

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND CAPITAL MONITORING PANEL

26 November 2018

Present: Councillors Warrington (Chair), Cooney, Fairfoull, Gwynne and McNally

In Attendance:

Sandra Stewart	Director of Governance & Pensions
Tom Wilkinson	Assistant Director of Finance
David Moore	Interim Director of Growth
Ian Saxon	Director of Operations & Neighbourhoods
Tim Rainey	Assistant Director (Digital Tameside, Finance)
Emma Varnam	Assistant Director (Operations & Neighbourhoods)
Ian Saxon	Director of Operations & Neighbourhoods
Tim Rainey	Assistant Director (Digital Tameside, Finance)
Emma Varnam	Assistant Director (Operations & Neighbourhoods)
Peter Taylor	Head of Planning

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Dickinson, B. Holland and Newton.

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2 MINUTES

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting of the Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel held on 3 September 2018.

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel held on 3 September 2018 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3 ASSET CONDITION MANAGEMENT

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Operations and Neighbourhoods, which updated members of the Strategic Planning and Monitoring Capital Panel in regard to capital repair spend on the Council's property and sought recommendations to Executive Cabinet that expenditure associated with statutory compliance capital repairs for the period July to August 2018 of £133,405.85, be approved.

The Council has a duty to ensure that its buildings provide a safe and effective physical environment for staff and services to operate from. Monitoring and regulation is undertaken by a series of statutory checks across a range of requirements. Checks were carried out at fixed intervals reporting where remedial works were required to ensure statutory compliancy. Works to date in 2018-19 of £0.026m had been reported to the Strategic Planning and Capital Panel retrospectively as completed.

No alternatives were considered as to not undertake the required repairs and replacements could lead to a failure of Statutory Compliance.

RESOLVED

That the Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel recommend that Executive Cabinet approve capital spend on statutory compliance repairs on the Councils buildings as follows, for the period of July – August 2018:

Building	Work Undertaken	Cost £
Tame Street Depot	Demolition of unsafe wall	33,665
Bowling Pavilion – Victoria Park	Demolition of unsafe buildings and installation of safe boundaries	11,148
Union Street	Making safe perimeter	11,780
Ryecroft Hall	Electrical safety remedial work	10,150
Ryecroft Hall	FRA remedial works	377
Stalybridge Library	Electrical safety remedial work	2,518
Tame Street Transport	Statutory heating remedial work	2,075
Tame Street Transport	Safety installation to salt store	3,516
Tame Street Transport	Electrical safety remedial work	18,174
Tame Street Transport	FRA remedial works	487
Denton Centre	Statutory heating remedial work	2,148
Denton Centre	FRA remedial works	347
Stalybridge Civic Hall	Remedial work to roof	8,300
Tame Street Engineering	Electrical safety remedial work	2,700
Hyde Market	Electrical safety remedial work	5,706
Hyde Market Hall	Drainage installation	1,021
Boyds Walk	FRA remedial works	16,370
Boyds Walk	Electrical safety remedial work	260
31 Clarence Arcade	FRA remedial works	1,327
31 Clarence Arcade	Statutory heating remedial work	1,029
Festival Hall	FRA remedial works	311
	TOTAL	133,406

4 CAPITAL MONITORING PERIOD 6 2018/19

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Director of Finance, summarising the 2018/19 capital expenditure monitoring position at 30 September 2018. There was a projected capital investment in 2018/19 of £69.582 million by March 2019. This is significantly less than the original budgeted capital investment for 2018/19 and is in part due to project delays that are being experienced following the liquidation of Carillion.

A reprioritisation exercise was ongoing in order to determine which schemes that had been earmarked but not fully approved should proceed, and which should be temporarily placed on hold. The report sought a recommendation to reprofile the Capital Investment Programme, leading to a re-profiling of £10.796 million into the next financial year.

The Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel were able to identify alternative schemes within the Capital Programme to reprofile. However these were discounted on the grounds that the Council was legally obliged to set a balanced Capital budget. The budget setting process is complex and must be undertaken in a planned way. Whilst budgets were prepared in accordance with the approved guidelines a number of alternative options relating to savings proposals and budget pressures were considered as part of the report.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel recommend Executive Cabinet be requested to recommend to Council:

- a. **The reprofiling as detailed within Appendix 3 of the submitted report to reflect up to date investment profiles.**
- b. **The changes to the Capital Programme as detailed in Appendix 1 of the submitted report.**
- c. **The updated Prudential Indicator position as detailed within Appendix 5 of the submitted report.**
- (ii) **The current Capital Budget monitoring position be noted**
- (iii) **The resources currently available to fund the Capital Programme be noted.**
- (iv) **The updated Capital receipts position be noted.**
- (v) **The timescales for review of the Council's three year Capital Programme be noted.**

5 LEISURE ASSETS CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME UPDATE

Consideration was given to a report of the Interim Director of Growth summarising progress in the delivery of the Council's capital investment programme to improve sports and leisure facilities; and seeking a recommendation to Executive Cabinet for the approval of a £1.5m grant award by Sport England be added to the Tameside Wellness Centre, project value in the Capital Programme.

The Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel were informed the Council's Capital Programme was currently under review in order to facilitate reprioritisation following pressures on the level of capital funding available. In addition, the Council was reviewing its leisure management options to ensure sustainability and improved health outcomes for residents. Consequently, the Hyde Pool Extension scheme had been temporarily on hold pending the outcome of these reviews. It was reported that a proposal has been submitted by a potential new contractor which, was being fully evaluated by the Local Education Partnership.

RESOLVED

That the Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel recommend Executive Cabinet approve:

- (i) **That the £1.5m grant award by Sport England be added to the Tameside Wellness Centre, project value in the Capital Programme.**
- (ii) **That a report be presented to a future meeting of Executive Cabinet on the funding shortfall for the Hyde Pool scheme and to consider the options available to the Council.**

6 EDUCATIONAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19 UPDATE

Consideration was given to a report of the Interim Director of Growth advising the Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel on the latest position with the delivery of the Council's Education Capital Programme and seeking the recommendation to Executive Cabinet of proposed changes to the Education Capital Programme.

The Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel were informed that work is currently on-going to ensure that sufficient places are available in both Primary and High Schools for September 2018 and September 2019 and whilst delays were experienced as a result of the liquidation of Carillion, contingency plans had been developed in partnership with schools to ensure there is minimal disruption to learning where it is evident that schemes could not be delivered within the timescales available.

The Council had £11,352,574 of Basic Need Funding available to spend in 2018/19. Notification had been received of an additional allocation of £4,800,000 for 2019/20 and nil for 2020/21.

In relation to the School Condition Allocation funded projects over £100k, it was reported the amounts earmarked against available funding currently exceed the funding available by £116,211, although it was anticipated that some of these schemes will need to slip into 2019/20 and will be funded from next year's allocation.

Alternative options were discounted as the proposals were put forward in line with priorities and commitments previously approved.

RESOLVED

- (i) **That the contents of the report and the updates on the Basic Need Funding and School Condition Allocation Funding schemes be noted.**
- (ii) **That the proposed changes to the Education Capital Programme as outlined in Appendix 1 (Basic Need Funding Schemes) of the submitted report be recommended to Executive Cabinet for approval**
- (iii) **That the proposed changes to the School Condition Allocation Funding Schemes as detailed in Appendix 2 of the submitted report be recommended to Executive Cabinet for approval.**

7 ENGINEERING CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19 UPDATE

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Operations and Neighbourhoods providing an update on schemes contained within the 2018/19 Engineering Capital Programme and sought approval of a £1.950m fully grant funded cycle scheme between Hyde town centre and Mottram and Hollingworth in the Council's capital programme.

The Director of Operations and Neighbourhoods advised Members that in May 2017 Highways England awarded Tameside Council £1.95 million to provide an improved safe cycle route running between Hyde town centre and Mottram / Hollingworth parallel to the M67 and A57(T). The scheme must be completed by March 2020

No alternatives were considered as the report was considered for information.

RESOLVED

- (i) **That the approval of schemes as per the Council's re-prioritisation of the capital programme and supporting business cases be noted.**
- (ii) **Executive Cabinet be recommended to include the £1.950m fully grant funded cycle scheme between Hyde town centre and Mottram and Hollingworth in the Council's capital programme.**

8 SECTION 106 AGREEMENTS AND DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

Consideration was given to a report of the Interim Director of Growth summarising the current position with regard to receipts received from Section 106 Agreements and Developer Contributions, new s106 Agreements made and sought approval of a Section 106 payment of a Green Space Contribution of £69,000 to fund enhancements to the facilities at Bennett Street Youth Centre including the provision of a cycle path. Members were informed as at 30 September 2018 there was £0.339m of unallocated funds for Community Services. Members were requested to recommend approval to drawdown £0.069m which would then reduce the balance to £0.270m for this area. As at 30 September 2018 the position for Section 106 Agreements was £1,203,000 in credit.

RESOLVED

That Executive Cabinet be recommended to approve a Section 106 payment of a Green Space Contribution of £69,000 to fund enhancements to the facilities at Bennett Street Youth Centre including the provision of a cycle path.

9 VISION TAMESIDE PHASE 2 UPDATE

The Interim Development Growth submitted a report providing a progress update on project delivery, costs and funding, delivery timescales and risks associated with the Vision Tameside Phase 2 Programme and sought approval for the virements and revisions to the budget.

Following the liquidation of Carillion a revised funding envelope was agreed at Executive Cabinet in June 2018 for the overall Vision Tameside project. The revised budget approved was £62.792m, including remaining construction, original public realm and contingencies.

RESOLVED

That Executive Cabinet be recommended to approve the virements and the revised budget as detailed within the submitted report.

CHAIR