



Leicester
City Council

Cabinet

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Scrutiny Committees

Various

2005/06 CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING - PERIOD 4

Report of the Chief Finance Officer

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update Members on the progress of the capital programme for 2005/06 up to the end of July (period 4).

2. CAPITAL PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE

- 2.1 This is the first report relating to the 2005/06 capital programme that will be provided to Members, and will be followed by further reports at periods 7, 9 and at outturn.
- 2.2 Each Scrutiny Committee will receive a report in the current cycle consisting of this covering report and separate appendices showing the capital programme in relation to their portfolio of responsibility. Cabinet and the Resources and Equal Opportunities Scrutiny Committee are receiving reports in respect of the full corporate position.
- 2.3 The capital programme for 2005/06, including slippage from 2004/05, totals £132.8 million.
- 2.4 The current forecast level of expenditure for 2005/06 is £127.3 million as shown below:

	£000
Approved Programme	132,812
Additions	6,253
Expenditure Brought Forward	1,624
Slippage	(11,489)
Saving	(1,952)
Underspend	(312)
Overspends	<u>317</u>
	<u>127,264</u>

This expenditure relates to the following areas:

	£000
Education	26,708
Regeneration & Culture	38,372
Housing	50,793
Resources, Access and Diversity	9,567
Social Care	<u>1,823</u>
	<u>127,264</u>

3. SUMMARY

- 3.1 The actual level of expenditure at the end of July 2005 totalled £21.863 million. The expenditure to date represents 17% of the projected spend for the year, compared to 20% for the same period in 2004/05.
- 3.2 The capital receipts (non-housing) target is £6.8 million for 2005/06. Receipts of £740,000 have been raised to date in 2005/06. The position will be monitored throughout the year.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Cabinet is recommended to:

- i) approve a revised level of programmed expenditure of £127.3 million;
- ii) note the level of expenditure to the end of July 2005 of £21.9 million;
- iii) note the position relating to capital receipts;
- iv) approve the use of £8,000 from the capital programme provision for (LRC) Public Realm to fund works to the John Ellis playing field;
- v) approve an addition to the Education programme relating to the Braunstone Changing Rooms scheme at a cost of £532,000 to be funded from Service Resources.
- vi) Note the following additions to the programme, to be funded from service resources:

Education

Seed Challenge (£175,000)
Mobile Replacement Programme (73,000)
Specialist Status (£235,000)

Regeneration & Culture

Air Quality Management (£33,000)
Waste Performance & Efficiency (£133,000)
SRB (£224,000)

Social Care & Health

Integrated Childrens Services (£116,000)
Mental Health (£145,000)
Information Management (£165,000)

- vii) approve an increase in the Town Hall scheme to a maximum of £1.99 million with the additional costs of £310,000 being funded by the use of uncommitted sums from other RAD schemes in the 2005/06 capital programme.
 - viii) note that forecast capital programme performance is 91% of the approved programme compared to a target of 90%;
 - ix) note the prudential indicators for 2005/06.
- 4.2 Scrutiny Committees are asked to consider issues affecting their portfolios and make any observations to Cabinet as they see fit.
- 4.3 Resources and Equal Opportunities Scrutiny Committee is asked to:
- (i) consider the overall position relating to the capital programme and make any observations to Cabinet as it sees fit, and
 - (ii) consider whether they would wish to further scrutinise the performance of any individual schemes where they have concerns over progress.

5. HEADLINE LEGAL AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This report has been discussed with Peter Nicholls (Service Director – Legal Services); there are no legal implications.
- 5.2 This report is concerned solely with financial issues.

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DECISION STATUS

Key Decision	No
Reason	N/A
Appeared in Forward Plan	N/A
Executive or Council Decision	Executive (Cabinet):