

Agenda Environment, Health and Housing Committee

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DECISION ITEM

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	3 NOVEMBER 2020	4	
REQUEST FOR SE	CTION 106 FUNDING FOR BUY BAC	KS FROM PROGRE	SS	
HOUSING ASSOCIATION OF STOCK SOLD UNDER THE RIGHT TO BUY				

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY

In June 2019 Fylde Council developed a strategic approach to the targeting on S106 funding from developer contributions towards affordable housing delivery within Fylde. Future S106 funds are be targeted on marginal brown-field sites that will provide local regeneration, whilst at the same time providing much needed affordable homes, on a small scale, in areas of priority need. Registered Providers are required to submit an Expressions of Interest (EOI) for consideration for S106 funding, prior to submitting a full detailed funding application that could be unsuccessful.

In March 2020 Progress Housing Association submitted an EOI to request Section 106 funding for two buybacks, from existing stock sold under the Right to Buy, which was approved by this Committee. Fylde Council have not previously used S106 funds for the buy-back of properties sold under the Right to Buy or Right to Acquire. However, the funds can be used for facilitating affordable housing provision, which can include purchasing the buy-back of such units.

The proposals for both units would give Progress Housing Association greater control in the management of the housing stock in each area. Property 1 (P1), 1 Preesall Close in St Annes agreed purchase price is £85,000. Property 2 (P2), 5 Everest Court in Wesham agreed purchase price is £82,200. These purchases are from private sellers who have contacted Progress Housing Association direct.

The purpose of this report is to present the full application for section 106 funding from Progress Housing and request approval for 36% of the purchase cost of P1 and 33% P2 (totalling £57,500) and inclusion to the Capital Programme in 2020/21 to be fully funded from a portion of the balance of S106 developer contributions for affordable housing currently held by the Council for this purpose.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee is requested to:

- Recommend to the Finance and Democracy Committee approval of a fully funded addition to the Capital Programme for 2020/21 in the sum of £57,500 in respect of the 'Progress Housing Buy Backs' scheme as set out I this report, to be met from a portion of S106 developer contributions for affordable housing currently held by the Council for this purpose (schemes: P1, 1 Preesall Close, St Annes, £30,500 to be met from Agreement ref: 03/157, St Marys School, St Annes and P2, 5 Everest Court, Wesham, £27,000 to be met from Agreement ref: 13/0386 Land South of Cartford Lane, Little Eccleston); and
- 2. Subject to approval of 1, above, to authorise the required expenditure for the capital grant payment in 2020/21 to Progress Housing Association, totalling £57,500 after regard and consideration of the compliance with the financial regulations covered within the body of the report.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

<u>Cabinet 26th November 2014</u> It was RESOLVED:

- 1. To approve the use of S106 monies to facilitate the appointment of the temporary project officer/consultant on the terms outlined in the report;
- 2. To approve the appointment of a temporary project officer/consultant for a maximum period of 6 months to produce a deliverable S106 funded Affordable Housing Programme for the Borough; and
- 3. To approve a fully- funded revenue budget increase for the total sum of £25,000 (£16,000 in 2014/15 and £9,000 in 2015/16) to fund the costs of the temporary project officer/consultant for a maximum period of 6 months to be met from the S106 Affordable Housing receipts in respect of the agreements as identified at Appendix 20f the report.

Environment, Health and Housing Committee 7th June 2016

Information Item - Outcome From Section 106 Affordable Housing Project

The purpose of the information report was to update members on progress regarding the use of existing and future Affordable Housing commuted sum reserves. Attached as an appendix to the report was the outcomes from the Section 106 Affordable Housing Project which had been delivered by way of a 6 month temporary appointment of an external housing consultant with a particular background in the development and delivery of Affordable Housing. The objectives of the contract were set out in the report together with details of the background to the project, the changing national situation and the positive outcomes of the S106 project.

Environment, Health and Housing Committee, 11th June 2019

Decision Item - It was RESOLVED

1. To note the contents of the report; and

2. To approve the adoption of a strategic approach to the allocation of future S106 funds by requesting Registered Providers of Affordable Housing submit Expressions of Interest prior to full funding submissions being made.

Environment, Health and Housing Committee, 17th March 2020

It was RESOLVED;

1. Approve the Expression of interest by Progress Housing for the use of Section 106 funds for the two units available as buy backs into social housing stock in Fylde; and

2. To invite Progress Housing Association to submit a full application for S106 funding, to include a financial appraisal with purchase price and the property inspection report.

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Report

Request for Section 106 funding for buy backs of existing stock sold under the Right to Buy from Progress Housing

- 1. S106 funds arise where developers may be required to make 'off site' affordable housing provision in liew of provision 'on site'. This is normally achieved by S106 fund contributions towards the provision of affordable homes in areas of higher need. S106 funds may be used to meet all the Affordable housing required or part of the total required with some being delivered on site. Additionally, in the early stages of a large scale development, S106 funds may be taken in lieu of on site provision, until infrastructure is put in place as the development progresses e.g. schools, roads, shops and transport links.
- 2. In June 2019 Fylde Council developed a strategic approach to the targeting on S106 funding from developer contributions towards affordable housing delivery within Fylde. Future S106 funds are be targeted on marginal brown-field sites that will provide local regeneration, whilst at the same time providing much needed affordable homes, on a small scale, in areas of priority need. Registered Providers are required to submit an Expressions of Interest (EOI) for consideration for S106 funding, prior to submitting a full detailed funding application that could be unsuccessful.
- 3. In March 2020 this Committee resolved to approve the EOI and to invite Progress Housing Association to submit a full application for S106 funding, to include a financial appraisal with purchase price and the property inspection report.
- 4. Fylde Council have not previously used S106 funds for the buy-back of properties sold under the Right to Buy or Right to Acquire. However, the funds can be used for facilitating affordable housing provision which can include purchasing the buy-back of such units.
- 5. The proposals for both units would give PHA greater control in the management of the housing stock in each area. Property 1, 1 Preesall Close in St Annes, would give Progress Housing Association control of a block of 4 cottage flats where other 3 are in PHA ownership, therefore the acquisition would allow them control of the block. The proposal for Property 2, 5 Everest Court in Wesham is in a block of terraced houses where the majority of which are owned by PHA.
- 6. The purchases of both properties are from private sellers who have contacted Progress Housing Association direct.
- 7. The EOI was approved by this Committee in March 2020 for Section 106 funding towards 36% of the purchase price for P1 and 33% for P2. The remaining funding is to be met from internal funding and Progress would have all management and repairing responsibilities going forward.
- 8. The properties will be subject to the Right to Acquire. This is where the property has been built or bought by a housing association after 31st March 1997 or transferred from a local council to a housing association after 31st March 1997. This is a government scheme introduced in 1997 that allows housing association tenants who meet the qualifying criteria to buy the home if they have been renting with a public sector landlord for 3 years. Discounts available range from between £9,000 and £16,000 on the price of the property.
- 9. Progress Housing Association will be required to enter into a funding agreement with Fylde Council where funding can be applied for when contracts for the purchase of the properties have been exchanged.
- 10. PROPERTY 1

Preesall Close, St Annes.

This unit is a two-bedroom flat, ex local authority owned stock on the Heyhouses estate a substantial amount of which is owners and managed by PHA since the transfer from New Fylde Housing. The unit is in a block of 4 cottage flats and the other 3 are in PHA ownership, therefore the acquisition would allow them control of the block and so increase their presence in the area. The Housing Management team

have confirmed there is high demand for units of this type in the area. A financial appraisal has been completed, the property has been inspected and the current owners has accepted a conditional offer.

Property 1: Site location	1 Preesall Close, St Annes FY8 3PN
Brownfield Site	Yes
Local regeneration outcomes – environmental, economic and social wellbeing that will lead to community sustainability	Bringing this unit back into PHA's ownership will allow us to have control of the block which makes it easier for improvement works to be carried out if necessary.
Number of units and size of units	1 x 2 bedroom flat 83m2
Tenure of units	Affordable Rent
Purchase price	£85,000
S106 Funds required	£30,500 (36%)
Internal funding	£54,500
Homes England funding	£0

11. PROPERTY 2

Everest Court, Wesham. This unit is a 3 bedroom house, ex local authority stock and a substantial amount of properties in the area are still owned and managed by PHA since the transfer from New Fylde Housing. PHA's Housing Management team have confirmed there is high demand for units of this type in the area. The unit is in a block of terraced houses, the majority of which are owned by PHA so this acquisition would allow us control of the block and to further increase our presence in the area. A financial appraisal has been completed, the property has been inspected and the current owners has accepted a conditional offer.

Property 2: Site location	5 Everest Court, Wesham PR4 3BD
Brownfield Site	Yes
Local regeneration outcomes – environmental, economic and social wellbeing that will lead to community sustainability	Bringing this unit back into PHA's ownership will allow us to have control of the entirety of Everest Court which makes it easier for improvement works to be carried out if necessary.
Number of units and size of units	1 x 3 bedroom terraced house 79m2
Tenure of units	Affordable Rent
Purchase Price	£82,200
S106 Funds required	£27,000 (33%)
Internal funding	£55,200
Homes England funding	£0

The method and cost of financing the scheme

- 12. The request is for Fylde BC to contribute section 106 funds for the purchase of two units of properties as buy backs. The request is for Section 106 funding towards 36% of the purchase price for P1 and 33% for P2, totalling £57,500.
- 13. Progress Housing Association have arranged internal funding totalling £109,700. Total purchase price for the two units is £167,200.

The future revenue budget impact

14. There are no additional revenue or capital implications to this proposal as the two units will be owned and managed by Progress Housing Association. A funding agreement will be in place where funding can be applied for when contracts for the purchase of the properties have been exchanged.

Relevant value for money issues

15. Off-site S106 funding for affordable housing are usually in the region of £50,000 per unit, and this amount is then re-cycled into affordable housing projects at a capital contribution rate of up to £50,000 per unit or 50% of the total scheme costs. The total request from Section 106 funding for the two units is £57,500, from a purchase price of £167,200 (£85,000 and £82,200). The request for Section 106 funding equates to 34% of the total purchase costs, therefore the proposal does provide value for money.

