

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No 8

meeting date: 14 MARCH 2017
title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/18
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform members of the schemes which have been approved for inclusion in this Committee's 2017/18 capital programme.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 As members will be aware, this Committee proposed a five year capital programme for 2017/18 to 2021/22 at its meeting on 10 January 2017. As it stood at that time the draft capital programme across all the committees was unaffordable. The proposals have since been reviewed by Budget Working Group and Corporate Management Team in order to arrive at an affordable programme for 2017/18 to 2021/22.
- 2.2 Following recommendation by a special meeting of Policy and Finance Committee on 7 February 2017, Full Council approved the five year capital programme for 2017/18 to 2021/22 on 28 February 2017.
- 2.3 The Council's overall capital programme for the five year period 2017/18 to 2021/22 totals £5,339,250 for all committees. The total for this Committee is £3,681,550 over the five year life of the programme. £447,610 of this relates to the 2017/18 financial year.

3 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2017/18 – APPROVED SCHEMES

- 3.1 For this Committee there are nine previously approved schemes in the 2017/18 capital programme, totalling £447,610. The capital value for one of the schemes, Ribble Valley off-street car parks – upgrade of payment systems, was reduced by £6,000 as part of this year's round of capital bids due to part of the scheme being completed as a revenue item in 2016/17. This was reflected in the scheme values reported to this Committee on 10 January 2017.
- 3.2 Shown overleaf is a list of the nine schemes that make up the 2017/18 capital programme for this Committee. The detailed information for each scheme is shown in **Annex 1**.

Scheme	Budget 2017/18 £
Play Area Improvements	40,000
Ribble Valley off-street car parks – upgrade of payment systems	14,550
Castle Museum – Refurbishment of windows	62,560
Renewal of sections of floor to residual waste transfer station	19,500
Replacement of Twin-bodied refuse collection vehicle (VU59 JJK)	218,000
Replacement of Works Iveco Tipper with Iveco Daily Long Wheelbase high top van	23,500
Replacement mower (Kubota) PN09 SWO	15,500
Replacement mowers - Scag 4x4 Mower (rvbc016) and Scag Mower (rvbc014)	13,000
Replacement pick up vehicles (Ford Ranger S/C 4WD x 2) - PK07 LSY and PK07 TZG	41,000
Total Community Committee	447,610

- 3.3 During the closure of our capital accounts there may be some slippage on schemes in the current year, 2016/17. One of the tasks of the Budget Working Group will be to review any requests for slippage on capital schemes within the 2016/17 capital programme. A report will be brought to this Committee at a future meeting, giving details of any slippage.
- 3.4 Responsible officers will complete and update capital monitoring sheets for each scheme, which will be reported quarterly to members to give an indication of progress.
- 4 CONCLUSION
- 4.1 This Committee has a capital programme for 2017/18 of £447,610. The programme consists of nine schemes.
- 4.2 Any slippage on schemes in the 2016/17 capital programme will be added onto the 2017/18 capital programme.

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DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

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For further background information please ask for Andrew Cook.

BACKGROUND PAPERS – None

Play Area Improvements

Service Area: Ribble Valley Parks

Submitted by: Mark Beveridge

Brief Description of the Scheme:

To provide a fund for maintaining and improving the Council's 18 play areas.

The play areas are an integral part of community life for the residents which they serve. They provide a safe environment for parents and guardians to take children to and allow them to develop social skills as well as their co-ordination and be active. Play is a fundamental building block of this.

The play areas are well used, any injury arising from their use can result in potential insurance claims. The Council inspects on a monthly basis and the insurers annually. The Council as owner and operator has a Duty of Care to ensure the play areas are safe.

This budget provides for planned improvements to the play areas each year and for any improvements required as a result of regular inspections and any reports of broken or unsafe equipment.

Revenue Implications:

None.

Timescale for Completion:

April of each financial year and lasting throughout the year.

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18
£
40,000

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.

