

**Report to:** **STRATEGIC PLANNING AND CAPITAL MONITORING PANEL**

**Date:** 5 July 2021

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**Subject:** **EDUCATION CAPITAL PROGRAMME**

**Report Summary:** This report advises members of the Panel with an overview and updated position with the Council's Education Capital Programme and seeks approval of the recommendations as set out in the report.

**Recommendations:** That the Panel are asked to note the progress set out in the report and:

- (i) That the 2020/21 Capital Expenditure Outturn position is noted in **Appendix 1, 2 and 3.**
- (ii) Budget slippage of (£220,405) and proposed changes of £14,843,100 to the Basic Need Funding as detail in **Appendix 1.**
- (iii) Budget slippage of £657,755 and proposed changes of £1,516,150 to the School Condition Funding as detail in **Appendix 2.**
- (iv) Budget slippage of £176,342 to the Special Provision Funding as detail in **Appendix 3.**
- (v) Budget slippage of £134,000 to the Healthy Pupil's Funding as detail in **Appendix 4.**

and note that a further report will be drafted to Cabinet to consider:

- (vi) Approval for £264,244 of Devolved Formula Capital grant to be added to the Capital Programme for 2021/22
- (vii) Approval of £1,328,013 of School Condition grant to be added to the Capital Programme for 2021/22.
- (viii) Approval of £1,223,336 of High Need Provision grant to be added to the Capital Programme for 2021/22.
- (ix) Approval of £12,231,816 of Basic Need grant to be added to the Capital Programme for 2021/22.
- (x) Approval of £6,348,338 of Basic Need grant to be added to the Capital Programme for 2022/23.

**Corporate Plan:** The proposals contained in this report will support the delivery of the Corporate Plan.

**Financial Implications:** Capital Investment in Education requires careful prioritisation of limited resources, particularly in respect of School Condition works. Any cost pressures arising because of Covid-19 or other factors will increase the resources needed to deliver the

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approved programme. Whilst the Education Capital Programme is fully grant funded, any cost increases will reduce the level of already scarce resources available for other priority schemes.

**Basic Need Grant** - The Council had £12,010,447 of Basic Need available to spend in 2020/21. This was a balance of unspent grant from previous years - the council did not receive any allocation in 2020/21. Notification has been received of an additional allocation of £12,231,816 for 2021/22 and £6,348,338 for 2022/23.

**Appendix 1** provides an update of the earmarked schemes in 2020/21 totalling £11,489,500, which have previously been reported to Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel and are included on the Council's capital programme. It also details re-profiling requests (as per the Outturn capital monitoring report) and proposed changes of £14,832,100 which includes committing future year funding. If the proposed changes are approved this would result in a balance of unallocated Basic Need funding of £4,246,989 which needs to be prioritised in future year. Plans will be developed with schools to utilise these funds to provide additional capacity requirements.

A separate report (Education Specialist and Basic Need Capital Projects) is being taken to Executive Cabinet on 23 June 2021 for consideration which requests approval for £14,005,000 of the £14,832,100 outlined in Appendix 1. The outcome of the Executive Cabinet decision may impact on the figures included within this report relating to Rayner Stephens, Hawthorns, Greenside Primary and Oakfield Primary if the proposals are not supported.

**School Condition Grant** - The council had £2,941,924 of School Condition funding available to be spent during the 2020/21 financial year, to improve and maintain the school estate. Notification has been received for an allocation of £1,328,013 for 2021/22.

**Appendix 2** identifies that grant has been earmarked for schemes totalling £2,506,000, which have previously been reported to Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel and are included in the Council's capital programme. It also details re-profiling requests (as per the Outturn report) and proposed changes of £1,516,150. This would leave a balance of unallocated School Condition funding shown in 2.9 of £251,719.

The allocation of School Condition funding should be spent within the financial year to which it relates to otherwise there is a risk that the amount will need to be returned to government.

**Special Provision and Healthy Pupil Capital Fund** – **Appendix 3 and 4** set out the approved budgets and slippage for these funding streams. This funding supports basic need schemes in the capital programme discussed in paragraphs 3.16, 3.20 and 3.37.

**High Needs Provision Capital Allocation** – as set out in paragraphs 2.15 and 2.16 the government announced funding

for Tameside of £1,223,336 for 2021/22. Work is underway to establish how the funding can be utilised and further information will be included in the next update report.

**Legal Implications:**

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The council has a statutory duty to ensure that there are sufficient, suitable pupil places in Tameside schools. The purpose of the capital projects set out in the main body of this report are intended to ensure that this duty is met.

The proposal is that the works will be delivered via the LEP contract. It is not expected that there will be any changes to the standard terms of that contract. If any subsequent changes are required then it would be advisable that support is sought from both legal and finance. The use of the LEP contract should also ensure that the projects are delivered on time and provide value for money but robust contract/project management will still be required because it is scope creep and variations during the project which generally cause the increase in costs as in general the LEP bear the construction risk and more recently the Covid risk for a fixed price.

Some of the projects detailed in this report relate to non-council controlled schools. Therefore appropriate legal arrangements need to be entered into with those schools to ensure the projects can be delivered through a licence to enter and access school sites and to ensure that where appropriate school fund project and any variations from agreed scope.

**Risk Management:**

That the risks highlighted in Section 8 of the report are noted. The Council has a statutory duty under Section 14 of the Education Act 1996, to secure sufficient and suitable places for pupils in primary and secondary schools in its area. Failure to deliver sufficient school capacity places the Council in breach of its statutory duties.

