
Report To:	Education & Communities Committee	Date:	1 November 2016
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Subject:	Education Capital Programme 2016 – 2018 Progress		

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 Education 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 overall Education Capital Programme.
- 2.2 The Capital Programme reflects the review of the School Estate Funding Model as reported to the November 2015 Committee updated to reflect the decision to progress the acceleration of the School Estate Management Plan approved at the Council budget setting meeting of 10th March 2016. The programme covers the period 2016/18. It should be noted that a revised School Estate Funding Model is included later on the agenda for approval.
- 2.3 Overall the Committee is projecting to contain the costs of the 2016/18 Capital Programme within available budgets.
- 2.4 Expenditure at 30th September is 59.54% of 2016/17 approved budget; there is net advancement from future years of £162k (2.15%) being reported. This is a decrease in advancement of £132k (1.75%) since the last Committee due to the previously reported pre-tender delay on the Bluebird refurbishment project, and fluctuation across budget lines.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 That the Committee note the progress on the specific projects detailed in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 That Committee approve the issue of tenders for the Bluebird Family Centre Refurbishment project, and grant delegated authority to the Head of Legal & Property Services to accept the most economically advantageous tender provided the cost is within the budget allocation for the project (para 7.4).

3.3 That the Committee note the review of the School Estate Funding Model which is a separate item on the agenda.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 This report shows the current position of the approved Education Capital Programme reflecting the allocation of resources approved by the Committee at the meeting of 3rd November 2015 updated to reflect the decision to progress the acceleration of the School Estate Management Plan approved at the Council budget setting meeting of 10th March 2016. The annual review of the School Estate Funding Model is covered under separate report on the agenda for this Committee.
- 4.2 The School Estate Strategy approved by the Committee will deliver a comprehensive programme of new and refurbished schools which will address the modernisation of the Council's entire school stock. The remainder of the programme, prior to the decision to accelerate, extended to 2025. The accelerated programme will see completion of the remaining projects by 2020. The Education Capital Programme detailed in this report shows details of projects which will incur expenditure up to March 2018.

5.0 PROJECTS COMPLETE ON SITE / WITHIN DEFECTS LIABILITY PERIOD

5.1 St John's Primary School Refurbishment and Extension:

The school transferred back to the refurbished and extended building at the end of September 2015. The Contractor has been addressing the final list of defects / snagging compiled at the end of the contractual defects liability period. The reinstatement of the Multi-Use Games Area, which was outstanding from the retaining wall works completed over summer, is programmed for completion over the October holiday period.

6.0 PROJECTS ON SITE / UNDER CONSTRUCTION

6.1 St Patrick's Primary School New Build:

The project commenced on site on Monday 10th August 2015 to complete October 2016. The project had been progressing well throughout the contract period, however the progress had slowed in the final months to the extent that the projected completion date was not able to be achieved. Parents and stakeholders were informed by letter on Monday 26th September. The exceptional closure days originally planned for the end of October have now been altered to the 21st, 22nd and 23rd of November with the first day of operation planned for Thursday 24th November. The Client Services team are maintaining regular contact with the School and Parent Council throughout the project.

6.2 Kilmacolm Primary School Refurbishment:

The project commenced on site on Monday 19th October to complete October 2016. The works have progressed well with the project achieving practical completion slightly early on 29th September. The temporary nursery accommodation will remain in use until the 14th October and is scheduled for removal over the October holiday period including the reinstatement of the car park and surrounding area. The Client Services team are maintaining regular contact with the School and Parent Partnership throughout the project.

