

**REPORT FROM: HOUSING, HEALTH AND ENGINEERING SERVICES
MANAGER**

TO: BARROWFORD AND WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE

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CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise members on the Committee's capital budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Members note all the budget has been committed.
- (2) That Members note only schemes listed in Appendix 1 have agreed funding.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To enable the Capital Programme to be allocated effectively.

ISSUE

Uncommitted funds carried forward from Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee 2020/21.

1. £546

Allocation for 2021/22

2. £17,850

Effective Total Allocation for 2021/22

3. £18,396 (i.e. £17,850 + £546)

Commitments

4. £51,158

Uncommitted funds

5. £0

Financial Advice (as reported to all area committees in May 2018)

6. Please refer to the Financial Implications section of this report. Bids for funding should be submitted on the May 2018 revised forms (Form A for internal bids and Form B for external bids) in order that the Chief Financial Officer can confirm that they qualify as capital spending and that Members can evaluate them on a consistent basis.

New/Deferred Bids

7. None.

8. 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.

Existing Bids

Underspend

9. None.

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" (Section 21(2) of the Local Government Act 2003) 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: Barrowford & Western Parishes Committee Commitments 2021/22.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee Commitments 2021/22

(Shaded schemes are completed)

Appendix 1

| Sch. No. | Date Allocated and Scheme Details | Lead Officer/ Service Area | c/f from previous year/s | Allocated 2021/22 | 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 for this. Money spent – awaiting journal transfer to put the expenditure to the Capital Programme. |
| 2 | 04/07/19 - £3,000 Barrowford Premises Improvement Grant | D McCarthy (PERS) | £3,000 | £0 | £3,000 | £0 | £3,000 | This grant has not yet been awarded to any specific business. |
| 3 | 08/05/08 – £2,500 05/07/12 - £2,500 Flood Prevention in the area of Barrowford and Western Parishes | S Whalley (HHES) | £3,000 | £0 | £3,000 | £0 | £3,000 | On 07/11/19 the committee agreed to use this allocation for the Clough Springs investigations/solutions. |

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| 4 | 05/07/18 - £2,500 Footpath Repairs Project | D Heap (Barley with Wheatley Booth PC) | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | Roughlee PC has also been allocated £2,500 towards this project by BWPC (Scheme 29). Initial scheme too expensive and the application to LEF unsuccessful. Looking at a lower-priced scheme and making a fresh application to the LEF. |
| 5 | 05/07/18 - £1,000 Rectify/control water at playing field | J Sutcliffe (Goldshaw Booth PC) | £676 | £0 | £676 | £0 | £676 | Ongoing. Expected Completion Date: Not known |
| 6 | 05/07/18 - £2,500 Footpath Repair Project | M Reed (Roughlee PC) | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | Barley with Wheatley Booth PC has also been allocated £2,500 towards this project by BWPC (Scheme 24). Initial scheme too expensive and the application to LEF unsuccessful. Looking at a lower-priced scheme and making a fresh application to the LEF. |

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| 7 | 07/02/19 - £2,000 04/07/19 - £500 Installation of CCTV system | J Sutcliffe (Goldshaw Booth PC) | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | Quotes being sought. |
| 8 | 04/07/19 - £1,500 Refurbishment of footpath at Spenbrook | J Sutcliffe (Goldshaw Booth PC) | £1,500 | £0 | £1,500 | £0 | £1,500 | Works to commence once the renovation to the adjacent property has been completed. Expected Completion Date: 31/07/20 |
| 9 | 30/07/20 - £2,500 Barley Car Park Payment System and Barriers | D Heap (Barley & Wheatley Booth PC) | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | |
| 10 | 30/07/20 - £4,000 CCTV System | P Rosthorn (Higham with West Close Booth PC) | £4,000 | £0 | £4,000 | £0 | £4,000 | |
| 11 | 30/07/20 - £2,900 Caring for our Community | R Hay (Old Laund Booth) | £2,110 | £0 | £2,110 | £0 | £2,110 | Bins purchased. |
| 12 | 30/07/20 - £2,500 Roughlee Heritage Project | M Reed (Roughlee PC) | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | £528 | £1,972 | Money originally allocated for the Riverside Shed-screening Project. On 28/01/21 it was reallocated towards the Roughlee Heritage Project. |

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| 13 | 30/07/20 - £3,500 Surface improvements and steps at Newchurch Recreation area | T Partridge (PBC) | £3,500 | £0 | £3,500 | £0 | £3,500 | |
| 14 | 03/09/20 - £2,360 Contribution towards St Thomas's Church CCTV | Rev J Smith | £2,360 | £0 | £2,360 | £0 | £2,360 | |
| 15 | 01/10/20 - £2,000 Pendle Scouts Club – contribution towards outdoor shelter and IT equipment | T Tichiner (Pendle Scouts) | £1,661 | £0 | £1,661 | £1,174 | £487 | |
| 16 | 04/08/21 - £4,796 Play Equipment at Barrowford Memorial Park | I Lord (Barrowford PC) | | £4,796 | £4,796 | £0 | £4,796 | |
| 17 | 04/08/21 - £1,000 Fencing Allotment Site and Wild Flower Garden | M Wood (Blacko PC) | | £1,000 | £1,000 | £0 | £1,000 | |

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| 18 | 04/08/21 - £3,000 Boosting Community Spirit Post Covid | R Hay (Old Laund Booth PC) | | £3,000 | £3,000 | £0 | £3,000 | |
| 19 | 04/08/21 - £3,500 Improvements to Newchurch Recreation Area | A Macadam (Goldshaw Booth PC) | | £3,500 | £3,500 | £0 | £3,500 | |
| 20 | 04/08/21 - £2,500 Secure External Storage Shed | P Rosthorn (Higham with West Close Booth PC) | | £2,500 | £2,500 | £0 | £2,500 | |
| 21 | 04/08/21 - £2,100 Barley Toilets Hand Basin | D Heap (Barley PC) | | £2,100 | £2,100 | £0 | £2,100 | |
| 22 | 04/08/21 - £1,500 Roughlee Security Project | J Bailey (Roughlee PC) | | £1,500 | £1,500 | £0 | £1,500 | |
| | Subtotals | | £34,464 | £18,396 | £52,860 | £1,702 | £51,158 | |
| | Uncommitted Funds | | £546 | -£546 | £0 | - | £0 | |
| | TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 2021/22 | | £35,010 | £17,850 | £52,860 | £1,702 | £51,158 | |