**Background Information:**

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Paul Smith Assistant Director Strategic Property



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This report provides an update on the latest position with the Council's Education Capital Programme and seeks recommendation for approval of various proposals in line with Council priorities.
- 1.2. The Council's powers to provide and maintain educational facilities are set out in the Education Act 1996. The Council also has a statutory duty under Section 14 of the Education Act 1996, to secure sufficient and suitable places for pupils in primary and secondary schools in its area.
- 1.3. The government allocates funding for school buildings under a number of categories and these are described in Section 2 of this report.
- 1.4. Strategic Planning and Capital Monitoring Panel (SPCMP) is requested to note the content of the report and to make recommendations to Executive Cabinet in respect of the proposed allocation of funding.

## 2. FUNDING AND FINANCIAL POSITION

- 2.1. The government allocates ring-fenced capital grant funding for school buildings under the following main categories:

### **Basic Need Funding**

- 2.2. Basic Need Funding is allocated to each local authority to create new places in schools. The funding available in 2020/21 is £12,010,447, which was a balance of unspent grant from previous years. There was no grant allocation for 2020/21.
- 2.3. On 15 April 2020, the Government announced the 2021/22 allocation of Basic Need Funding. Following discussion with the DfE over aspects of the formula and its application to Tameside, an allocation of £12,231,816 was announced.
- 2.4. On 25 February 2021, the Government announced the 2022/23 allocations and for Tameside this is £6,348,338.
- 2.5. The table below sets out the amount of Basic Need Funding held by the Council:

<b>Basic Need Funding</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
Basic Need funding available in 2020/21	12,010,447
Approved Schemes	11,489,500
Additional budget required as a result of Outturn	22,012
<b>Unallocated as at March 2021</b>	<b>498,935</b>
Basic Need funding available in 2021/22	12,231,816
Basic Need funding available in 2022/23	6,348,338
<b>Total available to allocate to schemes</b>	<b>19,079,089</b>
Proposed Changes	14,843,100
<b>Unallocated as at May 2021 (including future year allocation)</b>	<b>4,235,989</b>

- 2.6. Plans will be developed with schools to utilise the unallocated funds to provide additional capacity requirements.

### **School Condition Grant Funding**

- 2.7. This grant is allocated for the maintenance of school buildings. The funding is part formulaic (based on pupil numbers) and part reflecting recent condition surveys conducted by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA).
- 2.8. The funding available in 2020/21 is £2,941,924. On 27 April 2021, the Government announced an allocation for Tameside of £1,328,013 for 2021/22 School Condition Funding.
- 2.9. The table below sets out the amount of School Condition Allocation available to spend. Full details of existing and proposed schemes are set out in **Appendix 2**.

<b>School Condition Allocation (SCA) Funding</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
SCA funding available in 2020/21	2,941,924
Approved Schemes	2,506,000
Funding returned as a result of Outturn	(3,932)
<b>Unallocated as at March 2021</b>	<b>439,856</b>
SCA funding available in 2021/22	1,328,013
<b>Total available to allocate to schemes</b>	<b>1,767,869</b>
Proposed Changes	1,516,150
<b>Unallocated as at May 2021</b>	<b>251,719</b>

- 2.10. The Schools Forum agreed a contribution protocol for schools condition works that was implemented from 1 October 2020. The protocol asks for a contribution towards all school condition schemes. The contributions are £10,000 for primary schools and £25,000 for secondary schools. This will ensure that the limited School Condition Funding received from central government can be maximised.

### **Devolved Formula Capital (DFC) Funding**

- 2.11. Devolved Formula Capital is direct funding for individual schools to maintain their buildings and fund small-scale capital projects. It is calculated on a formulaic basis, using the school census data set and schools make their own arrangements for works to be undertaken. DFC funding for Tameside schools in 2021/22 was announced on 27 April 2021 and is £264,244 for Maintained Local Authority Schools and £174,553 for Voluntary Aided schools.
- 2.12. A query has been submitted to the DfE due to DFC funding not being received for 5 schools who currently have academy orders in place but have not yet converted. This amounts to £72,757. We believe this is an error and are awaiting a response from the DfE around correcting this. Similarly, this is the case for School Condition Allocation funding and again we are looking into this with the DfE.

### **Special Provision Fund**

- 2.13. The Special Provision Fund allocations support local authorities to make capital investments in provision for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities. Local authorities can invest in new places and improvements to facilities for pupils with education, health and care (EHC) plans in mainstream and special schools, nurseries, colleges and other provision. The funding is not ring-fenced, so local authorities can make the best decisions for their areas.
- 2.14. The below table sets out the funding available and current earmarked schemes.

<b>Special Provision Allocation Funding</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
Funding Available 2020/21	1,052,065
Earmarked Schemes	736,000
<b>Unallocated as at March 2021 &amp; Total Available to allocate to schemes</b>	<b>316,065</b>
Proposed Changes	0
<b>Unallocated as at May 21</b>	<b>316,065</b>

#### **High Needs Provision Capital Allocation (HNPCA)**

- 2.15. The High Needs Provision Capital Allocation is provided to local authorities as a non-ringfenced grant and is intended to address the need for high need places for the academic year 2022/23. However, it is not time bound and it will be for local authorities to determine how to best use this funding to meet local priorities.
- 2.16. On 9 April 2021, the Government announced an allocation for Tameside of £1,223,336 for 2021/22. Work is underway to establish how the funding can be utilised and an update will be included in the next report.

