

CAPITAL MONITORING SUMMARY

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. This is one of a series of reports submitted throughout the year providing an update on the progress being made in delivering the capital programme.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Cabinet on 3 April 2008 agreed that I would provide this summary report to Cabinet and to Finance & Best Value Overview & Scrutiny Committee following the end of each quarter and that it would compare progress against the approved programme. To support this each Chief Officer provides an update on their elements of the programme including references to the approval, any variations, progress (including implications for future years) and funding.

3. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2008/11

- 3.1 The capital programme for 2008/11 was approved by Council on 17 December 2007 and confirmed as part of the budget by Council on 3 March 2008. Other than the impact of decisions by Council / Cabinet the revisions relate to slippage resulting in both the spend and the resources being similarly slipped.

4. COUNCIL / CABINET DECISIONS

- 4.1 The Capital Programme 2008/11 and Capital Financing Requirements 2008/09 were agreed by Cabinet on 12 December 2007 and updated as part of the Estimates 2008/09 that was reported to Cabinet on 21 February 2008.
- 4.2 On March 13 in the Projected Budget 2009/10-2010/11 report the previous decision to capitalise £3.6 million of highways maintenance was revised so that it reverts to being a revenue liability from 2009/10.
- 4.3 On May 22 a report detailing the Schools Capital Funding 2008/09 was provided by the Director of Children & Young people. The same meeting also agreed to provide financial support for the works to the Bidston Viaduct. This major initiative, subject to a final decision by the Department for Transport, will require a Council contribution of £2.9 million between 2009/12.
- 4.4 On June 26 the Capital Out-turn and Determinations report was submitted as part of the year-end accounts for the 2007/08 financial year and detailed the slippage into the 2008/09 financial year.

5. CAPITAL PROGRAMME SUMMARY

- 5.1. The table compares the original programme approved as part of the Budget with the latest forecast spend position that incorporates permanent changes to the programme due to slippage and Cabinet approvals.

Spend	Original Approval	Forecast June
	£000	£000
Adult Social Services	2,952	3,696
Children & Young People	32,221	26,377
Corporate Services	2,270	3,271
Regeneration	29,079	36,876
Technical Services	11,318	12,589
Total programme	77,840	82,809

- 5.2 The resources table similarly compares the developing programme and reflects the agreed changes, including slippage of spend from 2007/08. The generation of capital receipts through the sale of assets is used to fund the programme and at this stage £4 million is included for use in 2008/09. Income from sales, whilst uncertain in the exact timing of receipt, offers flexibility in the timing of its use and can be used to either balance the current programme or to address future budgetary issues.

Resources	Original Approval	Forecast June
	£000	£000
Borrowing	31,092	30,257
Grant – HMRI	9,800	8,900
Grant – Education	20,899	17,868
Grant – Other	11,636	21,368
Revenue	413	416
Capital Receipts	4,000	4,000
Total resources	77,840	82,809

6. **PROGRESS ON THE PROGRAMME**

3.2 **Adult Social Services**

- 3.2.1 The Director in his report to Cabinet on 12 June on Transforming Social Care referred to a review of intermediate care requiring revisions to the plans for Poulton House. Consultation has commenced that will also set the agenda for places like Girtrell Court and will impact upon the decisions regarding the adult accommodation provision. All the schemes are therefore subject to review pending the outcome of the consultation.

3.3 **Children & Young People**

- 3.3.1. A report on the Schools Capital Funding for 2008/09 was presented to Cabinet on 22 May which provided details of all aspects of the programme and the plans for the current financial year.

- 3.3.2 The Building Schools for the Future (BSF) – One Pathfinder project continues to progress in accordance with the timescales agreed with the Department for Children, Schools and Families. With the Department having re-profiled the funding a start on site is expected early in 2009.
- 3.3.3. Under the national scheme to develop Children’s Centres Phase 1 and Phase 2 has now seen 17 of the 19 centres opened. The remaining two were re-programmed into 2008/09 and are at the tender stage.
- 3.3.4. A major element of the programme is the Formula Capital allocated to schools. The implementation of individual projects is managed jointly by the school and the Council and comprises of a larger number of essentially smaller value schemes. The timing of the schemes is largely down to the schools so the level of spend can vary from the initial projections and some schemes and resources have now been re-profiled into 2009/10.
- 3.3.5 The Targeted Capital programme to build teaching accommodation at West Kirby Grammar and Wirral Boys Grammar experienced delays in the works which are expected to complete this financial year.
- 3.3.6 The funding from the Department for Children, Schools and Families for the Primary Capital Strategy is anticipated to be clarified in September. The local authority strategy document having been submitted for consideration.

