

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL**Lifelong Learning School Estate Sub Committee – 6 June 2013****CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 to 2019/20
UPDATED BUSINESS CASES****Report by Executive Director (Education & Children's Services)****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report provides information on the 5 year Capital Budget for 2012/13 to 2016/17 with regards to the annual update of business cases.

In addition, business cases are provided for the Education and Children's Services capital projects approved by Council on 14 February 2013 in the setting of the Capital Programme 2017/18 to 2019/20 (Report No. 13/54 refers).

1. BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1. The Council set a 5 year Capital Budget for 2012/13 to 2016/17 at its meeting on 9 February 2012 (Report No 12/53 refers). Revisions to the budget for these 5 years have been considered by the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee (SP&R) throughout the year.
- 1.2. The Special Meeting of the Council on 14 February 2013 approved the Composite Capital Budget 2017/18 – 2019/20 (Report No 13/54 refers).
- 1.3. In line with the Council's project management procedures, it is required that Services submit updated business cases for projects currently in the capital programme to their Service Committees. These business cases have been updated to reflect the current project position.
- 1.4. Business cases are 'organic' documents that are continually updated and amended as projects progress. Education and Children's Services have submitted business cases to School Estate Sub Committee since 2004 and regularly report back where new business cases have been developed.
- 1.5. It should be noted that IT and Business Change related business cases do not form part of this update report. These will be reported directly to Strategic Policy and Resources Committee as these relate to Council wide services.

2. PROPOSALS

- 2.1. Details of the relevant business cases for projects are listed in Appendix 1. Copies of the business cases are available within the Councillors' lounge, online on the Councillors' CHIP Sharepoint site or by contacting the author of this report.

2.2. Projects/Programmes 2012/13 to 2016/17

Work is continuing to deliver the projects/programmes contained within the current capital programme 2012/13 to 2016/17. Specific project/programme details are provided in a separate report on the agenda.

2.3. Projects/Programmes 2017/18 to 2019/20

The following provides a summary of the projects/programmes in the capital programme for 2017/18 to 2019/20.

2.3.1. Accessibility Programme - £300,000

This is an annual allocation which allows the Service to continue its rolling programme of works within schools to ensure compliance with relevant legislation. In addition to the £705,000 contained in the current capital programme 2012/13 to 2016/17, the allocation of £300,000 within 2017/18 to 2019/20 will allow continuation of this programme. Phase 5 of the works will commence and will be undertaken on a phased basis. Provision will also be made to meet individual needs of pupils/parents/wider community as required.

2.3.2. Blairgowrie Recreation Centre - £150,000

Blairgowrie High School has a joint use sports centre with sports hall, pool and other facilities. As the main indoor sports facility serving the Blairgowrie/Coupar Angus cluster it has received little investment since it was built in 1982. The findings of the Leisure Needs Analysis report indicate that if the centre is to continue to perform the role of both a public and education facility, then it needs investment to refurbish and upgrade its facilities. The capital funding provided through the 2017/18 to 2019/20 bids will allow prioritised improvements to begin.

2.3.3. Modernising Primaries Programme - £8,519,000

In addition to the funding of £58,964,000 contained within the current capital programme 2012/13 to 2016/17, the allocation of £8,519,000 within 2017/18 to 2019/20 will assist in taking forward the priority pressures within the primary school estate.

Other primary schools are indicating possible future capacity issues and it is proposed to continue to instruct accommodation assessments/feasibility studies to examine what options may be available and bring proposals back to the School Estate Sub-Committee in due course. It is the intention that funding will continue to be prioritised from the current and future capital Modernising Primaries Programme budget for identified priority projects, subject to approval by SP&R. This will be undertaken as projects are developed and indicative costs are confirmed.

2.3.4. CLASP¹ (variants) Programme - £8,500,000

In the mid 1960's several schools were constructed using a pre-fabricated type of construction known as CLASP variants. There are three primary schools which are almost identical which were built to CLASP Mark 4 standard in the 1960's located across the Council which form part of this CLASP (variant) Programme, these being Oakbank Primary School, Tulloch Primary School and Kinross Primary School.

