

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

INFORMATION

Agenda Item No 7

meeting date: 14 OCTOBER 2014
 title: CAPITAL MONITORING 2014/15
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1 PURPOSE

1.1 To provide members with information relating to the progress of the approved capital programme for the period April to August 2014 with regards schemes which fall under the responsibility of 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 In total 3 new schemes for this committee were approved by Policy & Finance Committee at their meeting in February 2014, totalling £110,000. In addition, not all planned expenditure for last year was spent by the end of the financial year and the balance of this, totalling £11,710 (which is known as slippage) has been transferred into this financial year.

2.2 The total of all of these elements makes a total planned capital spend for this Committee for the current year of £121,710, which is shown at Annex 1.

3 SCHEMES

3.1 The table below summarises the total approved programme together with actual expenditure to date. Annex 1 shows the full programme by scheme along with the budget and expenditure to date.

		BUDGET		EXPENDITURE	
Original Estimate 2014/15	Slippage from 2013/14	Additional Approvals 2014/15	Total Approved Budget 2014/15	Actual Expenditure as at end August 2014 (including commitments)	Variance as at end August 2014
£	£	£	£	£	£
110,000	11,710	0	121,710	38,085	-83,625

3.2 To date only 31% of the annual capital programme for this Committee has been spent, however this is largely due to delays experienced on the securing of funding for the 3G artificial pitch surface scheme at Edisford and confirming the scope of play area improvements work carried forward from 2013/14.

3.3 The main variations to date are:

- **PLAYN – Play Area Improvements (Slippage from 2013/14 Scheme):** Costs for, and scope of work to be completed, have taken longer than expected to be agreed. Work on the Henthorn Park play area is now confirmed and the majority of the work is scheduled to be completed by November 2014.
- **PLAYO – Play Area Improvements 2014/15:** A number of planned items of work will be carried out in the autumn. The 2014/15 budget also covers reactive repairs and therefore some budget will be kept unallocated until March to ensure any unforeseen work can be rectified. The planned work relates to some recent insurance condition surveys and works council staff have identified, such as replacement swing seats and chains.
- **TGAPS – Installation of 3G Artificial Pitch:** The scheme will not start until external funding is confirmed. The updated September 2014 application for Sport England funding was unsuccessful. Officers will make an updated bid in November 2014. A way forward for the scheme and its funding will be decided after Sport England makes their decision on that bid.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 The Castlefield toilet refurbishment scheme has now been completed, and the play area improvements schemes are making progress. With regard to the installation of the 3G Artificial Pitch, this has been delayed due to not having been able to secure external funding, however it is hoped that more positive news on the latest application may be received in November.

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For further background information please ask for Andrew Cook extension 4498.

BACKGROUND PAPERS – Policy and Finance committee Overall Capital Programme 2014-2017 report, February 2014.

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Cost Centre	Schemes	Original Estimate 2014/15 £	Slippage from 2013/14 £	Additional Approvals 2014/15 £	Total Approved Budget 2014/15 £	Actual Expenditure (including commitments) £	Variation to Date £
CFTOI	Castlefield Toilets Refurbishment	33,000			33,000	32,211	-789
PLAYN	Play Area Improvements 2013/14		11,710		11,710	0	-11,710
PLAYO	Play Area Improvements 2014/15	30,000			30,000	5,874	-24,126
TGAPS	Installation of 3G Artificial Pitch	47,000			47,000	0	-47,000
	Total Community Committee	110,000	11,710	0	121,710	38,085	-83,625

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CFTOI Castlefield Toilets Refurbishment

Service Area: Engineering Services
Head of Service: Terry Longden

Brief Description:

Carry out refurbishment to Castlefield Toilets. Such work to include carrying out repairs to external items and strip out and refurbishment including the doors, cubicles, partitions, taps, wash hand basins, new mirrors, lighting, toilets, urinals, associated pipe work, installation of baby change facilities, new flooring and re-tiling of the walls.

Start Date, duration and key milestones:

January 2014: Produce drawings and specifications
April 2014: Tender and undertake programme of works
August 2014: Completion and start of snagging list

Financial Implications – CAPITAL

	£	Actual and Commitments to end August £	Variance to end August £
Total Approved Budget 2014/15	33,000	32,211	-789
ANTICIPATED TOTAL SCHEME COST	32,211		

Financial Implications – REVENUE

No Change – Existing Service

Useful Economic Life

The expected useful economic life would be 20 – 25 years

Progress - Budget Holder Comments

August 2014: The scheme is at completed.