#### **Section 106 Developer Contributions**

- 2.17. Additional income intended to contribute towards the provision of additional school places is sometimes provided by developers as part of the planning conditions for new housing developments. These are known as Section 106 agreements. When housing estates are completed the payments become due and the Council is in receipt of several payments which have not as yet, been formally allocated to specific schemes.
- 2.18. There is currently £99,931 Section 106 monies remaining from the £491,007 that was approved by panel and subsequently endorsed by Executive Cabinet at the meetings in March 2020.
- 2.19. There has been Section 106 monies received from a developer of £59,370 (planning application number 11/00669/OUT). We will be requesting to draw down these monies to allocate towards the School Condition project at Stalyhill Infant School as discussed in paragraph 4.31. This will be included in next update report.

### **3. BASIC NEED FUNDED SCHEMES 2020/21 AND BEYOND**

- 3.1. **Appendix 1** provides a financial update with details of current Basic Need funded projects, including proposed changes to scheme funding.
- 3.2. The current focus of the Council's Basic Need programme is to complete the two remaining schemes at primary schools and create additional places in secondary and special schools where forecasts have indicated a need.
- 3.3. Schemes that have already been approved by the Panel and Executive Cabinet are continuing. The following paragraphs update the Panel on the position with these works.
- 3.4. **Alder High School: Dining pod and canopy RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works completed on schedule  
**Budget:** Completed on budget  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 3.5. **Alder: Improvement to rear external steps RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** Works scheduled to complete 2021

**Budget:** £1,058,000 remaining for all Alder schemes and no issues. Price now received from SPV and including a 10% client contingency amounts to £102,400.

**Remaining Issues:** None

3.6. **Alder: Link canopy between main school and new 4-classroom block RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** Works scheduled 2021

**Budget:** £1,058,000 remaining for all Alder schemes and no issues. Price now received from SPV including 10% client contingency amounts to £135,400.

**Remaining Issues:** None

3.7. **Alder: Deed of Variation RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Budget:** £1,058,000 remaining for all Alder schemes and no issues. Estimated costs £22,000 awaiting confirmation from the SPV.

**Remaining Issues:** Awaiting costs from SPV - expected to be within budget

3.8. **Alder: Secure front entrance RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** Works scheduled to start 2021 and complete 2022

**Budget:** £1,058,000 remaining and no issues. Awaiting estimate of costs and return of tender. Taking into account the costs for the steps, walkway and DOV costs £608,665 remains available to carry out this work.

**Remaining Issues:** Awaiting tender returns expected to be within budget

3.9. **Aldwyn: 4 classroom extension and ancillary spaces RAG STATUS: AMBER (costs)**

**Programme:** On site 6 April 2021. Scheduled to complete Easter 2022

**Budget:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of a further £301,000 to see the project to completion. .

**Remaining Issues:** See above

3.10. **All Saints High School – works to sports and other facilities to support additional places. RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** The works will be overseen by the Shrewsbury Diocese. At this stage the school is considering its priorities and once these are agreed a grant agreement will be put in place.

**Budget:** Panel has previously agreed a high-level budget of £2m.

**Remaining Issues:** Agreement of scope of works and formulation of grant agreement

3.11. **Audenshaw School: Remodelling of sixth form and expansion of science areas RAG STATUS: RED (costs)**

**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021

**Budget:** Panel has previously agreed a budget of £1.363m

**Remaining Issues:** Contract to be issued.

3.12. **Cromwell: Expansion of Sixth Form Provision RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** Phase 2 Works scheduled for summer 2021. Phase 3 summer 2022

**Budget:** £655,000 previously agreed (£100,000 Basic Need and £555,000 Special Provision Fund)

**Remaining Issues:** The lease between the Council and the Rayner Stephens Academy Trust needs to be finalised (the expanded accommodation is into areas currently occupied by Rayner Stephens). Phase 1 costs were £154,658 leaving £500,342 for the Phase 2. A further Phase 3 in 2022 will be subject of an additional funding request. Tender costs for Phase 2 is £396,000. An estimate of project management costs needs to be included but this is also expected to be contained within the current budget. Approval to proceed with Phase 2 was being sought at the meeting of Executive Cabinet in June 2021.

- 3.13. **Denton Community College: Provision of 6-classroom modular teaching block, internal remodelling and associated works. RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** The internal remodelling and 6-classroom block were all completed on schedule. There remain some outstanding associated works, the main item being the provision of a linked covered walkway between the new block and the main school, and some courtyard canopies to allow dining provision to be expanded. Costs recently received and within budget.  
**Budget:** £1.37m previously agreed  
**Remaining Issues:** Completion of outstanding items by Summer 2021
- 3.14. **Discovery Academy/Birch Lane – Remodelling of accommodation. RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Tameside Music Service and the Schools Library Service were displaced from their previous accommodation to facilitate the creation of sixth form provision for Cromwell Special School and Key Stage 1 SEMH provision at Thomas Ashton. Remodelling of Birch Lane is required in order for the services to be able to continue to provide their service from that location. Works are scheduled for completion in June 2021.  
**Budget:** Panel and Executive Cabinet approved £199,000 for these works during the March 2021 cycle of meetings.  
**Remaining issues:** As above
- 3.15. **Greenside Primary School: Remodelling to provide an additional 10 resourced pupil places RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for summer 2021.  
**Budget:** At the time of writing this report approval was being sought from Executive Cabinet at its meeting in June 2021 for the allocation of £28,000 of Basic Need grant by way of a formal grant agreement with The Victorious Academies Trust for £26,500 to remodel existing accommodation and estimated project management costs of £1,500.  
**Remaining Issues:** Approval from Executive Cabinet and Finalising Grant Agreement
- 3.16. **Hawthorns School – Increase in Special school places – RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Executive Cabinet in June 2021 was to consider a report recommending the expansion of Hawthorns School.  
**Budget:** Executive Cabinet in June 2021 was due to consider the allocation of £13m of Basic Need funding to carry out the works.  
**Remaining Issues:** Approval from Executive Cabinet and development of the design of the new school to RIBA Stage 3 is the next step at a budget cost of £538,000.
- 3.17. **Hyde High School – New five-classroom science block. RAG STATUS: COMPLETED**  
**Programme:** The classroom block was handed over to school in December 2020 with snagging items finally completed Easter 2021.  
**Budget:** A full review of the budget for the entire scheme which started in 2018 has now taken place. Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet an additional allocation of £168,000 from Basic Need.
- 3.18. **Hyde High School – Purchase of 2 classroom mobile classroom. RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** This is a new scheme. A two-classroom mobile was supplied to the school in 2018 pending completion of the remodelling works at the school. The unit was due to be removed summer 2021. The school roll has increased from 857 in 2015 to 1144 in September 2021 and there is now significant pressure on SEND provision in the school. The number of pupils with Education, Health and Care Plans continues to increase as does the number of pupils with a hearing impairment. Current space is limited and retention of the two-classroom block would enable sufficient space for this increased demand. An additional benefit would be that SEN pupils could use the classrooms for lunchtime dining reducing the pressure on the existing dining areas that are also beyond capacity.