Risk Assessment

- 16. Grant funding will be paid when contracts have been exchanged on both units. The risks associated with letting and managing the properties will be Progress Housing Association responsibility.
- 17. An agreement for the payment of grant will be entered into to protect Fylde BC investment and ensure the properties remain as affordable housing within Fylde, in perpetuity.
- 18. All properties will be allocated via MyHomeChoice Fylde Coast, the Choice Based Lettings Scheme for the Fylde Coast with priority for occupants with a local connection to Fylde.

Viable alternatives

19. In respect of both P1 and P2 that Progress are requesting section 106 funds towards, the purchase would result in the association owning the whole block or terrace of properties. This will give them full management control of the block or terrace and increase our presence in the area. There are no other viable alternatives that would enable this scenario to happen.

Objectives, outputs and outcomes

20. This proposal would provide two additional units of affordable rented accommodation, one unit in St Annes, the other unit within Wesham.

Conclusion

- 21. Committee is requested to approve and recommend to Finance and Democracy Committee:
 - a. A fully funded addition to the Capital Programme 'Progress Housing Buy Backs'' in the financial year 2020/21 for £57,500 to be met from a portion of S106 developer contributions for affordable housing currently held by the Council for this purpose from P1, 1 Preesall Close, St Annes, £30,500 to be met from Agreement ref: 03/157, St Marys School, St Annes and P2, 5 Everest Court, Wesham, £27,000 to be met from Agreement ref: 13/0386 Land South of Cartford Lane, Little Eccleston;
 - b. Authorise the required expenditure for the capital grant programme in 20/21 to Progress Housing Group for the total amount of £57,500.

IMPLICATIONS		
Finance	This reports proposes that the committee recommend to the Finance and Democracy Committee approval to a fully funded addition to the Capital Programme for 2020/21 in the sum of £57,500 in respect of the 'Progress Housing Buy Backs', to be met from a portion of \$106 developer contributions for affordable housing currently held by the Council for this purpose; and Subject to approval of 1, above, to authorise the required expenditure for the capital grant payment in 2020/21 to Progress Housing Association, totalling £57,500 after regard and consideration of the compliance with the financial regulations covered within the body of the report.	
Legal	Financial Agreement for the payment of grant.	
Community Safety	None arising directly from this report	
Human Rights and Equalities	None arising directly from this report	
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None arising directly from this report	
Health & Safety and Risk Management	None arising directly from this report	

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
MyHomeChoice Fylde Coast Consistent Assessment Policy	2021	MyHomeChoice Fylde Coast



DECISION ITEM

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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	3 NOVEMBER 2020	5
REVIEW OF FLOODING/SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT IN FYLDE			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY

The report sets out the current situation with regard to flooding/surface water management in Fylde and outlines the Council's partner organisations and their roles and responsibilities in managing flood risk. The report recommends the establishment of a member working group to review the current situation and to develop a comprehensive set of recommendations and proposals to improve the way surface water management in Fylde is undertaken to reduce flooding in the future and to ensure that arrangements for dealing/responding to emergency flood incidents in Fylde are robust and effective to provide reassurance to members, residents and landowners.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That a member working group be established, made up of no more than 6 members to review flood risk and surface water management.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

<u>Environment Health and Housing Committee 7 January 2020 – Info Item - Park View Playing Fields Flood Incident</u> It was agreed that a workshop be established to discuss the implications of surface water flooding with partner organisations to develop a long-term action plan.

<u>Environment Health and Housing Committee 7 January 2020 – Info Item – Bathing Water Quality</u> In response to a suggestion from the committee, there was an undertaking to meet with the River Ribble Trust, with a view to bring a report or presentation to a future committee meeting regarding the health of the river.

Environment Health and Housing Committee 8/1/19 - Information Item St Anne's Bathing Waters 2018 Mr. Steven Wong, Representative from United Utilities, provided the committee with an overview, by way of a presentation, on the latest information relating to: ongoing work regarding water quality, improvement works, and the scale and scope of United Utilities operation in the Fylde area. Following his presentation, Mr. Wong invited members of the committee to visit the Freckleton Water Treatment Plant for a tour of the site. The Chairman thanked Mr. Wong for his generous offer and asked that officers make arrangements for this to take place. A further presentation was provided by Darren Bell, Head of Technical Services, regarding the quality of the St Annes Bathing Water. A number of questions were asked by the committee and answered by the officers and representatives present. The Chairman requested that there be a report on bathing water quality presented annually to the Environment Health and Housing Committee and that this detail the bathing water quality results undertaken by the Environment Agency. It was suggested that the report should also include as much information as possible on the overall health of the main dyke river and estuary. Environment Health and Housing Committee 6/9/16 – Information Item on East Lytham Drainage It was the general view of the committee that a meeting be arranged at the earliest opportunity between representatives of United Utilities and the Environment Agency and relevant members (with officer support) on matters associated with Liggard Brook with a view to updating the committee in due course and progress on the East Lytham report was received.

Environment Health and Housing Committee 7/6/16 – Information Item on Flooding & Water Management This information report provided detailed flooding and water management issues. A link (published on the council's website) was included in the report to access information on the types of flooding, the Flood and Water Management Act 2010; the authorities responsible including emergency planning; the council's position on the use of sand bags; grants that have been available to increase property resilience; partnership work across Lancashire to deal with water management and finally information on the Fairhaven and Church Scar Coastal Defence Project.

Cabinet 24/9/2014 – Flood Alleviation funding

RESOLVED to: 1. Approve the addition to the Councils approved Capital Programme for 2014/15 in the sum of \pm 35,000 to be fully-funded by the receipt of a capital grant for this purpose of an equivalent amount to allow qualifying flood affected homes and business to establish flood resistance/resilience measures. 2. Approve the payments to eligible households in accordance with the scheme up to a maximum of £5,000 per property to a total sum of £35,000.

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REPORT

BACKGROUND

- 1. There is growing concern as to the increased incidents of flooding occurring in Fylde, affecting both property and land. The concerns are that climate change is resulting in increased instances of intense rainfall which needs to drain away and that development in the borough contributes to increased risk from surface water run-off. As a consequence, we should be encouraging the effective management of surface water runoff to reduce flood risk, by mimicking / harnessing nature to reduce flood risk and deliver benefits to the environment and our communities.
- 2. Significant flooding events were experienced at Park View Playing fields 28 September 2019 and various locations across the Fylde Coast including Freckleton, Clifton ,Newton, Kirkham, Elswick, Staining, Cropper Road, Moss side and Greenhalgh on the 10/11 August 2020 which flooded property, businesses, roads and other land.
- 3. The majority of the borough is serviced by a combined surface water/foul drainage system which is under pressure at times of high rainfall. The majority of the system is historic and is managed/owned by United Utilities.
- 4. Fylde borough is low lying and the relatively flat topography means that water courses drain slowly.
- 5. The drainage of the Fylde is impacted by the tidal influence which daily inhibits surface water flow from the ditch systems reaching both the Ribble & Wyre rivers and ultimately out to sea. Surface water is held back by tide-controlled gates on most of the stream outlets.

- 6. There is concern that regular maintenance of the ditches/dykes in Fylde is insufficient and that weeds and debris impede proper water flow. Only ditches classed as 'main river' are managed by the Environment Agency (EA), the remainder are generally the responsibility of the landowners (riparian ownership) and many are in a poor condition.
- 7. The Council has managed to secure the services of a Principal Drainage Engineer who has been employed on a fixed term contract with Fylde Council until March 2022.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILTIES

- 8. There is no single body responsible for managing flood risk in the UK. Responsibility is joint among a number of bodies.
- 9. Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) is the policy lead for flood and coastal erosion risk management. These National policies are then delivered by Risk Management Authorities (RMA's) which are
 - Environment Agency
 - Lead Local Flood Authorities
 - District and Borough Councils
 - Coast Protection Authorities
 - Water and Sewerage Companies
 - Internal Drainage Boards
 - Highways Authority
- 10. The Environment Agency has a strategic overview of all sources of flooding and coastal erosion (as defined in the Flood and Water Management act 2010). It is also responsible for flood and coastal erosion risk management activities on main rivers and the coast.
- 11. Lead Local Flood Authorities (LLFAs) are County Councils and Unitary Authorities. They lead in managing local flood risks (i.e. risks of flooding from surface water, ground water and ordinary (smaller) watercourses). Lancashire County Council is the LLFA in the Lancashire area covering Fylde Borough. Blackpool Council are also a LLFA.
- 12. District and Borough Councils are Risk Management Authorities (RMAs) are key partners in planning local flood risk management. Fylde Council is a Risk Management Authority.
- 13. District and unitary authorities in coastal areas are Coastal Protection Authorities. They lead on coastal erosion risk management activities in their area. They are responsible for developing shoreline Management Plans (SMPs) which provide a long-term holistic framework for managing the risk of coastal change on their section of the coast. Fylde Council is a Coastal Protection Authority.
- 14. Water and Sewerage Companies are Risk Management Authorities (RMAs) and play a major role in managing flood and coastal erosion risks. They manage the risk of flooding to water supply and sewerage facilities and flood risks from failure of their infrastructure. United Utilities operate and maintain the sewerage system across most of the North West including the Fylde Borough.
- 15. In January 2019 a representative from United Utilities, provided the Environment Health and Housing committee with an overview, by way of a presentation, on the latest information relating to: ongoing work regarding water quality, improvement works, and the scale and scope of United Utilities operation in the Fylde area. Following this the committee visited the waste treatment facility at Freckleton.
- 16. Lancashire County Council have recently undertaken a scrutiny review entitled Strengthening flood risk management and preparedness in Lancashire. It is essential that any lessons learnt from this are fully embraced in the management of surface water in Fylde.
- 17. Water and sewerage companies (WaSCs) have long been required, upon request, to adopt sewers as part of new developments, provided they're constructed in line with certain standards. A new Ofwat code for sewer adoption will allow WaSCs to adopt certain Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS). The new code and guidance came into effect on 1st April 2020. There are a number of exclusions from adoption including things like permeable pavements, green roofs, and street drainage. Subject to assessment, certain SuDS components constructed to serve new developments are potentially adoptable as public sewers or lateral drains under

Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991, provided they're constructed in line with the approved sector guidance. It should be noted that SuDS adoption in England is not mandatory and is voluntary from the developer.

