
**CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING 2009-10
– QUARTER 1**

**Responsible Cabinet Member – Councillor Chris McEwan ,
Efficiency and Resources Portfolio**

**Responsible Director - Paul Wildsmith
Director of Corporate Services**

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. This report provides a summary for the Council’s Capital Programme 2009/10 highlighting any known changes to the programmes already approved by Cabinet and Council

Summary

2. There are no significant changes to the approved Capital Programme 2009/10 at this time that affect its overall financing or the projected level of corporate resource requirements.
3. Corporate Resources (capital receipts and prudential borrowing) of £5.656M will be required to enable the programme to be fully financed

Recommendations

4. It is recommended that Cabinet :-
 - (a) Note the summarised position of the Capital Programme 2009/10.
 - (b) Approve the resource virements required for Children’s Services budgets.

Reasons

5. The recommendations are supported to make Cabinet aware of the summarised position of the Capital Programme for 2009/10.

**Paul Wildsmith
Director of Corporate Services**

Background Papers

Accounting records

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S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for crime and disorder.
Health and Well Being	There are no issues relating to health and wellbeing which this report needs to address
Sustainability	There are no issues relating to environmental impact.
Diversity	There are no specific implications for diversity
Wards Affected	All wards are affected equally.
Groups Affected	The proposals do not affect any particular groups within the community
Budget and Policy Framework	The report highlights potential changes to the Council's budget.
Key Decision	The report does not represent a key decision
Urgent Decision	For the purpose of the 'call-in' procedure this does not represent an urgent matter.
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	The Capital Programme referred to in the report supports delivery of the Sustainable Community strategy through appropriate deployment of the Council's resources
Efficiency	Having robust systems and procedures in place for budget monitoring ensures the most effective and efficient use of resources.

MAIN REPORT

Information and Analysis

6. At this time each year the principal focus has to be on production of the previous year's annual Statement of Accounts, which has a statutory deadline of 30th June for approval by Audit Committee. In line with improvements to capital programme management, the first monitoring report for this year is brought to Cabinet earlier in the year than in previous years. The timing of Cabinet meetings means that this report has had to be produced before the end of the first quarter. The timing also means that it has not been possible to produce all of the usual detail of individual schemes, which will be included in future reports.
7. The 2008-09 Capital Programme out-turn, which is reported elsewhere on today's agenda, shows that corporate resources of £4.491M (prudential borrowing and capital receipts) are required to fund outstanding commitments that are carried forward to 2009-10.
8. The 2009-10 capital programme, approved by Council on 26th February 2009, plus subsequent release of funds at Cabinet totals £44.634M. Of that total, it is planned that £1.165M will be funded from corporate resources. Commitments brought forward from 2008-09 plus 2009-10 resource requirements mean that £5.656M of corporate resources are required. Anticipated capital receipts are £1.700M, therefore £3.956M of prudential borrowing would be required to fund the approved capital programme. This is provided for in the 2009-13 revenue MTFP.
9. Monthly monitoring continues to be carried out by project managers and **Table 1** is an exception report showing all significant variances.

Table 1- Capital Programme significant variances

Programme	Change in Project costs	Funded by
Children's Services		
DDA adaptations- Carmel School-Required to support pupils needs.	+£40,000	} From contingency within Children's Services programme
DDA adaptations- Gurney Pease School – General improved access to the playground from the school.	+£20,000	
Building Schools for the Future(BSF)- Preparatory Costs - £40,000 for feasibility option appraisals and £27,875 to a development programme to maximise the potential of the BSF programme.	+£67,875	

10. Is it proposed that the above changes to the Children's Services Capital Programme are funded from a contingency sum held within that; therefore there will be no overall effect on the total Capital Programme 2009/10.

Outcome of Consultation

11. No consultation has been undertaken in preparation of the report.