

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No 8

meeting date: 19 JANUARY 2017
 title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME REVIEW AND NEW BIDS
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To recommend the proposed future five-year capital programme (2017/18 to 2021/22) for this committee.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 This report will review the schemes that were approved in to the capital programme in February 2016, for the financial years 2017/18 and 2018/19. Also new bids received from Heads of Service for the period 2019/20 to 2021/22 are presented for consideration. No bids have previously been requested for this final three year period.
- 2.2 In the same manner as previous years, all Heads of Service were asked to submit new capital bids bearing in mind the limited financial resources that are available to finance the capital programme.

3 REVIEW OF THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/18 TO 2018/19

- 3.1 For Health and Housing Committee there were originally 2 schemes that were already approved for the 2017/18 to 2018/19 timeframe. These are both recurring grant schemes:

- Disabled Facility Grants
- Landlord Tenant Grants

- 3.2 A summary of these previously approved schemes is provided bellow.

	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	TOTAL £
Disabled Facility Grants	161,000	161,000	322,000
Landlord Tenant Grants	50,000	50,000	100,000
Adjusted Approved Schemes	211,000	211,000	422,000

- 3.3 The Disabled Facility Grants scheme is fully funded by the government and is set at a level equal to the government grant received for this purpose, as at the time of setting the budget. Should the government allocation in either of the above years be higher or lower than that allowed, then the scheme value would be adjusted accordingly.

- 3.4 Unlike Disabled Facility Grants, the Landlord Tenant Grants scheme is funded in full by this council.

3.5 As mentioned in the Revised Capital Programme 2016/17 report elsewhere on the agenda, subject to approval there will be a further scheme that will be moved to the 2017/18 financial year from 2016/17. This relates to the Clitheroe Market Improvements scheme at a value of £175,000.

4 NEW CAPITAL BIDS FOR THE PERIOD 2019/20 TO 2021/22

4.1 Heads of Service were also asked to put forward new bids (Annex 1) for the 2019/20 to 2021/22 capital programme. For this committee there have been 4 bids that have been submitted. There will likely be government funding towards the Disabled Facility Grants scheme, as has been the case in past years. No other scheme have any associated external funding

4.2 Details of the scheme bids are attached to this report at Annex 1, and a summary listing by scheme is also shown below.

Health and Housing Committee Schemes	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	TOTAL £
BID 1: Replacement of Pest Control Van (PK13 FJP)		13,500		13,500
BID 2: Replacement of Dog Warden Van (PE64 EYC)			13,500	13,500
Bid 3: Disabled Facility Grants	161,000	161,000	161,000	483,000
Bid 4: Landlord/Tenant Grants	60,000	60,000	60,000	180,000
Total of New Bids Submitted	221,000	234,500	234,500	690,000

4.3 Committee should therefore consider the new scheme bids. Members are also asked to put forward any amendments to the bids that they may wish to make at this stage.

4.4 It must be noted that other committees will be receiving similar reports for the new scheme bids. Bids from all committees will finally be considered alongside each other by the Budget Working Group and Policy and Finance Committee against the limited financial resources that are available to finance the capital programme.

5 APPROVED SCHEMES AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME BIDS FOR 2017/18 TO 2021/22

5.1 The table below provides a summary of the impact of currently approved capital programme schemes and also those bids that have been received for Heads of Service (subject to approval).

2017/18 £	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £
211,000	211,000	221,000	234,500	234,500

6 RISK ASSESSMENT

6.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications

- Resources – The **new bids** that have been submitted for this committee would require funding of £207,000 from Council resources, with the balance of £483,000 being identified as funded by the government for Disabled Facility Grants (over the 3 years).
- Technical, Environmental and Legal – None.
- Political – None.
- Reputation – Sound financial planning for known capital commitments safeguards the reputation of the Council.
- Equality and Diversity – Equality and Diversity issues are examined as part of the capital bid appraisal process.