CONCLUSION

- 18. It is recommended that the committee establish a member working group of no more than 6 members to undertake a scrutiny review of flooding/surface water management. It is suggested that the committee consider appointing some members from outside the committee to ensure that a wider representation and points of view are sought.
- 19. The working group can take written and verbal evidence from Risk Management Authorities, Flood Action Groups, householders, farmers and land owners together with senior officers from Fylde's Planning and Technical Services teams.
- 20. Following this the working group will develop a comprehensive set of recommendations and proposals to improve the way surface water management in Fylde is undertaken to reduce flooding in the future and to ensure that arrangements for dealing/responding to emergency flood incidents in Fylde are robust and effective to provide reassurance to members, residents and landowners.
- 21. It is hoped that the working group can also look at innovative and best practice approaches that are in place in other parts of the country to learn and adopt improvements for Fylde.
- 22. A report will be prepared and presented back to the Environment Health and Housing Committee during 2021 with the member working groups findings which will make recommendations for the future

IMPLICATIONS		
Finance	No implications arising from this report.	
Legal	No implications arising from this report.	
Community Safety	No implications arising from this report.	
Human Rights and Equalities	No implications arising from this report.	
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	No implications arising from this report.	
Health & Safety and Risk Management	No implications arising from this report.	

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BACKGROUND PAPERS					
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection			
LCC scrutiny review entitled Strengthening flood risk management and preparedness in Lancashire.		https://council.lancashire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=18131			



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DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	3 NOVEMBER 2020	6			
ADULT WEIGHT MANAGEMENT FUNDING						

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY

Overweight and obesity presents a major challenge to the current and future health of the population. Higher Body Mass Index (BMI) is associated with an increased risk of morbidity and mortality from a range of conditions including hypertension, heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes and several cancers. It also contributes to increased health and social care costs.

People who are overweight or obese may also experience low self-esteem, mental health problems, and stigmatisation and discrimination because of their weight. There is also a significant economic impact, with the annual cost of obesity estimated to be as high as around £27bn, with NHS costs estimated at around £6bn, social care costs £352m and sickness absence costs to business estimated to be around £16m.

The prevalence of overweight and obesity across Lancashire are considerably worse than the English average.

In February 2020 Lancashire County Council contacted all the district councils, including Fylde, regarding potential funding to deliver a Health and Weight Management programme that they would like to roll out across Lancashire in partnership with the district councils. Figures from LCC show an obesity level of 17.8% across Lancashire (excluding Blackpool and Blackburn with Darwen). Due to delays with Covid-19 the initiative has been delayed but the funding has now been confirmed and we are now seeking to recruit a fully funded Adult Weight Management Officer to deliver this initiative and provide a comprehensive community focussed health and weight management programme.

The funding allocated to Fylde Council by Lancashire County Council to deliver this initiative is £69,000 over 3 years. Fylde plan to recruit an officer for a three-year period to deliver a Tier 2 Weight Management Service.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee is requested to consider and:

 To recommend to the Finance & Democracy Committee approval of a fully-funded revenue budget increase in the sum of £69,000 (split between the years 2021/22 £25,106, 2022/23 £27,271 & 2023/24 £16,623) to be met in full from the Lancashire County Council funding relating to this post.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

None

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REPORT

County Context

- 1. The Active Lives Survey (2017/18) estimates that 64.6% of the adult population (18+ years) in Lancashire-12 are classed as overweight or obese, significantly above the England estimate of 62.0% and a slight increase from 2015/16.
- 2. Figures from the Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) for 2017/18 show that there were approximately 99,700 adults (18+) classed as obese in Lancashire-12 (10.3%), which is significantly higher than England (9.8%)
- 3. At a clinical commissioning group (CCG) level, NHS Fylde & Wyre CCG (12.1%), NHS East Lancashire CCG (11.3%), NHS West Lancashire CCG (10.3%), and NHS Chorley and South Ribble (10.1%) are significantly higher when compared to the rest of England.

Fylde Context

- 4. An estimated 16% of adults (classed as 18+) in Fylde district are obese, equivalent to 12,763 people according to figures provided by Lancashire County Council from a Health Behaviours Programme 2015. This accounts for 5.9% of obese adults within Lancashire.
- 5. Fylde Council has a responsibility to encourage and deliver health and sports initiatives to all sectors of the community. This includes supporting the YMCA, offering Mini Links golf, football pitches, parks and open spaces which are used for exercise, tennis and bowling.
- 6. This new role will sit within the Tourism and Cultural Services team where the existing Sports Development function resides. There are already strong links to national governing sporting bodies, Active Lancashire and this team is already working closely with local leisure and sports clubs and organisations and heavily involved with the future leisure offer and opportunities at Fairhaven Lake.

Adult Weight Management Officer

- 7. Fylde Council has been provided with external funding of £69,000 to provide a three-year Weight Management Programme. The additional resource will enable a full time equivalent with further resource to facilitate the programme.
- 8. A job description and person specification have been prepared which have been job evaluated by the job evaluation panel. The post will be full time, working flexible hours and will report to the Health and Sports Development Officer in the Cultural Services Team and will be responsible for delivering the following key outputs:
 - To provide a lifestyle multi-component weight management service that supports obese adults to lose weight and increase knowledge and skills to maintain a healthier weight.
 - To provide one to one weight management sessions followed by group weight management sessions, plus signposting to physical activity opportunities.
 - To implement an accessible tier 2 lifestyle adult weight management service for obese adults aged 18 and over within the district, which forms an integral part of the weight management care pathway. Tier 2 services are delivered by local community weight management service, that provides community-based diet, nutrition, life style and behaviour change advice, normally in a group setting environment. (For information,

Tier 1 generally covers universal services (such as health promotion or primary care); tier 2 covers lifestyle interventions; tier 3 covers specialist weight management services; and tier 4 covers bariatric surgery).

- To target access to the service in line with existing prevalence levels in the district.
- To comply with all appropriate industry standards, including the relevant aspects of National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (2014) Clinical Guideline 189: Obesity: identification, assessment and management.
- To comply with local and national safeguarding requirements and statutory requirements.

IMPLICATIONS						
Finance	The report recommends that Finance and Democracy Committee approve a fully-funded revenue budget increase in the sum of £69,000 (split between the years 2021/22 £25,106, 2022/23 £27,271 & 2023/24 £16,623) in order to fund a weight management post.					
Legal	None arising directly from this report					
Community Safety	None arising directly from this report					
Human Rights and Equalities	None arising directly from this report					
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	None arising directly from this report					
Health & Safety and Risk Management	Improvement in community health through the outputs from this initiative.					

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INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO				
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITEE	3 NOVEMBER 2020	7				
EMPTY RESIDENTIAL HOMES POSITION STATEMENT							

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

Previous reports have been presented to members about the numbers of, particularly, long term empty residential properties. The most recent report was on the 5th November 2019 to the Environment, Health and Housing Committee. In recent years a number of changes have been made to the council tax scheme in relation to empty residential property and members have asked for regular updates to monitor the effect of those changes. This is the latest report to advise members of the effects of the changes.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Council Tax updates

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

The information is being given to members due to a request to do so from previous Policy Development Scrutiny Committees, and Environment Health and Housing Committee in November 2019.

Environment Health and Housing Committee November 2019

FURTHER INFORMATION

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EMPTY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES POSITION STATEMENT 3rd November 2020

This is the background information to accompany the information item presented to members of the Environment, Health and Housing Committee at this meeting on the 3rd November 2020.

Members have received previous reports to the former policy development scrutiny committees and Environment, Health and Housing Committees to update the position on the numbers of long term (greater than 6 months) empty residential properties in the borough. The term 'long term empty' has referred to properties that have been empty for 6 months or more. It now includes, for council tax purposes, a second type of empty property that has been empty for 2 year or more. This information has taken account of policy changes that have been introduced for long term empty properties.

In 2013 the Government introduced legislation allowing local authorities the discretion to charge an additional 50% premium to the owners of properties left empty for over two years. The Council introduced this additional charge with effect from 1st April 2014. The premium is an additional 50% of the council tax charge such that 150% of the council tax for the property becomes payable. The additional premium complements other council tax measures that require 100% of the council tax to be paid for months 6-24 of being empty.

In November 2018, Government introduced further legislation allowing local authorities the discretion to increase the premium to 100% for properties left empty for over two years with effect from 1st April 2019.

At the of Environment Health and Housing on the 11th February 2019 the Council approved the introduction of a new Council Tax Premium level of 100% payable in respect of properties left empty for over two years, to be effective from 1st April 2019. On the 7th January 2020 the premium was increased by the Committee to 200% and then 300% for properties left empty for over 10 years.

In summary:

- 100% in respect of properties left empty for 6-24 months, effective from 1st April 2014;
- 150% in respect of properties left empty for over two years, effective from 1st April 2014;
- 200% in respect of properties left empty for over five years, effective from April 2020; and
- 300% in respect of properties left empty for over ten years, effective from April 2021.

Table 1 details the numbers of both long term empty properties and properties which have been empty for over 2 years. There is a 19.5% rise between October 19 to October 20, for properties which are classed as long term empty (6 months or more).

Date	Long term empty	2 years+ empty	
Oct 13	688	N/A	
Oct 14	611	126	
Oct 15	612	122	
Oct 16	604	93	
Oct 17	584	125	
Oct 18	634	123	
Oct 19	650	110	
Oct 20	808	134	

Table 1

Revenue colleagues have commented that this could in part be to the housing market demand being focussed on new build development, as opposed to properties that require renovation and modernisation.

At the meeting of the former policy development scrutiny committee of November 2013 members resolved that additional actions to deal with empty properties could only be taken within existing resources and actions the housing service can take are limited to complaints received from members of the public.

In the financial year 2019/20 Housing Services received no such complaints in relation to empty properties. Environmental Health have seen an increase in complaints, mainly in relation to overgrown gardens, where the properties do appear to be empty. These properties have been checked against Council tax records and the properties are listed as occupied.

There are two issues which need to be addressed. The first is to establish if the occupier is resident and requires support as they can no longer cope with the upkeep of their home. This is undertaken by both Environmental Health and Housing Services as part of a Welfare Check and if required a referral will be made to Adult Social Care.

The second is to establish the process by which Council Tax are informed a property is empty and can this be improved in anyway, using intelligence from Environmental Health and Housing Services as opposed to direct notification from the Owner.