7.0 PROJECTS AT BRIEFING/DESIGN/PRE-CONSTRUCTION STAGE

7.1 Moorfoot Primary School Refurbishment:

Following confirmation of the order of priority of the next primary school refurbishments in November 2015, the brief for the above project was developed in consultation with the school and Parent Council. The procurement of the project is being progressed through hub West Scotland with the project now concluded hub Stage 1 which involves the development of the design proposals to outline stage and hub Stage 2 underway. Survey and investigation works have been progressed over the summer holiday period to inform the proposals and define the scope of works to the existing structure / grounds. The decant strategy for the project involves use of the former Sacred Heart PS decant facility after the completion of the St Patrick's PS project. It is also planned to accommodate the existing Nursery Class within temporary modular accommodation within the existing school grounds during the construction period similar to the approach taken on the current Kilmacolm PS project. Tenders have been issued, returned and evaluated for the temporary works with a formal acceptance issued. Planning and preparation for the decant and temporary works are now underway. Officers from Education Services are working in conjunction with Police Scotland, SPT (Strathclyde Passenger Transport), Road Safety and Corporate Health & Safety to identify pick-up and drop-off points for decant buses and consultation with parents on this is currently underway. The target programme anticipates construction start circa April 2017 to complete by Easter 2018. The Client Services Team are maintaining regular contact with the school and Parent Council throughout the design development stages. A more detailed update on the project and design proposals is included as part of the funding model review report to this Committee.

7.2 Lady Alice Primary School Refurbishment:

The Council's Technical Services Team are currently developing the design proposals with RIBA Stage 2 (Outline Design) now concluded. Survey and investigation works have been progressed over the summer holiday period to inform the proposals. The decant strategy for the project involves use of the former St Stephen's HS decant facility. It is also planned to accommodate the existing Nursery Class within temporary modular accommodation within the existing school grounds during the construction period similar to the approach taken on the current Kilmacolm PS project. Tenders have been issued, returned and evaluated for the temporary works with a formal acceptance issued. Planning and preparation for the decant and temporary works are now underway. Officers from Education Services are working in conjunction with Police Scotland, SPT (Strathclyde Passenger Transport), Road Safety and Corporate Health & Safety to identify pick-up and drop-off points for decant buses and consultation with parents on this is currently underway. The target programme anticipates construction start circa April 2017 to complete by Easter 2018. The Client Services Team are maintaining regular contact with the school and Parent Council throughout the design development stages. A more detailed update on the project and design proposals is included as part of the funding model review report to this Committee.

7.3 St Ninian's Primary School New Build:

The procurement of the project is being progressed through hub West Scotland with the project now concluded hub Stage 1 which involves the development of the design proposals to outline stage and hub Stage 2 underway. Survey and investigation works have been progressed over the summer holiday period with initial consultation with Inverclyde Council Roads Design, to inform the proposals and define the scope of works to any existing services and culverts in the area. The strategy for the project involves construction of a new facility on the disused blaes pitch area opposite the recently constructed multi-use games area with the school remaining in its existing accommodation during the construction phase. Transfer to the new facility on completion will be followed by demolition of the existing building. The target programme anticipates construction start in Easter 2017 to complete by 2nd Quarter 2018. The Client Services Team are maintaining regular contact with the school and

Parent Council throughout the design development stages.

7.4 Bluebird Family Centre Refurbishment:

The brief for the above project has been developed in consultation with the centre and Early Years Service. The Council's Technical Services Team are currently progressing the tender document package ahead of tender issue. Decant options were investigated with the agreed strategy to temporarily accommodate the centre within St Joseph's PS which has been approved by the Care Commission. Minor works were undertaken over the summer holiday period to allow the proposed decant area to be made available with further minor alteration works undertaken during term time ahead of the proposed decant in October. Vacant possession will allow the building to be cleared and the opportunity to carry out some minor enabling / disruptive works ahead of the main contract. The construction programme is being developed, it is anticipated that works could commence early 2017 with a construction phase of approx. 9 months subject to tender issue, return and evaluation.

The estimated cost of the works is £1.3m which will be contained within the capital programme allowance of £6.548m for Early Years Establishments Refurbishment/New Build. Permission to issue tenders and approval for delegated authority to accept the most economically advantageous tender is requested.

7.5 New Build West End of Greenock Early Years Facility:

The proposals involve the provision of a new facility to replace the existing Kelly Street Children's Centre and Nursery within St Mary's PS. The procurement of the project is being progressed through hub West Scotland with the project approved by the board and the design team and contractor in place currently working towards hub Stage 1, which involves the development of the design proposals to outline stage. Site surveys and investigation works were delayed due to the particular site constraints and the current process being followed in connection with the original demolition contractor. Surveys have now commenced with the main ground investigation to inform foundation design scheduled for early/mid-October. The original target programme anticipated construction start in Easter 2017 to complete by 1st Quarter 2018 however this is currently being reviewed as part of the hub Stage 1 finalisation. Engagement with the Centre and Nursery staff and wider stakeholders is programmed to commence shortly. A more detailed update on the project and design proposals is included as part of the funding model review report to this Committee.