3.4 Corporate Services

- 3.4.1 The most significant area of expenditure is on Property Maintenance and the 2008/09 programme was agreed by Cabinet on 12 June. This builds upon the Condition and Health and Safety surveys and ranks the priority areas for works in the current year.
- 3.4.2 The Think Big Investment Fund is the re-launched Business Rates support allocation that was previously within the regeneration programme and seeks to encourage business development.

3.5 Regeneration

- 3.5.1 The Oval Sports Centre is undergoing a substantial programme of works both to the main building and to the creation of 5-a-side pitches. This has been the subject of well reported delays for a variety of reasons with the main facility expected to re-open in late summer. The redevelopment of New Brighton is progressing well which includes the Floral Pavilion that is anticipated to open in November.
- 3.5.2 The Special Initiatives element of the programme includes schemes and related funding in respect of Objective One (£5.5 million) and the Single Regeneration Budget (£4.5 million). Schemes such as New Brighton Promenade are within these allocations and contributing towards the conclusion of the Merseyside-wide programme of schemes. Whilst shown

under 2008/09 the programme will be further refined as it is not due to complete until 2010.

3.5.3 The Housing Market Renewal Initiative (NewHeartlands) continues to progress although the impact of the worldwide and national financial situation is affecting developers. The size and nature of the programme requires both the programme and the funding to be more flexible with the re-phasing of expenditure and resources kept under review to maintain continuity of progress.

3.6 Technical Services

3.6.1 The Highways Structural Maintenance Programme 2008/09 was approved by Cabinet in March 2008 and updated in June when the plans for Road Safety schemes were also agreed. At this stage of the financial year the Director reports that no significant variations have arisen and the final spend will closely reflect the programme by the end of the financial year.

3.6.2 In terms of future years the proposals for addressing the Bidston Moss Viaduct are nearing conclusion with the Department for transport having ear-marked the scheme for funding, subject to the constituent authorities agreeing to a share of the funding. This was reported to, and agreed by, Cabinet on May 22.

8. FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

8.1 The Capital Programme for 2008/09 reflects the programme reported.

8.2 There are no additional staffing implications arising directly from this report.

IAN COLEMAN
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

WIRRAL COUNCIL CAPITAL MONITORING SUMMARY REPORT 2008/09
APPROVED PROGRAMME

POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

Schemes	Approved 2008/09	Revisions 2008/09	Forecast 2008/09	Actual To date	Approved 2009/10	Approved 2010/11
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Adult Social Services	2,952	+744	3,696	13	0	0
Children & Young People	32,221	-5,844	26,377	3,464	39,225	34,139
Corporate Services	2,270	+1,001	3,271	332	2,810	3,810
Regeneration	29,079	+7,797	36,876	8,968	14,407	13,612
Technical Services	11,318	+1,271	12,589	1,211	7,712	8,639
TOTAL	77,840	+4,969	82,809	13,988	64,154	60,200
Funding						
General Resources	21,529	-1,129	20,400		15,997	18,179
Supported Borrowing	7,893	-208	7,685		9,127	11,505
Prudential Borrowing	5,670	+502	6,172		1,100	200
Grants – Education	20,899	-3,031	17,868		26,665	21,101
Grants – HMRI	9,800	-900	8,900		8,300	7,500
Grants – Other	11,636	+9,732	21,368		1,915	1,665
Revenue, reserves and contributions	413	+3	416		1,050	50
TOTAL	77,840	+4,969	82,809		64,154	60,200

APPROVED BY COUNCIL / CABINET - DECISIONS TO VARY THE PROGRAMME

Date	Details	£
February 21	Budget Cabinet confirmed the programme approved in December 2007	77,840
March 13	Capitalisation of highways maintenance returned to revenue from 2009/10	-3,656
April 3	Waste infrastructure grant allocated for 2008/09 and noted allocations for 2009/10 and 2010/11.	+551
May 22	Schools Capital funding agreed including in principle for Park and Pensby Schools.	
	Bidston Moss Viaduct scheme financial support from the Council confirmed for 2009/12.	
June 26	Business Rates transferred from Regeneration and reclassified as Think Big Investment Fund	
	Slippage from 2007/08 into 2008/09 financial year.	

**WIRRAL COUNCIL
CAPITAL MONITORING REPORT 2008/09**

**DEPARTMENT ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES
POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008**

SUMMARY

The approved programme for 2008/09 comprises Girtrell Court, Poulton House and Adult Accommodation funded by prudential borrowing. The report to Cabinet on 12 June 2008 referred to an initial review of intermediate care that proposed a new model for services. This requires revisions to the existing plans for Poulton House and consultation is starting with people who use Girtrell Court. The outcome of the consultation will set the agenda for the future and whilst the outcome is outstanding, forecast expenditure has been shown as the sum of approved and revised.

