

**REPORT TO: EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
13 FEBRUARY 2008**

SUBJECT: EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CAPITAL BUDGETS 2007/08

BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Committee of the projects and patterns of expenditure projected for Capital Budgets within Educational Services for 2007/08.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section D (14) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to the consideration of Capital and Revenue Budgets and long term financial plans.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that Committee:-

- a) notes the current position regarding Educational Services' Capital Programme.
- b) approves the school projects as listed within paragraph 4.4 of the report.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the Special Meeting of Council on 9 February 2006 (para 5 (iv) refers), it was agreed that Service Committee approval was required prior to Capital projects being implemented.
- 3.2 The Capital budgets covered in this report are those contained within the Educational Services Capital Plan (**Appendices 1A, 1B and 1C**).

4. BUDGET DETAIL

- 4.1 The total approved Capital budget for Educational Services as at 31 December 2007 is as follows:-

	07/08 £000
Land & Buildings	3,279
Leisure & Healthy Living	0
Vehicles, Plant & Equipment	319

Totals	3,598
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Lists of individual projects included within the headings are detailed in **Appendices 1A, 1B & 1C**.

- 4.2 As noted in Paragraph 3.2, projects which have not previously been approved, require the approval of this Committee before they can be undertaken.
- 4.3 The major projects that have approval are listed below:-
- ◇ New Elgin Primary: Interagency Base
 - ◇ Elgin High School: Heating and ventilation
 - ◇ Tomintoul Primary: Separation of Services
 - ◇ Milnes High School: Heating upgrade phase
 - ◇ New Elgin Primary: Electrical rewire
 - ◇ New Elgin Primary: Replacement curtain walling
 - ◇ Kinloss Primary: Replacement curtain walling
 - ◇ Logie Primary: Replacement roof
 - ◇ Forres Academy: Floor screed phase 1
 - ◇ Legionella preventative works: Elgin High, Elgin Academy and Milne's High
 - ◇ Keith Grammar: Guidance area
 - ◇ Lossiemouth High: Provision of science laboratory
 - ◇ Keith Sports and Community Centre: Installation of new boiler plant
 - ◇ Keith Grammar School: Upgrades to staff and pupil toilets
 - ◇ Burghead Primary School: Upgrades to security, staff facilities and storage
 - ◇ Kinloss Primary School: Upgrades to security and nursery access and boiler replacements
 - ◇ Elgin High School: Alterations to second floor teaching block
 - ◇ Findochty Primary School: Replacement of gutters
 - ◇ Provision of new and upgraded CCTV systems at eight schools

- 4.4 Projects that have now reached the appropriate stage of development to require approval are listed below. These projects are additional to those within the approved capital programme and will be funded from the uncommitted balance of the additional Schools Fund Grant which currently stands at £500,000.

Title	Category	Net Cost £
Knockando Primary: Improvements to dining/teaching block	Land & Buildings	7000
Elgin High: Replacement Doors	Land & Buildings	6,000
Mosstodloch Primary: Classroom assistants base	Land & Buildings	5,000
Mortlach Primary: Playing field drainage	Land & Buildings	6,000
Elgin High: Lighting upgrade and new lift valve	Land & Buildings	9,500
Kinloss Primary: Renew boiler house doors	Land & Buildings	2000
Andersons Primary: Replacement oil burners	Land & Buildings	2,700
Gas safety upgrades @ 11 schools	Land & Buildings	25,000
Mosstodloch Primary; Upgrade nursery heaters	Land & Buildings	30,000
Keith Grammar: Replace double glazed windows	Land & Buildings	1,500
Portgordon Primary: Playground enclosure	Land & Buildings	6,000

- 4.5 The total approved gross expenditure for 2007/08 including carry forwards and grants is £3,598,000. Expenditure to 31 December 2007 is currently £1,354,000. Projected expenditure for the end of the financial year is £2,999,000 with any required under spend being carried forward to 2008/09.
- 4.6 Members are also informed that Moray Leisure has committed its agreed capital expenditure of £50,000 towards the renovation of its Health and Well Being facility with the bulk of the funding being directed towards internal alterations and enhanced equipment.

5. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Development Plan

This report supports the Council's corporate working principles of efficiency, effectiveness and economy. It also supports the Educational Services' Improvement Plan objective of providing quality facilities.

(b) Policy and Legal

There are no policy implications arising directly from this report. The Council has a legal obligation to provide access to services under the Disability Discrimination Act.

(c) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)

The financial implications arising from this report are as detailed in the body of this report.

There are no staffing implications arising from this report.

(d) Consultations

Consultations have been undertaken with Deborah Brands, Principal Accountant; Eddie Milne, Principal Quantity Surveyor & Educational Services SMT and where comments have been received, these have been incorporated within the report.

6. CONCLUSION

6.1 That Committee notes the proposed programme of Capital Works and considers a number of projects for approval.

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Background Papers:

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