

**REPORT TO:** Council

**DATE:** 6 March 2024

**REPORTING OFFICER:** Operational Director – Finance

**PORTFOLIO:** Corporate Services

**SUBJECT:** 2023/24 Revised Capital Programme

**WARD(S):** Borough-wide

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To seek approval to a number of revisions to the Council's 2023/24 capital programme.

**2.0 RECOMMENDED: That the revisions to the Council's 2023/24 capital programme set out in paragraph 3.2 below, be approved;**

## **3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 On 22 February 2024 Executive Board received a report of spending against the Council's revenue budget and capital programme as at the end of December 2023. A number of revisions to the 2023/24 capital programme were recommended for approval by Council as outlined below.

3.2 It is proposed to revise the Council's 2023/24 capital programme, to reflect a number of changes in spending profiles and funding as schemes have developed. These are reflected in the revised capital programme presented in Appendix 1. The schemes which have been revised within the programme are as follows:

- i. Asset Management Data
- ii. Schools Capital Repairs
- iii. Asbestos Management
- iv. Small Capital Works
- v. Oakfield Primary
- vi. The Brow Primary
- vii. Victoria Road Primary
- viii. Woodside Primary
- ix. Stairlifts
- x. RSL Adaptations
- xi. Street Lighting
- xii. Lighting Upgrades
- xiii. Silver Jubilee Bridge - Lighting
- xiv. Risk Management
- xv. Fleet Vehicles
- xvi. 3MG

- xvii. Property Improvements
- xviii. Runcorn Station Building Development
- xix. UK Shared Prosperity Fund  
Town Deal

3.3 Capital spending at 31 December 2023 totalled £31.472m, which represents 93.7% of the planned spending of £33.575m at this stage. This represents 51.2% of the total Capital Programme of £61.488m (which assumes a 20% slippage between years).

#### **4.0 POLICY AND OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None.

#### **5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

5.1 There are no direct implications; however, the capital programme supports the delivery and achievement of all the Council's priorities.

#### **6.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

6.1 There are a number of financial risks within the capital programme. However, the Council has internal controls and processes in place to ensure that spending remains in line with budget as far as possible.

6.2 In preparing the 2023/24 budget and capital programme, a register of significant financial risks was prepared which has been updated as at 31 December 2023.

#### **7.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

7.1 None.

#### **8.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 None.

#### **8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1072**

8.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.

Capital Programme as at 31 December 2023

Appendix 1

Directorate/Department	2023/24 Capital Allocation	Allocation to Date	Actual Spend to 31 Dec 2023	Total Allocation Remaining	2024/25 Capital Allocation	2025/26 Capital Allocation
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>CHILDRENS DIRECTORATE</b>						
Asset Management Data	6	6	6	0	0	0
Capital Repairs	1,089	701	701	388	0	0
Asbestos Management	17	0	0	17	0	0
Schools Access Initiative	44	9	9	35	0	0
Small Capital Works	139	79	79	60	0	0
Basic Needs Projects	601	0	0	601	0	0
Cavendish School	605	223	223	382	0	0
Astmoor Primary	300	175	174	126	0	0
Ashley School	500	37	37	463	0	0
Kingsway Academy	30	0	0	30	0	0
Oakfield Primary	352	303	303	49	0	0
St Basils Primary	250	0	0	250	0	0
St Peter & Paul High School	356	0	0	356	0	0
The Brow Primary	103	89	89	14	0	0
Victoria Road Primary	268	133	133	135	0	0
Westfield Primary	220	190	190	30	0	0
Woodside Primary	350	176	176	174	0	0
SEMH Free School	239	239	239	0	0	0
Brookfields School	300	0	0	300	0	0
SCA unallocated	21	0	0	21	0	0
<b>TOTAL CHILDRENS DIRECTORATE</b>	<b>5,790</b>	<b>2,360</b>	<b>2,359</b>	<b>3,431</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ADULT DIRECTORATE</b>						
Disabled Facilities Grant	650	500	494	156	600	600
Stair lifts (Adaptations Initiative)	300	200	190	110	270	270
RSL Adaptations (Joint Funding)	200	120	101	99	270	270
Telehealthcare Digital Switchover	300	80	80	220	0	0
Millbrow Refurbishment	200	40	40	160	0	0
Madeline Mckenna Refurb.	1,000	20	17	983	0	0
St Luke's Care Home	100	25	45	55	0	0
St Patrick's Care Home	100	50	47	53	1,200	0
<b>TOTAL ADULTS DIRECTORATE</b>	<b>2,850</b>	<b>1,035</b>	<b>1,014</b>	<b>1,836</b>	<b>2,340</b>	<b>1,140</b>
<b>ENVIRONMENT and REGENERATION DIRECTORATE</b>						
Total Bridge & Highway Maintenance	3,133	662	662	2,471	0	0
Integrated Transport	549	0	0	549	0	0
CRSTS	7,140	1,705	1,705	5,435	0	0
SJB – Decoupling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Runcorn Busway	239	347	347	-108	0	0
East Runcorn Connectivity (ERC)	1,577	1,832	1,832	-255	0	0
A56 Reconstruction	947	0	0	947	0	0
Dukesfield ATL (Waterloo Bridge)	0	1,493	1,493	-1,493	0	0
LCWIP Phase 2 Daresbury	5,783	1,468	1,468	4,315	0	0
ATF3 Murdishaw to Whitehouse	3,000	154	154	2,846	0	0
ATF4 Widnes Town Centre Accessibility	122	0	0	122	0	0
SUD Green Cycle	0	2	2	-2	0	0
Street Lighting	50	7	7	43	1,026	200
Lighting Upgrades	300	208	208	92	969	0
Silver Jubilee Bridge - Lighting	0	0	0	0	531	0
Risk Management	100	17	17	83	598	120
Fleet Vehicles	2,500	1,324	1,324	1,176	4,927	1,423
Mersey Gateway - Land Acquisition	839	55	55	784	0	0
Mersey Gateway - Crossings Board	33	30	30	3	0	0
Mersey Gateway - Handback Land	23	23	72	-49	0	0

