

## NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

## REPORT

To: POLICY AND RESOURCES EUROPEAN WORKING GROUP	Subject: OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXTERNAL FUNDING WITHIN THE CAPITAL PROGRAMME 1998/1999
From: CHIEF EXECUTIVE	
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## 1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise members of the Working Group on the opportunities for European and other sources of external funding within the approved capital programme for 1998/1999 and 1999/2000.

North Lanarkshire Council's Capital Programme was approved by the Council on 26 March 1998. This identified a two-year capital programme of proposals submitted by all Departments and detailed in their Service Plans.

## 2 Analysis

Many of the proposals contained within the approved Capital Programme may be eligible for external funding. The proposals contained within the Capital Programme have been considered in relation to their suitability to apply for funding from Europe. Other sources of external funding have also been considered, including the five 'Good Causes' available under the National Lottery. Since these proposals all relate to capital works, funding has been considered in relation to capital. However, a longer term view has also been adopted where appropriate. Those projects which may require assistance in the future for revenue costs have also been considered in relation to external funding and these are highlighted where this is the case.

Prior to any applications being made for external funding, these projects would have to be considered more fully. Some of the projects identified as being suitable for external funding may only have certain elements which are eligible. It is therefore important that this process is adopted as a starting point for progressing many of the proposals contained within the approved Capital Programme. Annexe 1 shows the external funding opportunities which the Chief Executive's Department, in an initial analysis, consider may exist for certain projects included within the overall approved Capital Programme.

## 3 Capital Proposals 1998/1999

Of the 26 proposals, worth a total of £3,144,700, contained within Year 1 of the Capital Programme it is considered that 14 of these proposals would be eligible for external funding. These projects are worth a total of £1,893,300, applying an average grant rate of 50 per cent, potential grant of £946,650 would come into North Lanarkshire. Of these projects, 4 would seem to be eligible for European funds alone, with the remainder of 10 potentially eligible for European funding as well as possibly for National Lottery funding. Of the projects identified in Year 1, the Lady Anne Centre has already been successful in obtaining European funding through the RESIDER II programme.

## 4 Capital Proposals 1999/2000

Of the 56 proposals, worth a total of £6,134,800, contained within Year 2 of the approved Capital Programme it is considered that 10 of these proposals would be eligible for external funding. These projects are worth a total of £978,300, applying a grant rate of 50 per cent, a potential grant of £489,150 would come into North Lanarkshire.

Of these, 5 would seem to be eligible for European funds alone, three would seem to be eligible for European funding and National Lottery funding, and finally two would seem to be eligible for National Lottery funding alone.

It should be reiterated that those proposals identified are only potential applications for external funding - further work will be required to assess their eligibility in more detail. Of the projects identified in Year 2 of the Capital Programme, the WINOL (World of Information in North Lanarkshire) project has already been successful in obtaining European funding through the Information Society Initiative.

## 5 Future Action

Having identified a number of projects which may be eligible for external funding, it is proposed that these be progressed to establish the nature of funding applications to external bodies.

Through the mechanism of the European Affairs Officer Working Group co-ordinated by the Chief Executive's Department, and on which all departments are represented, considerable work has been undertaken regarding the promotion of relevant funding opportunities, and the submission of high quality bids. This has led to bids which are better integrated and where partnership, both internally and with external agencies is a key priority in terms of maximisation of match funding. The development of proposals within the approved Capital Programme will be co-ordinated through this Group to ensure only well-considered and integrated projects with comprehensive and appropriate funding packages are submitted to relevant external funding sources.

In addition to this, a training programme has been compiled, of which the first series of modules relates wholly to the range of European funding opportunities from which the Council can benefit. It is hoped that this will further increase the Council's involvement in European funded projects. This should ensure that current success in relation to European funding bids is maintained and improved upon in future rounds. The first training session took place on 24 April 1998 and was attended by around 30 Officers, with all Departments in the Council represented.

It is further proposed to work closely with other Departments in the Council who have specific expertise in relation to applying for funds from the five 'Good Causes' of the National Lottery. By doing so, we can hope to access successfully funding from the Lottery, either as a sole match funder, or additionally in partnership with funding from Europe. Other expertise within the Council will also be utilised to ensure that all other potential sources of funding are analysed for applicability, for example, the Private Finance Initiative.

## 6 Key Issues

The current Structural Fund programmes are due to close in December 1999. Based on previous experience of the winding-up of such programmes, all capital works would have to be committed and contracted for by 31 December 1999 with an opportunity to complete works up until the end of 2001. The final claims, all of which are made in arrears, would need to be submitted by June 2002 to allow the formal closure of the programme by the European Commission.