Ribble Valley off-street car parks – upgrade of payment systems

Service Area: Car Parking

Submitted by: Adrian Harper

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The Council takes payment of off street car parking charges from the motorist either through an annual contract (payable in advance) or through a cash payment to the on-site pay and display parking machines. These machines (23 in total on the Council's 19 chargeable sites) accept payment by cash only. It is becoming more common for parking machines to accept cashless payments e.g. by debit / credit card and by transfer of funds initiated from the motorist's "smart- phone" and there is some expectation by customers that non-cash payment systems should be available.

This scheme will upgrade the payment systems for car park payment machines to be able to accept the new £1 coin and to accept chip and pin payments.

NOTE – This scheme has been updated since it was approved by Community Committee in January 2015, because the introduction of the new £1 coin was brought forward by the Royal Mint to March 2017.

The part of the scheme which would upgrade machines to be able to accept the new £1 coin was brought forward to be implemented in the 2016/17 financial year as revenue expenditure funded from earmarked reserves. The estimated value of that part of the original 2017/18 capital scheme, £6,000, was removed from the scheme. This left a 2017/18 capital scheme value of £14,550 to fund the upgrade of machines to be able to accept chip and pin payments.

In addition, the chip and pin upgrade has been deferred until at least September 2017 to assess whether the recently introduced pay by phone system will negate the need for this scheme.

Revenue Implications:

None.

Timescale for Completion:

September 2017 onwards, if going ahead.

Any Risks to Completion:

The scheme may not go ahead if the recently introduced pay by phone system negates the need for this scheme.

Capital Cost:

2017/18 £
14,550

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.

Castle Museum – Refurbishment of Windows

Service Area: Clitheroe Castle Museum

Submitted by: Adrian Harper

Brief Description of the Scheme:

As the appearance of the Castle Museum forms the first impression to all visitors or residents of the borough when visiting the Castle grounds, it is an aim that they are adequately maintained to support the Council's efforts to attracting tourism to the Borough.

The building is in a reasonable condition following its internal refurbishment in 2009 but since these works only minor repairs to the building have been carried out. Due to the prominent location of the building the timber windows are exposed to all weather conditions. The windows are visually in need of repair and are becoming deteriorated allowing water ingress into the fabric of the listed building.

Following the survey of the Castle Museum windows it has been noted that the majority of the windows are suffering from wet rot in the window frames / cills with some being severe, missing sealant around window edges and delamination of paint finishes.

It is recommended that the windows be refurbished using an epoxy resin solution carried out in-situ with the possibility that some may require removing and refurbishing in the factory depending on the exact condition. This will provide better air and weather tightness for the building giving improved protection to the internals of the building and potentially improving the energy efficiency of the building.

The works would include scaffolding around the building to provide adequate and safe access to all windows and will involve cutting back of all defective timber, mixing and applying the epoxy resin and moulding to the existing window profile. The fixtures will be prepared and redecorated with a sealant around the windows being replaced, all as agreed with the Council's listed buildings officer.

Revenue Implications:

None.

Timescale for Completion:

April 2017: Tender and undertake programme of works.

June 2017: Commencement of works.

July 2017: Completion.

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18 £
62,560

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To sustain a strong and prosperous Ribble Valley.

Renewal of sections of floor to residual waste transfer station (Phase 1)

Service Area: Waste Transfer Station

Submitted by: Adrian Harper

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The Salthill waste transfer station has been in operation since 2007. The more heavily used sections of the reinforced concrete floor within the residual waste building are showing signs of inevitable wear. It is considered that the reinforced concrete floor will require replacement in the 2017/18 financial year at an estimated cost of £19,500 (Phase 1). The remaining concrete floor to the recycle waste building is likely to need replacing the following year at a cost of £23,500 (Phase 2).

It has been planned that the works will be carried out in 2 halves and that normal operations would be able to continue, albeit changed to suit the reduced working area.

Revenue Implications:

None.

Timescale for Completion:

Work to be undertaken over summer of 2017, completed for Autumn.

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18 £
19,500

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.