8.0 IMPLICATIONS

Finance

8.1 The expenditure at 30th September 2016 is £4.491m from a budget of £7.543m. This is expenditure of 59.54% of the approved budget after 50% of the year. No slippage is currently being reported with net accelerated spend of £162k.

8.2 The current budget position reflects the following:

- SEMP model approved by Committee in November 2015 updated to reflect accelerated proposals (Option 1) as reported to January 2016 Committee.
- Grant funding received in respect of implementation of the Children & Young People Bill and Free School Meals.
- Grant funding projected to be received in respect of project specific awards in connection with the Scotland's Schools for the Future programme.

The current budget is £48.342m, made up of £47.148m SEMP Supported Borrowing / Government Grant Funding and £1.194m Non-SEMP Supported Borrowing. The Current Projection is £48.342m.

8.3	Education & Communities	Approved Budget £000	Current Position £000	Overspend / (Underspend) £000
	Total School Estate	47,148	47,148	-
	Total Non School Estate	1,194	1,194	-
	Total	48,342	48,342	-

8.4 Please refer to the status reports for each project contained in Appendix 1.

Legal

8.5 There are no legal issues.

Human Resources

8.6 There are no human resources issues.

Equalities

8.7 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

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

9.0 CONSULTATION

9.1 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.

9.2 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.

10.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 Education Capital Programme Technical Progress Reports October 2016. (A technical progress report is a project specific report which details the financial and progress position for current projects which have a legal commitment).

EDUCATION CAPITAL REPORT APPENDIX 1

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION & COMMUNITIES



Project Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	<u>Est Total Cost</u>	<u>Actual to 31/3/16</u>	<u>Approved Budget 2016/17</u>	<u>Revised Est 2016/17</u>	<u>Actual to 30/09/16</u>	<u>Est 2017/18</u>	<u>Est 2018/19</u>	<u>Future Years</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Original Completion Date</u>	<u>Current Completion Date</u>
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
SEMP Projects											
Demolish St Stephens HS	500	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	May-18	-	Aug-18
St Patrick's PS - New Build	7,012	3,076	3,536	3,536	2,262	400	0	0	Aug-15	-	Nov-16
Kilmacolm PS - Refurbishment	4,435	1,576	2,394	2,559	1,704	300	0	0	Oct-15	-	Oct-16
Early Years Establishments - Refurbishment/New Build	6,548	2	707	400	42	5,726	420	0	Apr-16	-	Mar-19
Free School Meals Capital Grant	60	33	0	0	0	27	0	0	Apr-16	-	Mar-18
Lifecycle Fund	3,690	714	256	256	215	1,493	1,227	0	Apr-14	-	Mar-19
Balance of Contingency	195	0	50	50	0	45	100	0			
Moorfoot PS Refurbishment	4,647	0	100	100	4	1,814	2,610	123			
Lady Alice PS - Refurbishment	3,206	0	200	200	0	2,929	77	0			
St Ninian's PS - New Build	9,280	0	176	176	11	8,235	761	108			
Gourock PS - Extension	1,704	0	0	0	0	126	1,297	281			
St Mary's PS - Refurbishment & Extension	5,291	0	0	0	0	150	3,224	1,917			
Complete on site	945	0	0	284	136	661	0	0			
TOTAL SEMP	47,513	5,901	7,419	7,561	4,374	21,906	9,716	2,429			
Non-SEMP Projects											
MUGA/Blaes Pitch Upgrades Complete on site	27	0	27	27	0	0	0	0			
Primary School MUGA's - Various	802	605	97	117	117	80	0	0	Apr-14	-	Jun-16
TOTAL non-SEMP	829	605	124	144	117	80	0	0			
TOTAL ALL PROJECTS	48,342	6,506	7,543	7,705	4,491	21,986	9,716	2,429			