APPROVED PROGRAMME

Schemes	Approved 2008/09	Revisions 2008/09	Forecast 2008/09	Actual To date	Approved 2009/10	Approved 2010/11
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
In House Residential (Poulton House)	1,952	-454	1,498	0	0	0
Girtrell Court	1,000	0	1,000	0	0	0
Adult Accommodation		1,198	1,198	13	0	0
TOTAL	2,952	744	3,696	13	0	0
Funding						
Prudential Borrowing	2,952	744	3,696		0	0
TOTAL	2,952	744	3,696		0	0

APPROVED BY COUNCIL / CABINET - DECISIONS TO VARY THE PROGRAMME

Date	Details	£
26 June	Cabinet agreed the slippage from 2007/08 (Poulton House was partially used in 2007/08)	

COMPLETED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on schemes completed including actions

PROGRESS REPORT ON APPROVED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on progression of schemes and any variations
Poulton House & Adult Accommodation	Approved schemes are subject to review following the outcome of the consultation.

JOHN WEBB
DIRECTOR OF ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES

**WIRRAL COUNCIL
CAPITAL MONITORING REPORT 2008/09**

**DEPARTMENT CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE
POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008**

SUMMARY

The Schools Capital programme 2008/09 was reported to Cabinet on 22 May which set out in detail the revised plans for the current financial year. The most significant change in the programme is related to the building schools for the future scheme at Woodchuch which has been re-profiled by the Department for Children, Schools and Families. The expected start on site is now early in 2009. The other changes reflect the re-profiling of the programme following consultation with schools.

APPROVED PROGRAMME

Schemes	Approved 2008/09	Revisions 2008/09	Forecast 2008/09	Actual To date	Approved 2009/10	Approved 2010/11
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Children's Homes	450	11	461	0	0	0
Children's Invest-To-Save	1,400	-1,255	145	0	1,100	200
City Learning Centres	50	471	521	103	0	0
Condition / Modernisation	5,704	887	6,591	870	2,755	2,755
Formula Capital	5,878	-1,386	4,492	452	4,592	4,592
Extended Schools	550	25	575	6	582	301
Schools – Access Initiative	611	38	649	16	611	611
Schools – Basic Needs	924	0	924	0	924	924
Schools – Property Maintenance	400	10	410	33	400	400
Schools – Boiler Renewals	250	-11	239	3	250	250
Schools – Health and Safety	200	75	275	0	200	200
Building Schools for the Future	11,625	-11,106	519	104	16,203	7,167
Private Finance Initiative	50	0	50	0	50	50
West Kirby Grammar – Teaching Acc	1,300	-81	1,219	181	0	0
Wirral Grammar Boys – Teaching Acc	265	1,174	1,439	679	0	0
Primary Reorganisation	400	-53	347	0	250	250
Primary Capital Strategy	0	0	0	0	4,838	7,216
Poulton School	0	0	0	0	1,000	0
Harnessing Technology	993	0	993	0	1,084	1,176

National Grid for Learning	133	0	133	0	133	133
Computers for Pupils	0	1,447	1,447	624	0	0
Contact Point System	0	172	172	0	0	0
Integrated Children's Scheme	0	26	26	0	0	0
Computers for Social Workers	0	57	57	0	0	0
Old Final Accounts	50	0	50	11	50	50
SEN and Disabilities	0	0	0	0	2,000	6,000
Specialist Schools	150	18	168	14	0	0
Playing Field Refurbishments	488	203	691	132	0	0
Oaklands Centre	350	0	350	0	0	0
Youth Capital Fund	0	843	843	0	182	182
Children's Centres Phase 1	0	73	73	58	0	0
Children's Centres Phase 2	0	784	784	161	0	0
Children's Centres Phase 3	0	347	347	0	717	443
Early Years Quality and Access	0	1,239	1,239	0	1,239	1,239
Adult Learning	0	40	40	17	0	0
Music Service Scheme	0	109	109	0	65	
TOTAL	32,221	-5,844	26,377	3,464	39,225	34,139
Funding						
General Resources	4,336	-1,353	2,983		1,283	1,283
Supported Borrowing for Year	5,173	-208	4,965		9,127	11,505
Prudential Borrowing	1,400	-1,255	145		1,100	200
Grant – Education	20,899	-3,031	17,868		26,665	21,101
Revenue, Reserve, Contributions	413	3	416		1,050	50
TOTAL	32,221	-5,844	26,377		39,225	34,139

APPROVED BY COUNCIL / CABINET - DECISIONS TO VARY THE PROGRAMME

Date	Details	£
16 April	Scheme & Estimates approved for Brackenwood, Liscard and Stanton Road Primary schools.	

