



## **NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **CABINET**

#### **REPORT OF THE HEAD OF FINANCE- H.Jones**

**30 October 2019**

#### **SECTION A – MATTERS FOR DECISION**

#### **WARDS AFFECTED – ALL**

#### **CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING 2019/20**

##### **Purpose of Report**

1. To provide Members with information in relation to delivery of the 2019/20 Capital Programme.

##### **Background**

2. On 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Council approved its Capital Programme for 2019/20; the report detailed planned Capital Expenditure totalling £44.816m for the financial year.

On 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019 Council approved the current Capital Budget as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019, the report detailed planned Capital Expenditure totalling £52.212m for the financial year.

The purpose of this report is to update Members as to the delivery of this Programme as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and to seek approval for a further updated budget position.

##### **Targeted Achievements**

3. As Members are aware the following achievements are being targeted during this financial year:

- Progression of the Council's Band B 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools programme;
  - Cefn Saeson - a new replacement 11-16 School in the Cimla area of the County Borough.
- Investment in a flood and coastal risk prevention project at Aberavon Seafront.
- County Borough regeneration including the commencement of the next phase of the Neath Town Centre redevelopment. Development works on the former Crown building and redevelopment work of the former Plaza cinema in Port Talbot.
- Further investment of £3m into Disabled Facility Grants to assist people to live at home and investment of over £3m in Schools Capital Maintenance and Highways and Engineering Maintenance improvements.

### **Changes to the approved Budget**

4. The updated Capital Programme now totals £43.800m with the main changes proposed being:
  - A £4.887m budget had been included in 2019/20 in relation to the Harbourside infrastructure development. However, £4.612m of this has now been re-profiled into 2020/21 to reflect the profile of the works required on the site and the revised project proposal.
  - The £2.5m budget for the Plaza development has been reduced to £2m. This £500k budget has been re-profiled into 2020/21.
  - A £4.680m budget had been included in 2019/20 in relation to the Crown Development. This budget has been reduced to £2.207m with the balance of £2.473m being re-profiled into 2020/21 to reflect project spend.
  - A budget of £800k has been allocated this year to fund Cymmer Afan site clearance and land reclamation.

- Reduction of £1.286m in the flood and coastal risk management programmes at Aberavon and Briton Ferry this is primarily due to tenders being lower than anticipated and works being re-profiled.
- A budget of £500k has been included to commence works on the Swansea Bay Technology Centre.
- A £757k budget had been included in 2019/20 in relation to the refurbishment of 8 Wind Street, Neath. This budget has been reduced to £177k with the balance of £580k being re-profiled into 2020/21 to reflect project spend.
- The WG has confirmed that the £766k made available re Sustainable Waste Grant is for revenue expenditure purposes and has been updated for this report.

### **2019/20 Capital Expenditure**

5. Details of Capital Expenditure as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 is outlined in Appendix 1 of this report.

### **Financial Impact**

6. All relevant details are set out in the body of the report.

### **Integrated Impact Assessment**

7. No requirement for this as information set out in the report summarises the Council's financial commitment to fund capital projects in year.

### **Valleys Communities Impact**

8. No implications.

### **Workforce Impacts**

9. There are no workforce impacts arising from this report.

### **Legal Impacts**

10. There are no legal impacts arising from this report.

## **Risk Management**

11. The capital programme is actively managed by managers and the Capital Programme Steering Group to comply with all relevant planning conditions, legislation, regulations and health and safety.

## **Consultation**

12. There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

## **Recommendations**

13. Cabinet commends to Council:
  - The approval of the proposed 2019/20 budget totalling £43.800m;
  - And note the position in relation to expenditure as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

## **Appendices**

14. Appendix 1 – Details of Capital Expenditure as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

## **List of Background Papers**

Capital Programme working files

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### Capital Budget and Spend 2019/20 as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