7 CONCLUSION

7.1 There are currently 2 schemes in the capital programme for the period 2017/18 to 2018/19 for this committee.

7.2 There have been 4 new capital scheme bids for the period 2019/20 to 2021/22. The Disabled Facility Grants scheme would likely be fully funded by the government and has been included at an indicative value of £161,000 per annum. The final scheme value will be set to match the actual government grant funding received in year.

8 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

8.1 Consider the future five-year programme for 2017/18 to 2021/22 as attached and agree any amendments they wish to make.

8.2 Recommend to Policy and Finance Committee a future five-year capital programme for this committee's services.

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For further background information please ask for Lawson Oddie.

BACKGROUND PAPERS – None

Health and Housing Committee
New Capital Bids Received – 2019/20 to 2021/22

BID 1: Replacement of Pest Control Van (PK13 FJP)
Service Area: Dog Warden and Pest Control Service
Submitted by: Heather Coar

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The current van (Fiat Doblo 1.3 SX Panel Van) will be 7 years old and ready for replacement in May 2020. The van is required to transport pest control staff to various sites around the borough to carry out their work.

The bid is for the purchase of the basic van plus additional adaptations to make the van fit for pest control purposes.

Revenue Implications:

There are no additional revenue implications above those of the existing van

Timescale for Completion:

April 2020

Any Risks to Completion:

None identified

Capital Cost:

2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £
0	13,500	0

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets

To help make people's lives safer and healthier

Health and Housing Committee
New Capital Bids Received – 2019/20 to 2021/22

BID 2:	Replacement of Dog Warden Van (PE64 EYC)
Service Area:	Dog Warden and Pest Control Service
Submitted by:	Heather Coar

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The current van (Fiat Doblo 1.3 SX Panel Van) will be 7 years old and ready for replacement in May 2021. The van is required to transport dog warden staff to various sites around the borough to carry out their work.

The bid is for the purchase of the basic van plus additional adaptations to make the van fit for pest control purposes.

Revenue Implications:

There are no additional revenue implications above those of the existing van

Timescale for Completion:

April 2021

Any Risks to Completion:

None identified

Capital Cost:

2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £
0	0	13,500

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets

To help make people's lives safer and healthier

Health and Housing Committee
New Capital Bids Received – 2019/20 to 2021/22

BID 3: Disabled Facility Grants

Service Area: Housing

Submitted by: Colin Hirst

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The scheme provides mandatory grant aid to adapt homes so elderly and disabled occupants can remain in their own home. The maximum grant is £30,000 and for adults is means tested. The grants can provide for minor adaptation, for example the installation of a stair lift, up to the provision of a bathroom and bedroom extension.

Revenue Implications:

None

Timescale for Completion:

The Disabled Facilities Grant budget operates throughout the financial year.

Any Risks to Completion:

- The population age of Ribble Valley occupants is increasing and therefore demand for the service will continue, but with finite resources
- The scheme is dependent on the level of funding awarded by the government

Capital Cost:

2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £
161,000	161,000	161,000

Please Note: The values above are indicative only and the final scheme value will be set to match the actual government grant funding received in year.

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets

To help make people's lives safer and healthier

Health and Housing Committee
New Capital Bids Received – 2019/20 to 2021/22

BID 4: Landlord/Tenant Grants

Service Area: Housing

Submitted by: Colin Hirst

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The scheme match funds a landlord's investment in a property in return for an affordable rental property. Conditions of the grant are nomination rights and a set rent level in line with LHA. The scheme is crucial for move on accommodation for families in the hostel as the social housing waiting list is so long. The scheme is also used to bring empty properties back into use.

Revenue Implications:

None

Timescale for Completion:

The Landlord/Tenant Grant budget operates throughout the financial year.

Any Risks to Completion:

Potential for over demand for the scheme as the budget will allow 4 properties to be renovated.

Capital Cost:

2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
£	£	£
60,000	60,000	60,000

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets

To match the supply of homes in our area with the identified housing need.