

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

meeting date: 5 JANUARY 2021
title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME REVIEW 2021/22 TO 2024/25
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To recommend the proposed future four-year capital programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee.

2 CAPITAL PROGRAMME (2021/22 to 2024/25) BUDGET PROCESS

- 2.1 The future capital programme budget is reviewed and updated each year. In recent years, the Council has been setting a proposed and fully funded five-year capital programme each year. The process of updating the programme has involved reviewing and updating the schemes that were approved in the previous year's programme for what will become the first four years of the new five-year programme and submitting new bids for year five of the new five-year programme.

- 2.2 Given the additional burdens caused by and priority focus on Covid-19 issues throughout 2020, Budget Working Group has streamlined the capital programme budget update process for this year. This involves moving to a four-year capital programme only, covering 2021/22 to 2024/25, and there being no new capital bids for 2025/26 (year five).

- 2.3 Heads of Service/Directors were therefore asked to review and update the proposed four-year capital programme, as follows:

- Review the 2021/22 capital schemes already in the capital programme to confirm that costings are correct and that they will be able to be completed in that year.
- Review the current year's (2020/21) capital schemes to identify whether any may need to be moved to the 2021/22 financial year.

- 2.4 Each committee are being asked to consider and approve the proposed four-year capital programme for their own committee and then the proposed programmes from all committees will be considered alongside each other by the Budget Working Group and Policy and Finance Committee.

- 2.5 The proposed four-year capital programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee is set out in this report for members to consider and approve.

3 REVIEW OF THE 2021/22 CAPITAL PROGRAMME SCHEMES

- 3.1 There were four schemes in the previously approved 2021/22 capital programme. Review of the schemes by Heads of Service identified one proposed change:

- **Castle Keep Lime Re-pointing Works and Repairs (Subject to External Funding), £293,200:** This scheme is dependent on external funding to cover the vast majority of the scheme costs. No external funding is currently available, so this scheme has been moved back to 2022/23, subject to securing external funding for that year. *NOTE – The scheme will not take place unless the scheme cost less external funding remains within the net £70,960 budget available. Potential funding for this scheme was initially budgeted at £222,240.*

4 REVIEW OF THE CURRENT YEAR'S (2020/21) CAPITAL SCHEMES

4.1 Review of progress on the 2020/21 current year schemes by Heads of Service has identified two schemes proposed to be moved from 2020/21 to the 2021/22 capital programme:

- **Play Area Improvements 2020/21, £40,000:** This budget was to be used to fund a significant improvement scheme at Kestor Lane Play Area. However, the scheme will not take place in 2020/21 because Covid-19 lockdown periods in-year and staff furlough meant getting meaningful quotes from suppliers and then arranging work would have been problematic before the winter period and carrying out groundworks over the winter period is not satisfactory for large play installations. Thus, the scheme will need to be moved to 2021/22.
- **Installation of a Second Parking Deck on Chester Avenue Car Park, £1,230,000:** At this stage, officers are considering two options for additional parking, those being Chester Avenue car park and another site in Clitheroe that officers are negotiating with the site owners. Negotiations on the second site were stalled by Covid-19 and officers are currently attempting to re-start these. Once some form of agreement is reached on the second site a feasibility study will be carried out on both sites and submitted to Policy and Finance Committee for consideration before any capital works are planned. Given the above, the scheme will not take place in 2020/21 and will need to be moved to 2021/22. *NOTE - This scheme was included in the capital programme on the basis that a feasibility study is undertaken and reported to Policy and Finance Committee for further consideration before the capital scheme can go ahead.*

5 PROPOSED FOUR-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME (2021/22 TO 2024/25)

5.1 The table below provides a summary of the changes proposed by Heads of Service to the previously approved four-year capital programme, resulting in a proposed four-year capital programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) of £3,436,900. Annex 1 shows all the schemes included in the proposed four-year capital programme.

Community Services Committee	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	2023/24 £	2024/25 £	TOTAL £
Previously Approved Capital Programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee	578,200	626,900	510,800	451,000	2,166,900
2021/22 capital programme changes:					
Castle Keep Lime Re-pointing Works and Repairs (Subject to External Funding) <i>Moved from 2021/22 to 2022/23</i>	-293,200	293,200			0
2020/21 capital programme changes:					
Play Area Improvements 2020/21 <i>Moved from 2020/21</i>	40,000				40,000
Installation of a Second Parking Deck on Chester Avenue Car Park <i>Moved from 2020/21</i>	1,230,000				1,230,000
Proposed Capital Programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee (Annex 1)	1,555,000	920,100	510,800	451,000	3,436,900

5.2 Members are asked to consider the proposed four-year capital programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee and recommend the programme to the Policy and Finance Committee for approval.