These details are not clear at the moment and still require to be confirmed by Strathclyde European Partnership Ltd. If this timescale is likely, the final call for proposals under the Objective 2 programme would be around June 1999 dependent on the amount of monies remaining within the programme overall and the priorities to which projects are being submitted for funding.

This would potentially mean that projects included within the capital programme for post 1999 could have applications for European co-finance submitted and still meet the relevant requirements for the closure of the programmes outlined above. The new Structural Fund programmes from 2000 onwards are not likely to call for proposals until towards the end of 2000 or even into 2001 and it is therefore important that, as far as possible, the Council takes advantage of the current programmes in place to fund as many of the capital programme projects as possible before there is a hiatus in the change over to the new programmes.

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Departments will be made aware of this time constraint and proactively encouraged, through the issue of appropriate guidelines, to submit applications for projects which fall into this category and to pull them forward in the programme to allow applications for European co-finance to be compiled as appropriate and in agreement with the Chief Executive's Department through the mechanisms already in place and agreed in the European Affairs Officer Working Group.

## 7 Recommendations

It is recommended that the Policy and Resources European Working Group:-

- (i) Notes the content of the report and the proposals identified in the approved Capital Programme as being eligible for external funding.
- (ii) Agrees to progress potential funding submissions for these projects in relation to the external sources of funding identified in close liaison with all relevant Council departments
- (iii) Agrees that further projects eligible for European co-finance be brought forward for inclusion in the 2000/01 capital programme to allow early submission of European project applications, and that appropriate guidelines on this issue be distributed to all departments

  
Chief Executive

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RANKED PROJECTS AND CAPITAL IMPLICATIONS

CAPITAL PROPOSALS INITIATION 1998/99, RANKED PROJECTS INCLUDING CAPITAL IMPLICATIONS								
Project Ref.	Priority Code	Project Score	Title	CAPITAL REQUIREMENT			Cumulative Capital Requirement 1998/99	Potential External Funding Source
				1998/99	1999/00	2000/01		
PD/X/43	T	19	Airdrie Town Centre Environmental Imp - Phase 1	190	10		190	Obj 2/Heritage
ES/C/13	Q	17	Wheelchair Clamps in Social Work/Education Vehicles	10.5			200.5	
E/C/9	ED	17	Technology Centres for Adult Learners	15			215.5	Obj 2,3/Heritage
H/C/7	EL	17	Care & Repair Project	40	75	100	255.5	
PD/X/29	T	16	Town Centre General Works - Phase 2	85.5	4.5		341	
PD/C/14	EC	16	Small Communities Property Initiatives	250	250	250	591	Obj 2/Heritage
PD/X/42	T	15	Kilsyth Town Centre Improvements	66.5	3.5		657.5	Obj 2/Heritage
PD/X/39	Q	15	Traffic Management	97.4	5.1		754.9	
PD/C/1	EC	15	Lady Anne Training Centre & Managed Workspaces	100			854.9	RESIDER (approved)
LS/X/29	P	15	Diet and Nutrition Policy	45			899.9	
LS/X/27	Q	15	Northburn Community Parks	30	20		929.9	Obj 2/Heritage
F/C/9	Q	15	Additional IT Equipment - Operations/Enterprise Computing	400			1329.9	
PD/X/48	T	14	Wishaw Town Centre Environmental Imp - Phase 1	95	5		1424.9	Obj 2/Heritage
PD/X/45	R	14	Overton Village Centre	28.5	20.5	1	1453.4	Obj 2/Heritage
LS/X/39	Q	14	Wheelchair Lift for Mobile Library	10			1463.4	National Lottery
H/C/9	P	14	Home Energy Conservation	30	60	60	1493.4	SAVE (EU)
H/C/11	Q	14	Computer Development	46	30	30	1539.4	
PD/X/47	R	13	Corridor & Countryside Enhancement	204.3	10.8		1743.7	EU/Nat Lottery
PD/X/46	T	13	CCTV Corporate Bid	100			1843.7	
PD/X/44	EC	13	Burnside Industrial Estate, Kilsyth - Phase 1	57	3		1900.7	
PD/X/40	EC	13	Cumbernauld Business Centre Contributions	100			2000.7	
PD/X/31	T	13	Wishaw Town Centre - Phase 1	361	19		2361.7	Obj 2/Heritage
LS/C/1	Q	13	Concert Hall Disabled Access/ Fire Requirement	250			2611.7	
H/C/10	P	13	Homelessness	10	150	150	2621.7	EU
H/C/8	P	13	Lending - Improvement/Repair Loans	20	110	110	2641.7	
PD/X/51	R	12	Environmental Enhancement Initiatives - NL Wide	503			3144.7	LIFE (EU)/Nat Lottery
F/C/7	Q	12	Enhance Telecommunications system [C]	250			3394.7	
E/C/2	A	12	Minor Works Programme [B]	375	50		3769.7	
F/C/3	Q	12	One-Stop Shop Area Office, Cumbernauld	350			4119.7	
PD/X/27	Q	12	Public Transport Infrastructure	19	1		4138.7	

