
Report To: Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee

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Subject: Safe, Sustainable Communities Capital Programme 2011/15 - Progress

1.0 PURPOSE

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

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 This report advises Committee in respect of the progress and financial status of the projects within the Safe, Sustainable Communities Capital Programme.
- 2.2 It can be seen from the table in 6.2 that the projected spend over 2011/15 is £26.557m which means that the total projected spend is on budget.
- 2.3 Expenditure is currently 64% of 2011/12 projected spend and slippage of £1,470,000 (20.33%) is currently reported. Slippage has increased by £428,000 since the previous report. This movement is mainly due to £172,000 within Flooding Strategy; £171,000 within Play Areas; £80,000 for Baker Street Land Acquisition; £75,000 within the Zero Waste Fund; and £48,000 within Knocknairshill Phase 5c; partly offset by a further increase in expenditure of £150,000 within the additional Roads Improvements funding.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Committee note the current position of the 2011/15 Capital Programme and the progress on specific projects detailed in Appendix 1.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 In February 2011 the Council agreed a three year Capital Programme covering the period 2011/14. The Government has subsequently announced 2014/15 Capital Grant allocations and in February 2012 the Council agreed both to extend the Capital Programme to include financial year 2014/15 and to fund a number of additional Capital projects from available reserves.
- 4.2 In addition to these projects which have been added to the programme further funding for Roads (£1m for Flooding & £2.2m for Roads/Footways & Lighting Investment) was agreed but is dependent on Government confirmation that funds currently set aside for the Landfill Tax Penalty Scheme will not be required. These projects will be added to the programme on confirmation that the funding is available.

5.0 PROGRESS (Major Projects)

Additional funding of £1million was allocated towards Road Improvements from Revenue Reserves in September 2011. It is currently projected that £750,000 of this will be spent in the current financial year.

- 5.1 This is £150,000 more than previously reported due to the Service progressing works quicker than originally estimated. This has been partly due to there being fewer delays than expected as a result of the mild winter. A further £1.4m additional funding from Reserves was awarded in February 2012 and has been allocated to 2012/13.
- 5.2 As previously reported, uncertainty over the future workload for Building Services is likely to affect the future fleet requirements. Once the implications are confirmed the programme will be reviewed and as a result of this £382,000 has slipped into 2013/14 until this has been resolved. 2014/15 sees the first year of the next cycle of the Vehicle Replacement Programme, a budget of £950,000 has been allocated for this.
- 5.3 Phase 5c of the development of Knocknairshill Cemetery was due to conclude in late 2011. The works were delayed due to the original contractor going into administration and a new procurement process having to be entered into in order to appoint a new contractor to undertake the balance of the works. The contract for the works has been awarded and works will now be concluded in May 2012. Based on the tendered price there will be an under spend on the works amounting to £70,000. The Service is currently developing proposals for cemetery expansion in Inverclyde which will be the subject of future reports to the Corporate Management Team and thereafter to the Safe, Sustainable, Communities Committee. £127,000 has been slipped to 2012/13 until such times as these proposals are finalised and agreed.
- 5.4 As previously reported, an underspend of £106,000 has been identified within the Flooding Strategy mainly due to lower than anticipated tender returns. This has slipped into 2012/13 until such times that further Flooding proposals have been developed and approved. A further £172,000 requires to be carried forward, mainly due to a delay in SEPA granting a licence for construction works at Woodstock Road and Auchmountain Glen which they have indicated could take up to 4 months. Consultants have been commissioned to design a long term solution and effective drainage system at Dunrod Road. This has closed due to flood damage caused by the severe weather experienced in November.
- 5.5 £95,000 of funding for Bridge Strengthening has slipped into 2012/13 due to a delay in preparing tender documents
- 5.6 Within Play Areas, £171,000 has been carried forward to 2012/13 because some of the projects will not be completed until early in the new financial year, due in part to an extended lead time for equipment manufacture. A further £75,000 will be carried forward to 2013/14 due to the amended date of a Lottery application by Greenock Central Residents Action Group. The original bid submission date was February 2012, but has now been revised to August 2012, which means that some of the works may not take place until 2013/14. A further £300,000 of funding was agreed by the Council in February 2012 and has been provisionally allocated to 2012/13.