Oakbank Primary School was funded as part of the setting of the Capital Programme for 2012/13 to 2016/17. The next priority will be confirmed following the outcome of an options appraisal. The allocation of £8,500,000 as part of the setting of the capital budget 2017/18 to 2019/20 will assist with the development of a further scheme.

Bids will be submitted as part of a future budget setting process to continue this programme. Any other funding streams will also be considered if they are available.

2.3.5. Modernising Secondaries Programme - £1,996,000

In addition to the funding of £11,549,000 contained within the current capital programme 2012/13 to 2016/17, an additional allocation of £1,996,000 within the 2017/18 to 2019/20 Capital Programme will assist with the continuation of improving the Secondary estate.

Whilst much progress has been made upgrading the secondary school estate it will require further significant investment in future years. This funding will allow the upgrade programme to continue and address prioritised areas requiring investment. The current priorities for Modernising Secondaries are practical teaching areas and sports facilities.

It is recognised that priorities will have changed in the schools since the inception of this programme therefore it is the intention to hold further meetings with Headteachers to discuss and confirm their priority areas for development. This will include discussions with the Headteacher of the Community School of Auchterarder. This exercise will provide valuable information to inform the future priorities to ensure investments are being targeted appropriately.

2.3.6. Enhance/Extend Specialist Education in Perth and Kinross - £2,500,000

The Education (Additional Support for Learning) Act, 2004 (and 2009), established the principle of Inclusion on the presumption that most pupils with 'additional needs' would be educated in their local mainstream schools. The Authority's success in developing inclusive practices at all levels can be

¹ Consortium of Local Authorities Special Programme (CLASP)

measured by the very high number of children who successfully complete their education in mainstream schools in Perth and Kinross.

The current provision within the authority for specialist education is full to capacity and a recent review of provision has concluded that the demand for specialist education provision is likely to continue to increase over the years ahead.

The funding provided through the 2017/18 to 2019/20 capital programme will support the strategic expansion of current capacity by extending or re-aligning services that are already established or creating new provisions in appropriate pressurised locations.

2.3.7. All-through Campus

In Perth and Kinross a review of the school estate has taken place in relation to the Local Development Plan to determine the likely impact of population growth.

A bid to the Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) was successful in achieving funding of £15.333M towards the secondary element of the school which is time limited and must be spent by 31 March 2018. The Council meeting on 19 December 2012 (report 12/586 refers) approved £7.667M of 'match' funding to complete the funding requirement of £23M.

The nursery (estimated at £2.52M) and primary school (estimated at £7.65M) elements of the project are not anticipated to be required until later years and funding for these elements of the project will be considered in the preparation of future budgets. Additionally, it is anticipated that the primary school will be funded from developer contributions.

2.3.8. Oudenarde

Funding of £11.5M was approved as part of the composite capital programme on 19 December 2012 towards the cost of a new primary school at Oudenarde, this is in addition to the £1.02M already in the capital programme. It should be noted that no expenditure will be incurred by the Council until there is a demand for a school within the area, as approved at Lifelong Learning Committee on 16 January 2013 (report 13/17 refers). The report also approved the proposal to build the school as a two stream primary school with initially only 7 classrooms fully fitted out (remaining rooms to be fitted out as required).

The intention is to recoup the funding through Section 75 Developer contributions. These potential contributions will be received as development of the new village progresses.

3. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1. It is recommended that the Committee:

- (i) Endorses the updated business cases for the projects/programmes contained in the current capital programme 2012/13 to 2016.17; and
- (ii) Endorses the business cases for the projects/programme approved by Council for the capital programme 2017/18 to 2019/20.