If the unit is to be retained longer-term it makes economic sense to purchase it rather than continue to hire it. A quotation of £62,000 has been obtained from the provider to purchase the unit and Panel is asked to recommend this course of action to Executive Cabinet. The school will need to sign up to a facility management agreement with the FM provider to maintain the unit.

- 3.19. **Budget:** A new budget of £70,000 of Basic Need funding is requested to cover the purchase cost, planning application and associated costs.  
**Remaining Issues:** Extended planning permission for the unit. FM agreement.
- 3.20. **Oakfield Primary School Extended Resource Base part of the Special Educational Needs Strategy RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** To be confirmed as part of the Grant Agreement  
**Budget:** It is proposed to build a modular extension via a Grant Agreement with The Enquire Learning Trust. At the time of writing approval was being sought from Executive Cabinet at its meeting in June 2021 for the allocation of £153,000 of Basic Need grant by way of a formal grant agreement with The Enquire Learning Trust who will oversee the works for £150,000 and estimated project management costs of £3,000.  
**Remaining Issues:** Approval from Executive Cabinet and Finalising Grant Agreement
- 3.21. **Ravensfield Primary School: Enabling works – possible further expenditure RAG STATUS: AMBER (costs)**  
**Programme:** Works completed on schedule in 2009.  
**Budget:** It has recently come to light that the contractor on the enabling scheme to extend Clarendon Street (a requirement of the planning permission) believes that the Council owes them £20,100 in unpaid invoices from that time. Further investigations are taking place to seek to avoid the payment but Panel is asked to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £20,100 Basic Need funding as a contingency should it be found this debt is due to the contractor.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 3.22. **Rayner Stephens High School - Expansion - Improvement works to science and dining facilities in support of additional places. RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** An initial feasibility study to remodel and reuse existing accommodation within Rayner Stephens High School has been completed by the Stamford Park Trust indicating a cost of £1.3m. Timescales will be agreed with the Trust as part of the formal grant agreement.  
**Budget:** A high level estimate of £473,000 was agreed in March 2019 and is currently in the programme. At the time of writing approval was being sought from Executive Cabinet at its meeting in June 2021 for an additional allocation of £835,000 to cover the cost of an extended scheme of work and estimated project management costs, which takes the total budget allocation to £1.3m.  
**Remaining Issues:** Approval of additional funds from Executive Cabinet and finalisation of grant agreement
- 3.23. **St John's CE Primary: Two classroom extension and associated spaces. RAG STATUS: AMBER (costs)**  
**Programme:** Currently on site. Scheduled completion November 2021.  
**Budget:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the additional allocation of £165,000 Basic Need to this scheme to cover the historic credit notes, project management costs, extension of mobile hire and a contingency.
- 3.24. **St Thomas More RC College: Extension to dining hall and additional classroom. RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Work is to be carried out by the school to extend the dining hall and create an additional classroom. Current target date for completion is December 2021.  
**Budget:** Executive Cabinet in March 2021 approved a high-level budget estimate of

£234,000 (£100,000 from Basic Need and £134,000 from the Healthy Pupils' Capital Fund) towards an extension of the dining hall. The school have been considering a larger scheme than first planned to ensure there are some economies of scale with the project and the total cost of the newly planned project is £468,380. The requested budget will be a contribution of £250,000 towards the larger scheme and is an additional £16,000 to the already agreed budget. The school are currently seeking planning permission for the scheme.

**Remaining Issues:** Awaiting outcome of request for planning permission

#### **4. SCHOOL CONDITION GRANT SCHEMES**

4.1. **Appendix 2** provides a financial update with details of current School Condition Allocation (SCA) funded projects, including proposed changes to scheme funding.

4.2. In order to develop an informed asset management plan for schools that remain under the Council's responsibility an independent surveyor was appointed to carry out condition surveys of existing school premises. The intention is to create a transparent and targeted schedule of works required to school buildings.

4.3. The budget available is insufficient to meet the demands placed upon it and the surveyors were asked to identify priorities of the works required within each school and across the portfolio of schools.

4.4. In addition to the works identified in the condition survey there are other calls on the School Condition Allocation budget. This is the only central source of grant money to spend on schools (other than Basic Need which is purely to create new school places). It has been custom and practice to address health and safety items and support disabled access by using the School Condition Allocation funding.

