

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No 6

meeting date: 27 MAY 2014
 title: CAPITAL OUTTURN 2013/14
 submitted by: DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek member approval for the slippage of capital schemes from the 2013/14 financial year to the 2014/15 financial year, and to review the final outturn of the capital programme for 2013/14 for this committee.
- 1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities
- Community Objectives – none identified
 - Corporate Priorities - to continue to be a well-managed Council providing efficient services based on identified customer need.
 - Other Considerations – none identified.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Capital Programme for the Community Committee consisted of 9 schemes. These were a combination of
- New schemes approved as part of the capital programme in March 2013
 - Schemes with slippage from 2012/13
 - Additional approvals
- 2.2 During the financial year all committees have received reports monitoring the progress of schemes within the programme.
- 2.3 As part of the closure of our accounts process, scheme expenditure has been capitalised and added to our balance sheet or charged to revenue where appropriate.

3 CAPITAL SCHEMES PERFORMANCE

- 3.1 Summary of budget approvals, actual and approved slippage.

<i>BUDGET ANALYSIS</i>				<i>EXPENDITURE</i>	<i>REQUESTED SLIPPAGE</i>	
Original Estimate £	Slippage from 2012/13 £	Additional Approvals £	Total Approved Budget £	Revised Estimate £	Actual Expenditure £	Slippage to 2014/15 £
593,000	56,390	254,230	903,620	902,830	878,184	11,710

3.2 There has been a significant underspend (£13,580) on the Calderstones Village Green Scheme (CALVG) due to the scheme being completed under budget. The scheme was funded from a s106 agreement and the underspent s106 funds will remain available to fund any future works in the area.

3.3 Annex 1 to this report compares the budget for each scheme with actual expenditure and highlights the requested slippage. Overall 97% of the revised estimate has been spent.

4 SLIPPAGE

4.1 Where capital schemes are unfinished at the end of the financial year and there is a corresponding remaining unspent budget, this is known as slippage. The amount of slippage requested to be carried forward into the next financial year is shown below.

4.2 Slippage to be carried forward to 2014/15 relates to one scheme – Play Area Improvements (PLAYN). Inclement weather conditions resulting in poor ground conditions meant that the scheme could not be complete by the end of the 2013/14 financial year. It is hoped that the outstanding works will be complete prior to the school summer holidays in July. The amount of slippage requested for this scheme is £11,710.

4.3 Attached at Annex 2 is the individual form requesting slippage for the above scheme. Committee is asked to consider this.

5 RISK ASSESSMENT

5.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications:

- Resources – A sum of £11,710 has been set aside in the Council's capital resources to fund the scheme which is requested to be carried forward as slippage.
- Technical, Environmental and Legal – Maintenance of the children play areas will help to mitigate any potential breaches of health and safety legislation.
- Political – None.
- Reputation – Improving the standard of amenities offered will enhance the reputation of the Council.
- Equality & Diversity – Enhancing the standard of amenities offered helps to ensure that access is available to all.

6 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

6.1 Consider the capital outturn for this committee shown at 1 and approve the slippage of £11,710 into the 2014/15 financial year.

SENIOR ACCOUNTANT

DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

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For further information please ask for Amy Johnson.

BACKGROUND PAPERS – None

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ANNEX 1

Cost Centre	Schemes	Original Estimate 2013/14 £	Slippage From 2012/13 £	Additional Approvals £	Total Approved Budget £	Revised Estimate £	Actual Expenditure £	Slippage into 2014/15 £
CALVG	Calderstones Village Green		38,460		38,460	38,460	24,885	0
CARPK	Car Parks Rolling Programme		390		390	390	392	0
CPLAY	Castle Grounds Play Area		10,440		10,440	9,770	9,774	0
GVWYV	Replacement Vehicle PK06 VWY – Vauxhall Vivaro 2900 DTI LWB Panel Van	13,000			13,000	12,880	12,883	0
PLAYN	Play Area Improvements	40,000		-4,190	35,810	35,810	24,100	11,710
PVEHS	Paper and Card Collection Vehicles (2 of)			24,000	24,000	24,000	23,999	0
RETWK	Retention of Weekly Collection of Residual Waste	540,000		210,000	750,000	750,000	751,101	0
WMOOR	Whalley Moor – Woodland Paths and Nature Trails		7,100		7,100	7,100	7,387	0
SMITH	John Smiths Playing Fields Play Equipment			24,420	24,420	24,420	23,663	0
	Total Community Committee	593,000	56,390	254,230	903,620	902,830	878,184	11,710

Request for slippage into 2014/15

Cost Centre and Scheme Title	<i>PLAYN: Play Area Improvements</i>
Scheme Description	<i>Improvements to the boroughs play areas.</i>
Head of Service	<i>Mark Beveridge</i>
Year Originally Approved	<i>2013/14</i>

Revised Estimate 2013/14 for the Scheme	<i>£35,810</i>
Actual Expenditure in the Year 2013/14	<i>£24,100</i>
Variance - (Underspend) or Overspend	<i>(£11,710)</i>
Please provide full reasons for the (under) or over spend variance shown above?	<i>The winter work planned had to be delayed or abandoned due to ground conditions. There is still work to be completed and the underspend will, if agreed, be used to carry out this work.</i>

Slippage Request

Please grant the amount of Budget Slippage from 2013/14 to 2014/15 requested.	<i>£11,710</i>
Please give detailed information on the reasons for any request for slippage. Please provide as much information as possible in order to allow the request to be fully considered. Attach any information that you feel may be relevant.	<i>The slippage would be used to improve Henthorn Park play area. The work planned includes the painting of railings and new items of small play equipment to replace old items that are getting beyond a repairable state and will need to be removed. New tarmac will be laid to replace current grass areas which will make the area safer enabling glass and other foreign objects to be seen and removed. In the long term the tarmac will lead to more cost effective maintenance compared to the existing grass areas. As with other play areas, permanent games such as hop scotch will be set into the tarmac for children to use. If the slippage is not granted the scale of work at the park would be limited using the existing budget for this year and potentially unsafe items of equipment would be removed rather than replaced and the tarmac work would not happen. The play area is in a popular location and is well used by local children.</i>
By what date would the work or services related to any requested slippage be completed, if it were to be approved.	<i>It would be hoped to complete the work in time for the school summer holidays in July, however this will depend upon when a decision is taken on slippage and how quickly after then that quotes can be obtained and a contractor start on site. Assuming of course that the weather is favourable for the work to be undertaken.</i>