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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Education &amp; Communities Committee</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>23 January 2018</b>
<b>Report By:</b>	<b>Corporate Director Education, Communities &amp; Organisational Development and Chief Financial Officer</b>	<b>Report No:</b>	<b>EDUCOM/12/18/MM</b>
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Communities Capital Programme 2017 - 2020 Progress</b>		

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## **1.0 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to update the Committee in respect of the status of the projects forming the Communities Capital Programme and to highlight the overall financial position.

## **2.0 SUMMARY**

- 2.1 This report advises the Committee in respect of the progress and financial status of the projects within the Communities Capital Programme.
- 2.2 Overall the Committee is projecting to contain the costs of the 2017-2020 Capital Programme within available budgets.
- 2.3 Appendix 1 contains details of the projected spend and cashflow for the Capital Programme over the 2 years of the current programme together with a projected allocation for future years.
- 2.4 Expenditure at 30 November is 34.13% of the 2017/18 approved budget (41.57% of the revised projection). Slippage of £627k (17.9%) is projected, This is a movement of £321K (9.16%) from the net slippage reported to the last Committee and is due to the inability to progress the CCTV project in the current year as any decision to progress is linked to the budget timetable. Slippage of £306K in the Watt Complex project was reported to the October Committee.

## **3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 That the Committee notes the progress with the specific projects as detailed in Appendix 1.

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## **4.0 BACKGROUND**

4.1 This report shows the current position of the approved Communities Capital Programme.

## **5.0 HOUSING SCHEME OF ASSISTANCE (SOA)**

5.1 The Scheme of Assistance provides statutory housing assistance for the improvement and repair of private sector housing within Inverclyde. There is a 3-strand approach to delivery, namely Advice & Information, Practical Assistance and Financial Assistance. In order to meet the objectives of the Local Housing Strategy, repairs and improvements for the following areas are given priority – work to meet needs of disabled persons, houses which fail the tolerable standard, tackling fuel poverty, replacement of lead drinking water pipes and communal Scottish Housing Quality Standard works. Funding for SOA in the period 2017 to 2020 is £3.907m. Detail on the current position regarding the scheme of assistance is attached at Appendix 2.

## **6.0 WATT COMPLEX REFURBISHMENT**

6.1 The current funding is being prioritised to address essential repairs to the external envelope, ensuring that the building is wind, watertight and safe. As previously reported to Committee, the following advance / preparatory works have been carried out and completed to date:

- Advance contract for dry rot works was carried out and completed in 2016.
- Emergency works to stonework addressing priority pinnacles and towers.
- Phase 1 priority stone repair works.
- Renewal of existing fire and intruder alarm installations funded from the Core Property Services allocation (Fire Risk / Statutory Compliance budgets) as reported to the Environment & Regeneration Committee.
- Racking and temporary artefact protection measures.
- Exhibit removal/relocation including storage of fine art works and removal of wet specimens.

Work on the main contract commenced on site in November 2017 to complete by August 2018. The Contractor is currently progressing, and has partially completed, the scaffolding of the building elevations. Work on the removal of leaded glass lights for restoration has commenced with roof de-slating planned subject to an appropriate weather window. The October report noted that a more detailed update on the overall funding position would be reported to this Committee in respect of the confirmed grant funding from Historic Environment Scotland (HES). At the time of preparing this report Officers are still awaiting the final offer of grant from HES however the feedback from HES on the quality of the submission has been positive. The formal award confirmation is anticipated imminently.

## **7.0 WOODHALL COMMUNITY FACILITY**

7.1 Road calming and wider road safety works together with CCTV provision to discourage and detect fly tipping in the Woodhall area have now been carried out. Members will be aware that the fencing of this facility was recently damaged when a car was in collision with it. Although the repairs will be covered by insurance some of the remaining budget may be used to install bollards to prevent any recurrence.

## **8.0 NEW COMMUNITY FACILITY BROOMHILL**

8.1 IAMH is now occupying the building and by the time of this Committee the official opening should have taken place. The remaining spend against this budget will be completed as per the

budget profile.

## 9.0 BIRKMYRE PARK PITCH IMPROVEMENTS

9.1 The current budget for Birkmyre Park pitch improvements is £350k. The estimated cost of the works based on the last tender exercise is £414K which includes a £50k contribution from St Columba's School. A capital funded from current revenue (CFCR) contribution of £14K virement was approved at the September 2017 Committee. Formal planning approval has been granted and the legal agreements concerning access through neighbouring land in connection with the works have now been concluded. The tender acceptance period has expired and it is anticipated that the project will be re-tendered in the new year to allow a site start in Spring and to allow sufficient time for the conclusion of the ongoing negotiations with St Columba's School.