- 5.7 Although the Scheme of Assistance (SOA) budget will be fully committed by 31 March 2012, householders in receipt of a grant award have one year to draw down the funding. It is anticipated that not all grants will be expended in the current year and therefore, based on previous experience, it is estimated that £480,000 will be drawn down in the next financial year
- 5.8 Environmental Services were granted approval by this Committee on the 17 January 2012 for the implementation of a trial Glass Collection Scheme. £59,000 has been allocated from the Zero Waste fund to purchase containers, however, the procurement and delivery will not be completed this financial year and the £59,000 along with a further £16,000 for other works has been carried forward to 2012/13.

6.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The figures in Appendix 1 detail the position at 1 February 2012. Expenditure to date is £3.678m, which is 64% of the 2011/12 projected spend of £5.759m (Appendix 1).
- 6.2 The current 2011/15 budget is £26.557m, made up of £8.314m Supported Borrowing, £7.193m Prudential Borrowing, £5.875m of CFCR, £4.774m of Grant Funding and £0.401m of funding from external parties. The current projection is £26.557m which means the current projection is on budget.

Service	Approved Budget 2011/15 £000	Current Position 2011/15 £000	Over / (Under) Spend £000
Environmental & Commercial Services - Roads (Appendix 1)	11,070	11,070	-
Safer Communities (Appendix 1)	4,919	4,919	-
Environmental and Commercial Services (Appendix 1)	10,500	10,500	-
Regeneration & Planning (Appendix 1)	64	64	-
Community Investment Fund (Appendix 1)	4	4	-
Total	26,557	26,557	-

- 6.3 The approved budget for 2011/12 is £7.229m. The Committee is reporting spend of £5.759m, with £1.470m (20.33%) slippage into future years.
- 6.4 Please refer to the status reports for each project contained in Appendix 1.

7.0 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 There are no direct staffing implications in respect of the report and as such the Head of Organisational Development and Human Resources has not been consulted.
- 7.2 There are no legal issues arising from the content of this report and as such the Head of Legal & Democratic Services has not been consulted.

8.0 EQUALTIES

- 8.1 This report has no impact on the Council's Equality Agenda.

COMMITTEE: SAFE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

Project Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Status
	Est. Total Cost	Actual Ex. 31/03/11	Approved Budget 2011/12	Revised Est. 2011/12	Actual Ex. 31/03/12	Est. 2012/13	Est. 2013/14	Est. 2014/15	Start Date	Original Completion Date	Current Completion Date	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000				
Environmental Services - Roads												
Supported Borrowing	110	10	100	20	0	80						
Carried Forward from previous years	105	66	39	39	39							
Baker St Land Acquisition												
Greenock Town Centre	300	271	29	29	22				Oct-10	Dec-10	Apr-11	Legal Services Concluding Misasives Complete on Site
Carriage Way Reconstruction/Resurfacing - Calhoun Square (part external funding)	700	682	18	18					Apr-10	Feb-11	Mar-12	Works being programmed
Carriage Way Reconstruction/Resurfacing	200	146	54	36	25	18			Apr-10	Feb-12	Aug-12	Delay on Chester Rd - awaiting drainage
Footway Reconstruction/Resurfacing	50	25	25	25	0				Jan-11	Mar-11	Mar-12	Design works ongoing
Traffic Measures	770	750	770	770	770				Apr-11	Nov-11	Nov-11	Complete
2011/12 Provision	230	250	230	230	134				Jul-11	Dec-11	Mar-12	95% complete
Carriage Way Reconstruction/Resurfacing	50	30	30	30	5				Apr-11	Mar-12	Mar-12	One way system complete
Footway Reconstruction/Resurfacing	30	30	30	30	5		95		Apr-11	Mar-12	Mar-12	20% complete
Traffic Measures	100	100	100	100	5	0			Aug-11	Feb-12	Jun-12	At design stage
Flooding Intervention	180	180	180	180	131				May-11	Jun-12	Feb-12	95% complete
Bridge Strengthening	25	25	25	25	11				Apr-11	Jun-11	Feb-12	Complete on site
Lighting Replacement	15	15	15	15	7				Jun-11	Dec-11	Mar-12	40% complete
Bogstone Ramp	4,200	4	4	4	1	1,400	1,400					
Minor Structural Works												
2011/12 & 2012/13 Indicative Provision												
General Provision												
Complete on Site Allocation												
Roads - Supported Borrowing Total	7,069	1,200	1,669	1,476	1,177	1,498	1,495	1,400				
Prudentially Funded												
No Projects	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Roads - Prudentially Funded Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Grant Funding												
Transport Scotland - Maintenance of Trunk Road Network	200	141	59	59	59	0			Apr-11	Mar-12	Mar-12	Complete
Cycling, Walking & Safer Streets	419	115	115	115	33	93	85	126	Apr-10	Mar-11	Mar-12	Works ongoing
SPT	62	62	62	62	45							
Roads - Grant Funding Total	681	141	236	236	137	93	85	126				
CFCR												
Flooding Strategy Ph1	420	237	183	155	98	28			Jun-10	Mar-11	Mar-12	Works ongoing
Flooding Strategy Ph2	500	250	250	250	0	250	250		Apr-11	Apr-11	Mar-13	Works ongoing
Additional Funding for Road Improvements	2,400	500	500	750	388	1,650						
Roads - CFCR Total	3,320	237	933	905	486	1,928	250	0				
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - ROADS TOTAL	11,070	1,578	2,838	2,617	1,800	3,519	1,830	1,526				