The Private Sector Enforcement Policy adopted in January 2019, makes a commitment, subject to available resources, to work with owners of empty homes to bring them back into use. The Adopted Local Plan for Fylde to 2032 note in paragraph 9.59:

"the Council will identify and bring back into use empty housing and buildings in line with local housing and empty homes strategies and, where appropriate, acquire properties under compulsory purchase powers"

It is proposed a further information item be brought to this Committee in 6 months as a further update to inform a future decision item on Empty Homes within the Borough.

Kirstine Riding, Housing Services Manager



INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO				
MANAGEMENT TEAM	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	3 NOVEMBER 2020	8				
GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2020/21 - POSITION AS AT							
30 th SEPTEMBER 2020							

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the General Fund Revenue Budget of the Council as at 30th September 2020 and specifically for those areas under the remit of the Committee.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Chief Financial Officer – the report is based upon information extracted from the financial ledger system of the Council for the period to 30^{th} September 2020.

LINK TO INFORMATION

General Fund Revenue Budget monitoring Report to 30th September 2020:

http://www.fylde.gov.uk/council/finance/budget-monitoring/

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

This information is provided to enable the committee to consider and scrutinise periodic revenue budget monitoring reports for those areas under the remit of the Committee.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2020/21

POSITION AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the General Fund Revenue Budget of the Council as at 30th September 2020. The report includes a narrative description of the most significant variances from the profiled latest budget and details any actions required to address these. Appendix A to this report shows the value of the most significant variances for all of the Council services by Committee and provides a brief explanation for each variance.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Council operates a system of Revenue Budget Monitoring which revolves around the production of detailed monthly monitoring reports for budget holders. Significant variances from the expected budget position at the point of monitoring, both for expenditure and income, are summarised in monitoring reports which are periodically reported to each Programme Committee for information purposes. This report therefore details the findings and issues emerging from budget monitoring carried out to 30th September 2020.
- 1.2 It should be noted that work continues on improving budget profiling across the Council in order that budget profiles more accurately reflect the spending pattern of individual budgets across the financial year. This serves to enhance budget monitoring and focus attention on true variances rather than budget profiling issues. This is a continuous process with budget holders so that the improved profiling continues to refine the budget monitoring system.
- 1.3 Council approved the 2020/21 budget at its meeting on 4th March 2020. Subsequently on 28th July 2020 the Finance and Democracy Committee approved the financial outturn position for 2019/20. The impact of those approvals, including savings and growth items approved at the Council budget meeting, along with slippage from 2019/20 as approved by the Finance and Democracy Committee, are now reflected in the financial ledger. Therefore, this report monitors expenditure and income against the updated approved budgets for 2020/21.

2. Budget Rightsizing Exercise

2.1 For a number of years the Council has carried out an annual budget rightsizing exercise to analyse underspends which have occurred over the last 3 financial years and to adjust current and future year budgets to better reflect the level of resource requirement in the context of current financial constraints. This process has been repeated during the second quarter of 2020/21 and the resulting changes to budgets will be reflected in later updates to the Councils Financial Forecast.

3. Covid-19 Impact

- 3.1 In the weeks following the setting of the budget for 2020/21, and the revised budget for 2019/20, the impact of the covid outbreak became increasingly apparent. The national 'lock-down' that was implemented in late March was unprecedented and had a substantial impact on both the national and the local economy. However, due to the timing of the commencement of the lock-down (24th March 2020) the effects of that situation for the 2019/20 financial year were limited.
- 3.2 The impact of the covid restriction measures on a number of service areas, and consequently on the Council's financial position for 2020/21, has been much more noticeable, although a range of national funding measures have also been introduced that assist in off-setting some of those negative financial effects.
- 3.3 Under the funding package for councils in respect of reduced sales, fees and charges income announced in July, the government will reimburse a proportion of lost income. Where losses are more than 5% of the

budgeted income from sales, fees and charges, the government will cover them for 75p in every pound lost for the remainder i.e. the council will stand the first 5% of the loss and will be reimbursed for 75% of the remaining 95% of the shortfall. An initial assessment of the losses for the first four months of 2020/21 has recently been submitted with an anticipated receipt of grant in the sum of £0.426m. Further assessment of losses will be submitted later in 2020/21 and the position will be monitored carefully and reflected in future updates to the Financial Forecast.

- 3.4 The financial impact of the restriction measures for the current year, in terms of reduced levels of income and the cost of providing financial assistance to specific local businesses, continues to be carefully monitored. The pandemic has led to significant volatility in both income and expenditure levels across a number of service areas, and number of budget variations resulting from the impact of the covid restriction measures are included within this revenue budget monitoring report, with details of the most significant variations being included within Appendix A.
- 3.5 In addition to the reimbursement for lost income, the government has announced funding allocations of both a general and specific nature to help local authorities manage the spending pressures caused by the covid restrictions. The specific and general grants notified to date are:

Covid Grant Allocation	£ 000
Specific funding for the employment costs of covid marshals	36
Specific funding to support vulnerable people (food and essential supplies)	74
Specific funding for the prevention of outbreaks of infectious diseases	109
Specific funding for Council Tax Hardship Relief – awards of £150 per claimant - plus other discretionary relief awards	586
General / non-specific funding for Covid related pressures	963
Total	1,768

These will also be reflected in future updates to the Financial Forecast.

3.6 All Local Authorities are required to complete monthly government returns estimating the overall financial impact of the covid situation on their finances. Alongside all of the adverse financial impacts noted within the analysis at Appendix A, the single most significant anticipated consequence that is included within the Fylde Council return is the reduction in the collection of Council Tax and Business Rates for the year. Collection rates for 2020/21 are lower for the year to date than at this point in previous years and are being carefully monitored. It is possible that collection rates may improve through the remainder of the year. Similarly it is not clear at this stage how much of the council tax and business rate debt will prove to be uncollectable and will ultimately be written off at a cost to the council and the other major preceptors.

4. Conclusions

This year has seen particular volatility in expenditure and income levels as the impact of the covid restriction measures on the financial position of the Council for 2020/21, and possibly beyond, together with the potential for future general reductions in central government funding from 2021/22 onwards, requires that the Council continue the approach to continually seek opportunities to achieve savings and efficiencies to enable a balanced budget position and financial stability.

Regular budget monitoring reports are an integral part of the Council's financial monitoring framework and these reports will be available on the Councils website.

External pressures outside the Council's control are impacting on all local authorities. Instructions remain in place that officers should not commit to any unnecessary expenditure and should seek to maximise efficiencies wherever possible.

Finance staff work continuously with budget holders across the Council and are heavily reliant upon budgetholders to be able to understand and quantify the potential impact of in-year hotspot variances within their areas of responsibility.

We are at the mid-point of the 2020/21 financial year and much uncertainty exists with respect to the remainder of the year. Therefore, it is not possible to draw any firm conclusions on the in-year financial position. The financial risks facing the Council, as set out in the MTFS to Council in March 2020 remain alongside the significant addition risks presented by the pandemic. Instructions issued by Management Team that budget holders remain prudent are still in place, and the overall financial position of the council will be captured in the next update of the financial forecast in the Medium Term Financial Strategy which will be presented to members in the forthcoming committee cycle.