4.5. Reactive school condition issues are covered by the requested allocation of £150,000 of the School Condition Allocation as an in-year contingency against any urgent works that could arise. £20,000 contingency from 2020/21 remains in the budget taking the total contingency to £170,000.

4.6. Project management costs also need to be considered for these schemes. It is proposed £43,000 is allocated from the SCA to cover these schemes which will then be allocated against relevant schemes throughout the year.

4.7. The following paragraphs describes those schemes with significant variations from the original estimates or updates the Panel on progress on schemes already within the programme.

4.8. **Aldwyn and Hawthorns Schools: Roof replacement RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** Scheduled to be carried out alongside the Basic Need scheme at Aldwyn commencing summer 2021.

**Budget:** £320,000 plus £88,000 contribution from the Hawthorns Academy Trust was agreed at the March 2021 cycle of meetings.

**Remaining Issues:** None

4.9. **Arlies Primary: Removal of redundant mobile block and making good RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** Works scheduled for summer 2021.

**Budget:** It is requested that Panel recommends to Executive Cabinet the allocation of an additional £35,000 from SCA to this project. £23,000 remains in the current budget and it is proposed to utilise this towards this scheme.

**Remaining Issues:** Awaiting tender.

- 4.10. **Arllies Primary: Full rewire RAG STATUS: AMBER (costs)**  
**Programme:** Design works completed. Actual works deferred to summer 2022 because of lack of available budget.  
**Budget:** £10,000 approved Executive Cabinet 16 December 2020 for design work  
**Remaining Issues:** There is a significant amount of asbestos removal required and it is proposed to carry out this work over Summer 2021 leaving a clear run at the re-wire the following summer. Asbestos survey and removal costs have been requested but not yet received. Based on a high-level estimate Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £100,000 from unallocated SCA to carry out this work.
- 4.11. **Audenshaw Primary: Lath and plaster ceilings RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for summer 2021.  
**Budget:** It is requested that Panel recommends to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £35,400 SCA to this scheme.  
**Remaining Issues:** Work needs co-ordinating with decarbonisation scheme to install LED lights also planned Summer 2021.
- 4.12. **Audenshaw Primary: Boiler replacement RAG STATUS: NOT REQUIRED 2021-22**  
**Programme:** Works originally scheduled summer 2021 but not now required this year  
**Budget:** Recommended this be removed from the 2021/22 programme and reviewed for possible consideration in 2022/23.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.13. **Broadbent Fold Primary: Roof replacement RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Phase 1 summer 2021. Phase2 summer 2022.  
**Budget:** Awaiting tender returns. It is requested that Panel recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £150,000 in 2021/22 and £150,000 in 2022/23 SCA to this scheme. Panel is asked to recommend to Executive Cabinet the inclusion of these amounts from SCA funding noting this is a high-level estimate pending tender returns.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.14. **Broadbottom CE: Lath and plaster ceilings RAG STATUS: COMPLETED**  
**Programme:** Works completed on schedule  
**Budget:** Completed on budget  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.15. **Buckton Vale: Roof Replacement RAG STATUS COMPLETED**  
**Programme:** Works completed Summer 2020  
**Budget:** Works were completed and an underspend of £1,959 was to be returned to the general SCA fund at outturn 2020/21. Unfortunately a further invoice has come to light and Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £1,050 SCA to meet this outstanding commitment. No further payments are expected.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.16. **Fairfield Primary: Lath and plaster ceilings RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Awaiting costs from LEP. It is requested that Panel recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £70,000 SCA to this scheme.  
**Remaining Issues:** Works need to be co-ordinated with scheme to re-wire whole school also over Summer 2021
- 4.17. **Fairfield Primary: Full school re-wire RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works planned to start Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Awaiting tender return from LEP.  
**Remaining Issues:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £250,000 from unallocated SCA to carry out these works which need to be co-ordinated with

the scheme to attend to the lath and plaster ceilings also over summer 2021.

- 4.18. **Gee Cross Holy Trinity CE Primary: Lath and plaster ceilings RAG STATUS: AMBER (costs)**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Tenders have now been received at a cost of £65,372.68. It is requested that Panel recommends to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £65,400 SCA for this project.  
**Remaining Issues:** Works need to be co-ordinated with scheme to renovate roof and gable end also over summer 2021
- 4.19. **Gee Cross Holy Trinity CE Primary: Security fencing RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works underway. Scheduled for completion Whit 2021  
**Budget:** Cost £59,226. Included in £133,000 budget approved Executive Cabinet 24 March 2021 for this and works to gable end.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.20. **Gee Cross Holy Trinity CE Primary: Gable end/roof works RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Scheduled for summer 2021  
**Budget:** Costs awaited from LEP. £73,000 budget remaining from £133,000 budget approved by Executive Cabinet 24 March 2021 for this and security fencing.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.21. **Gee Cross Holy Trinity CE Primary: Glass balustrade replacement RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** £20,300 budget for works at this and two other schools approved Executive Cabinet 24 March 2021  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.22. **Gorse Hall Primary: Boiler replacement RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Awaiting costs from LEP. It is requested that Panel recommends to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £100,000 SCA to this scheme. The scheme includes several decarbonisation measures funded separately. Unfortunately, the replacement gas boiler needed (as the air source heat pumps cannot function fully in colder weather) do not attract decarbonisation funding.  
**Remaining Issues:** Works to form part of wider decarbonisation scheme Summer 2021.
- 4.23. **Hollingworth Primary: Lath and plaster ceilings RAG STATUS: COMPLETED**  
**Programme:** Works completed on schedule  
**Budget:** Completed on budget  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.24. **Hollingworth Primary: Roof – investigation and specification RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Survey planned for Whit holidays 2021  
**Budget:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £2,300 to carry out an Initial investigation.  
**Remaining Issues:** Further report to a future Panel when report received.
- 4.25. **Hurst Knoll Primary: Boiler replacement RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Awaiting costs from LEP. It is requested that Panel recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £100,000 SCA to this scheme. The scheme includes several decarbonisation measures funded separately. Unfortunately the replacement gas boiler needed (as the air source heat pumps cannot function fully in colder weather) do not attract decarbonisation funding.  
**Remaining Issues:** Works to form part of wider decarbonisation scheme Summer 2021

