

Decision Maker: PUBLIC PROTECTION & SAFETY PORTFOLIO HOLDER

Date: For pre-decision scrutiny by the Public Protection & Safety PDS Committee on 15th September 2015

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Executive Non-Key

Title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING - 1ST QUARTER 2015/16

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Chief Officer: Director of Finance

Ward: All

1. Reason for report

On 15th July 2015, the Executive received the 1st quarterly capital monitoring report for 2015/16 and agreed a revised Capital Programme for the four year period 2015/16 to 2018/19. The report also covered any detailed issues relating to the 2014/15 Capital Programme outturn, which had been reported in summary form to the June meeting of the Executive. This report highlights changes agreed by the Executive in respect of the Capital Programme for the Public Protection and Safety (PP&S) Portfolio. The revised programme for this portfolio is set out in Appendix A, detailed comments on scheme progress as at the end of the first quarter of 2015/16 are shown in Appendix B and details on the 2014/15 outturn are included in Appendix C.

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

The Portfolio Holder is asked to note and confirm the changes agreed by the Executive in July.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy: Capital Programme monitoring and review is part of the planning and review process for all services. Capital schemes help to maintain and improve the quality of life in the borough. Affective asset management planning (AMP) is a crucial corporate activity if a local authority is to achieve its corporate and service aims and objectives and deliver its services. The Council continuously reviews its property assets and service users are regularly asked to justify their continued use of the property. For each of our portfolios and service priorities, we review our main aims and outcomes through the AMP process and identify those that require the use of capital assets. Our primary concern is to ensure that capital investment provides value for money and matches the Council's overall priorities as set out in the Community Plan and in "Building a Better Bromley".
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Total increase of £320k, due to re-phasing of underspend from 2014/15 (see para. 3.2).
 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Capital Programme
 4. Total current budget for this head: £340k for the PP&S Portfolio over four years 2015/16 to 2018/19
 5. Source of funding: Capital grants, capital receipts and earmarked revenue contributions
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 1 fte
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: 36 hours per week
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Non-Statutory - Government Guidance
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): N/A
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? N/A
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

3. COMMENTARY

Capital Monitoring – variations agreed by the Executive on 15th July 2015

3.1 A revised Capital Programme was approved by the Executive in July, following final outturn figures for 2014/15 and a detailed monitoring exercise carried out after the 1st quarter of 2015/16. The base position was the revised programme approved by the Executive on 11th February 2015. Changes relating to the Public Protection and Safety Portfolio are shown in the table below and further details are included in paragraph 3.2. The revised Programme for the PP&S Portfolio is attached at Appendix A. Appendix B shows actual spend against budget in the first quarter of 2015/16, together with detailed comments, and Appendix C includes details of the final outturn for 2014/15.

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	TOTAL 2015/16 to 2018/19
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Programme approved by Executive 11/02/15	20	0	0	0	20
<u>Variations approved by Executive 15/07/15</u>					
Net underspend in 14/15 rephased into 15/16 (see para.3.2)	320	0	0	0	320
Total Amendment to the Capital Programme in Q1 monitoring	320	0	0	0	320
Total Revised PP&S Programme	340	0	0	0	340

3.2 CCTV Control Room (Refurbishment) – £320k underspend in 14/15 rephased into 15/16

The 2014/15 Capital Outturn was reported to Executive on 10th June 2015. Due to unexpected delays on the CCTV Control Room (refurbishment) scheme, there was an underspend of £320k which was re-phased into 2015/16. This was due to technical problems with the tender process requiring various clarification exercises. An early warning was reported to the PDS committee in April 2015. Since then the tender process has been delayed further due to formal appeal and we anticipate the project completion date to be in Quarter 3 15/16.

Post-Completion Reports

3.3 Under approved Capital Programme procedures, capital schemes should be subject to a post-completion review within one year of completion. After major slippage of expenditure in recent years, Members confirmed the importance of these as part of the overall capital monitoring framework. These reviews should compare actual expenditure against budget and evaluate the achievement of the scheme's non-financial objectives. No post-completion reports are currently due for the PP&S Portfolio, but this quarterly report will monitor the future position and will highlight any further reports required.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Capital Programme monitoring and review is part of the planning and review process for all services.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 These were reported in full to the Executive on 15th July 2015. Changes agreed by the Executive for the PP&S Portfolio Capital Programme are set out in the table in paragraph 3.1.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Legal and Personnel Implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Approved Capital Programme (Executive 11/02/15). Capital Outturn report (Executive 10/06/15) and Q1 monitoring report (Executive 15/07/15).