

REPORT TO: POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE ON 5TH AUGUST 2008

SUBJECT: CAPITAL PLAN 2008/09 MONITORING TO 30TH JUNE 2008

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1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To inform Committee of the expenditure under the Capital Plan for financial year 2008/09 to 30th June 2008.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section A (7) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to Capital Expenditure Monitoring.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **It is recommended that the Committee notes the expenditure to 30th June 2008 and the provisional projects as at that date.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The provisional Capital Plan of £15.7 million excluding Flood Alleviation Schemes was approved by The Moray Council on 14th February 2008, as part of the Financial Plan for 2008 to 2011.
- 3.2 Carry forwards from slippage in the 2007/08 Capital Plan were reported to Full Council on 2nd July 2008. These projects, amounting to £8.0 million, have been added to this year's Capital Plan.
- 3.3 Flood Alleviation Schemes are subject to more detailed monitoring reports to the Flood Alleviation Sub-Committee and the Capital Plan is amended to reflect revised projections approved by the Sub-Committee. A budget of £18.8 million has been included for Flood Alleviation Schemes in 2008/09.
- 3.4 The total approved Capital Plan, including Flood Alleviation Schemes, is £42.5 million, and expenditure to 30th June 2008 amounts to £3.0 million. A copy of the Capital Plan is attached as **APPENDIX 1**, showing the actual expenditure to 30th June 2008.
- 3.5 The Capital Plan approved by Members in February 2008 is provisional. Service Committees are responsible for the relevant Sections of the Plan, and detailed approval is required by Service Committees before any project can proceed further.
- 3.6 Regular monitoring reports are provided to this Committee showing expenditure to date for each project and details of Capital receipts received to date. The status of projects to date, whether provisional or approved by Service Committee, is also reported.

- 3.7 A number of schools projects totalling £3.35 million have already been approved by Education and Social Services Committee on 9th April 2008 and 28th May 2008. Expenditure to date on these projects is £197k.
- 3.8 The Roads Maintenance Capital works programme totalling £2.3 million was reported to Environmental Services Committee on 16 April 2008 and these projects are approved and underway.
- 3.9 Policy and Resources capital projects includes the Office Accommodation budget which is the subject of regular reports to Committee and remains provisional apart from the individual projects identified.
- 3.10 Last year the Council received a Capital Grant to invest in projects to assist in the delivery of efficiency savings. Work is ongoing at school buildings as recommended by the Carbon Trust Report and at Maybank, a new Community Services residential unit in Forres. Grant of £0.66 million has been carried forward from 2007/08 to continue these projects in the current financial year.
- 3.11 A copy of the Capital Plan is attached as **APPENDIX 1**, showing the actual expenditure to 30th June of £3.0 million. The Capital receipts of £0.08 million from sale of assets are also attached.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Development Plan/Community Plan/Service Improvement Plan

This report complies with the working principles of the Corporate Plan in terms of accountability and sound financial management.

(b) Policy and Legal

There are no Policy and Legal implications.

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

The financial implications are highlighted within the Report. There are no staffing and property resource implications.

(d) Consultations

Consultations with Budget Managers are ongoing throughout the year to monitor expenditure and progress of individual capital projects.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 The Capital Plan to 30th June 2008 has £3.0 million of expenditure and £0.17 million of Capital receipts.

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Background Papers:
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