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LS/X/28	Q	12	Time Capsule - Toddlers Water Play Area	50			4188.7	
LS/X/25	R	12	Footways, Pathways, Bridleways	60	60	60	4248.7	Nat Lottery
A/C/1	A	12	Cyborg Integrated Pay/Personnel (Authority-Wide)	12			4260.7	
ES/C/9	A	12	Capitalise Heavy Plant (Spend-to-Save)	145	145	145	4405.7	
SW/C/1	A	11	Minor Works [B]	100	100	100	4505.7	
PD/X/52	Q	11	Energy Conservation/Management Project	100	100	50	4605.7	EU/Nat Lottery
PD/X/35	EC	11	Route Action Plans - Various Phase 1	38	2		4643.7	
PD/X/32	T	11	Airdrie Town Centre - Phase 1	23.8	1.3		4667.5	
PD/X/21	Q	11	IT Systems - Phase 2	75			4742.5	
PD/C/15	EC	11	Whifflet Viaduct, Coatbridge	33.2	429.2	22.5	4775.7	
LS/X/36	Q	11	Fax/Photocopier/Public Phones - All Libraries	24.2			4799.9	
LS/X/31	EL	11	Chapelhall Senior Citizens Centre - Refurbishment	28			4827.9	
LS/X/22	Q	11	Motherwell Library - Complete Refurbishment Programme	150			4977.9	
F/C/5	A	11	Introduction of Commitment Accounting	125			5102.9	
F/C/1	Q	11	Upgrade of Cash Collection Offices	200			5302.9	
SW/C/6	P	10	Day Centres for Adults with Learning Disabilities	85	130		5387.9	Obj 3 (1)
SW/C/4	P	10	Residential Accommodation for Adults - Learning Difficulties	50	100		5437.9	Obj 3 (1)
PD/X/41	R	10	Central Scotland Countryside Trust - Phase 1	65			5502.9	
PD/X/34	Q	10	North-South Corridor Improvements -Feasibility Study	25			5527.9	
PD/X/25	EC	10	Properties&Site Disposal Preparation Programme	150	150	150	5677.9	
PD/C/4	T	10	Reconstruction of Airdrie Town Centre - Various	95	5		5772.9	
PD/C/16	EC	10	Inns Bridge, Kilsyth	109.2	5.8		5882.1	
PD/C/11	Q	10	Road Safety - Tranche 1	223.2	11.8		6105.3	
LS/X/37	Q	10	Fire Detection System Community Centres	55.7			6161	
LS/X/26	D	10	Community Participatory Appraisals	15	15	15	6176	
LS/X/23	Q	10	Airdrie Library - Refurbishment	250	400		6426	
LS/C/6	Q	10	Conversion of IT Systems to Authority wide basis	25			6451	
LS/C/20	Q	10	Strathclyde Park - Traffic Management	100	50	50	6551	
F/C/6	Q	10	Replacement of IT Hardware - Phase 2	75	150	150	6626	
F/C/4	Q	10	Replacement of IT Hardware - Phase 1	75			6701	
F/C/2	Q	10	Introduction of Document Image Processing/Workflow	300	50		7001	
A/C/3	Q	10	Civic Centre : Ongoing Adaptations	30	30		7031	
LS/X/24	Q	9	Play Areas - Upgrading	300	300	300	7331	

