

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL****REPORT**

To: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE		Subject: COMPOSITE CAPITAL PROGRAMME FOR 2009/10  MONITORING REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 APRIL 2009 TO 17 JULY 2009
From: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES		
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**1 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the financial performance of the 2009/10 Environmental Services Capital Programme up to and including the 17 July 2009.

**2 SERVICE OVERVIEW**

- 2.1 The Service base programme allocation is £22,395,000 as approved by the Policy & Resources Committee.
- 2.2 To date adjustments to this programme, which have been approved, and updated in the ledger by Finance & Customer Services, amounts to £5,000,664. These adjustments reflect the carry forwards from the 2008/2009 programme and payback of amounts accelerated into the 2008/2009 programme totalling -£223,650 plus income from Strathclyde Partnership for Transport £1.35m, Air Quality Monitoring Grant of £88,500 and £1m for Auchinlea Landfill site, £2.2m for the creation of two recycling centres, £579,000 for Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets and £6,814 for the Antonine Wall Project.
- 2.3 Further adjustments of £22,180 have been incorporated into the programme for this report relating to:-
- Virements within the Environmental Services budget as detailed below in section 5.1.
  - Removal of £149,260 budget carried forward in error relating to the Cities Growth fund which is a completed project.
  - Additional income of £60,000 contribution from Sustrans, £77,593 towards Dalziel Estate Landscape Restoration and £33,847 funding for WIAT woodlands project.
- 2.4 The revised base programme reported as at Period 4 is therefore £27,417,844.

**3 MONITORING SUMMARY**

- 3.1 The position for Environmental Services can be summarised as follows –

SERVICE	LAND SERVICES	PLANNING	ROADS	PROTECTIVE SERVICES	RING FENCED	TOTALS
P & R Approved Base Allocation	3,985,000	7,850,000	10,300,000	260,000	0	22,395,000
Approved adjustments	2,928,413	418,159	-593,211	0	2,247,303	5,000,664
Proposed adjustments and virements	111,440	0	0	0	-89,260	22,180
<b>REVISED BASE PROGRAMME</b>	<b>7,024,853</b>	<b>8,268,159</b>	<b>9,706,789</b>	<b>260,000</b>	<b>2,158,043</b>	<b>27,417,844</b>
Committed Expenditure to Date	3,059,441	5,153,260	7,035,894	88,408	727,712	16,064,715
Committed Expenditure as a % of Revised Base Programme	44%	63%	72%	34%	34%	59%
Actual Expenditure to Date	1,086,897	1,282,982	1,353,302	40,311	140,867	3,904,359
Actual Expenditure as a % of Revised Base Programme	15%	16%	14%	16%	7%	14%
<b>Projected Outturn</b>	<b>7,024,853</b>	<b>7,468,159</b>	<b>9,706,789</b>	<b>260,000</b>	<b>2,158,043</b>	<b>26,617,844</b>
<b>Programme Variance</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>800,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>800,000</b>

#### 4. PROGRAMME VARIANCES

##### 4.1 Programme variances are –

- (i) All areas are forecasting at Period 4 to be on target with the exception of Planning.
- (ii) Within the Planning approved budget there is £1m set aside for the NLC contribution towards the NHS project – Airdrie Resource Centre Car Park. The final agreement terms are with Legal Services and only once approved will work commence. As a result it is anticipated that there will be slippage on this project. Design fees and ground investigation work will take place in 2009-2010 with the construction not beginning until 2010-2011. A spend profile is being worked on but it is expected that slippage of at least £800,000 will occur. The actual slippage figure, once confirmed, will be declared at the mid year review.

#### 5. VIREMENTS

- 5.1 Contained within the proposed adjustments are several virements that require Committee approval.

- (i) Within Roads and Transportation – Bridge Investment £475,000 reduction, Roads/Footways Refurbishment £800,000 reduction, Lighting Refurbishment £200,000 reduction. These reductions are required to create budgets for the following areas – Roads Management and Safety £850,000, Feasibility and Forward Planning £325,000, Disability Discrimination Act Compliance £150,000 and Bus Shelter Replacement Programme £25,000 plus adding £125,000 to Flood Prevention.
- (ii) Within Land Services , General Facilities to be reduced by £222,000 to create capitalised equipment budgets for Ground Maintenance £90,000, Strathclyde Park £60,000, Catering £32,000, People and Performance Solutions £10,000 and Finance and Technology Solutions £10,000 and Building Cleaning Equipment £20,000.
- (iii) Virements are required within the Town Centre Budget largely as a result of the acceleration of works in Bellshill Town Centre in 2008/09 to compensate for anticipated delays in Coatbridge Town Centre projects. Overall within the four year programme all Town Centre projects will receive their previously approved budget allocation. The virements required can be summarised as reduce Bellshill by £849,419 and increase Coatbridge £640,796, Airdrie £36,854, Cumbernauld £62,903, Kilsyth £40,656, Motherwell £52,974 and Wishaw £15,236.

## **6. LEGAL COMMITMENTS FOR FUTURE YEARS**

- 6.1 The Committee is asked to note that there are legal commitments beyond the current year covering ongoing contracts plus retention payments as a result of work being carried out in the current financial year.

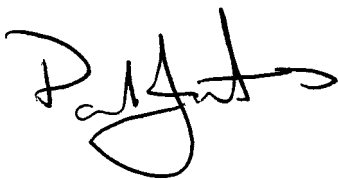
## **7. FINANCIAL CONCURRENCE**

- 7.1 Prepared in accordance with the Scheme of Financial Delegation, the financial information contained within this report has been agreed with the Head of Financial Services.

## **8. RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee is asked to –

- 8.1 Note the financial position of the Capital Programme as at 17 July 2009.
- 8.2 Approve the virements noted in section 5 above.



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