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Report To:	**Policy & Resources Committee**	**Date:**	**26 March 2019**
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Subject:	**Policy & Resources Capital Programme 2018/2021 - Progress Report**		

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of the report is to update the Committee in respect of the status of the projects within the Policy & Resources Capital Programme and to highlight the overall financial position.

2.0 SUMMARY

2.1 This report updates the Committee in respect of the progress and financial status of the projects within the Policy & Resources Capital Programme.

2.2 It can be seen from section 6 that the projected spend over the period to 2020/21 is £1.400m, which means that the total projected spend is on budget.

2.3 Expenditure at 31 January 2019 is 74.77% of 2018/19 projected spend. Net advancement of £0.039m (7.80%) is being reported at this time.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That the Committee notes current position of the 2018/21 Capital Programme, the reported net advancement and the progress on the specific projects detailed in the report and Appendix 1.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 On March 15 2018 the Council approved the 2018/21 Capital Programme which continued the core annual ICT allocation of £0.363m.

5.0 PROGRESS

5.1 PC Refresh Programme – ICT implements a six year desktop and laptop refresh strategy. The 2018/19 refresh programme has targeted laptop devices within the school estate, replacing over 830 laptop devices across all areas of the Primary, Secondary and ASN sectors. To date - £0.207m has been spent through the Scottish Government National Framework for mobile devices. This represents the best overall value for the procurement of IT Equipment and guarantees supply and support of identified models for the period of the contract. The Refresh Programme for 2019/20 has been identified and is targeting devices for staff within the Health and Social Care Partnership, particularly those staff required to work in a more flexible and mobile environment.

5.2 Server and Switch Replacement – £0.064m has been allocated to replacing and upgrading key server equipment for the upgrade of core systems, including SWIFT and Council Tax Administration. £0.023m has been allocated to replace a number of servers within the Primary School estate, allowing the removal of the oldest and most unreliable devices. Key network components have been replaced and upgraded and investment made to evaluate wireless capabilities within the corporate estate. Replacement or upgrade of the Council's central file storage services is currently still being evaluated and will be implemented in line with a Cloud Migration Strategy to improve resilience and availability of systems in 2019/20.

5.3 Whiteboard Projector/Refresh – A number of whiteboard projectors within the school estate are coming to the end of their useful lifecycle or are no longer available for replacement in the event of equipment failure. Devices are replaced "as and when" they fail and are subject to budgetary availability. Migration away from traditional projector/screen configuration to all in one LED active panels, where possible, is being investigated. £0.048m has been invested in this programme.

5.4 Modernisation Fund – As previously reported two Business Cases for investment as part of the Council's Digital Strategy have been approved by the Digital Access Group. A Business Case for a significant investment in the Council's Customer Relationship Management System was agreed at this Committee in March 2018 and project implementation is progressing. Further details are included in the ICT Update report elsewhere on the Committee agenda.

6.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Finance

6.1 The figures below detail the position at 31 January 2019. Expenditure to date is £0.403m (74.77% of the 2018/19 projected spend). Phasing and project spend has been reviewed.

6.2 The current budget for the period to 31 March 2021 is £1.400m. The current projection is £1.400m which means the total projected spend is on budget.

6.3 The approved budget for 2018/19 is £0.500m. The Committee is projecting to spend £0.539m with net advancement of £0.039m (7.80%) mainly due to slippage within the Modernisation Fund (£0.011m) offset by advancement within the Rolling Replacement of PC's (£0.030m) and Server & Switch Replacement Programme (£0.020m).

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report £000	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact £000	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A					

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 Legal

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.

7.2 Human Resources

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.

7.3 Equalities

There are no equalities implications in this report.

7.4 Repopulation

There are no repopulation implications in this report.

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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Project Name	1 Est Total Cost £000	2 Actual to 31/3/18 £000	3 Approved Budget 2018/19 £000	4 Revised Est 2018/19 £000	5 Actual to 31/01/2019 £000	6 Est 2019/20 £000	7 Est 2020/21 £000	8 Est 2021/22 £000
Environment, Regeneration & Resources								
ICT								
Storage/Backup Devices/Minor Works and Projects	65		65	65	12	0	0	
Rolling Replacement of PC's	235		205	235	207	0	0	
Whiteboard/Projector Refresh	48		48	48	36	0	0	
Server & Switch Replacement Programme	103		83	103	64	0	0	
Annual Allocation	826	0	0	0	0	463	363	
ICT Total	**1,277**	**0**	**401**	**451**	**319**	**463**	**363**	**0**
Finance								
Modernisation Fund	123	24	99	88	84	11	0	0
Finance Total	**123**	**24**	**99**	**88**	**84**	**11**	**0**	**0**
TOTAL	**1,400**	**24**	**500**	**539**	**403**	**474**	**363**	**0**