Replacement of Twin-bodied Refuse Collection Vehicle (VU59 JJK)

Service Area: Refuse Collection

Submitted by: Adrian Harper

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The Council has a fleet of eight 23 or 26 tonne, split bodied refuse collection vehicles (RCVs) for the weekly emptying and collection of the contents of up to 47,800 wheeled bins and a further 865 refuse sacks. It operates 7 main collection rounds with an 8th vehicle, which will always be the oldest of the main fleet, being used as the cover vehicle for breakdowns, the essential periodic servicing, the required legal safety inspections, Loler inspections, and of course the MOTs of the other 7 front-line vehicles (commercial vehicles need MOTs after one year). Operating the complex 7 years old vehicles as front line units is considered to be at the limit of their economic life.

This bid is for the replacement of the '8th vehicle'.

Revenue Implications:

The new vehicle will be more fuel efficient (euro stage 6 engines) and have lower carbon emissions than the existing vehicle that it replaces. Fuel savings estimated to be approximately £1,000 per annum.

Timescale for Completion:

Early ordering to allow delivery early on in 2017/18.

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18 £
218,000

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.

Replacement of Works Iveco Tipper with Iveco Daily Long Wheelbase high top van

Service Area: Works

Submitted by: Adrian Harper

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The direct services works team utilise 3 vehicles for maintenance works. A (2010) 4 x 4 pickup truck with the capability of towing the jetter and the mini digger trailer, a (2010) 7.5 tonne Iveco open back truck c/w tail lift truck and a (2006) 7.5 tonne Iveco tipper truck.

The tipper facility of the 2006 Iveco truck is now infrequently used as the work has moved away from civils type works in favour of lighter maintenance jobs.

It would be particularly beneficial if the section had the use of a long wheel base high top Iveco type vehicle, similar to those commonly used by general maintenance and building contractors, in which materials and equipment could be transported in a secure and weather proof environment.

Revenue Implications:

The replacement vehicle will have a more efficient engine leading to reduced fuel consumption of approximately £500 per annum.

Timescale for Completion:

April 2017: Tender new vehicle.

May 2017: Purchase new vehicle.

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18
£
23,500

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To be a well-managed council.

Replacement mower (Kubota) PN09 SWO

Service Area: Grounds Maintenance

Submitted by: Mark Beveridge

Brief Description of the Scheme:

Ride on mower for amenity areas and external contracts, purchased in 2009, by the time of renewal it will be 8 years old. As with all machinery it is used intensively for the growing season which now extends from late March until early November. The industry norm for replacement of this type of machinery is 5 years.

Revenue Implications:

None.

Timescale for Completion:

2017/18.

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18 £
15,500

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.

Replacement mowers - Scag 4x4 Mower (rvbc016) and Scag Mower (rvbc014)

Service Area: Grounds Maintenance

Submitted by: Mark Beveridge

Brief Description of the Scheme:

This scheme follows the vehicle and plant replacement programme and covers the planned replacement of two Scag Mowers, as follows:

- Scag 4x4 Mower (rvbc016) has a 10 year life span, longer than the industry norm. It is used for the banked areas of the Castle and other difficult terrains where a ride on machine would be unsafe to operate due to the incline. It is 4 wheel drive because it has been assessed as the best equipment for the work required.
- Scag Mower (rvbc014) is utilised both on RVBC amenity and contracted grass cutting. Reliable and controllable machines that give minimal operator fatigue are necessary in order to consistently provide the quality of cut that is required. The existing mower, purchased in 2008 will be 9 years old at the programmed replacement date.

Revenue Implications:

Existing Service – no change.

Timescale for Completion:

2017/18

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18 £
13,000

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.

Replacement pick up vehicles (Ford Ranger S/C 4WD) x 2 – PK07 LSY and PK07 TZG

Service Area: Grounds Maintenance

Submitted by: Mark Beveridge

Brief Description of the Scheme:

The two vehicles due for replacement were purchased in 2007, they are on a 10 year replacement cycle. They are used to transport materials and towing equipment for grounds maintenance to use on site.

Revenue Implications:

None.

Timescale for Completion:

2017/18

Any Risks to Completion:

None expected.

Capital Cost:

2017/18 £
41,000

Overriding Council aim/ambition that the scheme meets:

To protect and enhance the existing environmental quality of our area.