee. Fees will be charged upon the contract being accepted.
- The School Estate Strategy - Riverbank project recently appointed the EP&I Design Team. The project is being undertaken on a “design & build” basis. The project plan will be profiled with works anticipated to begin next calendar year.
- A site is still to be selected for the Provision for Children with Complex Needs project. Budget holder has indicated that this will be concluded imminently and an update provided as soon as possible. Professional fees are also forthcoming for this project.
- A contract has yet to be awarded for Tullos Pool Refurbishment.