22 May	Schools Capital funding 2008/09 report approved including Park and Pensby Schools.	
12 June	Scheme & Estimates approved for Children's Centres at Eastway Primary and Lingham Primary	
26 June	Cabinet agreed the slippage from 2007/08 to 2008/09 capital programme.	

COMPLETED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on schemes completed including actions

PROGRESS REPORT ON APPROVED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on progression of schemes and any variations	£
Woodchurch Pathfinder BSF	Re-profiling of scheme from 2008/09 to later years by DCSF. Start on site early 2009.	-11,106
Formula Capital	Re-profiling of schemes from 2008/09 to later years	-2,265
Children's Invest to Save	Re-profiling of schemes from 2008/09 to later years	-1,000
Children's Centres	17 of 19 centres are now complete. 2 remaining are approved and at tender stage	
Primary Capital Strategy	Funding is subject to DCSF approval of LA Strategy document (DCSF response is anticipated September 2008)	

HOWARD COOPER
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

**WIRRAL COUNCIL
CAPITAL MONITORING REPORT 2008/09**

**DEPARTMENT CORPORATE SERVICES
POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008**

SUMMARY

The most significant area of the programme is that on Property Maintenance. The programme of works is based upon priorities identified from the condition surveys and the health & safety surveys and the 2008/09 programme was agreed by Cabinet on 12 June. This includes a contingency for unplanned schemes or emergency works resulting from condition surveys. In terms of Building modernisation it is anticipated that schemes will be determined from the Strategic Asset Reviews that are to be carried out across on a geographic basis over the coming year.

APPROVED PROGRAMME

Schemes	Approved 2008/09	Revisions 2008/09	Forecast 2008/09	Actual To date	Approved 2009/10	Approved 2010/11
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Property Maintenance	1,510	0	1,510	133	1,510	1,510
Disabled Access Provision	100	0	100	1	100	100
Building Modernisation	250	0	250	0	1,000	2,000
West Wirral Schemes	200	211	411	33	200	200
IT Software Management	210	0	210	13	0	0
IT Projects	0	101	101	76	0	0
One Stop Shops	0	242	242	0	0	0
Cheshire Lines & Corporate Archive	0	9	9	72	0	0
West Kirby Coast	0	47	47	4	0	0
Hoylake Golf Resort	0	4	4	0	0	0
Think Big Investment Fund	0	387	387	0	300	300
TOTAL	2,270	1,001	3,271	332	2,810	3,810
Funding						
General Capital Resources	2,060	900	2,960	243	2,810	3,810
Prudential Borrowing	210	101	311	89	0	0
TOTAL	2,270	1,001	3,271	332	2,810	3,810

APPROVED BY COUNCIL / CABINET - DECISIONS TO VARY THE PROGRAMME

Date	Details	£
June 26	Business Rates transferred from Regeneration and reclassified as Think Big Investment Fund	300
June 26	Cabinet agreed the slippage from 2007/08 to 2008/09 capital programme	701

COMPLETED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on schemes completed including actions

PROGRESS REPORT ON APPROVED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on progression of schemes and any variations
Property Maintenance	Cabinet 12 June 2008 approved the Property Maintenance programme for 2008/09

JIM WILKIE
DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

**WIRRAL COUNCIL
CAPITAL MONITORING REPORT 2008/09**

**DEPARTMENT REGENERATION
POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008**

SUMMARY

The main element is the Housing Market. Renewal Programme which is focused on Clearance and Improvements to existing housing stock. A change in the level of funding from NewHeartlands in 2008/09 has resulted in a reduction in the programme which will impact on the current year and future years (subject to changes to future funding levels). With Renovation Grants having ceased and improvements being by the use of contributions or equity loans the description has been revised to "Improvements to Stock".

The Floral Pavilion is slightly behind schedule but no major delay is forecasted. Phase 2 of the New Brighton development is still subject to future agreement and will be reported to future Cabinet meetings. Various Objective 1 programme and SRB programme schemes have been approved with the anticipated finalisation by 31 December 2008 and 31 March 2010 respectively.

