INFORMATION

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No 15

meeting date: 1 SEPTEMBER 2016 title: CAPITAL MONITORING 2016/17 submitted by: DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES principal author: ANDREW COOK

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To provide Health and Housing Committee (this Committee) with information relating to the progress of the approved 2016/17 capital programme, for the period to the end of July 2016.
- 1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities:
 - Community Objectives none identified.
 - Corporate Priorities to continue to be a well-managed council, providing efficient services based on identified customer need.
 - Other Considerations none identified.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 In total, three new schemes for this Committee, totalling £411,000, were approved by the Policy and Finance Committee and Full Council at their meetings in February and March 2016 respectively. Since approval of the budget for this Committee it was confirmed that the Disabled Facilities Grants (DFGs) funding for 2016/17 was £273,220. The DFGs scheme budget was initially set at £161,000 on the basis that this would be changed to match the exact DFGs funding that was received. Therefore, the capital programme was increased by the difference of £112,220 to £523,220 for this Committee
- 2.2 In addition, not all planned capital budgets for 2015/16 were spent. The unspent balance of this, £22,420, is known as slippage. This slippage has been transferred into the 2016/17 capital programme budget.
- 2.3 As a result of the above, the total approved budget for this Committee's capital programme of three schemes is £545,640. This is shown at Annex 1.
- 3 CAPITAL MONITORING 2016/17
- 3.1 The table below summarises this Committee's capital programme budget, expenditure to date and variance, as at the end of July 2016. Annex 1 shows the full capital programme by scheme. Annex 2 shows scheme details, financial information and budget holder comments to date for each scheme.

BUDGET			EXPENDITURE		
Original Estimate 2016/17 £	Slippage from 2015/16 £	Total Approved Budget 2016/17 £	Actual Expenditure and Commitments as at end of July 2016 £	Variance as at end of July 2016 £	
523,220	22,420	545,640	53,346	-492,294	

- 3.2 At the end of July 2016, £53,346 had been spent or committed. This is only 9.8% of the annual capital programme budget for this Committee.
- 3.3 The main reasons for the underspend on the full year budget to date are:
 - LANGR Landlord/Tenant Grants (-£83,330): Committed expenditure at the end of July 2016 was NIL. However, two schemes have subsequently been approved in August 2016, totalling £31,800. There are three further applications currently being considered, against the remaining uncommitted budget of £51,530. Further applications may be received in-year.
 - DISCP Disabled Facilities Grants (-£233,964): Committed expenditure at the end of July 2016 was £53,346, based on three schemes approved prior to this financial year and nine schemes approved so far in 2016/17. There are a further eleven applications either being currently considered for approval or on the waiting list. Increased DFGs funding in 2016/17 means that all these schemes can be funded from the remaining 2016/17 budget. Further applications are expected in-year, but the budget may not be fully committed in-year, based on the level of applications received to date against the increased level of funding received from DCLG this year.
 - **CMIMP Clitheroe Market Improvements (-£175,000):** The Clitheroe Market Improvements scheme budget was initially approved in 2015, before the Clitheroe Market Development scheme plans were announced.
- 4 CONCLUSION
- 4.1 At the end of July 2016, £53,346 had been spent or committed. This is only 9.8% of the annual capital programme budget for this Committee.
- 4.2 The Landlord/Tenant Grants budget is on track to be fully committed in-year; based on the approvals made in August 2016 and other applications being considered currently.
- 4.3 The Disabled Facilities Grants budget may not be fully committed in-year, based on the level of applications received to date against the increased level of funding received from DCLG in 2016/17.

SENIOR ACCOUNTANT

DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

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For further information please ask for Andrew Cook.