6 RISK ASSESSMENT

6.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications:

- Resources – The proposed changes to the four-year capital programme for this Committee would require additional funding of £1,270,000 over the period. In practice this funding is available because the increased budget relates to two schemes being moved from the 2020/21 capital programme and these schemes are already funded as part of that year's capital programme. Thus, if the schemes move to 2021/22 then the funding for those schemes will also move to 2021/22.
- Technical, Environmental and Legal – None.
- Political – None.
- Reputation – Sound financial planning for known capital commitments safeguards the reputation of the Council.
- Equality and Diversity – Equality and Diversity issues are examined as part of the capital bid appraisal process.

7 CONCLUSION

7.1 A four-year capital programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) of £3,436,900 is proposed for this Committee. This is based on a review of schemes in the previously approved 2021/22 capital programme and reviewing the progress of schemes in the current year's 2020/21 capital programme.

8 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

8.1 Consider the proposed four-year capital programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee, as set out in Annex 1.

8.2 Recommend to Policy and Finance Committee the proposed four-year capital programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee, as set out in Annex 1.

SENIOR ACCOUNTANT
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18 DECEMBER 2020

DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

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

Community Services Committee
Proposed Capital Programme 2021/22 to 2024/25

*** = Changes proposed from the Capital Programme review*

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	2023/24 £	2024/25 £	TOTAL £
Play Area Improvements	40,000	45,000	45,000	46,000	176,000
Replacement of Refuse Wheelie Bins	13,000	13,000	14,000	15,000	55,000
Replacement of Refuse Collection Vehicle VU62 HXK	232,000				232,000
Play Area Improvements 2020/21 <i>**Moved from 2020/21</i>	40,000				40,000
Installation of a Second Parking Deck on Chester Avenue Car Park <i>**Moved from 2020/21</i>	1,230,000				1,230,000
Castle Keep Lime Re-pointing Works and Repairs (Subject to External Funding) <i>**Moved from 2021/22 to 2022/23</i>		293,200			293,200
Replacement of Refuse Iveco Tipper PO60 AYK		40,600			40,600
Replacement of Hustler Trimstar Mower x 2 (rvbc017 and rvbc018)		14,000			14,000
Replacement of John Deere Mower 4x4 PE15 YVK		21,500			21,500
Replacement of Kubota Mower PN09 KXP		20,000			20,000
Ribblesdale Pool Filter and Pipework Replacement		44,000			44,000
Replacement Football Goals		15,000			15,000
Replacement of Refuse Collection Vehicle PK63 JZO		245,000			245,000
Replacement of Ford Tail Lift Truck PE60 KJJ with High Top Transit Van		20,000			20,000
Salthill Depot Garage – Replace roller shutter doors and rewire garage		25,000			25,000
Replacement of Pay and Display Machines		123,800			123,800
Roof Renewal and Upgrade to Parks Store Building in Castle Grounds			65,300		65,300
Refurbishment of Bowling Green Café in Castle Grounds			48,000		48,000
Longridge Depot “Ambulance” Shed Refurbishment			42,900		42,900

ANNEX 1

Community Services Committee
Proposed Capital Programme 2021/22 to 2024/25

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	2023/24 £	2024/25 £	TOTAL £
Replacement of Refuse Collection Vehicle PK63 JZP			249,000		249,000
Replacement of Concrete Bays to Rear of Depot			25,600		25,600
Replacement of Kubota Mower PO15 HYJ			21,000		21,000
Replacement Drain Jetter – trailer mounted				18,000	18,000
Replacement of Refuse Collection Vehicle VN65 WHR				253,000	253,000
Refurbishment of Mardale Playing Field Changing Rooms (Subject to receipt of external funding)				76,000	76,000
Replacement of 2 Scag Mowers (rvbc014 + rvbc015) and 1 Scag 4x4 Mower (rvbc016)				22,000	22,000
Replacement of Kubota Mower PO67 BNV				21,000	21,000
Proposed Capital Programme (2021/22 to 2024/25) for this Committee	1,555,000	920,100	510,800	451,000	3,436,900