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Status
Est Total Cost	Actual to 31/03/11	Approved Budget 2011/12	Revised Est 2011/12	Actual to 01/02/12	Est 2012/13	Est 2013/14	Est 2014/15	Start Date	Original Completion Date	Current Completion Date	
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000				
	300	100	100	100	100	100	100				Completed
	3,001	1,001	1,001	1,001	1,001	1,001	1,001				Ongoing
	2,720	1,001	521	248	560	500	950				Ongoing
	2,720	1,001	521	248	560	500	950				Ongoing
	1,208	433	433	183	433	433	0				Ongoing
	300	100	100	100	100	100	0				Ongoing
	300	150	150	50	150	150	0				Ongoing
	1,699	0	683	683	333	683	533				
	4,919	189	1,784	1,304	681	1,343	1,133				Contract awarded, Work on-site to start February 2012
	460	406	54	12	0	42	0				
	460	406	54	12	0	42	0				
	85	85	0	0	35	50	950				Contract awarded, Work on-site to start February 2012
	8,055	5,294	1,570	1,188	807	250	393				Ongoing
	8,150	5,294	1,655	1,188	807	265	433				Ongoing
	464	62	162	67	57	155	80				Ongoing
	464	62	162	67	57	155	80				Ongoing
	1,426	127	710	539	324	685	75				Ongoing
	1,426	127	710	539	324	685	75				Ongoing
	10,500	5,889	2,551	1,826	1,188	1,167	588				Ongoing
	64	41	23	9	9	14	0				Ongoing
	64	41	23	9	9	14	0				Ongoing
	4	1	3	3	0	0	0				Ongoing
	4	1	3	3	0	0	0				Ongoing
	4	1	3	3	0	0	0				Ongoing
	4	1	3	3	0	0	0				Ongoing
	26,557	7,688	7,229	5,759	3,678	6,043	3,551				

Safer Communities
Supported Borrowing
 Scheme of Assistance (previously PSHG) - Aids and Adaptions
 Safer Communities Supported Borrowing Total

Grant Funded
 Scheme of Assistance (previously PSHG)
 Safer Communities Grant Funding Total

CFCR
 Scheme of Assistance (previously PSHG)
 Scheme of Assistance (previously PSHG) - earmarked reserve 2010/11
 Scheme of Assistance (previously PSHG) - earmarked reserve 2011/12
 Safer Communities CFCE Total

SAFER COMMUNITIES - TOTAL

Environmental Services
Supported Borrowing
 Knocknairhill Cemetery Ph5c
 Environmental Services Supported Borrowing Total

Prudentially Funded
 Knocknairhill Cemetery Ph5c
 Vehicles - Prudentially Funded per Transport Review (includes £850k of CFCE and £75k Grant Funding)
 Environmental Services Prudentially Funded Total

Grant Funded
 Zero Waste Fund
 Environmental Services Grant Funded Total

CFCE
 Play Areas (includes £76k of Supported Borrowing & £226k of funding from Bonds)
 Environmental Services CFCE Total

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - TOTAL

Planning Services
 Grant Funded
 Former SNH Grant
 Planning Services Grant Funded Total

PLANNING SERVICES TOTAL

Community Investment Fund
 Supported Borrowing
 Ravenscraig Stadium
 Community Investment Fund Supported Borrowing Total

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND - TOTAL

SAFE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES TOTAL