WIRRAL COUNCIL

SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH AND INCLUSION OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 19 JUNE 2007

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING REPORT

1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 This report provides the regular update on Adult Social Services Capital Expenditure and Members are asked to note the report.

2 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2007-10

2.1 The Capital Programme is formulated and planned on a three-year basis within the Council's Capital Strategy. The Capital Programme for Adult Services approved at Council 1 March 2007 was £3,680,000 for 2007-08.

3 PROGRESS

3.1 A summary of the progress is shown below along with reasons for any significant variances. Appendix 1 details the programme on a scheme-by-scheme basis

Current Approved Programme £000	Variance from original £000	Forecast Year End £000	Actual To Date £000
3,680	(1,927)	1,753	0

- 3.2 Dale Farm Due to environmental and sustainable material considerations and consultation with 'Natural England' (formally 'English Nature') initial work on Dale Farm is expected to commence in June 2007. The current variation represents slippage from 2006/07 of the approved scheme allocation of £376,000 less architects fees.
- 3.3 Adult Accommodation Discussions are at an advanced stage with a registered social landlord who has expressed an interest in developing a number of supported living arrangements in Birkenhead to allow people placed in residential care out of the Borough to return to Wirral at lower cost. A business case will be reported to Cabinet in due course. This forms part of the Adult Accommodation Strategy funded by Prudential Borrowing. The current variation represents slippage from 2006/07.
- 3.4 Older People, Physical and Sensory Disability Progress on the Accommodation Strategy was reported to Cabinet on 24th January 2007. Savings arising from this strategy will begin to accrue in 2008-09. Cabinet agreed an extensive period of consultation with people who use services before any final decisions are made. It is not anticipated that the scheme will start until 2008/09, which explains the variation in 2007/08.

- 3.5 Girtrell Court Developments at an early stage as feasibility studies have been presented to stakeholders in May. A further extensive period of consultation with people who use services will continue before any final decisions are made. It is not anticipated that the scheme will start until 2008/09, which explains the variation in 2007/08.
- 3.6 The Information Management Grant The grant is used to fund IT and leasing costs, and is initially included at £180,000; this figure could increase on final confirmation from the Department of Health.

4 FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Capital Programme is based upon resources expected to be received from Central Government, contributions from other sources and assumes the use of capital receipts generated from the sales of assets.
- 4.2 Chief Officers are responsible for ensuring that their expenditure has been incurred on projects within the approved Capital Programme. All expenditure detailed in this report is approved.
- 4.3 Chief Officers, in consultation with the Director of Finance, are responsible for reporting all overspend and underspend on capital schemes to cabinet. There are no forecast variances on capital schemes in Adult Social Services other than Dale Farm, which is subject to a further report to Cabinet.

5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are none arising directly from this report.

6 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are none arising directly from this report.

7 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are none arising directly from this report.

8 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are none arising directly from this report.

9 LOCAL MEMBERS SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no specific implications for any Member or Ward.

10 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are none specific to this report with individual schemes being submitted for statutory approvals as and when necessary.

11 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 None used in the preparation of this report.

12 RECOMMENDATIONS

12.1 Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

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EXPENDITURE

Project	Current Approval 2007-08 £000	Variation From Original £000	2007/08 Forecast E Expenditure £000	2007/08 Expenditure To Date £000	2008/09 Forecast Expenditure £000	2009/10 Forecast Expenditure £000
Dale Farm	0	348	348	0	0	0
Adult Accommodation	500	725	1,225	0	0	0
Older People Accommodation	1,500	(1,500)	0	0	1,433	0
Girtrell Court	1,500	(1,500)	0	0	1,500	0
Information Management	180	0	180	0	0	0
Total	3,680	(1,927)	1,753	0	2,933	0
Source	Current Approval 2007-08 £000		2007/08 Forecast Expenditure £000	2008/09 Forecast Expenditure £000	2009/10 Forecast Expenditur £000	
General Capital Resources General Capital Resources	0		348		0	0
Specific Capital Resources Prudential Borrowing	3,500		1,225	2,93	33	
Grants	180		180		0	0
Total	3,680		1,753	2,93	33	0