

# RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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Agenda Item No 10

meeting date: 10 MARCH 2020  
 title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21  
 submitted by: DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES  
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## 1 PURPOSE

1.1 To inform members of the schemes approved for inclusion in this Committee's 2020/21 capital programme.

## 2 BACKGROUND

2.1 As members will be aware, this Committee proposed a five year capital programme for 2020/21 to 2024/25 at its meeting on 29 October 2019. As it stood at that time the draft capital programme across all the committees was unaffordable and the revised estimate for 2019/20 had yet to be considered.

2.2 All capital bids put forward by Committees have since been reviewed by Budget Working Group and Corporate Management Team in order to arrive at an affordable programme for 2020/21 to 2024/25.

2.3 Following recommendation by Special Policy and Finance Committee on 4 February 2020, it is anticipated that Full Council will have approved the five year capital programme for 2020/21 to 2024/25 on 3 March 2020. Officers will provide confirmation of Full Council's decision at this Committee's 10 March 2020 meeting.

2.4 The Council's overall capital programme for the five year period 2020/21 to 2024/25 totals £6,782,820 for all committees. The total for this Committee is £3,780,900 over the five year life of the programme. £1,614,000 of this relates to the 2020/21 financial year.

## 3 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21 – APPROVED SCHEMES

3.1 For this Committee there are eight approved schemes in the 2020/21 capital programme, totalling £1,614,000. These are shown in the table below.

Cost Centre	Scheme	Budget for 2020/21 £
PLAYU	Play Area Improvements 2020/21	40,000
REPWB	Replacement of Refuse Wheelie Bins 2020/21	13,000
PDECK	Installation of a Second Parking Deck on Chester Avenue Car Park	1,230,000
RVKYK	Replacement of Refuse Collection Vehicle VN12 KYK	232,000
WVHKN	Replacement of Pick-up Ford Ranger PK60 HKN	20,120
GVWUC	Replacement of High Top Transit Van PJ63 WUC	20,000

<b>Cost Centre</b>	<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Budget for 2020/21 £</b>
PLAYT	Play Area Improvements 2019/20 ( <i>Budget Moved from 2019/20</i> )	28,000
ESCPX	Edisford Sports Complex ( <i>Budget Moved from 2019/20</i> )	30,880
	<b>Total – Community Services Committee</b>	<b>1,614,000</b>

3.2 With regard to the Installation of a Second Parking Deck on Chester Avenue Car Park scheme, Special Policy and Finance Committee resolved that the scheme can only go ahead after a feasibility study is undertaken by officers and then considered and approved by Policy and Finance Committee.

3.3 The detailed information for each scheme is shown in **Annex 1**.

3.4 During the closure of our capital accounts there may be some slippage on schemes in the current year, 2019/20. One of the tasks of the Budget Working Group will be to review any requests for slippage on capital schemes within the 2019/20 capital programme. A report will be brought to this Committee at a future meeting, giving details of any slippage.

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

#### 4 CONCLUSION

4.1 This Committee has an approved capital programme for 2020/21 of eight schemes, totalling £1,614,000.

4.2 The Installation of a Second Parking Deck on Chester Avenue Car Park scheme can only go ahead after a feasibility study is undertaken by officers and then considered and approved by Policy and Finance Committee.

4.3 Any slippage on schemes in the 2019/20 capital programme will be added onto the 2020/21 capital programme.

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DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

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

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# Play Area Improvements 2020/21

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**Service Area: Ribble Valley Parks**

**Submitted by: Mark Beveridge**

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**Brief Description of the Scheme:**

The Council operates 18 play areas. This budget provides for incremental improvements to these areas each year. In addition, the capital is used to deal with ad hoc equipment replacement which arises annually.

The play areas are well used, any injury arising from their use can result in potential insurance claims. The Council inspects on a monthly basis and the insurers annually. The Council as owner and operator has a duty of care to ensure the play areas are safe and replace, repair or remove worn out or broken equipment.

Without this annual budget the play areas would quickly fall into disrepair and reach a point where equipment would need to be removed and eventually the area would be closed.

**Revenue Implications:**

None – Existing service.

**Timescale for Completion:**

2020/21.

**Any Risks to Completion:**

N/A

**Capital Cost:**

<b>2020/21</b> £
40,000

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# Replacement of Refuse Wheelie Bins 2020/21

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**Service Area: Refuse Collection**

**Submitted by: Adrian Harper**

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**Brief Description of the Scheme:**

Although there is an annual revenue budget for replacing bins it is recognised that there will be a need for a more substantial annual capital scheme for replacement of bins due to age and fatigue.

This scheme will cover a selection of bin sizes and colours. There are approx 25,000 properties receiving a 3 stream waste collection comprising 3 bins.

**Revenue Implications:**

None.

**Timescale for Completion:**

YPO tender September. Delivery after 12 weeks lead in.

**Any Risks to Completion:**

None.

**Capital Cost:**

<b>2020/21</b> £
13,000

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# Installation of a Second Parking Deck on Chester Avenue Car Park

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**Service Area: Car Parking**

**Submitted by: Adrian Harper**

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## **Brief Description of the Scheme:**

A proposal has been considered for the installation of a second car parking deck on to the current Chester Avenue car park. This scheme has the potential of adding a further 100 car parking spaces.