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1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

The undernoted table should be completed for all reports. Where the answer is 'yes', the relevant section(s) should also be completed

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
Community Plan / Single Outcome Agreement	None
Corporate Plan	Yes
Resource Implications	
Financial	Yes
Workforce	No
Asset Management (land, property, IST)	Yes
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Strategic Environmental Assessment	Yes
Sustainability (community, economic, environmental)	Yes
Legal and Governance	None
Risk	None
Consultation	
Internal	Yes
External	No
Communication	
Communications Plan	No

1. Strategic Implications

1.1. Corporate Plan

1.1.1. The Council's Corporate Plan 2013 – 2018 lays out five outcome focussed strategic objectives which provide clear strategic direction, inform decisions at a corporate and service level and shape resources allocation. They are as follows:

- (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
- (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
- (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;
- (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and
- (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.

1.1.2 This report relates to all of these objectives.

1.1.3 The report also links to the Education & Children's Services Policy Framework in respect of the following key policy area:

- Maximising Resources

2. Resource Implications

2.1. Financial

2.1.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report.

2.2. Workforce

2.2.1. There are no direct workforce implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report.

2.3. Asset Management (land, property, IT)

2.3.1. There are no direct asset management implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report.

3. Assessments

3.1. Equality Impact Assessment

3.1.1. Under the Equality Act 2010, the Council is required to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between equality groups. Carrying out Equality Impact Assessments for plans and policies allows the Council to demonstrate that it is meeting these duties.

3.1.2. The information contained within this report has been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) and has been assessed as not relevant for the purposes of EqIA.

3.2 Strategic Environmental Assessment

3.2.1 Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is a legal requirement under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that applies to all qualifying plans, programmes and strategies, including policies (PPS).

3.2.2 However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report. This is because the Committee are requested to note the contents of the report only and the Committee are not being requested to approve, adopt or agree to an action or to set the framework for future decisions.
3.2.1 The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to identify and assess the environmental consequences of its proposals.

3.3 Sustainability

3.3.1 Under the provisions of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 the Council has to discharge its duties in a way which contributes to the achievement of sustainable development. In terms of the Climate Change Act,

the Council has a general duty to demonstrate its commitment to sustainability and the community, environmental and economic impacts of its actions.

- 3.3.2 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Act. However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report.

4. **Consultation**

4.1 Internal

- 4.1.1 The Head of Democratic Services, Head of Legal Services, and Head of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report. Head Teachers and Services have been consulted through the School Estate Management Plan (SEMP) group.

2. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 2.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

3. **APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 - CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 to 2019/20 LIST OF UPDATED BUSINESS CASES

**CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 to 2019/20
LIST OF UPDATED BUSINESS CASES**

Business Cases	Current Version	Version Date	Report Numbers previously approved by Lifelong Learning Committee
Accessibility Programme	17a□	27/03/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313, 10/141 & 08/18.
All Through Campus	3a□	17/05/2013	Not applicable
Arts Strategy Phase 1 – Redevelopment of Perth Theatre	14	21/05/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313, 10/141 & 08/18.
CLASP (variants) Programme	1a□	19/04/2013	Not applicable
Crieff Primary School Upgrade programme	23□	19/04/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313, 10/141, 08/18 and 05/14.
Blairgowrie Recreation Centre	4	15/05/2013	Not applicable
Dunning Primary School	15□	19/04/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313, 10/141 & 04/634.
Enhance/Extend Specialist Provision in Perth and Kinross	0.8	16/04/2013	Not applicable
Invergowrie Primary School	21	19/04/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313, 10/141, & 05/04.
NAVIGATE (formerly Almondbank II)	9□	27/03/2013	Committee Report 12/369, 11/313.
PKC OBC: Perth City Sport & Leisure Facility Vision (Live Active Leisure)	4□	05/2013	Committee Report 12/369, 11/313.
Modernising Primaries Programme	23c□	19/04/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313, 10/141 & 08/18.
Oudenarde	1b□	19/04/2013	Not applicable
Rattray Community Facilities	12□	15/04/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313 & 10/141.
Modernising Secondaries Programme	24	17/05/2013	Committee Reports 12/369, 11/313, 10,141 & 08/18.

