

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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COMMITTEE	Housing & Environment
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DIRECTOR	Gordon McIntosh
TITLE OF REPORT	Capital Monitoring – Housing & Environment Projects
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise the Committee of the capital spend in 2013/14 for the Housing & Environment 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.

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.

Housing & Environment had a total of 4 projects, totaling £14.742 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 were:-

- 1) Duthie Park & Winter Gardens – Cost Net of HLF  
£158,000
- 2) Private Sector Housing Grant  
£1.094 million
- 3) Victoria House  
£2.452 million
- 4) Waste: Implement Waste Strategy  
£11.038 million

Spend for all projects in 2013/14 totaled £3.835 million. Spend profiles provided by budget holders show it is anticipated that underspend this financial year will be picked up in the following financial year(s).

Appendix A shows the total expenditure for 2013/14.

The Duthie Park & Winter Gardens – Cost Net of HLF project is now completed. The Private Sector is a rolling programme and has no requirement for a carry forward into 2014/15.

Carry forwards for Victoria House (£554,000) and the Waste Strategy (£520,000) were approved at Corporate Asset Group on 30 April. Construction at Victoria House will be completed this financial year, while the Waste project is anticipated to continue past this financial year.

There are now 3 projects, totaling £13.965 million allocated from the 2013/14 Non-Housing Capital Programme. The budgets allocated to each project, including any carry forwards for 2014/15 are:

- 1) Private Sector Housing Grant  
£1 million
- 2) Victoria House  
£1.81 million
- 3) Waste: Implement Waste Strategy  
£11.154 million

Budget holders will be providing spend profiles for each project which will be provided within the update to this Committee on 26 August 2014. The Waste Strategy project will be split under a number of headings to show each aspect of the project and the budget allocated to each heading.

## 6. IMPACT

Corporate - The continued implementation of the Property Asset Management Plan will ensure that the Council is utilising its property portfolios to support Services in implementing the Single Outcome Agreement. In addition the plan contributes to achieving the vision set out in 'Aberdeen: The Smarter City'. Property has a particularly important role to play in Smarter Living, Smarter People and Smarter Environment themes.

Public - This report will be of interest to the public as it outlines the Council's capital spending to date on Housing & Environment 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 – Housing & Environment projects 2013-14 to 2017-18**

<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Revised Budget 2013/14 £'000</b>	<b>Five year budget '13-'18 £'000</b>	<b>Final out- turn 2013-18 £'000</b>
Duthie Park & Winter Gardens - Cost Net of HLF	158	158	158
Private Sector Housing Grant	1,094	6,206	535
Victoria House	2,452	2,452	707
Waste: Implement Waste Strategy	11,038	26,363	2,435
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14,742</b>	<b>35,179</b>	<b>3,835</b>