## **Revenue Implications:**

The scheme should generate increased car parking income.

An increased surface area and associated signage/pay and display machines would increase maintenance costs in the long term.

## **Timescale for Completion:**

Following manufacture (lead-in time 16 weeks maximum), installation of the car park deck is estimated to take 1 week. Associated works will take approximately 1 month.

## **Any Risks to Completion:**

The proposed works would be subject to obtaining planning permission and possible consultation.

## **Capital Cost:**

<b>2020/21</b> £
1,230,000

***Note – Special Policy and Finance Committee, when recommending inclusion of this scheme in the 2020/21 capital programme to Full Council in February 2020, resolved to ask officers to carry out a feasibility study for this scheme and to submit this to Policy and Finance Committee for further consideration. Therefore, this scheme can only go ahead after consideration of the feasibility study and subsequent scheme approval by Policy and Finance Committee.***

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# Replacement of Refuse Collection Vehicle VN12 KYK

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**Service Area: Refuse Collection**

**Submitted by: Adrian Harper**

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**Brief Description of the Scheme:**

This scheme is for the replacement of Refuse Collection Vehicle VN12 KYK. This scheme follows the vehicle and plant replacement programme that supports the 7 front-line RCVs and the 1 cover RCV that are necessary for the current collection regime.

**Revenue Implications:**

Annual maintenance savings of £2,000.

**Timescale for Completion:**

1 month tender – delivery period not known.

**Any Risks to Completion:**

N/A

**Capital Cost:**

<b>2020/21</b> £
232,000

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# Replacement of Pick-up Ford Ranger PK60 HKN

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**Service Area: Works Administration**

**Submitted by: Adrian Harper**

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**Brief Description of the Scheme:**

This scheme would look to replace the current Pick-up Ford Ranger with a like for like vehicle, subject to the review of alternative vehicle makes.

**Revenue Implications:**

Annual maintenance savings of £350.

**Timescale for Completion:**

1 month tender - delivery period not known.

**Any Risks to Completion:**

Other departments are currently looking to change this type of 4x4 to other alternative vehicle makes due to problems with the old Rangers. Without any further investigations on the alternative, the cost of a Pick-up Ford Ranger has been allowed for.

**Capital Cost:**

2020/21 £
20,120

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# Replacement of High Top Transit Van PJ63 WUC

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**Service Area: Grounds Maintenance**

**Submitted by: Mark Beveridge**

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**Brief Description of the Scheme:**

This van is used for a range of general duties across the Borough, including dealing with moving equipment as part of the day to day operations carried out by the Grounds Maintenance team and some fly tips for the street cleansing team. It was purchased in 2013.

Without the van it would not be possible to carry out all the work that the Grounds Maintenance team are required to do in an efficient and effective way. Revenue costs would increase because the operatives would have to make duplicate journeys to carry out the same work.

**Revenue Implications:**

None.

**Timescale for Completion:**

Standard delivery for vehicle based on previous purchases. The norm is to get the interior of the load area panelled to assist future resale and prevent damage to the inside of the van. This will add around a week to normal delivery depending upon the workload of the company used to fit out the van.

This is a standard vehicle with flashing beacon for safety, available from suppliers. Providing the budget is agreed then the order will be placed and delivery would be expected in around 6 weeks.

**Any Risks to Completion:**

There are no identified risks to purchase. It is unlikely that any hybrid technology would be available at the time of purchase, so the vehicle will be a standard diesel.

**Capital Cost:**

<b>2020/21</b> <b>£</b>
20,000

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# Play Area Improvements 2019/20

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**Service Area: Ribble Valley Parks**

**Submitted by: Mark Beveridge**

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**Budget moved from 2019/20:**

Plans are being developed to significantly upgrade Kestor Lane play area and fund this from the Play Area Improvements budget. The actual budget for the upgrade will be confirmed after detailed plans are developed, but at the stage of setting the 2019/20 revised estimate capital programme it was assessed that the budget required would be unaffordable from within the 2019/20 scheme budget alone.

Given the above, in January 2020 this Committee approved the move of £28,000 from the Play Area Improvements 2019/20 budget to the 2020/21 financial year. This will be used alongside some of the Play Area Improvements 2020/21 budget to fund the Kestor Lane play area upgrade costs.

**Capital Cost:**

2020/21 £
28,000

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# Edisford Sports Complex

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**Service Area: Edisford**

**Submitted by: Mark Beveridge**

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**Budget moved from 2019/20:**

The Edisford Sports Complex main contract work will reach practical completion stage before the end of the 2019/20 financial year. Despite this, the scheme will not be fully financially complete by 2019/20 financial year-end because the 2.5% retention payment on the main contract, estimated at £30,880, only becomes payable twelve months after the practical completion of the contract work.

Given the above, in January 2020 this Committee approved the move of £30,880 of the Edisford Sports Complex 2019/20 budget to the 2020/21 financial year to cover the retention payment.

**Capital Cost:**

2020/21 £
30,880