|  | Current Budget<br>£'000 | Proposed Budget<br>£'000 | Actual @<br>30 <sup>th</sup> Sep<br>2019 |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Ysgol Cwm Brombil  | 1,973                   | 1,973                    | 749                                      |
| Cefn Saeson  | 5,524                   | 5,524                    | 1,046                                    |
| Capital Maintenance - ELLL   | 1,125                   | 1,125                    | 751                                      |
| Welsh Medium School Grant - YGG<br>Pontardawe & YGG Tyle'r Ynn                                     | 820                     | 820                      | 21                                       |
| Infant Class Sizes Grant - YGG<br>Rhosafan, YGG Castell Nedd, Gnoll<br>Primary                     | 1,241                   | 1,241                    | 108                                      |
| Childcare Offer Grant - Small Grants<br>Pot, Baglan Primary, Blaenbaglan<br>Primary & Rhos Primary | 1,088                   | 1,088                    | 313                                      |
| Cymmer Afan Site Clearance & Land<br>Reclamation   | 0                       | 800                      | 16                                       |
| Leisure Investment   | 156                     | 156                      | 50                                       |
| Margam Orangery Upgrading Works  | 250                     | 250                      | 15                                       |
| Highways and Engineering<br>Maintenance  | 1,885                   | 2,266                    | 614                                      |
| Additional Highway Works (Highways<br>Refurbishment Grant)   | 1,496                   | 1,496                    | 691                                      |
| Local Transport Fund (multiple<br>locations)   | 480                     | 480                      | 17                                       |
| Road Safety Grant (multiple<br>locations)  | 407                     | 407                      | 16                                       |
| Safe Routes In Communities<br>(multiple locations)   | 333                     | 157                      | 10                                       |
| Active Travel Fund - Neath To Port<br>Talbot; Fabian Way and Ffordd<br>Amazon                      | 319                     | 319                      | 51                                       |
| Flood & Coastal Risk Projects -<br>Aberavon & Brunel Dock  | 3,616                   | 2,330                    | 26                                       |
| Major Bridge Strengthening - A474<br>Tesco   | 895                     | 895                      | 0  |
| Cymmer Viaduct Design  | 220                     | 220                      | 6  |
| Health & Safety  | 893                     | 893                      | 279                                      |
| Street Lighting  | 663                     | 663                      | 0  |
| Vehicle Replacement Programme  | 1,119                   | 1,119                    | 906                                      |
| Sustainable Waste Management<br>Grant  | 766                     | 0                        | 0  |

|   | <b>Current Budget<br/>£'000</b> | <b>Proposed Budget<br/>£'000</b> | <b>Actual @<br/>30<sup>th</sup> Sep<br/>2019</b> |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Absorbent Hygiene Product Waste Grant                       | 0                               | 110                              | 0  |
| Regeneration: Harbourside Infrastructure                    | 4,887                           | 275                              | 22   |
| Regeneration: Plaza Redevelopment                           | 2,500                           | 2,000                            | 257  |
| Regeneration: Magistrates Court                             | 792                             | 732                              | 660  |
| Regeneration 6 Station Road                                 | 502                             | 100                              | 1  |
| Regeneration: Seafront Regeneration                         | 250                             | 200                              | 0  |
| Regeneration: Turbine House - Margam Park                   | 189                             | 189                              | 105  |
| Regeneration: Neath Town Centre Redevelopment               | 500                             | 500                              | 3  |
| Regeneration 8 Wind Street                                  | 757                             | 177                              | 1  |
| Regeneration: Crown Buildings Development                   | 4,680                           | 2,207                            | 13   |
| Regeneration: Valleys Task Force                            | 250                             | 200                              | 0  |
| Regeneration: Commercial Property Grants                    | 300                             | 75                               | 0  |
| Regeneration: Property Enhancement Development Grant        | 1,070                           | 665                              | 2  |
| Regeneration: Swansea Bay Technology Centre                 | 0                               | 500                              | 8  |
| Regeneration: Other (includes Economic Stimulus Grant)      | 846                             | 1,969                            | 107  |
| School/Vehicle Asset Financing                              | 640                             | 640                              | 122  |
| Capital Maintenance – Social Services                       | 216                             | 216                              | 49   |
| Efficiency & Warm Homes                                     | 799                             | 799                              | 409  |
| Disabled Facilities Grants                                  | 3,000                           | 3,000                            | 1583   |
| Additional WG capital grant - Maintenance Schools & Leisure | 750                             | 750                              | 100  |
| Additional WG capital grant - various projects              | 1,430                           | 1,370                            | 13   |
| Contingency   | 615                             | 471                              | 0  |
| Other   | 1,970                           | 2,433                            | 627  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>52,212</b>                   | <b>43,800</b>                    | <b>9,767</b>                                     |