Key

Appendix A

 BLUE
 Variance currently showing but expected to be on target at year end

 GREEN
 Favourable variance against latest budget

 AMBER
 Adverse variance against latest budget

 RED
 Projected adverse outturn variance

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Service Area	Detailed Description	Full Year Budget	Budget as at Period 6	Actual as at Period 6	Commitments at Period 6	Actual & Commitments as at Period 6	Variance as at Period 6	FAV / ADV	Alert	Budget Holder Comments
		£	£	£	£	£	£			
FINANCE & DEMOCRACY COMMIT	TTEE / CORPORATE CROSS CUTTING E	BUDGETS			-					
All Council services	Employee costs including basic pay, pension, NI, and overtime, plus agency costs	9,024,704	4,669,520	4,588,679	24,059	4,612,738	-56,782	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	The budget forecast which was approved by Council in March 2020 assumes Employee Cost Savings (including vacancy savings arising from delays in the recruitment to vacant posts) of £300,000 per annum from 2020/21 onwards. The actual level of savings achieved in relation to direct employee costs for the current year to date shows a level of savings in excess of this. This budget will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and may be adjusted as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Human Resources	Training Expenses - qualifications	15,000	7,500	0	0	0	-7,500	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	The delivery of this training has been delayed due to covid restrictions. Some slippage of the budget into 2021/22 may be required if delivery of the training is delayed beyond year end as the training is still necessary.
Legal Services Team	Legal Fees and Court Costs	10,000	5,002	13,695	130	13,825	8,823	ADVERSE	RED	Legal costs relating to a business rates case were awarded against the council leading to his adverse variance. This will be addressed as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Mayoralty	Mayoral Chauffeur/Assistant	19,485	9,747	102	0	102	-9,645	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	There have been no Mayoral engagements during the year due to covid restrictions and consequently little expenditure has been incurred to date. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Council Tax Collection Costs	Council Tax Costs Recovered	-200,000	-100,040	5,594	0	5,594	105,634	ADVERSE	RED	Magistrates Courts have not been sitting due to the covid situation. It is possible that no income in relation to the recovery of court costs will be received for 2020/21. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
TOURISM AND LEISURE COMMIT	TEE	-1		I						
Fairhaven Lake and Gardens	Games Site Fees	-70,000	-35,014	0	0	0	35,014	ADVERSE	RED	The games sites and boat hire at Fairhaven Lake have not been operating due to the covid restrictions and therefore no income has been generated. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Management of the Arts	Festival Support/Club Days	10,800	5,400	0	0	0	-5,400	FAVOURABLE		
Fylde Tourism	1940's Lytham Wartime Festival	35,000	17,504	1,250	0	1,250	-16,254	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	
Fylde Tourism	Kite Festival	30,000	30,000	0	0	0	-30,000	FAVOURABLE		The planned festivals, club days and other tourism related events have been cancelled due to covid restrictions and therefore no expenditure has been incurred, nor income generated, in respect of these events. There is a net favourable variance of
Fylde Tourism	Income - 1940`s Lytham Wartime Festival	-18,000	-9,004	0	0	0	9,004	ADVERSE	RED	£23k across all such events. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Fylde Tourism	Income - Kite Festival	-20,000	-20,000	0	0	0	20,000	ADVERSE		
	Café Rents	-22,000	-11,006	0	0	0	11,006	ADVERSE		
Miscellaneous Properties	Other Rent and Receipts	-202,420	-101,250	-4,283	0	-4,283	96,967	ADVERSE		Rent reductions in respect of a range of Council-owned sites and concessions, resulting from the lack of trading activity due to the covid restrictions, have been approved by the Tourism and Leisure Committee at the meeting of September 2020.
Pleasure Island/Salters Wharf	Rent of Stands/Site	-69,263	-34,645	0	0	0	34,645	ADVERSE	RED	Additionally income from the Council share of ticket receipts in respect of the Lytham Festival have also been lost for 2020/21. It is anticipated that rental income shortfalls may increase further during the remainder of the financial year. It is
Carr Bridge Wood Caravan Site	Rent of Stands/Site	-28,250	-14,132	0	0	0	14,132	ADVERSE		expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
5 Moor Street, Kirkham	Rent of Rooms	-11,200	-5,602	0	0	0	5,602	ADVERSE		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
St. Annes-Parks (Strategic)	Protective Clothing Purchase/Replacement	1,845	924	5,553	2,512	8,064	7,140	ADVERSE	RED	It has been necessary to purchase additional personal protective equipment (PPE) in order to adhere to covid regulations. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Coast and Countryside	Consultants Fees	0	0	6,388	1,789	8,178	8,178	ADVERSE	RED	Consultant fees have been incurred in relation to the possible re-commencement of sand-winning activities. A report will be presented to a future meeting of the Operational Management Committee to provide full details in this regard.
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REVENUE MONITORI	ING 2020/21 - Period 6 to Sep	otember 30th	2020 (Varia	ances in excess	of £5K)					Appendix A		
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		£	£	£	£	£	£					
OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT	COMMITTEE											
	Protective Clothing Purchase/Replacement	12,000	6,000	9,825	2,645	12,470	6,470	ADVERSE	RED	It has been necessary to purchase additional PPE in order to adhere to covid regulations. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
	Bulky Waste Collection	35,000	17,508	-459	0	-459	-17,967	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	These services have been suspended due to covid restrictions and the partnership arrangement with the external provider has terminated as a consequence. Therefore no income has been generated nor costs incurred to date. A revised form of		
Fylde Waste Schemes	Household Refuse Special Collection	-40,000	-20,006	142	0	142	20,148	ADVERSE	RED	these services is currently being considered and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
	Green Waste Subscription Charge	-545,000	-545,000	-572,610	0	-572,610	-27,610	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	There has been an increase in the level of subscriptions for the green waste collection service, believed to be as a result of additional home gardening activity during the period of covid restrictions. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
	LCC-Landfill Levy/Tipping Charges	158,000	79,032	32,440	0	32,440	-46,592	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	The suspension of trade waste collection services during the period of covid restrictions has resulted in a reduced		
Trade Waste Service	Bulk Bin Collection Charges	-161,000	-161,000	-134,414	0	-134,414	26,586	ADVERSE	RED	requirement for waste disposal/tipping, but also reduced income receipts. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budge		
	Bulk Bin Disposal Charges	-165,000	-165,000	-131,124	0	-131,124	33,876	ADVERSE	RED	right-sizing exercise.		
Recycling Project	Purchase of Hessian Sacks	18,500	9,252	0	0	0	-9,252	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	This project has been delayed due to covid restrictions and therefore there has been no income nor expenditure to		
	LCC - Recycling Grant	-20,600	-10,304	0	0	0	10,304	ADVERSE	RED	budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
	FMS Materials	165,670	82,941	48,041	4,675	52,716	-30,225	FAVOURABLE		There are a number of favourable variances in respect of vehicle costs. Some are due to the fact that a number of vehicles		
Fleet & Plant	Repairs by Commercial Garages	43,400	21,806	10,892	3,124	14,015	-7,791	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	have been acquired in the past 24 months, replacing older and more expensive to maintain vehicles. Additionally fuel costs for the first part of the year have been lower than anticipated as a result of reduced the demand for, and the cost of fuel, due to covid restrictions. Hired transport has not been used as much as in previous years as a result of FvIde Council being		
	Fuel	330,595	165,403	121,948	917	122,866	-42,537	FAVOURABLE	_	exempted from testing HGV vehicles following recognition of the Council as a good operator for this financial year. These budgets will be kept under review during the remainder of the financial year and adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
	Hire of Transport	63,357	31,688	13,736	5,569	19,305	-12,383	FAVOURABLE		ngni-sizing exercise.		
The Island Car Park	Car Parking Fees - St Annes Pool	15,000	7,500	0	18,800	18,800	11,300	ADVERSE	RED	As the swimming pool has been closed due to covid restrictions no fee refunds have been required. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
Car Parking Fees	Car Parking Fees	-679,278	-339,773	-302,527	0	-302,527	37,246	ADVERSE	RED	Car park income is reduced as a result of the covid restrictions on travel. Due to the good weather later in the year and as restrictions were eased, the earlier losses have been recouped to an extent. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
Land Charges	Land Charges - CON29 Fees	-52,000	-26,008	-15,073	0	-15,073	10,935	ADVERSE	RED	Land Charges fee income is reduced as a result of the covid restrictions which have delayed many planned property transactions. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.		
Other Miscellaneous Repairs	Other Miscellaneous Repairs	201,230	100,664	42,915	32,513	75,428	-25,236	FAVOURABLE	BLUE	Some planned maintenance works have been delayed due to covid restrictions. The service is now focussing on bringing the planned works schedule back on course.		
Computer Services	Purchase of Computer Equipment / IT Infrastructure maintenance / other IT expenditure	345,170	172,652	67,896	44,884	112,781	-59,872	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	An underspend is currently recorded against the profiled budget, however with an essential infrastructure improvement project identified in response to the challenges of additional required capacity for remote working and to future proof our virtual desktop estate due to commence imminently alongside our commitment to business continuity, data centre upgrade and networking provision at the delayed Snowdon Road Parks Building work then we expect variances to normalise in the next period.		
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ENVIRONMENT. HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE										
Homelessness	Void Loss/Recharge Costs	14,290	7,150	-6,000	0	-6,000	-13,150	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	This budget relates to void loss from the temporary units managed by Progress Housing Association. Due to current levels of demand for temporary accommodation, voids have been kept to a minimum and as soon as properties are returned by Progress Housing and ready to let they have been re-occupied, resulting in this favourable variance. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
	Miscellaneous Materials	1,375	690	7,668	121	7,789	7,099	ADVERSE	RED	It has been necessary to purchase additional personal protective equipment (PPE) in order to adhere to covid regulations. The budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Cemetery and Crematorium	Interments	-200,000	-100,038	-72,455	0	-72,455	27,583	ADVERSE		There has been a reduced demand for services from residents outside of the borough, thought to be due to the restrictions on
	Cremations	-1,140,000	-570,222	-525,224	0	-525,224	44,998	ADVERSE	RED	the number of moumers at ceremonies. Additionally the demand for memorials has been reduced, again partly as a result on the covid restrictions which have reduced the availability of memorials, at least temporarily. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific overiment covid rart for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as
	Memorial Income	-40,000	-20,008	-11,509	0	-11,509	8,499	ADVERSE		necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.
Community Grants	Community Projects Fund	20,000	10,004	3,644	0	3,644	-6,360	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	There has been a reduced level of applications to the fund due to other priorities from would-be applicants due to the covid situation. The availability of the fund continues to be promoted and applications may increase in the latter part of the year.
Taxi Licensing	Private Hire Vehicle Licences	-35,296	-17,654	-11,429	0	-11,429	6,226	ADVERSE	RED	Due to covid restrictions many vehicle proprietors took the decision not to renew licences and some vehicles were taken off the road, reducing the amount of income received for the year. Re-licensing of those vehicles is now slowly taking place. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.

Key

BLUE	Variance currently showing but expected to be on target at year end
GREEN	Favourable variance against latest budget
AMBER	Adverse variance against latest budget
RED	Projected adverse outturn variance

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Service Area	Detailed Description	Full Year Budget	Budget as at Period 6	Actual as at Period 6	Commitments at Period 6	Actual & Commitments as at Period 6	Variance as at Period 6	FAV / ADV	Alert	Budget Holder Comments
		£	£	£	£	£	£			
PLANNING COMMITTEE										
	Consultants Fees	25,000	12,504	-3,000	2,250	-750	-13,254	FAVOURABLE	BLUE	The number of major planning applications received during the year to date is lower than normally expected, presumably as a result of developers not taking projects forward due to the economic uncertainties caused by the covid pandemic. Enquiries about major development sites are now beginning to increase and the budget will continue to be closely monitored. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose.
Development Management	Planning Application Fees	-675,000	-337,638	-193,088						
	Pre-Planning Advice Fees	0	0	-6,208	0	-6,208	-6,208	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	income that should be expected. Budgets will be amended to reflect expected income as part of the budget right-sizing
Planning Appeals	Planning Appeal Hearing Costs	75,390	37,695	0	0	0	-37,695	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	incurred in relation to appeals to date. The budget will continue to be monitored over the remainder of the year, but the reduction in major applications during the first part of the year may present an opportunity to deliver a favourable variance at
Planning Enforcement	Enforcement Costs	30,000	15,004	0	0	0	-15,004	FAVOURABLE	GREEN	Court action regarding a specific case has been suspended due to the covid pandemic. As the courts reopen for business this funding will be required in due course, although expenditure may be delayed as the courts recover from their backlog of cases. The budget will continue to be monitored over the remainder of the year.
Planning Policy	Local Development Framework Costs	15,000	7,504	0	0	0	-7,504	FAVOURABLE	BLUE	The review of the local plan has been delayed due to not being able to carry out public consultation exercises during the period of covid restrictions. The local plan submission is to be considered by the Planning Committee in October 2020 with submission by the end of October 2020. The budget will be required during the second half of the year with potential slippage into 2021/22 depending on the progress of the local plan examination.
Building Control	Fee Income	-175,000	-87,534	-69,875	0	-69,875	17,659	ADVERSE	RED	Building Control fee income is reduced as a result of the covid restrictions which have delayed many planned building and development projects. It is expected that the loss of income will be partly offset by specific government covid grant for this purpose and the budgets will be adjusted as necessary as part of the budget right-sizing exercise.



INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO								
MANAGEMENT TEAM	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	3 NOVEMBER 2020	9								
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	POSITION AS AT 30 th SEPTEMBER 2020										

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the approved Capital Programme of the Council as at 30th September 2020 and specifically for those schemes under the remit of the Committee.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Chief Financial Officer – the report is based upon information extracted from the financial ledger system of the Council for the period to 30^{th} September 2020.

LINK TO INFORMATION

Capital Programme monitoring Report to 30th September 2020:

http://www.fylde.gov.uk/council/finance/budget-monitoring/

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

This information is provided to enable the committee to consider and scrutinise the Capital Programme monitoring reports for those schemes under the remit of the Committee.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING REPORT 2020/21 -

POSITION AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide an in-year progress update in respect of those schemes within the Capital Programme that have been approved for delivery in 2020/21, together with an update on the overall Five-Year Capital Programme of the Council. This report includes a narrative description of some of the more significant schemes within the Capital Programme and details any risks and the actions required to address these. Appendix A to this report provides an update by Committee on schemes scheduled for commencement or delivery in 2020/21. Appendix B provides a summary of the latest position for the 5 year Capital Programme and Appendix C provides details of the financing of the programme.

1. Background

The Council approved the Capital Programme on 4th March 2020. That update showed a balanced capital programme position from 2020/21 onwards. This report includes year to date expenditure and sets out the latest phasing of the programme and any additions or changes since the capital programme was presented to Council in March 2020. The Programme has also been rolled forward to include the year 2024/25.

2. Notes on Specific Schemes

There are a number of schemes for which further information is provided below:

(i) Coast Protection Scheme

The Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Protection Scheme budget is £22.1m, being funded by Flood Defence Grant-in-Aid (which is an Environment Agency eligible cost reimbursable grant) of up to £21.4m; alongside a contribution from Fylde Council of £670k.

Work started on site in December 2017 and was completed in July 2020, a completion some 5 months ahead of the original schedule, and with an underspend currently estimated at around £0.375m. There is a 12 months defects liability on the contract and the Council will have to keep a project manager on the project to administer any defects during this period. A final grant claim will be submitted to the Environment Agency and the retentions will be released in August 2021. Any unspent grant will be returned to the Environment Agency.

In addition to the core sea defence works the re-modelled car park entrance public realm enhancement at Stanner Bank has been added to the contract. Whilst the scheme is nearing completion on site, there remains the possibility of additional contract costs beyond those in the approved budget until such time that the scheme is finally completed.

(ii) Fairhaven Lake and Gardens Heritage Lottery Scheme

The Council meeting of 16th July 2018 approved the underwriting of external grant funding bids in respect of the Fairhaven Lake and Gardens Heritage Lottery Scheme in the maximum sum of £343k in the event that not all of the funding bids would be successful, this to be met from the Capital Investment Reserve. The underwriting by the Council allowed the Heritage Lottery Fund bid to progress, that bid subsequently being successful. In addition, the Council has approved funding for the scheme in the sum of £400k to be met from the Funding Volatility Reserve.

The outcome of the external bids is now known, and the value of successful funding bids is £130k. Consequently, the value of unsuccessful funding bids that the Council will be required to meet is £213k.

Additionally, delays in the procurement process has caused the commencement of the works to be delayed as the initial bids for the works that were received exceeded the available funding to a significant degree. Work is now expected to commence on site late in 2020 following a re-tendering exercise. These delays have caused an additional cost to the overall scheme in the sum of £38k which the Council is required to meet.

Contracts for the building and landscape works have now been let within budget and are scheduled to be completed by May 2021. The lake works project will be undertaken in financial year 2021/22.

Until the scheme is fully delivered there remains the possibility of additional contract costs beyond those in the approved budget.

iii) St Annes Regeneration Schemes

Following the completion of the upgrading scheme for St. Andrews Road South, Planning Committee agreed that the next phase for regeneration activity should be Wood Street – Phase 3. Unfortunately, difficulties arose in negotiating the design proposals for the easterly side due to one owner being reluctant to participate in the scheme, primarily because the property was up for sale. It is understood that the new owner would wish to participate should the opportunity arise in the future. The scheme commenced in February but was placed on hold due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. Work resumed in June and is now complete (apart from the placing of the 5 trees) with the car park reopening. The trees will be planted shortly. The scheme has been completed to budget, adsorbing extra costs due to delays whilst the work was suspended.

The next section of works has been agreed along St. Andrews Road West between The Pier and The Square (known as the Square-Pier Link). A scheme designed to the available budget was presented and approved by Planning Committee, but the Regeneration Manager was asked to look at extending the scheme, potentially widening pavements to provide an enhanced pedestrian ambience and increased paving space capacity to absorb high levels of footfall that is encountered at peak times. As matters stand, the potential for achieving these enhancements to the scheme is being discussed with Lancashire County Council as any further amendments would have to be agreed, since there would be changes to the highway configuration. It is hoped that a revised scheme, in principle, can be produced over the next few weeks with a detailed plan prepared and costed for presentation to the appropriate committees of the Council. Work could commence in the early part of Spring 2021 subject to agreement as regards additional funding being made available for the scheme. This would mean that the scheme would be delivered across the financial years 2020/21 and 2021/22.

iv) Lytham Regeneration Schemes

In respect of the large capital scheme for Lytham town centre, a number of suggestions have been made by the Lytham Business Group and other parties, some of which require careful consideration along with agencies such as Lancashire County Council. Options are being considered involving local members and a draft plan is being drawn together. This will have a phased programme of works to be considered in due course by the Planning Committee. It is envisaged that the first phase will be commenced in 2021/22. Plans have been prepared and will be presented to the Town Centre Working Group at the earliest opportunity. This will enable detailed schemes to be prepared. The proposed lighting replacement scheme for West/East Beach is at an advanced stage of planning and has been supported by the Working Group. It is hoped that subject to approval by Planning Committee, the scheme could be completed by the end of 2020/21. The lighting scheme is estimated to cost around £75k although contributions are being sought from Lancashire County Council.

(v) Better Care Fund (Formerly Disabled Facilities Grants)

As the local housing authority, the Council has a statutory duty to provide disabled adaptations within the Borough. In order to fund these works the Council receives grant support which previously was provided by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG). From 2015/16 the Government established the 'Better Care Fund', and under these new arrangements the funding for Disabled Facilities Grants transferred to the Department of Health, with funding being distributed to all Councils via the upper-tier authority for that area. As such, in Lancashire the fund is administered by Lancashire County Council. Each upper-tier authority then allocates the funding to their respective housing authorities (i.e. district councils within their area) to enable them to continue to meet this statutory responsibility.

The level of government funding has increased significantly under the 'Better Care Fund' arrangements and budget for 2020/21 of £1.130m provides for the delivery of disabled adaptations to similar levels as 2019/20. It is anticipated that for 2020/21 all identified need for disabled adaptations can be met from the existing resource.

(vi) Town Centre Regeneration Kirkham

Following the Government's Future High Street funding initiative (FHSF), the Planning Committee resolved, in the autumn of 2019, to choose Kirkham Town Centre as its choice to pursue any bids for funding under the scheme. The first opportunity, being part of the broader FHSF, named the High Street Heritage Action Zone initiative (HS HAZ) was launched. This was a competitive process and seeks to enhance the historic environment of high streets that have conservation area status. Following the expansion of the funding for the scheme, due to unprecedented bids from a national perspective, the Kirkham bid proved to be successful, following a recommendation to Government from Historic England (HE). HE is the body responsible for administering the scheme. The grant award is £1.8m and will be match funded from a number of sources including Fylde Council, Kirkham Town Council and commuted Section 106 payments associated with public realm contributions attributed to residential planning permissions. The scheme will run over 4 years, commencing in April 2020, and includes a wide range of projects.

In line with many other authorities, due to COVID 19, the implementation of the scheme has been delayed and a revised project plan, which sets out the projects to be delivered and the associated funding, is in the process of being agreed with Historic England (as at early October 2020). Some revenue spending will commence this year with the larger capital programmes from April 2021. A Project Board is in the process of being brought together, this being essential given the large portfolio of schemes and the number of external partners engaged in the projects.

A bid has also been submitted under the main body of the Future High Street Fund totalling £8.6m and proposes to deliver a number of schemes across the whole of the town centre including the repurposing of buildings, traffic management measures, building reuse and enhancement and public realm projects. This is once again a competitive process and the outcome will not be known until later in the year, but the bid is well founded and the economic case very strong. The governments measures for assessing economic benefits and value of money (known as the Cost Benefit Ratio) have been exceeded. It is known that the fund may well be oversubscribed and so it is not known how allocations will be made i.e. whether the most imaginative and value for money projects may prove to be more successful, requests made for authorities to prioritise schemes thereby reducing their 'ask', or some scheme not being successful at all. The outcome of this assessment is awaited.

It is now known that a second round of the Future High Street Fund will be launched in 2021.

3 Conclusions

- 3.1 Actual expenditure to 30th September 2020 is £1.88m against a full year budget of £10.829m. This equates to 17% of the latest budget. Progress on the delivery of a number of schemes has been delayed due to covid restrictions. This is noted as appropriate in the analysis at Appendix A. Consequently, the phasing of some schemes may require to be adjusted or re-phased into 2021/22 as part of future Financial Forecast updates during the year.
- 3.2 The current Capital Programme as updated is showing a balanced position for 2020/21 onward. The Capital Programme and the associated financing will be subject to discussion with members during the months in the lead up to the annual budget setting process for 2021/22.
- 3.3 Any additional expenditure which is not fully funded by external finance would normally require the generation of capital receipts or further borrowing (the latter placing further pressure on the Revenue Budget from the consequent repayment costs). However, Budget Council on 4th March 2013 approved the creation of a Capital Investment Reserve to finance future capital expenditure. The balance of this

reserve at 31st March 2020 was £6.455m including the budgeted transfer into the reserve of £1.288m in respect of 2020/21. Of this £3.522m is already committed to deliver existing approved capital schemes in the years 2020/21 to 2021/22, leaving a forecast unallocated balance on the reserve at 31st March 2020 of £2.933m. The estimated transfers in are of course subject to change as costs and income undoubtedly fluctuate over the next 2 financial years.

