

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Education, Culture & Sport
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TITLE OF REPORT	Capital Monitoring – Education, Culture & Sport Projects
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise the Committee of the total capital spend to end of February 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. 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.

Education, Culture & Sport has a total of 8 projects, totaling £12.512 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) School Estate Strategy - Bucksburn / Newhills
£1.737 million
- 2) School Estate Strategy – Riverbank
£1.654 million
- 3) Provision for Children with Complex Needs
£6.422 million
- 4) Tullos Pool Refurbishment
£771,000
- 5) Museums Collections Centre
£246,000
- 6) Art Gallery HLF Redevelopment
£1.1 million
- 7) Woodside Replacement Pitch
£82,000 (project completed)
- 8) Replacement School for Kincorth and Torry Academies
£500,000

The new Milltimber Primary School project has no budget for 2013/14, however it is in the five year programme of works with expenditure expected to begin in 2015/16.

Spend to end of February for all capital projects totals £5.064 million. Appendix A provides a breakdown of this spend and supporting information as necessary.

An update on the capital position will be reported to this Committee on 12 June 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 Education, Culture & Sport projects.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Non-Housing Capital Programme 2012/13 – Capital Monitoring Report. Approved at Finance & Resources Committee on 12 September 2013.

8. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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**Appendix A:
Capital Monitoring – Education, Culture & Sport Projects 2013-14 to 2017-18**

Project Description	Revised Budget 2013/14 £'000	Spend to February 2014 £'000	Profiled out- turn 2013/14 £'000	Five year budget 2013-18 £'000	Legal Commit- ments £'000	Profiled out- turn 2013-18 £'000
School Estate Strategy - Bucksburn / Newhills	1,737	1,400	2,126	12,079	726	12,165
School Estate Strategy - Riverbank	1,654	2,029	1,917	1,742	0	1,917
Provision for Children with Complex Needs	6,422	6	6	14,707	50	14,357
Tullos Pool Refurbishment	771	934	934	771	0	934
Museums Collections Centre	246	0	0	3,000	300	3,000
Art Gallery HLF Redevelopment	1,100	610	757	29,000	0	29,782
Woodside Replacement Pitch	82	69	69	82	0	69
New Academy to the South	500	16	16	32,000	0	32,000
New Milltimber Primary	0	0	0	11,750	0	11,750
Totals	12,512	5,064	5,825	105,131	1,076	105,974

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

- This financial year, projects have been completed at Riverbank, Tullos Pool and Woodside Pitch.
- Provision for Children with Complex Needs has been delayed as a result of the negotiations to acquire the preferred site and in the decision on the method of procurement. The Design Team is now in place and the budget holder is working to submit a new project request to the main contractor, Hubco, by the end of March. The design phase will take approximately twelve months and will be on site in April 2015.