## 10.0 LADY OCTAVIA RECREATION CENTRE - PITCH LIFECYCLE WORKS

10.1 As previously reported, the March Committee approved the use of the Council's Repairs and Renewal fund to address the lifecycle work to the 2 5-a-side pitches at Lady Octavia Recreation Centre. Works to replace the carpets and fencing have been completed.

The September Committee (and subsequent Policy & Resources Committee) approved a further allocation from the Council's Repairs and Renewal fund to address the rejuvenation of the large 3G pitch at Lady Octavia Recreation Centre whose original installation dates back to 2009. Work on this has now been completed.

## 11.0 CCTV RENEWAL

11.1 The provision of £321K in the Capital Programme had previously been moved to 2017-18 for renewal of the Public Space CCTV infrastructure. Given the budget timetable however it is likely that spend on this project may be delayed until 2018-19.

## 12.0 IMPLICATIONS

### Finance

12.1 The expenditure at 30 November 2017 is £1.196m compared to an approved budget of £3.504m. This is expenditure of 34.13% of the approved budget after 66.66% of the year. The Committee is projecting to spend £2.877m with net slippage of £627K (17.89%) being reported. Slippage of £306K (8.73%) has previously been reported on the Watt Complex project reflecting the main contract tender return position. Further slippage of £321K (9.16%) is now being reported reflecting the anticipated timescale for any works in connection with the CCTV renewal project as outlined in 11.1 above.

12.2 The current budget of £9.898m is made up of £3,907K for Housing / Scheme of Assistance (SOA), £1m for Clune Park and £4,991 for Cultural & Sports projects. The Current Projection is £9.898m.

12.3

Education & Communities	Approved Budget £000	Current Position £000	Overspend / (Underspend) £000	Comments
Total Housing	4,907	4,907	-	
Total Cultural & Sports	4,991	4,991	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,898</b>	<b>9,898</b>	<b>0</b>	

## Legal

12.4 There are no legal issues.

## Human Resources

12.5 There are no human resources issues.

## Equalities

12.6 Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out?

X

YES (see attached appendix)

NO - This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy. Therefore, no Equality Impact Assessment is required. See below.

Individual projects consider DDA issues as part of the development of the detailed designs and Building Standards approval (where required). There are no equalities issues.

## Repopulation

12.7 The regeneration works outlined in this report should contribute to retaining and increasing the population within the area. There are no repopulation issues.

## 13.0 CONSULTATION

13.1 The report has been jointly prepared by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development and the Chief Finance Officer.

13.2 There are no direct staffing implications in respect of the report and as such the Head of Organisational Development, HR and Communications has not been consulted.

13.3 There are no legal issues arising from the content of this report and as such the Head of Legal and Property Services has not been consulted.

## 14.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

14.1 Communities Capital Programme Technical Progress Reports December 2017. (A technical progress report is a project specific report which details the financial and progress position for current projects which have a legal commitment).

COMMUNITIES CAPITAL REPORT  
 COMMITTEE: EDUCATION & COMMUNITIES

Appendix 1

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Status
Est. Total Cost	Actual to 31/3/17	Approved Budget 2017/18	Revised Est. 2017/18	Actual to 30/11/17	Est. 2018/19	Est. 2019/20	Future Years	Start Date	Original Completion Date	Current Completion Date	
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000					
<b>Housing</b>											
Clune Park Regeneration Scheme of Assistance	1,000 3,907	0 889	0 889	0 282	0 900	1,000 900	0 368				
<b>Cultural &amp; Sports</b>											
Watt Complex Refurbishment	2,000	321	986	115	970	29	0				
Community Facilities Investment Woodhall Balance	24	0	24	0	0	0	0				
New Community Facility Broomhill	1,747	800	897	739	50	0	0				
Contribution to Birkmyre Park Pitch Improvements	414	13	262	16	139	0	0				
CCTV Upgrade	321	0	321	0	321	0	0				
Lady Octavia MUGA Lifecycle works	80	0	70	44	10	0	0				
Indoor Sports Facility For Tennis	350	0	0	0	0	350	0				
Complete On Site	55	0	55	0	0	0	0				
	4,991	1,134	2,615	914	1,840	29	0				
<b>Communities Total</b>	9,898	1,984	3,504	2,877	2,740	1,929	368				

APPENDIX 2 SCHEME OF ASSISTANCE SUMMARY

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION & COMMUNITIES

	Budget 2017/18	Proportion of Budget	Actual to 30/9/17	Projection 2017/18	(Under) / Over Budget	Percentage Over / (Under)
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Assistance To Support Independent Living</u></b>						
Care & Repair (including Small Repair Service)	195	97	34	195	0	0.0 %
Grant Assistance - Adaptions	694	347	229	694	0	0.0 %
<b>Total Scheme of Assistance</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0 %</b>

Care and Repair	20	10	20	20	0	0.0 %
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Empty Homes	90	45	13	90	0	0.0 %
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