- 4.26. **Livingstone Primary: Lath and plaster ceilings RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Awaiting costs from LEP. It is requested that Panel recommends to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £5,000 SCA to this scheme. Panel is asked to recommend to Executive Cabinet the inclusion of this amount from SCA funding noting this is a high-level estimate pending tender returns.  
**Remaining Issues:** Further report to a future Panel when report received.
- 4.27. **Lyndhurst Primary: Glass balustrade replacement RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** It is requested that Panel recommends to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £20,300 SCA to this scheme.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.28. **Milton St John's CE Primary: Lath and plaster ceilings RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Awaiting costs from LEP. It is requested that Panel recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £5,000 SCA to this scheme. Panel is asked to recommend to Executive Cabinet the inclusion of this amount from SCA funding noting this is a high-level estimate pending tender returns.  
**Remaining Issues:** Further report to a future Panel when report received.
- 4.29. **Milton St John's CE Primary: Secure entrance extension RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Carry out further design work to tender stage in the Autumn 2021  
**Budget:** Awaiting costs from LEP. £18,000 budget has been previously approved and costs are expected to be within this budget to develop the scheme to tender stage.  
**Remaining Issues:** Further report to a future Panel when report received.
- 4.30. **Oakdale School: Roof – investigation and specification RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Survey planned for Whit holidays 2021  
**Budget:** Not yet agreed. Awaiting costs for survey. It is recommended a high level budget of £5,000 is set aside from SCA to carry out the initial survey.  
**Remaining Issues:** Further report to a future Panel when report received.
- 4.31. **Ravensfield Primary: Glass balustrade replacement RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** £20,300 budget for works at this and two other schools approved Executive Cabinet 24 March 2021  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.32. **Russell Scott Primary: Funding for further emergency works pending the resolution of the options appraisal on the future development of the school. RAG STATUS: RED (costs)**  
**Programme:** As and when required.  
**Budget:** Panel is asked to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £50,000 from SCA as a fund to carry out any necessary emergency repairs during 2021/22.  
**Remaining Issues:** Resolving funding of the future development of the school
- 4.33. **St Anne's Primary Denton – Front entrance extension. RAG STATUS: AMBER (costs)**  
**Programme:** St Anne's has very poor entrance and visitor reception arrangements with a high health and safety risk. The project improves the situation by means of a new extension which will provide safe entry to the school and also disabled toilet facilities currently lacking at the school.
- 4.34. **Budget:** A high level budget estimate of £300,000 was initially developed with the school agreeing to contribute £150,000 of the costs. Planning permission has been obtained and the project tendered. Costs have now been received totalling £348,500. To this needs to be

added £26,500 of design works and planning costs also expended.

- 4.35. Because the scheme is above £250,000 it is not appropriate for it to be carried out under the Additional Services contract and a full design and build contract will need to be entered into. Costs are currently being sought.
- 4.36. It is currently predicted that total costs will be of the order of £403,000. The school has agreed to find a total of £175,000 towards the project plus £17,753 of design costs it has already expended. This leaves a shortfall of £207,247. £150,000 from the 2020/21 SCA grant has previously been allocated to the scheme. Panel is asked to recommend to Executive Cabinet an additional allocation of £60,000 from 2021/22 SCA to enable the scheme to progress.
- 4.37. **Remaining Issues:** Entering into full contract.
- 4.38. **Stalyhill Infants: Complete roof replacement RAG STATUS: AMBER (costs)**  
**Programme:** Works scheduled for Summer 2021  
**Budget:** A high-level budget of £220,000 was previously approved in 2020/21. The scope of the works has expanded to include both pitched and flat roof areas and re-pointing. Tenders for the various phases have been received and total £272,446.49. An additional £52,446.49 is therefore required to finance the various phases.
- 4.39. As part of the wider planning process, developers are asked to contribute towards general costs of education etc. This is known as a S106 Agreement. A S106 Agreement was created for new housing on Brushes Road Stalybridge for £59,370 (Planning application 11/00669/OUT Planning ref 185). The money was received from developers on 11 June 2019 but has not previously been formally applied to any scheme. It is proposed to “draw down” this old S106 agreement available as an “education facilities contribution” and apply it to fill the funding gap for this scheme.
- 4.40. Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet approval of an additional £60,000 SCA for the scheme. It is intended to replace this with the S106 money once the draw down is approved.
- 4.41. **Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.42. **Whitebridge College: Creation of secure entrance RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** The internal remodelling of the College’s entrance to increase security and assist with the management of pupils. Works to take place during the school summer holidays 2021  
**Budget:** A high-level estimate has been obtained to carry out the works. Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £15,000 SCA to carry out these works.  
**Remaining Issues:** Finalisation of costs and programme
- 4.43. **Asbestos management Surveys – Survey of locations inaccessible when original surveys carried out RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £40,000 SCA. Tender costs awaited but expected to be within this budget.  
**Remaining Issues:** None
- 4.44. **Condition Surveys – Resurvey of 20% of schools RAG STATUS: GREEN**  
**Programme:** Summer 2021  
**Budget:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £30,000 SCA. The work now needs to be tendered but costs are expected to be within this budget.  
**Remaining Issues:** None

4.45. **Fire compartmentalisation surveys RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** The majority of these surveys were carried out at Easter with the remainder being carried out at Whit.

