

Central Bedfordshire Council

EXECUTIVE

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December 2018 (Q3) Capital Budget Monitoring Report

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This report relates to a Non Key Decision

Purpose of this report

1. The report sets out the Capital forecast outturn for 2018/19 as at the end of December 2018. It excludes the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) which is subject to a separate report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive is asked to:

1. **note that the capital gross forecast outturn position is a spend of £87.7M (£63.2M in 2017/18) demonstrating the continued significant capital investment made by Central Bedfordshire to support its community; and**
2. **note the forecast overspend on Highways Depot South/Highways Structural Maintenance which will be confirmed in the outturn report.**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

2. This report is based on the 2018/19 budget approved by Council at its February 2018 meeting. The reported budget also includes deferred spend from 2017/18 which was approved under delegated authority and subsequently approved by the Executive in June 2018. The approved budget excluding HRA and including deferred spend from 2017/18 is £141.2M (gross), £89.2M net.

ISSUES

None

FINANCIAL AND OTHER OPTIONS

These are covered in the report.

Principal variances

1. The approved budget excluding HRA but including deferred spend from 2017/18 is £141.2M gross (£110.7M in 2017/18) and £89.2M net (£59.4M in 2017/18).
2. The gross forecast is below budget by £53.5M. The net forecast is £44.3M below budget.
3. Community Services are forecasting to be below gross budget by £40M. and below net budget by £32.5M. Proposed gross slippage is £41.6M. There are a number of schemes that this relates to, however the most significant schemes (gross) are:
 - £8.2M A421- M1 Junction 13
 - £7.6M Purchase of the Waste Fleet.
 - £5.6M Strategic Acquisitions
 - £3.1M Integrated Health & Care Hub (Biggleswade)
 - £3.1M Stratton Industrial Units
 - £2.6M Crematorium
 - £2.3M IT Digitisation
 - £1.2M New Car Parks
 - £1.0M Luton & Dunstable Busway
4. Note that the proposed slippage is greater than the underspend against budget as some schemes are forecasting an overspend and some are under (a mix issue).
5. SCHH are forecasting to be below gross budget by £9.5M, and £6.8M net. Proposed slippage is £9.1M (gross), £6.1M net.
 - £5.0M MANOP Non-HRA Extra Care Schemes
 - £1.9M Review of Accommodation/Day Support, "New Approaches to Outcomes"
 - £1.0M Better Care Fund Grant
 - £0.8M MANOP Care Home re-provision
 - £0.4M NHS Campus Closure
6. Regeneration are forecasting to be below gross budget by £6.8M, and £4.5M net. Proposed slippage is £6.9M (gross), £5.1M net.
 - £2.4M Broadband
 - £1.4M Flitwick Redevelopment
 - £1.3M Market Towns
 - £0.5M East/West Rail
 - £0.4M M1 – A6 Phases 1 & 2
 - £0.3M Strategic infrastructure schemes A & B

Capital Receipts

- The overall budget for Capital receipts is £10M. The forecast is £16.1M. To date we have received £13.2M the bulk of which relates to Fairfield.
- A summary of the position is in the table below.

Directorate	Year to Date P09			Full Year 2018/19			Year to Date P09			Full Year 2018/19		
	Gross Budget	Gross Actual	Gross Variance	Gross Budget	Gross Forecast	Gross Variance	Net Budget	Net Actual	Net Variance	Net Budget	Net Forecast	Net Variance
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Children's Services	4.8	4.5	(0.3)	6.4	9.3	2.9	0.9	0.8	(0.1)	1.4	0.9	(0.5)
Community Service	49.1	38.6	(10.5)	105.5	65.5	(40.0)	33.8	21.7	(12.0)	71.6	39.1	(32.5)
Chief Executive's	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Resources	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Regeneration	6.2	5.8	(0.4)	15.8	8.9	(6.8)	1.1	1.0	(0.1)	7.3	2.7	(4.5)
ASCHH	9.6	2.6	(7.1)	13.4	3.9	(9.5)	6.2	1.5	(4.6)	9.0	2.2	(6.8)
Total Exc HRA	69.7	51.5	(18.2)	141.2	87.7	(53.5)	41.9	25.0	(16.9)	89.2	44.9	(44.3)

(Note: Any minor rounding differences are due to linking to detailed appendices)

Reasons for decision

- To complete schemes currently underway and facilitate effective financial management and planning.

Council Priorities

- Sound financial management contributes to the Council's Value for Money and enables the Council to successfully deliver its priorities. The recommendations will contribute indirectly to all 6 Council priorities.

Corporate Implications

Legal Implications

- None.

Financial Implications

- The financial Implications are contained in the report.

Equalities Implications

- Equality Impact Assessments were undertaken prior to the allocation of the 2018/19 budgets and Members were advised of significant equality implications relating to the budget proposals when setting the Council's Budget in February 2018.

Appendix A - Detailed Directorate Commentary