

Item 2

To: EDUCATION & CHILDREN POLICY BOARD

On: 12 MAY 2016

Report by: Director of Finance and Resources

Heading: Capital Budget Monitoring Report

1. Summary

1.1 Capital expenditure to 4th March 2016 totals £9.942m compared to anticipated expenditure of £9.925m for this time of year. This results in an over-spend position of £0.017m for those services reporting to this board, and is summarised in the table below:

Division	Current Reported Position	% Variance	Previously Reported Position	% Variance
Education	£0.017m	0%	£0.007m	0%
Services	o/spend	o/spend	o/spend	o/spend
Social Work Services(Child Care & Criminal Justice)	£0.000m u/spend	0% u/spend	£0.000m u/spend	0% u/spend
Total	£0.017m	0%	£0.007m	0%
	o/spend	o/spend	o/spend	o/spend

The expenditure total of £9.942m represents 91% of the resources available to fund the projects being reported to this board. Appendix 1 provides further information on the budget monitoring position of the projects within the remit of this board.

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that Members note this report.

3. **Background**

- 3.1 This report has been prepared by the Director of Finance and Resources.
- This capital budget monitoring report details the performance of the Capital Programme to 4th March 2016, and is based on the Capital Investment Programme which was approved by members on 12th February 2015, adjusted for movements since its approval.
- 3.3 A revised construction programme for the new Riverbrae School in Linwood has been discussed with the main contractor. Owing to difficulties with water ingress during the build process an extended timescale for completion is required in order all affected areas can be remediated. The revised programme outlines that completion will be achieved in June 2017 with commissioning taking place thereafter and the school being available for pupils for the commencement of the 2017 school year in August 2017. The Council is working closely with the contractor and has commissioned additional architectural support to ensure the revised programme is achieved.

4. Budget Changes

- 4.1 Since the last report there have been budget changes totalling £2.429m reflecting the following:
 - Budget being re-profiled from 2015/16 to 2016/17:
 - Schools Investment Programme (£0.105m) which reflects required further heating works for the St James Primary School Project.
 - Early Years / Primary Schools Estate(SEMP)
 Programmes (£0.368m) reflecting the timing of financial commitments.
 - New Linwood School (£1.830m) reflecting a re-phasing which is as a result of revised project timescales.
 - Transfer of underspend in Trinity High External Sport/Social Space Improvements (£0.092m) to the Strategic Asset management Fund.
 - Transfer of underspend from Rowanlea/Arkleston Children's Units (£0.034m) to James Street Refurbishment Works.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – The programme will be continually monitored, in conjunction with other programmes, to ensure that the available resources are fully utilised and that approved limits are achieved.

- 2. **HR & Organisational Development** none.
- 3. **Community Planning**

Greener - Capital investment will make property assets more energy efficient.

- 4. **Legal** none.
- 5. **Property/Assets** none.
- 6. **Information Technology** none.
- 7. **Equality & Human Rights** The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
- 8. **Health & Safety** none.
- 9. **Procurement** none.
- 10. **Risk** none.
- 11. **Privacy Impact** none.

List of Background Papers

(a). Capital Investment Programme 2015/16 & 2016/17 – Council, 12th February 2015.

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Appendix 1

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2015/16 - BUDGET MONITORING REPORT TO 4 MARCH 2016 (£000s)

	Council		Share	Year to Date				Unspent	
POLICY	Approved	Current	of Available	Budget to	Spent to	Variance to	%	Cash Flow	% Cash
BOARD Department	Programme	Programme	Resources	4-Mar-16	4-Mar-16	4-Mar-16	variance	For Year	Spent
Education & Children									
Education Services	23,847	10,934	10,934	9,925	9,942	-17	%0	992	91%
Social Work Services(Child Care & Crimi	0	0	0	0	0	0	%0	0	%0
TOTAL	23,847	10,935	10,935	9,925	9,942	-17	%0	992	91%