

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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| COMMITTEE | Enterprise, Strategic Planning & Infrastructure |
| DATE | 12 November 2013 |
| DIRECTOR | Gordon McIntosh |
| TITLE OF REPORT | Capital Monitoring – Enterprise, Planning & Infrastructure Projects |
| REPORT NUMBER: | EPI/13/146 |

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise the Committee of the capital spend to date for the Enterprise, Planning & Infrastructure 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. As part of the Council's five year business plan, capital expenditure is now monitored within a five year timescale where appropriate. This has given budget holders the ability to profile across the full five years. In year monitoring will continue, alongside monitoring the complete Capital Programme.

Some projects are now profiled for little or indeed no expenditure in the current financial year. In these instances, budget holders have profiled the intended expenditure in the appropriate financial year. Budget holders who are profiling slippage on a legally committed project into the next financial year(s) are also profiling this expenditure into the appropriate year.

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 June 2012 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.

Enterprise, Planning & Infrastructure has a total of 16 projects, totaling £43.882 million allocated to it from the 2013/14 Non-Housing Capital Programme. The projects and total budget committed to each project included in the programme are:-

- 1) Corporate Property Condition & Suitability Programme
£10.075 million
- 2) Cycling Walking Safer Streets Grant
£232,000
- 3) Access From the North
£5.293 million
- 4) Western Peripheral Route
£4.945 million
- 5) Corporate Office Accommodation
£1 million
- 6) NESTRANS - Capital Grant
£882,000
- 7) Fleet Replacement
£3 million
- 8) Planned Renewal & Replacement of Road Infrastructure
£4.224 million
- 9) Land Acquisition – Contingency
£554,000
- 10) Hydrogen Buses
£7 million (including external funding)

- 11) City Broadband
£1.949 million
- 12) St Nicholas House Demolition
£2.713 million
- 13) Central Aberdeen Infrastructure: South College Street
£1.4 million
- 14) Central Aberdeen Infrastructure: Berryden Corridor
£250,000
- 15) Central Aberdeen Infrastructure: Union Street Pedestrianisation
£265,000
- 16) A96 park & Choose / Dyce Drive Link Road
£100,000

Spend for all projects to the end of September is £8.893 million.

Appendix A provides a breakdown of expenditure to date and any supporting information as appropriate.

An update on the capital position will be reported to this Committee on 21 January 2014.

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 Enterprise, Planning & Infrastructure 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:
Capital Monitoring – Enterprise, Planning & Infrastructure projects 2013-14 to 2017-18**

| Project Description | Revised Budget 2013/14* | Spend to September 2013 | Profiled out-turn 2013/14 | Five year budget 2013-18 | Legal Commitments | Profiled out-turn 2013-18 |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Corp Property Condition & Suitability Programme | 10,075 | 2,466 | 7,581 | 39,675 | 3,420 | 39,675 |
| Cycling Walking Safer Streets Grant | 232 | 26 | 232 | 573 | 0 | 573 |
| Access From the North | 5,293 | 695 | 4,312 | 15,473 | 60 | 15,473 |
| Western Peripheral Route | 4,945 | 0 | 4,945 | 7,345 | 0 | 7,345 |
| Corporate Office Accommodation | 1,000 | 53 | 510 | 1,000 | 149 | 1,000 |
| NESTRANS - Capital Grant | 882 | 441 | 882 | 6,062 | 882 | 6,062 |
| Fleet Replacement | 3,000 | 210 | 3,806 | 15,000 | 1,939 | 15,806 |
| Planned Renewal & Replacement of Road Infrastructure | 4,224 | 2,137 | 4,222 | 19,883 | 757 | 19,911 |
| Land Acquisition - Contingency | 554 | (0) | 554 | 554 | 0 | 554 |
| Hydrogen Buses | 7,000 | 1,923 | 7,000 | 11,000 | 0 | 11,000 |
| City Broadband | 1,949 | 12 | 75 | 1,949 | 0 | 1,949 |
| St. Nicholas House Demolition | 2,713 | 484 | 2,387 | 2,713 | 2,230 | 2,713 |
| South College Street | 1,400 | 0 | 5 | 5,500 | 0 | 5,500 |
| Berryden Corridor | 250 | 96 | 250 | 5,550 | 0 | 5,630 |
| Union Street Pedestrianisation | 265 | 31 | 147 | 9,000 | 0 | 9,000 |
| A96 Park & Choose / Dyce Drive Link Road | 100 | 319 | 1,715 | 15,200 | 0 | 15,200 |
| Totals | 43,882 | 8,893 | 38,623 | 156,477 | 9,437 | 157,393 |

*Revised budget includes carry forward and adjustments approved by Finance & Resources Committee.

- The Condition & Suitability budget now has a combined spend and committed total of £5.886 million. The profiled underspend from this financial year is anticipated to be picked up with an increased number of projects during next year's summer holidays.
- The new front door for Marischal College, funded through the Corporate Office Accommodation budget, is now completed.
- The Fleet Manager has now committed close to £2 million on fleet replacement for this financial year.
- The Hydrogen buses spend profile is now being shown as gross expenditure. The total capital contribution of £4.8 million has been added to the £6.2 million additional external funding to give the £11 million total.
- St Nicholas House demolition is currently running slightly behind schedule – discussions are to be held with the contractor regarding working over the Christmas holidays which will go some way to bringing it back on track.