APPROVED PROGRAMME

Schemes	Approved 2008/09	Revisions 2008/09	Forecast 2008/09	Actual To date	Approved 2009/10	Approved 2010/11
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Improvements to stock	2,500	170	2,670	411	3,380	3,380
Clearance	15,800	-4,136	11,664	4,470	9,477	8,682
Disabled Facilities Grants	1,250	377	1,627	187	1,250	1,250
Business Rates Support	300	-300	0	0	0	0
Floral Pavilion	7,952	-70	7,882	1,160	0	0
Landican Cemetery	300	-11	289	0	0	0
Football Facilities	17	0	17	0	0	0
Wirral Tennis Centre	380	0	380	13	0	0
West Kirby Concourse	280	0	280	0	0	0
Property Maintenance	300	0	300	55	300	300
Energy Efficiency Schemes		99	99	0	0	0
Oval Sports Centre – 5-a-side		560	560	74	0	0
Oval Sports Centre – Refurbishment		105	105	179	0	0
Frankby Cemetery		259	259	240	0	0
Birkenhead Park		619	619	4	0	0

Birkenhead Central Library		181	181	51	0	0
Community Safety		100	100	0	0	0
Objective 1	0	5,301	5,301	1,816	0	0
SRB	0	4,543	4,543	308	0	0
TOTAL	29,079	7,797	36,876	8,968	14,407	13,612
Funding						
General Resources	10,062	-1,396	8,666		5,357	5,362
Prudential Borrowing	960	912	1,872		0	0
Grant – HMRI	9,800	-900	8,900		8,300	7,500
Grants – Other	8,257	+9,181	17,438		750	750
TOTAL	29,079	7,797	36,876		14,407	13,612

APPROVED BY COUNCIL / CABINET - DECISIONS TO VARY THE PROGRAMME

Date	Details	£
June 26	Business Rates transferred from Regeneration and reclassified as Think Big Investment Fund	300
June 26	Cabinet agreed the slippage from 2007/08 capital programme	

COMPLETED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on schemes completed including actions

PROGRESS REPORT ON APPROVED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on progression of schemes and any variations
Birkenhead Park	Only some remedial works and retentions remain outstanding.
Floral Pavilion	Progressing well with the handover expected in October and opening in November.
Oval Sports Centre	Issues around the refurbishment have been regularly reported and the opening is anticipated to be in the late summer.

ALAN STENNARD
DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION

**WIRRAL COUNCIL
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**DEPARTMENT TECHNICAL SERVICES
POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008**

SUMMARY

There is not a great deal to say at this stage of the year other than no significant variations have arisen and it is anticipated that by the end of the year the outturn will be closely in line with the agreed budget.

The West Kirby Marine Lake scheme is subject to the granting of statutory licences and will proceed as planned this year.

Waste Infrastructure includes the purchase lockable bins at multi occupational properties, recycling facilities in schools and retail areas and the purchase of two specialist waste inspection vehicles.

APPROVED PROGRAMME

Schemes	Approved 2008/09	Revisions 2008/09	Forecast 2008/09	Actual To date	Approved 2009/10	Approved 2010/11
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
LTP – Accessibility	137	0	137	13	150	155
LTP – Air Quality	955	0	955	88	560	445
LTP – Congestion	737	0	737	110	196	213
LTP – Road Safety	3,620	500	4,120	868	4,161	5,340
LTP – Transportation	610	0	610	125	1,440	1,531
Capitalised Highway Maintenance	3,656	0	3,656		0	0
Highways Structural	500	0	500		500	500
Street Lighting Columns	300	0	300		300	300
Coast Protection	55	0	55		55	55
Energy Schemes	148	220	368	7	0	0
West Kirby Marine Lake	500	0	500		250	0
Micro Regeneration	100	0	100		100	100
Waste Infrastructure	0	551	551			
TOTAL	11,318	1,271	12,589	1,211	7,712	8,639
Funding						
General Resources	5,071	720	5,791		2,992	3,441
Supported Borrowing for Year	2,720	0	2,720		0	0

Prudential Borrowing	148	0	148		3,555	4,283
Grant	3,379	551	3,930		1,165	915
TOTAL	11,318	1,271	12,589		7,712	8,639

APPROVED BY COUNCIL / CABINET - DECISIONS TO VARY THE PROGRAMME

Date	Details	£
March 13	Capitalisation highways maintenance returned to revenue from 2009/10	-3,656
April 3	Waste Infrastructure £551,000 funded from capital grant	551
May 22	Bidston Moss Viaduct scheme supported with allocation of funding for 2009/12	
June 26	Cabinet agreed slippage from 2007/08 to 2008/09 capital programme.	

COMPLETED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on schemes completed including actions

PROGRESS REPORT ON APPROVED SCHEMES

Schemes	Comments on progression of schemes and any variations
Local Transport Plan	The infrastructure programme was agreed by Cabinet in March whilst amendments were approved in June along with the approval of the road safety schemes.

DAVID GREEN
DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES