

REPORT FROM: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES MANAGER

TO: BARROWFORD AND WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE

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CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise members on the Committee's capital budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That members note £2,162 is uncommitted.
- (2) That members note only the schemes listed in Appendix 1 have agreed funding.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To enable the capital programme to be allocated efficiently and effectively.

ISSUE

Uncommitted from 2017/18

1. This is £142.

Allocation for 2018/19

2. This is £20,520 capital.

Effective Total Allocation for 2018/19

3. This is £20,662.

Commitments for 2018/19

4. £28,797 including commitments carried forward from the previous year (see appendix 1).

Uncommitted balance for 2018/19

5. This is £2,162.

Financial Advice

6. Please refer to the Financial Implications section of this report. New bids for funding should be submitted on the usual forms (Form A for internal bids and Form B for external bids) in order that members can evaluate them on a consistent basis.

Existing Bids

Overspend – Additional Funding Required

7. None.

Underspend – Deallocate Funding

8. None.

New/Deferred Bids

9. None.
10. No late bids or funding allocations can be made unless, with the consent of the Chairman, the bid is considered to be an urgent item. If a late/urgent bid is approved and is in the opinion of the Chief Finance Officer a revenue item then the decision will be reported to the Policy and Resources Committee for determination. No payment can be made in respect of the bid pending a resolution by the Policy and Resources Committee.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: The capital programme is required to be allocated and managed in accordance with the Council's Corporate Capital Strategy 2018/21.

Financial: Expenditure for capital purposes is primarily expenditure on the acquisition, reclamation or enhancement of assets (e.g. buildings, land, plant and machinery). "Enhancement" means substantially lengthening the useful life of the asset, substantially increasing its open market value or substantially increasing the use of the asset. Other expenditure for capital purposes can include computer costs (for use over a period exceeding one year) and incidental costs involved in a capital project (e.g. officers' salaries and professional fees). Anything not covered by "proper practices" must be treated as revenue expenditure. Under no circumstances can the capital allocation be used to fund revenue expenditure.

A list of good practice in the allocation of funding has been proposed by the Council's Financial Manager to assist members when considering the allocation of capital budgets. The list is as follows:

1. The funding should assist a scheme which contributes to meeting the Council's corporate priorities

2. Allocate reasonable amounts to projects early to allow for effective planning and implementation.
3. Look for opportunities to maximise the effectiveness of the allocation through match funding.
4. Consider allowing some contingency for projects that may be presented during the year.
5. Try to avoid allocation of funds at the end of the financial year.
6. Consider the revenue consequences of capital schemes in terms of ongoing cost.

Legal: There are legal implications for a number of the proposals listed above in terms of necessary permissions, agreements and possible long-term liabilities and responsibilities.

Risk Management: The capital programme is required to be allocated and managed in accordance with the Council's policies and procedures. The proper management of the programme is intended to minimise any exposure to unnecessary risk associated with the programme and the individual schemes within it.

Health and Safety: The implementation of the programme has associated risks in terms of health and safety. The Council is required to meet all relevant legal requirements for the effective management of health and safety risk and has policies and procedures in place to ensure health and safety standards are maintained.

Climate Change: Some of the schemes identified will encourage the reduction of carbon emissions, such as traffic calming schemes and cycle facility provision.

Community Safety: A number of the schemes listed above have implications in terms of community safety. Wherever possible, the projects are managed in a way that enhances community safety.

Equality and Diversity: The capital programme is required to be allocated and managed in accordance with the Council's policies and procedures, including those relating to equality and diversity.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Capital Programme Commitments for 2018/19

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

(Shaded schemes are completed)

Sch. No.	Date Allocated and Scheme Details	Lead Officer/ Service Area	c/f from previous year/s	Allocated 2018/19	Total Allocation	In-Year Spend	Allocation Remaining in Ledger	Status of Scheme/Remarks
1	06/07/17 - £506 Litter and dog waste bins	C Taylor (ES)	£157	£0	£157	£0	£157	No further funding can be allocated towards this.
2	05/07/18 - £3,500 Town centre premises improvement grants	M Williams (HHED)	£0	£3,500	£3,500	£0	£3,500	
3	08/05/08 – £2,500 05/07/12 - £2,500 Flood Prevention in the area of Barrowford and Western Parishes	L Edwards (NS)	£3,000	£0	£3,000	£0	£3,000	No scheme identified. Money allocated to help deal with emergency flooding situations. Expected Completed Date: Not known.
4	03/07/14 - £6,000 Holmefield House car park refurbishment	I Lord (Barrowford PC)	£3,550	£0	£3,550	£0	£3,550	Preliminary tree works carried out. Expected Completion Date: Not known.
10	07/07/16 - £2,000 Steven Burke Sports Hub – Phase 2	K Roberts (NS)	£2,000	£0	£2,000	£2,000	£0	Completed April 2018.
14	06/07/17 - £490 Litter Signs	M Wood (Blacko PC)	£490	£0	£490	£0	£490	PC in discussion with LCC regarding type of signs that can be installed. Currently trialling some signs. Expected Completion Date: Not known.
15	06/07/17 - £2,000 05/07/18 - £2,500 Car Park Extension	R Hey (Old Laund Booth PC)	£2,000	£2,500	£4,500	£0	£4,500	This is part of a £10,000 scheme. Expected Completion Date: Not Known.
17	06/07/17 - £500 Screening for Wildlife Pond	J Sutcliffe (Goldshaw Booth PC)	£500	£0	£500	£0	£500	Work to start at the end of the year due to the presence of wildlife. Expected Completion Date: Not known.
21	06/07/17 - £2,000 Barley Village Green and Car Park improvements	D Heap (Barley with Wheatley Booth PC)	£2,000	£0	£2,000	£2,000	£0	Completed June 2018.

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23	05/10/17 - £600 Riverside Improvements - planting and walling scheme	M Reed (Roughlee PC)	£600	£0	£600	£0	£600	Environmental Permit application to be submitted to the Environment Agency. Pendle's Environmental Action Group have been asked to carry out the works. Expected Completion Date: Not known.
24	05/07/18 - £2,500 Footpath Repairs Project	D Heap (Barley with Wheatley Booth PC)		£2,500	£2,500	£0	£2,500	Roughlee PC have also been allocated £2,500 towards this project by BWPC.
25	05/07/18 - £4,000 Loop and Sound Systems and Overhead Projector	I Lord (Barrowford PC)		£4,000	£4,000	£0	£4,000	
26	05/07/18 - £1,000 Recreation Ground Playing Surface Improvements	M Wood (Blacko PC)		£1,000	£1,000	£0	£1,000	
27	05/07/18 - £1,000 Rectify/control water at playing field	J Sutcliffe (Goldshaw Booth PC)		£1,000	£1,000	£0	£1,000	
28	05/07/18 - £1,500 Playing Field Drainage Works	P Rosthorn (Higham with West Close Booth PC)		£1,500	£1,500	£0	£1,500	
29	05/07/18 - £2,500 Footpath Repair Project	M Reed (Roughlee PC)		£2,500	£2,500	£0	£2,500	Barley with Wheatley Booth PC have also been allocated £2,500 towards this project by BWPC.
	Subtotals		£14,297	£18,500	£32,797	£4,000	£28,797	
	Uncommitted Funds		£142	£2,020	£2,162	–	£2,162	
	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 2018/19		£14,439	£20,520	£34,959	£4,000	£30,959	