Capital Outturn 2005/2006

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1. To report upon expenditure against the Council's approved Capital Programme for 2005/2006.

2. Recommendations

That the Executive:

- 2.1 Note the expenditure against the capital programme for 2005/06, as outlined in Section 5 below and the Appendix.
- 2.2 Note that officers have identified savings totalling £130k from existing schemes.
- 2.3 Note that the unspent balance on capital budgets will be carried forward.

3. Links to Corporate Business Plan

3.1. Where appropriate details of links to the various Corporate Objectives for specific schemes in the Capital Programme were included in the original schemes proposals presented to the Council or its Committees in the past.

4. Background

- 4.1 Many capital projects are not completed within one financial year. This results in the Capital Budget not being fully spent in the year it was approved.
- 4.2 Capital spending has previously not been projected over the life of the project. The total project costs and expenditure to date are now shown for all projects other than those under the heading 'Environmental Enhancements & Streetworks'

5. Summary Position

5.1 Expenditure on capital projects, this year, is £6.7m plus a further £0.6m from the Equipment Fund totalling £7.2m spread over the following headings (more detailed information is shown in the Appendix):

Expenditure	£m	%
Housing Services	4.3	60
Leisure Services	0.3	4
Environmental Services	0.6	8
Parking & Transport Services	0.2	3
Environmental Enhancements & Street Works	0.2	3
Corporate Services	0.5	7
Community Grants	0.2	3
Other Services	0.3	4
Equipment Fund	0.6	8
Total Capital Expenditure	7.2	100

- 5.2 Projected savings total £130k.
- 5.3 Slippage of £3.5m to 2006/2007 results mainly from large projects spanning two or more years or delays in progressing schemes.

6. Detailed Position for Schemes with Slippage Over £250k

6.1 Community & Environment

North Wiltshire Arts Centre has been awarded a budget of £1.3m spread over three years, to incorporate a feasibility study. Planning on this project indicates that the majority of the expenditure will occur during 2006/07.

6.2 Corporate Services

Implementing e-Government - these schemes are being managed by a Programme Board with phasing of the programme over two years.

6.3 Other Services

Enhancements - a Schedule of works was produced which identifies works totalling $\pounds770k$. Almost half of this amount relates to maintenance and Disability Discrimination Act works required on public toilets.

Delays in progressing schemes are also as the result of lack of continuity of staffing resources.

7. Capital Resources

- 7.1 Capital receipts during 2005/06 totalled £9,810k. This includes significant amounts for the sites at Spring Quarry and Notton Park plus the part repayment of the Calne Northern Distributor Road loan and the deposit for the Cattle Market site.
- 7.2 Costs to date of obtaining the capital receipt for the Cattle Market Site total £517k.

8. Financial Implications

- 8.1 The spending on capital schemes in 2005/06 was met from existing capital resources.
- 8.2 There are sufficient resources (i.e. capital receipts and grants) to fund the programme for 2006-07.
- 8.3 The balance on capital budgets is carried forward to enable schemes to continue.

9. Legal Implications

9.1 None arising directly from this report.

10. Community & Environmental Implications

10.1 None arising directly from this report.

11. Human Resources Implications

11.1 None arising directly from this report.

12. Equal Opportunities Implications

12.1 None arising directly from this report.

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