
CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2006/2007

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report reviews the current Capital Programme following closure of accounts for 2005/2006.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 As part of the Budget Strategy each year the Council agrees a Capital Programme for the coming financial year and the following four years. The programme covers all General Fund services and housing. The programme shows anticipated resources and the programme of expenditure.

3 CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 The attached Appendix outlines a revised Capital Programme for 2006/07 only based on the Budget Strategy agreed earlier this year. The programme has been updated with new information principally following the closure of accounts for 2005/2006. The changes are shown in the column headed Revised 2006/07 and the final column gives information on the changes to the programme. The full five year programme will be considered as part of the coming Budget Strategy later in the year.
- 3.2 The full Capital Programme for 2007/08 to 2010/2011 will be presented to Members as part of the Budget Setting process later in the year.
- 3.3 For 2006/07, the key changes to note are as follows:
- 3.4 Sheltered Scheme – Lift Replacements

Community Services, 4 April 2006, agreed the replacement of lifts at Britton Court and Chignal House. At the time of preparing the estimates there was no consideration made for temporary facilities such as stairlifts. This has since been included as it has been found that there are a small number of residents who could not manage the stairs at all.

The tenders for replacing the lifts and providing temporary stairlifts have now been received and the lowest tender is £95,000. The cost can be met from within the existing Housing Capital Programme because of the underspend on some items in 2005/06

- 3.5 Disabled Facilities Grants

An additional provision of £40,000 has been included in the Programme to meet the increased volume of applications for disabled adaptations referred from Social Services. A contingency for Tylney Avenue was originally included in the Programme to be funded from S106 funds, but this is no

longer required. The £50,000 S106 funds will be used towards the Support for Housing Association funding, so there will be no impact on the use of Capital Receipts.

4 RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Delays in completing the items on the Capital Programme could prevent the Council from achieving its strategic objectives and lead to adverse publicity for the Council. The allocation of resources needs to be carefully managed to ensure that the Programme is properly funded and the revenue consequences are included in the Budget Strategy for the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Capital Programme has a financial impact on the revenue budget and this is included in the Budget Strategy.

6 RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 It is proposed that the Council **RESOLVES** to agree the revised Capital Programme for 2006/07.

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Background Papers:-

None

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