An updated position in respect of the Capital Investment Reserve will be included within the Financial Forecast Update to be presented to the Finance and Democracy Committee in November this year and to Council the following month. Additional future projects will be subject to further consideration as part of the budget setting process for 2021/22. Whilst it remains the case that this reserve is the preferred source of finance for any further additions to the Capital Programme, continuing contributions to the reserve are required in order to maintain a sustainable funding source for future years.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME - 2020/21 IN-YEAR SCHEME MONITORING REPORT - AS AT 30/09/20

APPROVED SCHEMES	Head of Service / Budget Holder	Financing Source	Approved Budget 2020/21 £000	Slippage B/F from 2019/20 £000	Adjustments from 05/03/20 £000	Updated Budget 2020/21 £000	Expenditure to 30/09/20 £000	Variance £000	Comments
FINANCE & DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE									
Purchase of Land Adjacent to Squires Gate Station	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve	0	5		5		5	This project is ongoing and we are currently awaiting the registration of the land with the current land owner and the Land Registry before further progress can be made.
Lytham Hall Driveway	Paul Walker	Capital Investment Reserve			52	52	52	0	The scheme has been completed within budget.
Sub total			0	5	52	57	52	5	
TOURISM & LEISURE COMMITTEE									
Fairhaven Lake & Promenade Gardens Restoration	Mark Wilde	Capital Investment Reserve	2,083	16		2,099	92	2,007	The expenditure profile for this scheme has been rephased following the procurement of the new consultant team which has led to a minor slippage request into 2020/21. Contracts for Building works and Landscape works have now been let within budget. Building and Landscaping works are scheduled to be completed by May 2021. The lake works project will be undertaken next financial year 2021/22 and will be rephased in future updates of the financial forecast.
Fairhaven Adventure Golf	Mark Wilde	Capital Investment Reserve	505	-14		491	422	69	There had been an accelerated spend on Fairhaven Adventure Golf in 2019/20 for the preliminary works. The budget for 2020/21 has been reduced by £14k to offset the additional spend in 2019/20. Capital works are now complete and scheme is operational. Some additional landscaping works will be undertaken in Winter 2020 to improve accessibility to the facility.
Promenade Footways	Darren Bell	No external finance - funded by borrowing / general asset disposal receipts	75			75		75	For 2020/21 this funding is intended to be used to improve the footway surface around St Annes Promenade bandstand and boating pool. The scheme is linked with the Pier linkage scheme with the intention that works will run concurrently by the same contractor. It is expected that a draw-down report for the funding will be presented to the committee in January 2021.
Staining Playing Fields Development Scheme	Mark Wilde	S106 Developer Contributions / Capital Investment Reserve	94			94		94	The drainage contract has now been completed and the final account is expected by mid Oct 2020, leaving an estimated remaining budget of around £55k. Plans for landscaping works are currently being developed with project completion anticipated by Spring 2021.
Coastal Signage Improvements	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve	60			60		60	Phases 1 and 2 (Consolidation / Rationalisation and Digital Beach Signs) are currently in progress. A further tendering exercise will take place early November. Once a supplier has been commissioned there is estimated 12 week lead time. Internal construction works for the selected locations are being prepared. Phases 3-5 (Beach Safety, Waymarking & Directional and Heritage and Interpretaion) are currently being modelled.
Open Space access control measures	Mark Wilde	Capital Investment Reserve	15			15	4	11	This scheme was completed within budget in September 2020 for the Blackpool Road North Paying Fields and Ramsgate Road, St Annes sites.
Coastal Explorers	Mark Wilde	Capital Investment Reserve	20			20		20	The Big Lottery 'Reaching Communities' Fund and all other funding applications have been paused due to covid restrictions. The development of a bid for the second phase of the project entitled 'Sightlines & Shorelines' (formerly Coastal Explorers) is continuing with capital expenditure forecast to require re-phasing into 2021/22 in order to align with the reopening of the fund, expected to be in winter 2020.
Fylde Sand Dunes Improvement Scheme	Mark Wilde	S106 Developer Contributions / Specific Grants	0	46		46		46	The first phase of the scheme to regrade the dunes opposte the Persimmon Homes development has now been completed. The second and third phases of the scheme will be completed during winter 2020/21.
Improvements to Children's Play Areas	Mark Wilde	Capital Investment Reserve	50			50		50	The scheme has now commenced and will be completed by March 2021. Preparations for a November/ December 2020 tendering exercise have begun and officers are currently developing a contract specification. Works are expected to start in January 2021, subject to contractor availability.
Blackpool Road North Playing Fields Drainage	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve	105			105		105	The project is to be re-tendered in November 2020 and a draw-down report will be presented to committee in January 2021. Works are expected to start in either March or after the football season finishes, subject to negotiation with the local football club. This may result in part or all of the funding needing to be re-phased into 2021/22.
Sub total	1		3,007	48	0	3,055	518	2,537	

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OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE			2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	
Replacement Vehicles	Kathy Winstanley	Borrowing	562	251		813	458	355	A number of operational vehicles of a bespoke specification and with long build times have been commissioned but were not delivered to the Council by the end of 19/20. Slippage has been approved of £251k in this regard and the vehicles have now been received. The covid restrictions have caused delays with vehicles due to the closure of vehicle and body builders and staff being on furlough at these companies. The build times are increased for current and future vehicles/plant and any re-profiling will be reflected in future updates of the financial forecast.
Car Park Improvements	Darren Bell	No external finance - funded by borrowing / general asset disposal receipts	60			60		60	A scheme for the improvement of the interface between Stanner Bank car park and Inner Promenade is being developed with the intention to commence the works in early 2021.
Public Transport Improvements	Darren Bell	S106 Developer Contributions	48	60		108		108	This scheme relates to developer contributions (s106) funding that is paid to Lancashire County Council (LCC). The funding will contribute to the delivery of improved public transport services where an enhanced public transport requirement is identified as a result of increased housing development. These payments may be made over a period of several years and in this instance the s106 agreement allows for payments to be made up until 2028. Slippage of of £60k has been approved in order that the full amount may be paid to LCC in later years at the appropriate point in time.
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Protection Scheme	Darren Bell	Specific Government Grant (Environment Agency) / Capital Investment Reserve		461		461		461	The whole £22.1m Scheme has been completed and opened up to the public 5 months early and under budget (Completion certified on 19/06/20 against contract Completion Date of 17/12/20). The vast majority of user feedback has been very positive.
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Public Realm Works	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve		280		280	212	68	The Church Scar public realm works were completed on the 31st March 2020 and were opened to the public on May 14th 2020. The Fairhaven public realm works and the remodelling of the entrance to Stanner Bank Car Park have been delayed due to covid restrictions. The site works are scheduled to be completed by Nov 2020.
Accommodation/ facilities at Snowdon Road Depot - Welfare Improvements	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve	343			343	1	342	Project details are being finalised and the scheme will be put out to tender shortly. It is expected that a draw-down report will be presented to committee in late 2020 with the works scheduled to start 2021.
Toilet facilities and perimeter fencing at the Splash Park facility	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve		185		185	93	92	Due to covid restrictions the construction of the base and connection to utilities had to be delayed ,as was the erection of the perimeter fencing. The public toilets are now complete and the fencing is due to be installed Autmun 2020.
Stanner Bank car park - barrier scheme	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve		50		50		50	The barrier has been installed within the budget and has been operational since September 2020.
Charging Infrastructure for Electric Taxis	Darren Bell	Specific Government Grant	150			150		150	Contractors are currently liaising with Electricity Northwest regarding technical issues for each site. Timescales have been delayed by covid restrictions but the current revised timescale anticipates full project completion by January 2021.
Pleasant Street Car Park Toilet Refurbishment	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve	82			82		82	This project was delayed due to covid restrictions then, by the time the contractor was ready to start on site, the closure of the public toilets would have occurred over the summer period. The Council have requested the contractor to delay the start of these works until September 2020.
Outdoor Digital Signage	Mark Evans	Capital Investment Reserve	32			32		32	The outdoor digital signage proposal has been referred to the Town Centres Working Group in order to consider alternative siting proposals that will be more suitable in the conservation area location in which they are proposed. Various options are currently being examined and it is expected that the projects will be delivered within this financial year.
Sub tot	al		1,277	1,287	0	2,564	764	1,800	

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APPROVED SCHEMES		Financing Source	Approved Budget 2020/21 £000	Slippage B/F from 2019/20 £000	Adjustments from 05/03/20 £000	Updated Budget 2020/21 £000	Expenditure to 30/09/20	Variance	Comments
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE			£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	
Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG) Programme	Mark Evans	Specific Grant (Better Care Fund) / External Contributions / Grant repayments	1,130			1,130	371	759	Following earlier delays in activity due to covid restrictions the grant programme is now progressing as normal and all of the available funding is expected to be fully committed by the end of the financial year.
Housing Needs Grant	Mark Evans	DFG Grant Repayments			6	6		6	Housing Needs grant awards are dependent on the repayments received by the sale of properties where DFG grant has previously been provided. The funding to be used where professional services been provided, such as architectural fees, but the DFG grant has not gone ahead in 2020/21. Funding used in previous years for community information events such as 'heat and eat', however due to current covid restrictions unlikely such events can be arranged at present.
CCTV Replacement Schemes	Kathy Winstanley	Specific Grant (LSP Performance Reward Grant)		27		27		27	Discussions have taken place with St Anne's Town Council, regarding upgrading the analogue cameras in the town centre to IP cameras. Currently, as the cameras in St Anne's are still in good working order, this is not a priority in 2020/21 and therefore the monies on the capital programme will need to be rolled over to 2021/22. The upgrade of the cameras in Kirkham town centre, would also be considered at the same time.
Cemetery and Crematorium - Infrastructure Phase 3a	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve		102		102		102	This project is now is now 90% complete with some cross over works from phase 3b. Both phases have the same expected completion date of October 2020.
Cemetery and Crematorium - Infrastructure Phase 3b	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve	194			194	110	84	This project is now is now 90% complete with cross over works from phase 3a. Both phases have the same completion date of October 2020. Additional landscaping, surfacing and drainage works, funded through project savings, may push completion into November 2020.
Hydration Points	Darren Bell	Capital Investment Reserve	30			30		30	As the hydration points could not be installed before summer 2020 due to covid restrictions the project has been delayed so that a draw-down report will be presented to the commitee in November 2020. Installation will now be carried out March 2021 so that the units are in place for summer 2021.
Fylde Affordable Housing Delivery Programme	Mark Evans	S106 Developer Contributions			60	60		60	This funding had been allocated to deliver an affordable housing survey which requires community engagement that cannot be carried out within the current social distancing restrictions that must be observed. As a result the project has been delayed. It is currently anticipated that the survey will be able to take place in Spring 2021, but this will be dependant upon Covid 19 guidance in place at that time.
Sub tota	al		1,354	129	66	1,549	481	1,068	