**Budget:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £29,000 SCA for these surveys.

**Remaining issues:** Further reports will be presented once the surveys have been returned.

4.46. **Structural Engineers' Fees RAG STATUS: GREEN**

**Programme:** As and when required

**Budget:** Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet the allocation of £5,000 SCA to give structural advice when required.

**Remaining Issues:** None

4.47. **Budget to be returned to School Condition Allocation from schemes now completed or not going ahead**

Fairfield Primary School had a completely new kitchen and school hall constructed via the Priority Schools Building Programme. The scheme has been completed within budget and £80,000 previously allocated may now be returned to the SCA fund. Similarly £10,000 budget had previously been approved for design works on the boiler at Audenshaw Primary School. As this scheme is not now going ahead this amount can also be returned to the SCA budget. Panel is requested to recommend to Executive Cabinet this course of action.

4.48. **Contributions from Schools**

As discussed at paragraph 2.9, schools will contribute towards all school condition schemes. Discussions will be held with schools to confirm their contributions and how they plan to finance it. This will then replace the school condition funding requested for those schools. The relates to the following schools:

- Audenshaw Primary School
- Broadbent Fold
- Fairfield Primary School
- Gee Cross Holy Trinity
- Gorse Hall Primary School
- Hurst Knoll
- Stalyhill Infants School

**5. SPECIAL PROVISION FUND & HEALTHY PUPILS CAPITAL FUND**

5.1. **Appendix 3** provides a financial update of the current Special Provision funded projects, including proposed changes to scheme funding.

5.2. **Appendix 4** provides a financial update of the current Healthy Pupils' Capital funded projects, including proposed changes to scheme funding.

**6. PROCUREMENT AND ADDED VALUE**

6.1. In accordance with Council policy and contractual arrangements all capital projects should be procured through the Tameside Investment Partnership/LEP except alterations to PFI schools are procured through the PFI contracts. Capital projects at Voluntary Aided schools are generally procured directly by the relevant governing body and diocese as they own the buildings and/or have separate governance arrangements.

6.2. In addition to a fixed price and scope being provided, the LEP has a responsibility to confirm to the Council that value for money is being delivered, either through tendering or benchmarking using independent review on the larger projects. The LEP has also committed

to delivering added value in the form of using local supply chains and providing apprenticeships and work experience opportunities.

## **7. RISK MANAGEMENT**

- 7.1. The specific risks and mitigation plans, associated with each of the projects, have been identified in the main section of the report.
- 7.2. Inflation in the building industry is also a more significant risk than previously experienced and larger schemes will be most affected. Early scoping and pricing of the works will mitigate against this and enable projects to be delivered in a timely and cost-effective manner.
- 7.3. The COVID-19 virus and its wider effects on society and the way we can work continues to present a significant challenge. Social distancing guidelines for example will affect the way works can be carried out and generally will mean that schemes will by necessity take longer to build than originally envisaged.

## **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8.1 As set out at the front of the report.



## Appendix 1

Basic Need Schemes	2020/21 Approved Budget Allocation	2020/21 Outturn	2020/21 Variation	2021/22 Approved Budget Allocation	Outturn Slippage	Proposed Changes	2021/22 Budget (Subject to Slippage & Proposed Changes Approval) £	2022/23 Budget (Proposed Changes Approval) £	2023/43 Budget (Proposed Changes Approval) £
Alder High School	200,000	189,535	10,465	858,000	10,465	0	868,465	0	0
All Saints High School	0	0	0	1,990,000	0	0	1,990,000	0	0
Audenshaw High School	250,000	254,755	(4,755)	1,085,000	(4,755)	87,000	1,167,245	0	0
Aldwyn Primary School	20,000	382,150	(362,150)	2,696,000	(362,150)	301,000	2,634,850	0	0
Denton Community College	60,000	46,963	13,037	275,000	13,037	0	288,037	0	0
Rayner Stephens Academy	100,000	1,671	98,329	373,000	98,329	835,000	1,306,329	0	0
Cromwell High School	100,000	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discovery Academy	50,000	44,525	5,475	0	5,475	0	5,475	0	0
Birch Lane	149,000	24,690	124,310	0	124,310	0	124,310	0	0
Hawthorns Primary Academy	69,000	171,603	(102,603)	311,000	(102,603)	13,000,000	1,708,397	8,500,000	3,000,000
Hyde Community College	1,525,000	1,546,938	(21,938)	0	0	238,000	238,000	0	0
Greenside Primary School	0	0	0	0	0	28,000	28,000	0	0
Mossley Hollins	32,500	32,574	(74)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oakfield Primary School - Resource Base	0	0	0	0	0	153,000	153,000	0	0
Ravensfield Primary School	0	0	0	0	0	20,100	20,100	0	0
Secondary School Improvements	35,000	0	35,000	0	35,000	0	35,000	0	0
St Johns CE Dukinfield	179,000	194,500	(15,500)	1,032,000	(15,500)	165,000	1,181,500	0	0
St Thomas Moore	0	0	0	100,000	0	16,000	116,000	0	0
<b>Approved Funding</b>	<b>2,769,500</b>	<b>2,989,905</b>	<b>(220,405)</b>	<b>8,720,000</b>	<b>(198,393)</b>	<b>14,843,100</b>	<b>11,864,707</b>	<b>8,500,000</b>	<b>3,000,000</b>
Unallocated Funding	19,164,101	0	0	0	(22,012)	(14,843,100)	4,235,989	0	0
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>21,933,601</b>	<b>2,989,905</b>	<b>(220,405)</b>	<b>8,720,000</b>	<b>(220,405)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16,100,696</b>	<b>8,500,000</b>	<b>3,000,000</b>

