

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

meeting date: 16 MARCH 2023
 title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2023/24
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To inform members of the schemes approved for inclusion in this Committee's 2023/24 capital programme.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 All committees were asked to put forward proposals for any new capital schemes for inclusion in a five-year capital programme for 2023/24 to 2027/28. At its meeting on 12 January 2023, this Committee did not propose any new capital schemes.
- 2.2 In addition to the above, at its meeting on 12 January 2023, this Committee also considered the progress on the one scheme in the 2022/23 capital programme and approved the move of the remaining £26,420 budget for the scheme from 2022/23 to 2023/24.
- 2.3 Following recommendation by Special Policy and Finance Committee on 14 February 2023, it is anticipated that Full Council will have approved the five-year capital programme for 2023/24 to 2027/28 on 7 March 2023. Officers will provide confirmation of Full Council's decision at this Committee's 16 March 2023 meeting.
- 2.4 The Council's overall capital programme for the five-year period 2023/24 to 2027/28 totals £10,126,410 for all committees. The total for this Committee is £26,420 over the five-year life of the programme. All the £26,420 relates to the 2023/24 financial year.

3 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2023/24 – APPROVED SCHEME

- 3.1 For this Committee there is one scheme approved in the 2023/24 capital programme, totalling £26,420. This is shown in the table below and the detailed information for the scheme is shown in **Annex 1**.

Cost Centre	Scheme	Budget 2023/24 £
PLANN	Introduction of Planning Portal Link to the Planning Application System and Planning System Update (<i>Budget moved from 2022/23</i>)	26,420
	Total – Planning and Development Committee	26,420

- 3.2 Responsible officers will complete and update capital monitoring sheets for the scheme, which will be reported regularly to members to give an indication of progress.

4 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 This Committee has an approved 2023/24 capital programme of £26,420 for one scheme.

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For further background information please ask for Andrew Cook
BACKGROUND PAPERS – None

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Schemes Approved for the 2023/24 Capital Programme

Introduction of Planning Portal Link to the Planning Application System and Planning System Update

Service Area: Planning Services

Submitted by: Head of Planning Services

Budget moved from 2022/23:

The planning system update element of the scheme was previously put on-hold, awaiting the outcome of whether a proposed wider “Software Upgrade for Regulatory Services” capital scheme bid would be approved as part of setting the Council’s 2023/24 to 2027/28 capital programme. This is because the proposed wider scheme includes a combined software system for several Council services, including Planning and Building Control services, and if the wider scheme was approved then there would be no requirement to complete the full planning system update elements of this scheme.

In addition to the above, the software supporting the current planning system is currently out of date and an upgrade will be required in the near future. The nature of the upgrade required will determine whether the spend is funded from revenue or from this capital scheme budget.

Therefore, in January 2023 this Committee approved the move of the remaining £26,420 budget for the planning system upgrade scheme from 2022/23 to 2023/24.

Since then, the wider “Software Upgrade for Regulatory Services” capital scheme has been approved as part of the five-year capital programme, but it is not planned to be implemented until 2025/26. It is part of the Policy and Finance Committee’s capital programme.

Given the above, the planning system update element of the current capital scheme budget will remain in the 2023/24 capital programme in case it is determined that the upgrade required to the current planning system in the near future is to be funded from the capital scheme budget.

Capital Cost:

2023/24
£
26,420