July 2014: Refurbishment works have been completed and the facilities are now operational. Works have included the provision of baby changing facilities and improvements to the security of the building.

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PLAYN Play Area Improvements – Slippage from 2013/14 Scheme

Service Area: Cultural & Leisure Services

Head of Service: Mark Beveridge

Brief Description:

Provide a fund for maintaining and improving the Council's seventeen play areas.

Start Date, duration and key milestones:

Start Date – April 2013

Anticipated Completion Date – March 2014

Financial Implications – CAPITAL

	£	Actual and Commitments to end August £	Variance to end August £
Total Approved Budget 2014/15	11,710	0	-11,710
Actual Expenditure 2013/14	24,100		
ANTICIPATED TOTAL SCHEME COST	35,810		

Financial Implications – REVENUE

None Expected

Useful Economic Life

The life expectancy varies, depending upon the type of equipment purchased. Location and intensity of use is also a factor.

Progress - Budget Holder Comments

August 2014: Work on Henthorn Park play area is now confirmed and the majority of the work is scheduled to be completed by November 2014.

July 2014: Carried out dog gate replacement. Other works scheduled to be carried out in the next 2 months. Costs for, and scope of work to be completed, have taken longer than expected to be agreed.

September 2013: Following a survey of play areas, priorities have been identified for this year as essential repairs valued at £10k, with the majority of the balance funding new play equipment and the replacement of the dog gate on the Henthorn site. The remainder will fund painting and routine maintenance of existing equipment, ready for next year.

July 2013: A condition survey has been completed to determine replacement priorities.

Annex 2

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PLAYO Play Area Improvements 2014/15

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Financial Implications – CAPITAL

	£	Actual and Commitments to end August £	Variance to end August £
Total Approved Budget 2014/15	30,000	5,874	-24,126
ANTICIPATED TOTAL SCHEME COST	30,000		

Financial Implications – REVENUE

None Expected

Useful Economic Life

The life expectancy varies, depending upon the type of equipment purchased. Location and intensity of use is also a factor.

Progress - Budget Holder Comments

August 2014: As per July 2014, plus planned items for autumn include replacement swing seats and chains.

July 2014: A number of planned items of work will be carried out in the autumn. The budget also covers reactive repairs and therefore some budget will be kept unallocated until March to ensure any unforeseen work can be rectified. The planned work relates to some recent insurance condition surveys and work council staff have identified.

Community Services Committee – Capital Programme 2014/15

TGAPS Installation of 3G Artificial Pitch

Service Area: Cultural & Leisure Services

Head of Service: Mark Beveridge

Brief Description:

The artificial surface at Edisford is divided into 3 playing areas, and the largest of these was purposely designed for Tennis (3 x court provision) and the artificial carpet pile and surface is conducive to Tennis essentially, though due to the decline of demand for Tennis the area is now mainly utilised for Football.

The purpose of this scheme is to replace the artificial pitch carpet, which has been in place for 11 years with a new 3G surface specific for Football participation. There are currently no other pitch surfaces of its kind available to the general public in Ribble Valley and evidence points to its income generating potential for Football Training and junior matches.

This scheme includes the submission of an application to Sport England for a funding contribution from the Inspired Facilities Programme. Progression of this scheme is dependent upon this funding bid being successful.

Start Date, duration and key milestones:

This is dependent upon the success of the application for funding to Sport England. If successful then it would be necessary for the scheme to be complete during 2014/15 with the work ideally being undertaken in the summer months.

Financial Implications – CAPITAL

	£	Actual and Commitments to end August £	Variance to end August £
Total Approved Budget 2014/15	47,000	0	-47,000
ANTICIPATED TOTAL SCHEME COST	47,000		
Funding Bid – Sport England	-25,000		
Net Impact for Ribble Valley BC	22,000		

Financial Implications – REVENUE

Estimated increased maintenance costs of £1,000 per annum, but increased income of £6,500 per annum. Therefore net increased income of £5,500 per annum.

Useful Economic Life

Approximately 15 years with the appropriate level of maintenance and support to help preserve the surface.

Progress - Budget Holder Comments

August/September 2014: The scheme will not start until external funding is confirmed. The updated September 2014 application for Sport England funding was unsuccessful. Officers will make an updated bid in November 2014. A way forward for the scheme and its funding will be decided after Sport England make their decision on that bid.

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July 2014: The original application to Sport England for 'Inspired' funding was unsuccessful but based upon the feedback received and the opportunity to re-submit an improved application, it was decided to reapply based on the same level of funding support and a decision is expected by September 2014.