

**COMMITTEE:** GRAMPIAN JOINT POLICE BOARD

**DATE:** 18 JANUARY 2013

**TITLE OF REPORT:** CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

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**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To update the Joint Police Board on the 2012-13 Capital Plan based on the financial position at 30 November 2012. With the Board meeting earlier than originally planned and the holiday period, the end of December outturn figures were not available when producing the Report.

**2. RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 2.1 To consider and note the contents of the Report.

**3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The Capital Plan sets out the Force's proposed investment in capital assets for the current financial year and also shows the schemes committed into 2013-14. This includes the amendments to the Capital Plan and related funding that were approved by the Board at its previous meetings this financial year. The total approved budget for 2012-13 amounts to £8.482m and is funded by a combination of capital grant, capital receipts and a contribution from the revenue budget (CFCR).
- 3.2 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. All available funds have been allocated in 2012-13.

**4. SERVICE & COMMUNITY IMPACT**

- 4.1 It is important that the Force continues to invest in its infrastructure and systems in order that it can enhance operational capacity, generate efficiencies for front line policing and strengthen the policing legacy in the north east.

**5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

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**6. REPORT**

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- 6.1 A copy of the Capital Plan for 2012-13 is attached at Appendix B. The approved budget reported to the last meeting of the Joint Board was £8.457m. At that 2nd November meeting the Board approved the inclusion of a small project to extend the Police Office at Tomintoul, at an estimated cost of £25,000 in 2012-13 (and a further £75,000 in 2013-14). The inclusion of this project takes the 2012-13 approved budget to £8.482m. Actual expenditure to 30th November 2012 is £3.276m and the latest projected outturn is estimated at £8.304m.
- 6.2 At this point no other significant variances are projected, but actual spend will continue to be monitored carefully so that any potential slippage is identified promptly.
- 6.3 In terms of funding it is intended to maximise the use of capital grants in the current financial year negating the need for any carry forward into next year. This means we intend to use the full £3.776m of capital grant and a further £0.250m grant from the Scottish Police Service Authority. It is estimated that capital receipts, that arise from the sale of surplus assets, amounting to £3.446m will also be utilised in 2012-13. Using more capital grant this year than originally envisaged means we need a lower contribution from current revenue this year (£0.832m as compared to £1.600m) resulting in a higher committed balance at the year end that is required to fund the remaining committed projects in 2013-14.
- 6.4 Appendix C shows the current position with the National Platform Project. It was reported to the last Joint Board that the National Police Reform Team had, after review, decided to manage the project to an early close because it no longer met future business needs. The Reform Team are still considering alternative uses for the project's assets and the outcome of this review will inform the future accounting treatment.

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## **8. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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