## Capital Programme as at 31 December 2023...continued

Directorate/Department	2023/24 Capital Allocation	Allocation to Date	Actual Spend to 31 Dec 2023	Total Allocation Remaining	2024/25 Capital Allocation	2025/26 Capital Allocation
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Widnes Loops	0	84	84	-84	0	0
Stadium Minor Works	34	20	18	16	30	30
Brookvale Pitch Refurbishment	28	14	13	15	0	0
Halton Leisure Centre	15,056	12,600	12,550	2,506	15,285	0
Open Spaces Schemes	851	200	150	701	600	600
Children's Playground Equipment	105	20	20	85	65	65
Upton Improvements	13	0	0	13	0	0
Crow Wood Park Play Area	12	1	1	11	0	0
Landfill Tax Credit Schemes	340	0	0	340	340	340
Runcorn Town Park	284	120	117	167	310	280
Spike Island / Wigg Island	1,023	35	32	991	964	0
Pickerings Pasture Café	520	0	0	520	0	0
Litter Bins	20	0	0	20	20	20
3MG	24	14	14	10	127	0
Murdishaw	30	8	8	22	0	0
Equality Act Improvement Works	282	230	230	52	300	300
Foundry Lane Residential Area	2,634	1,308	1,308	1,326	0	0
Police Station Demolition	406	406	406	0	0	0
Kingsway Learning Centre Improved Facilities	36	0	0	36	0	0
Roof Top Garden	35	0	0	35	0	0
Property Improvements	254	210	210	44	200	200
Woodend - Former Unit 10 Catalyst Trade Park	200	234	234	-34	0	0
Runcorn Station Building Development	80	30	30	50	435	0
Waterloo Building	93	1	1	92	0	0
UK Shared Prosperity Fund	82	20	20	62	126	0
Runcorn Waterfront Residential Development	291	18	18	273	0	0
Changing Places	212	180	180	32	0	0
Town Deal	2,240	825	825	1,415	9,042	3,654
<b>TOTAL ENVIRONMENT and REGENERATION DIRECTORATE</b>	<b>51,520</b>	<b>25,905</b>	<b>25,845</b>	<b>25,675</b>	<b>35,895</b>	<b>7,232</b>
<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORATE</b>						
ICT Rolling Capital Project	700	525	287	413	700	700
Halton Smart Microgrid	11,000	0	0	11,000	0	0
Transformation Programme	5,000	3,750	1,967	3,033	1,000	1,000
<b>TOTAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORATE</b>	<b>16,700</b>	<b>4,275</b>	<b>2,254</b>	<b>14,446</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>1,700</b>
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME</b>	<b>76,860</b>	<b>33,575</b>	<b>31,472</b>	<b>45,388</b>	<b>39,935</b>	<b>10,072</b>
Slippage (20%) Carried Forward	-15,372				-7,987	-2,014
Slippage Brought Forward					15,372	7,987
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61,488</b>	<b>33,575</b>	<b>31,472</b>	<b>30,016</b>	<b>47,320</b>	<b>16,045</b>