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PLANNING COMMITTEE			1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	
St Annes Regeneration Schemes	Mark Evans	S106 Developer Contributions / Capital Investment Reserve	80	117		197		197	The funding is specifically aimed at delivering the Wood Street (Phase 3) Scheme. Works commenced but were suspended due to the covid situation. At the appropriate time work will re-commence with completion scheduled during 2020/21. Slippage in the sum of £117k has been approved to provide for those works in 2020/21. Any residual amounts unspent will be directed towards the implementation of the next phase of the regeneration scheme.
St Annes Road West – Square to Pier link and Gateway	Mark Evans	Capital Investment Reserve	110			110		110	This project was referred back to the Planning Committee by the Finance and Democracy Committee. Accordingly the scheme is being redesigned and so will not be delivered in line with the originally anticiapated time frames. It is still expected that the scheme will be completed by Easter 2021, but this will depend on a number of external factors.
Lytham Regeneration Schemes	Mark Evans	S106 Developer Contributions / Capital Investment Reserve	300	400		700		700	Work has commenced on the redesign and re-planning of the public realm of Lytham Centre. The capital works are expected to commence in 2020/21.
Kirkham Public Realm Improvements	Mark Evans	S106 Developer Contributions / Capital Investment Reserve		5		5		5	This is a residual amount from the last phase of regeneration works allocated for signage which will now be delivered in 2020/21.
M55 Link Road	Mark Evans	S106 Developer Contributions / M55 Link Road Reserve	1,000	83		1,083		1,083	The accelerated delivery of the M55 Link Road is subject to a funding package made up from a number of sources. Due to issues with securing a commitment to the project from all partners, it has not been possible to progress the road project to date. Negotiations are continuing in order to secure funding and allow the project to move forward.
Ansdell / Fairhaven - Public Realm Scheme	Mark Evans	Capital Investment Reserve		10		10		10	The Woodlands Road scheme has been phased over several years. The latest phase is not yet complete including the completion of the street lighting. An amount outstanding will be due to Lancashire County Council which is acting as the main contractor.
St Annes Pier - Coastal Revival Fund	Mark Evans	Specific Grant		5		5		5	This scheme is funded by a specific grant from MHCLG for which Fylde Council is acting as the accountable body.
Kirkham and Wesham Station	Mark Evans	S106 Developer Contributions		15		15		15	This funding was identified to allow a feasability study to be carried out which would examine the alternative proposal: available to deliver off street parking at Kirkham and Wesham Station. This has been delayed as a result of changes to the rail franchise operating on the Preston-Blackpool Line, but the project is now progressing.
Future High Street Fund: Kirkham	Mark Evans	Specific Grant	75	25		100	65	35	This is a government-funded scheme with delivery phased over a number of years. Funding is being utilised on a staged basis in connection with consultant requirements to deliver the detailed business case.
Wesham Community Centre	Mark Evans	Capital Investment Reserve / S106 Developer Contributions / Specific Grant	119			119		119	This scheme was programmed to commence in early October 2020, Whilst preliminary ground works have commenced a national shortage of building materials means that there is now a 6 - 8 week lead in for delivery of some of the required materials. Work is expected to recommence in the New Year and the project should be completed during the current year.
Elswick Village Green	Mark Evans	Capital Investment Reserve / S106 Developer Contributions / Specific Grant	115			115		115	Elswick PC are leading this proposal and have faced a number of challenges in delivering the project in line with the originally agreed programme. To avoid carrying out significant groundworks over the winter period, works are now intended to commence in Spring 2021. Progress of the project will continue to be monitored.
Kirkham Heritage Action Zone	Mark Evans	Capital Investment Reserve / S106 Developer Contributions / Specific Grant	1,145			1,145		1,145	This is a 4 year programme with spending being spread across the programme period. Delays of approx 6 months have resulted from the Coronavirus pandemic and officers are currently working with Historical Engalnd to agree a reprofiling of the spend Once agreed this will be reported to members.
Sub total			2,944	660	0	3,604	65	3,539	
Total Expenditure	•		8,582	2,129	118	10,829	1,880	8,949	

UPDATED 5 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21 TO 2024/25 - BY SCHEME

		Estimate 2020/21 £000	Estimate 2021/22 £000	Estimate 2022/23 £000	Estimate 2023/24 £000	Estimate 2024/25 £000
FINANCE & DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE			2000	2000	2000	
Purchase of Land Adjacent to Squires Gate Station		5				
Lytham Hall Driveway		52				
	Sub total	57	0	0	0	0
TOURISM & LEISURE COMMITTEE						
Fairhaven Lake & Promenade Gardens Restoration		2,099	125			
Fairhaven Adventure Golf		491				
Promenade Footways		75	40	40	40	40
Staining Playing Fields Development Scheme		94				
Coastal Signage Improvements		60				
Open Space access control measures		15				
Coastal Explorers		20				
Fylde Sand Dunes Improvement Scheme		46				
Improvements to Children's Play Areas		50				
Blackpool Road North Playing Fields drainage		105				
	Sub total	3,055	165	40	40	40
OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE						
Replacement Vehicles		813	119	306	971	791
Car Park Improvements		60	30	30	30	30
Public Transport Improvements		108	48	30		
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Protection Scheme		461				
Fairhaven and Church Scar Coast Public Realm Works		280				
Accommodation/ facilities at Snowdon Rd Depot - Welfare Improvement	nts	343				
North Beach Car Park: Development of Toilet Facilities		185				
Stanner Bank car park - barrier scheme		50				
Charging Infrastructure for Electric Taxis		150				
Pleasant Street Car Park Toilet Refurbishment		82				
Outdoor Digital Signage		32				
	Sub total	2,564	197	366	1,001	821
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE						
Disabled Facilities Programme		1,130	1,130	1,130	1,130	1,130
Housing Needs Grant		6				
Rapid Deployment CCTV Replacement Projects		27				
Cemetery and Crematorium - Infrastructure Works Phase 3a		102				
Cemetery and Crematorium - Infrastructure Phase 3b		194				
Hydration points		30	30			
Fylde Affordable Housing Delivery Programme	_	60				
	Sub total	1,549	1,160	1,130	1,130	1,130
PLANNING COMMITTEE St Annes Regeneration Schemes		197				
St Annes Road West – Square to Pier link and Gateway		110				
Lytham Regeneration Schemes		700	100			
		5	100			
Kirkham Public Realm Improvements						
M55 Link Road - S106 monies for design work		1,083				
Ansdell / Fairhaven - Public Realm scheme		10				
St Annes Pier - Coastal Revival Fund		5				
Kirkham and Wesham Station		15				
Future High Street Fund: Kirkham		100				
Wesham Community Centre		119				
Elswick Village Green		115				
Kirkham Heritage Action Zone	Sub total	1,145 3,604	1,530 1,630	0	115 115	0
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10	tal Expenditure	10,829	3,152	1,536	2,286	1,991

UPDATED 5 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020/21 TO 2024/25 - FINANCING

	Estimate 2020/21 £000	Estimate 2021/22 £000	Estimate 2022/23 £000	Estimate 2023/24 £000	Estimate 2024/25 £000
FINANCING:					
Capital Receipts - General Asset Sales	90	45	45	45	45
Capital Receipts - Right to Buy Receipts	50	25	25	25	25
Better Care Fund / Disabled Facilities Grant	1,090	1,090	1,090	1,090	1,090
Disabled Facilities Grant Repayments - 'Housing Needs Grants'	6				
Section 106 Monies - St Annes	147				
Section 106 Monies - Lytham	130				
Section 106 Monies - M55 Link-Road	83				
Section 106 Monies - Public Transport Improvements	108	48	30		
Section 106 Monies - Kirkham and Wesham Station	15				
Section 106 Monies - Fylde Sand Dunes Improvement Scheme	19				
Section 106 Monies - Wesham Community Centre	45				
Section 106 Monies - Elswick Village Green	35	05	0	445	
Section 106 Monies - Kirkham Heritage Action Zone	260	85	0	115	
Section 106 Monies - Fylde Affordable Housing Delivery Programme Capital Investment Reserve		100			
•	2,344 799	100			
Capital Investment Reserve - <i>Budget Council March 2020</i> Capital Investment Reserve - Underwriting max £343k - Fairhaven	251	80			
M55 Link-Road Reserve	1,000				
Funding Volatility Reserve - Fairhaven Restoration Project	400				
Other External Finance (see analysis below)	3,090	1,560	40	40	40
Direct Revenue Finance	3,050	1,500	40	40	-0
Prudential Borrowing	807	119	306	971	791
Total Financing	10,829	3,152	1,536	2,286	1,991
Cumulative surplus (-) / shortfall See note below for external funding available to finance the above so	0 :hemes:	0	0	0	0
Other External Finance: Analysis					
LSP Performance Reward Grant	27				
Environment Agency - Fairhaven and Church Scar	494				
Coastal Revival Fund - St Annes Pier	5 100				
Central Governement Grant - Future High Street Fund: Kirkham Staining Parish Council	100				
John Lees Charitable Trust	30				
New Fylde Housing - DFG Contribution	40	40	40	40	40
Lancashire Environmental Fund - Fylde Sand Dunes Imp't Scheme	27				
Heritage Lottery Fund - Fairhaven Restoration Project	1,100	125			
Sport England - Fairhaven Restoration Project - confirmed	100				
United Utilities - Fairhaven Restoration Project	60				
Lytham Schools Foundation - Fairhaven Restoration Project	15				
Café Tenant Contribution	15				
RSPB - Fairhaven Restoration Project	8				
Lancashire Environmental Fund - Fairhaven Restoration Project	30				
Central Government - Charging Infrastructure for Electric Taxis	150				
Wesham Town Council	24				
Elswick Parich Council	10				
Kirkham Town Council	150				
External Grants - Lancs Env Fund	30				
External Grants - Pocket Parks	15	4 205			
External Grants - Historic England	279	1,395			
External Grants - Parks Improvements Private Sector / Other	12				
Private Sector / Other	356 3,090	1,560	40	40	40
	3,090	1,000	40	40	40