

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No 8

meeting date: 24 JANUARY 2017
 title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME REVIEW AND NEW BIDS
 submitted by: DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES
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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 Policy and Finance Committee there were originally 7 schemes that were already approved for the 2017/18 to 2018/19 timeframe.
- 3.2 A scheme for the replacement of the council telephone system is currently in the capital programme for the 2018/19 financial year. Due to issues that have currently been experienced with the telephone system it is proposed that this scheme is moved forward to the 2017/18 financial year.
- 3.3 As a result the 2017/18 to 2018/19 approved capital programme has been amended to reflect this. And the table below provides a summary. A full breakdown by scheme is provided at Annex 1.

	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	TOTAL £
Previously Approved	26,000	147,750	173,750
Bring Forward 'New Council Telephone System' Scheme to 2017/18 financial year	45,000	-45,000	0
Adjusted Total	71,000	102,750	173,750

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 2) for the 2019/20 to 2021/22 capital programme. For this committee there have been 3 bids that have been submitted. There is no external funding associated with any of the bids

4.2 Details of the scheme bids are attached to this report at Annex 2, and a summary listing by scheme is shown below.

Policy and Finance Committee Schemes	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	TOTAL £
BID 1: Resurfacing of Dewhurst Road, Langho	60,000			60,000
BID 2: Redesign of the Corporate Website	30,000			30,000
BID 3: Corporate Firewall	15,000			15,000
Total of New Bids for Policy and Finance Committee	105,000	0	0	105,000

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 the special meeting of 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, including the switch in financial years for the telephone system scheme, and also those new bids that have been received for Heads of Service (subject to approval).

2017/18 £	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £
71,000	102,750	105,000	0	0

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 £105,000 from Council resources.
- 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 7 schemes in the capital programme for the period 2017/18 to 2018/19 for this committee.

7.2 There have been 3 new capital scheme bids for the period 2019/20 to 2021/22. There is no potential external funding associated with these new schemes.

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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DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

10 January 2017

For further background information please ask for Lawson Oddie.

BACKGROUND PAPERS – None

Community Services Committee
Previously Approved Capital Programme – 2017/18 to 2018/19

ANNEX 1

SCHEMES	2017/18	2018/19	TOTAL
	£	£	£
Replacement server for Revenues & Benefits	13,500		13,500
Printing section equipment upgrade	12,500		12,500
Council Chamber – Seating renewal scheme		11,250	11,250
Windows Server Upgrade		23,500	23,500
New Council Telephone System		45,000	45,000
Civic Suite Upgrade		45,000	45,000
Queensway Garages – Replace roof covering and repairs		23,000	23,000
Total Previously approved for Policy and Finance Committee	26,000	147,750	173,750
Bring Forward 'New Council Telephone System' Scheme to 2017/18 financial year	45,000	-45,000	0
Adjusted Total	71,000	102,750	173,750

Policy and Finance Committee
New Capital Bids Received – 2019/20 to 2021/22

BID 1: Resurfacing of Dewhurst Road, Langho
Service Area: Estates
Submitted by: Adrian Harper

Brief Description of the Scheme:

RVBC have already spent £7k this year on patching the private road owned by RVBC. On the road there is a Mental Health Hospital, a children's nursery, a football club and 3 private properties. The estimate is to re-kerb, provide drainage and resurface.

The level of work will not be to adoption standards but will remove the liability for a number of years.

Without the work being done RVBC is open to claims from motorists and potential bad press.

Revenue Implications:

The surface will continue to break up until it is resurfaced. In 2016/17 this council has spent £7,000 making good the surfacing.

Timescale for Completion:

Tender 4 weeks, lead in period 6 weeks to allow communication with residents and businesses, contract 2 months

Any Risks to Completion:

Resident or business opposition to the scheme

Capital Cost:

2019/20 £	2020/21 £	2021/22 £
60,000	0	0

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets

To be a well-managed council

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BID 2:	Redesign of the Corporate Website
Service Area:	ICT Services
Submitted by:	Lawson Oddie

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The last major redesign of the corporate web site took place in 2014, by 2019/20 the current site will be 5 years old and website styling, best practice and functionality will have moved on greatly since 2014.

The current site will be showing its age, and be less engaging to members of the public.

Revenue Implications:

None above the existing budgeted revenue charges

Timescale for Completion:

5 months based on the previous re-design

Any Risks to Completion:

Staff absence, limited experienced resources, supplier going out of business

Capital Cost:

2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
£	£	£
30,000	0	0

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets

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BID 3:	Corporate Firewall
Service Area:	ICT Services
Submitted by:	Lawson Oddie

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The current corporate firewall was replaced in 2014. New security threats from the internet are emerging at a rapid rate and technology must keep pace. In order to protect RVBC from cyber threats we will need to enhance our firewall/internet gateway.

Revenue Implications:

None above the existing budgeted revenue charges

Timescale for Completion:

2-3 months depending on hardware availability

Any Risks to Completion:

Staff absence, limited experienced resources, supplier going out of business, fluctuation of the pound against the dollar, hardware availability

Capital Cost:

2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
£	£	£
15,000	0	0

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets

To be a well-managed council.