## Appendix 2

School Condition Schemes	2020/21 Approved Budget Allocation	2020/21 Outturn	2020/21 Variation	2021/22 Approved Budget Allocation	Outturn Slippage	Proposed Changes	2021/22 Budget (Subject to Slippage & Proposed Changes Approval) £	2022/23 Budget (Proposed Changes Approval) £
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Aldwyn Primary School	320,000	6,927	313,073	0	313,073		313,073	0
Arlies Primary	10,000	7,641	2,359	23,000	2,359	135,000	160,359	0
Audenshaw Primary	10,000	0	10,000	0	10,000	25,400	35,400	0
Broadbottom Primary	129,900	129,006	894	0	0		0	0
Broadbent Fold	0	0	0	0	0	300,000	150,000	150,000
Buckton Vale Primary	50,000	48,041	1,959	0	0	1,050	1,050	0
Corrie Primary	17,000	16,461	539	0	0		0	0
Fairfield Road Primary	91,000	8,120	82,880	0	82,880	240,000	322,880	0
Gorse Hall Primary	9,000	8,934	66	0	0	100,000	100,000	0
Greswell	10,000	0	10,000	0	10,000		10,000	0
Hollingworth	18,600	18,559	41	0	0	2,300	2,300	0
Holy Trinity Gee Cross Primary	33,000	3,220	29,780	50,000	29,780	115,400	195,180	0
Hurst Knoll Primary	5,010	5,009	1	0	0	100,000	100,000	0
Livingstone Primary	414,000	414,170	(170)	0	0	5,000	5,000	0
Lyndhurst Primary	0	0	0	13,000	0		13,000	0
Millbrook Primary	137,000	137,002	(2)	0	0		0	0
Milton St Johns Primary	18,000	0	18,000	0	18,000	5,000	23,000	0
Oakdale Primary School	0	0	0	0	0	5,000	5,000	0
Ravensfield Primary	3,000	0	3,000	0	3,000		3,000	0
Russell Scott Primary	258,000	257,658	343	0	343	50,000	50,343	0
St Anne's Denton	9,000	8,718	282	141,000	282	60,000	201,282	0
St Johns CE Dukinfield	21,000	0	21,000	0	21,000		21,000	0
Stalyhill Infants	110,000	0	110,000	110,000	110,000	60,000	280,000	0
The Heys Primary	29,000	28,395	605	0	0		0	0
Tameside Pupil Referral Unit	50,000	24,738	25,262	0	25,262	15,000	40,262	0

CLASP Surveys (Fire Compartmentalisation)	0	0	0	0	0	29,000	29,000	0
Asbestos Survey	88,000	85,908	2,092	0	2,092	40,000	42,092	0
Stock Condition Survey	70,125	77,394	(7,269)	47,000	(7,269)	30,000	69,731	0
Structural Engineers Fees	11,000	7,741	3,259	0	3,259	5,000	8,259	0
Fire Safety Works	149,000	150,840	(1,840)	10,000	(1,840)		8,160	0
Glass Balustrade Protection Works	12,000	764	11,236	9,000	11,236		20,236	0
School Condition Related Works Contingency	20,365	0	20,365	0	20,365	150,000	170,365	0
Project Management Costs						43,000	43,000	
<b>Approved Funding</b>	<b>2,103,000</b>	<b>1,445,245</b>	<b>657,755</b>	<b>403,000</b>	<b>653,823</b>	<b>1,516,150</b>	<b>2,422,973</b>	<b>150,000</b>
Unallocated Funding	1,763,937	0	0	0	3,932	(1,516,150)	251,719	0
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>3,866,937</b>	<b>1,445,245</b>	<b>657,755</b>	<b>403,000</b>	<b>657,755</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,674,692</b>	<b>150,000</b>

## Appendix 3

Special Provision Schemes	2020/21 Approved Budget Allocation	2020/21 Outturn	2020/21 Variation	2021/22 Approved Budget Allocation	Outturn Slippage	Proposed Changes	2021/22 Budget (Subject to Slippage & Proposed Changes Approval)
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cromwell School	50,000	54,658	(4,658)	505,000	(4,658)	0	500,342
Hawthorns Primary	181,000	0	181,000	0	181,000	0	181,000
<b>Approved Funding</b>	<b>231,000</b>	<b>54,658</b>	<b>176,342</b>	<b>505,000</b>	<b>176,342</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>681,342</b>
Unallocated Funding	316,065	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>547,065</b>	<b>54,658</b>	<b>176,342</b>	<b>505,000</b>	<b>176,342</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>681,342</b>

## Appendix 4

Healthy Pupil's Capital Fund Schemes	2020/21 Approved Budget Allocation £	2020/21 Outturn £	2020/21 Variation £	2021/22 Approved Budget Allocation £	Outturn Slippage £	Proposed Changes £	2021/22 Budget (Subject to Slippage & Proposed Changes Approval) £
St Thomas More	134,000	0	134,000	0	134,000	0	134,000
	<b>134,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>134,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>134,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>134,000</b>