BACKGROUND PAPERS - None

ANNEX 1

Health and Housing Committee – Capital Programme 2016/17

Cost Centre	Scheme	Original Estimate 2016/17 £	Slippage from 2015/16 £	Total Approved Budget 2016/17 £	Actual Expenditure and Commitments as at end of July 2016 £	Variance as at end of July 2016 £
DISCP	Disabled Facilities Grants	273,220	14,090	287,310	53,346	-233,964
LANGR	Landlord/Tenant Grants	75,000	8,330	83,330	0	-83,330
CMIMP	Clitheroe Market Improvements	175,000	0	175,000	0	-175,000
	Total Health and Housing Committee	523,220	22,420	545,640	53,346	-492,294

DISCP - Disabled Facilities Grants

Service Area: Housing and Regeneration Head of Service: Colin Hirst

Brief Description:

The scheme provides mandatory grant aid to adapt homes so that elderly and disabled occupants can remain in their own home. The maximum grant is £30,000 and for adults is means tested. The grants can provide for minor adaptation, for example the installation of a stair lift, up to the provision of a bathroom and bedroom extension.

Start date, duration and key milestones:

The disabled facilities grant budget operates on a financial year basis, April to March each year.

Financial Implications – CAPITAL

	£	Actual Expenditure and Commitments as at end of July 2016 £	Variance as at end of July 2016 £
Original Estimate 2016/17	273,220		
Slippage from 2015/16	14,090		
Total Approved Budget 2016/17	287,310	53,346	-233,964
ANTICIPATED TOTAL SCHEME COST	287,310		

Financial Implications - REVENUE

Existing service – no change.

Useful Economic Life

Not applicable.

Progress - Budget Holder Comments

July 2016: Committed expenditure at the end of July 2016 was £53,346, based on three schemes approved prior to this financial year and nine schemes approved so far in 2016/17. There are a further eleven applications either being currently considered for approval or on the waiting list.

May 2016: Committed expenditure at the end of May 2016 was £37,031, based on three schemes approved prior to this financial year and six schemes approved so far in 2016/17. There are a further nine applications either being currently considered for approval or on the waiting list.

LANGR - Landlord/Tenant Grants

Service Area: Housing and Regeneration Head of Service: Colin Hirst

Brief Description:

The scheme match funds a landlord's investment in a property in return for an affordable rental property. Conditions of the grant are nomination rights and a set rent level in line with LHA. The scheme is crucial for move on accommodation for families in the hostel as the social housing waiting list is so long. The scheme is also used to bring empty properties back into use.

Start date, duration and key milestones:

The grant budget operates on a financial year basis, April to March each year.

Financial Implications – CAPITAL

	£	Actual Expenditure and Commitments as at end of July 2016 £	Variance as at end of July 2016 £
Original Estimate 2016/17	75,000		
Slippage from 2015/16	8,330		
Total Approved Budget 2016/17	83,330	0	-83,330
ANTICIPATED TOTAL SCHEME COST	83,330		

Financial Implications - REVENUE

Existing service – no change.

Useful Economic Life

Not applicable.

Progress - Budget Holder Comments

July/August 2016: Committed expenditure at the end of July 2016 was NIL. There are two schemes which have been subsequently approved in August 2016, totalling £31,800. There are three further applications currently being considered.

May 2016: Committed expenditure at the end of May 2016 was NIL. There are two applications currently being considered.

CMIMP – Clitheroe Market Improvements

Service Area: Housing and Regeneration Head of Service: Colin Hirst

Brief Description:

The Clitheroe Market Improvements scheme bid for 2016/17 was initially approved in 2015, before the separate market re-development scheme plans were announced. There is now no need to progress the Clitheroe Market Improvements scheme in its original format because the market re-development scheme now fulfils the aim of improving Clitheroe Market for the future.

The Clitheroe Market Improvements scheme remains in the capital programme for now, but the detail of the scheme will be reviewed to take into account and complement the market re-development scheme.

Financial Implications – CAPITAL

	ſ	Actual Expenditure and Commitments as at end of July 2016	Variance as at end of July 2016
	t	£	£
Total Approved Budget 2016/17	175,000	0	-175,000
ANTICIPATED TOTAL SCHEME COST	175,000		

Budget holder comments:

July 2016: No change to May 2016 comments.

May 2016: The Clitheroe Market Improvements scheme budget was initially approved in 2015, before the Clitheroe Market Development scheme plans were announced.