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PD/X/50	R	9	Environmental Grants and Landscape Improvements	318.3	16.8		7649.3	Obj 2/LIFE/Nat Lottery
PD/X/26	EC	9	Development Initiatives - Acquisitions & Industrial Devt	150	150	150	7799.3	Obj 2
F/C/8	Q	9	Additional IT Equipment - Support Services	200			7999.3	
LS/X/43	Q	9	Respond Computer Complaints	13			8012.3	
LS/X/42	Q	9	Pather Art Works Extension	50	200		8062.3	Arts Lottery
PD/X/28	Q	9	Sustainable North Lanarkshire	50			8112.3	LIFE/Nat Lottery
LS/X/44	Q	9	Roller Shutters Viewpark/Moodiesburn/Kilsyth Libraries	13.5			8125.8	
LS/X/38	Q	9	Jerviston Community Centre - Refurbishment	54.4			8180.2	
LS/X/21	Q	9	Strathclyde Park - Events Area Upgrading	75	50		8255.2	EU
LS/C/12	Q	9	Wishaw Sports Centre - Disabled Hoist, Health Suite	7			8262.2	
E/C/8	Q	9	Building Adaptations re. Youth Facilities	80	10		8342.2	
E/C/15	ED	9	Improve Severe Learning Difficulties provision	60	30		8402.2	
E/C/13	ED	9	Building Adaptations re. Language & Communication skills	40			8442.2	
E/C/12	ED	9	Building Adaptations re. Emotional/Behavioural Difficulties	30	30		8472.2	
E/C/10	Q	9	Expand Devolved School Management to Non-School Sector	80	80		8552.2	
LS/C/5	I	9	Libraries IT Replacement	350			8902.2	
PD/X/49	Q	8	Road Safety - Tranche 2	242.3	12.8		9144.5	
PD/X/24	EC	8	WINOL Project	40			9184.5	Info Society (2)
PD/X/23	Q	8	Safer Routes to School - St Bartholomew, Phase 1	95	5		9279.5	
PD/X/22	T	8	Noise Insulation (Scotland) Regulations 1975	35	5		9314.5	
PD/C/19	I	8	IT Hardware Replacements	40	40	40	9354.5	
LS/X/47	Q	8	Mount Ellen Community Centre - Refurb.	21.8			9376.3	
LS/X/46	Q	8	TQM-M Computer Performance Monitoring	12			9388.3	
LS/X/45	ED	8	Expansion of Second Chance/Open Learning Service	152			9540.3	
LS/X/41	Q	8	Pat Cullinan Community Centre - External Refurbishment	99.8			9640.1	
LS/X/40	Q	8	Museums and Heritage - Computerised Document System	140			9780.1	
LS/X/35	D	8	External Signage - Museums and Heritage	2			9782.1	
LS/X/34	D	8	External Signage - Libraries and Information	15			9797.1	
LS/X/33	D	8	External Signage - Community Centres	47.3			9844.4	
LS/X/32	D	8	External Signage - Arts and Venues	5			9849.4	
LS/C/4	I	8	Network Cabling Requirement	243.5			10092.9	
LS/C/17	T	8	White House, Museum & Heritage Centre - Kilsyth	80			10172.9	
ES/C/12	D	8	Vehicle Painting and Livery (All NLC Vehicles)	25			10197.9	

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E/C/4	ED	8	Specialist Accommodation - Upgrading, Curriculum Led Proj	500	50		10697.9	
PD/X/53	Q	7	Disability & Discrimination Act 1995	123.5	6.5		10821.4	
PD/X/36	I	7	Information Systems	51			10872.4	
PD/C/20	Q	7	Structures Consequential to Assessments	95	5		10967.4	
PD/C/18	Q	7	Structures Renewals	47.5	2.5		11014.9	
PD/C/17	Q	7	B717 Burnbrae Bridge, Shotts	104.5	5.5		11119.4	
LS/X/30	A	7	Quality Assurance Development	20			11139.4	
LS/C/3	D	7	Replacement Signage	95			11234.4	
ES/C/18	Q	7	Upgrade of Canteen Facilities at Bellshill Depot	25			11259.4	
ES/C/17	Q	7	CCTV Installation - Auchinlea Landfill Site	13			11272.4	
ES/C/16	I	7	IT Equipment (Networking Facilities & PCs within Dept)	57			11329.4	
ES/C/15	Q	7	Air Conditioning Equipment -Scomag House	14.5			11343.9	
ES/C/10	A	7	Capitalise Building Cleaning Equipment	50	50	50	11393.9	
E/C/17	I	7	Pilot Cluster Schools Networking		50	50	11393.9	
CS/C/2	Q	7	Bellshill Philip Murray Road Office/Workshop Roof Repairs	150			11543.9	
CS/C/1	Q	7	Roads Depot Improvement	80			11623.9	
PD/X/30	Q	7	Corporate Property Health & Safety	400	100	200	12023.9	
SW/C/7	P	6	Day Centres for Adults with Physical Disabilities	150	50	325	12173.9	
SW/C/3	P	6	Homes for Older People	325	375	375	12498.9	
PD/C/12	Q	6	Flood Prevention	47.5	2.5		12546.4	
LS/C/18	Q	6	Coatbridge Library - Refurbishment	550	550		13096.4	
LS/C/13	A	6	Time Capsule - Roof Repairs	20			13116.4	
ES/C/14	Q	6	Air Quality Monitoring Equipment	49			13165.4	
ES/C/11	Q	6	Additional Landfill Engineering Materials	92			13257.4	
SW/C/5	EL	5	Day Centres for Older People	395	475	525	13652.4	
PD/X/38	Q	5	Street Lighting - Tranche 2	190	10		13842.4	
PD/C/9	T	5	Reconstruction of A89 Fountain Roundabout, Coatbridge	38	2		13880.4	
LS/C/2	I	5	Millennium Compliancy	30	30		13910.4	
ES/C/6	Q	5	Alternative Fuels Pilot Study	50	50	50	13960.4	
ES/C/5	Q	5	Air Quality Monitoring Equipment	50			14010.4	
ES/C/4	Q	5	Rehabilitation of Hope Park Quarry	500			14510.4	
A/C/4	Q	4	Civic Centre : Entrance (Reception/Exhibition Accomm.)	600	390		15110.4	
SW/C/2	I	3	Information Technology	200	200	200	15310.4	

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PD/C/10	Q	3	Street Lighting - Tranche 1	380	20		15690.4	
LS/C/15	Q	3	Summerlee Heritage Centre - Complete Outstanding Projects	40			15730.4	
PD/C/8	A	2	Reconstruction of B825 Site Investigation, Caldercruix	9.5	0.5		15739.9	
PD/C/7	A	2	Reconstruction of Gartferry Road, Moodiesburn	28.5	1.5		15768.4	
PD/C/6	A	2	Reconstruction of Westfield Drive, Cumbernauld	24.7	1.3		15793.1	
PD/C/5	A	2	Reconstruction of South Carbrain Road, Cumbernauld	29.5	1.6		15822.6	
PD/C/3	A	2	Reconstruction of A8011 at Back-o'Hill, Cumbernauld	23.7	1.3		15846.3	
LS/C/9	A	2	Time Capsule - Replace Motor of Combined Heat & Power	18			15864.3	
LS/C/8	A	2	Tryst Sports Centre - Replacement Boiler	44			15908.3	
LS/C/7	A	2	Safety Guards - Cardiovascular Gym	15			15923.3	
LS/C/11	A	2	Aquatec New Hypotrol Unit		4		15923.3	
LS/C/10	A	2	Aquatec New Dosing System		8		15923.3	
ES/C/7		1	Purchase of Confidential Waste machine	30			15953.3	
PD/C/2	A	0	Reconstruction of A752 Holmbrae Road, Uddingston	294.5	15.5		16247.8	
E/C/5	ED	0	Replacement of Old/Outmoded Primary School	1000	500		17247.8	
CS/C/3		0	Capital Project Feasibility Work	100			17347.8	
A/C/2	D	0	Council Chamber Redevelopment	500	350		17847.8	
PD/X/37	Q	-1	Office Accommodation Projects - Adaptations/Improvements	900	900	900	18747.8	
ES/C/2	Q	-1	Drumshangie Landfill Extension	2760			21507.8	
E/C/16	ED	-1	Fabric Improvement in Support of Strategy to raise Achieve.	1000	1000		22507.8	
LS/C/19	EC	-2	100 Cine 100		950	950	22507.8	
LS/C/16	Q	-5	Sir John Wilson Town Hall - Refurbishment	250	750	500	22757.8	
ES/C/1	Q	-9	Auchinlea & Dalmacoultter Landfill	2022	2000	1000	24779.8	
ES/C/8	A	-12	Establishment of a Waste Transfer Station	1500	500		26279.8	
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>21507.8</b>	<b>7899.8</b>	<b>4608.5</b>	<b>26279.8</b>	
<b>Footnotes</b>								
[B]	Level of expenditure reduced to 25% of original proposal in recognition of the overall limited availability of funds							
[C]	Level of expenditure reduced to 50% of original proposal in recognition of the overall limited availability of funds							
[D]	Subject to approval of Water Quality-Cyclic Monitoring under Revenue Budget							
(1)	For Future Reference.							
(2)	This project has already obtained revenue funding under the Information Society Initiative.							