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Capital Investment Programme

Adults Social Care £1.9 million - BCP plans to invest £1.9 million this year in integrated community care equipment to further promote independent living at home. This is an annual commitment funded from government grant.

The Service is currently working on plans to deliver the Extra Care Housing Strategy.

Children's Services £4.9 million - Hillbourne School had a planned budget spend of £0.87 million in the current year and of that, actual spend of £0.4 million has been incurred on new school buildings and immediate external environments. Scheme is still in progress and is scheduled to complete July 2024.

As part of the Council's strategy to address growth and associated financial pressure in the High Needs Block, work is underway to implement a programme of expansion of specialist school places across the conurbation which will help provide local access to cost effective places and a reduction in the Council's reliance on costly independent placements. As part of this strategy the Service is underway to deliver places for young people with an Education Health and Care Plan at Throop Learning Centre. The scheme forms part of the SEND Programme of Expansion. In addition, it is planned that Broadstone Middle School run by the Castleman Academy Trust will expand the existing resource base to provide an additional eight resource base places for children with autism spectrum condition (ASC). The proposal is for the expansion of the existing resource base known locally as The Link, from 15 places to 23 places from September 2022.

Avonbourne School - In line with the amended budget of £500k approved by Cabinet in December 2021 and working in partnership with the Council, United Learning Trust has developed a scheme to provide a total of 150 places over three years achieved through extensive remodelling of existing school accommodation. Following a spatial assessment by an external consultant, the scheme will provide sufficient general and specialist teaching spaces and student and staff WCs. Three bulge classes will have been planned for by September 2022 and a further two are planned for September 2023.

Highways £17.1 million - This includes £15.7 million planned spend on integrated transport and structural capital maintenance, challenge fund interventions and active travel highway improvements. This spend is funded predominantly from DfT capital grant (Local Transport Plan, Pothole Grant, Challenge Fund and Active Travel Fund).

Of the above, £0.7 million of LTP / Pothole Grant funding together with £1 million borrowing is allocated to Neighbourhood Services operations for highways improvements undertaken across the conurbation.

A further £1.4 million spend is planned on transportation projects that have benefited in prior years from Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership (DLEP) pipeline grant funding and are now utilising an element of approved BCP LTP funding to complete. The primary scheme amongst these is the Ferndown-Wallisdown-Poole corridor of which £1.2 million is profiled this year for delivery of phase 2. A further phase is planned but this is yet to be programmed.

Highways TCF £36.9 million – The Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) Programme benefits from £79.3 million of Department for Transport (DfT) TCF grant funding. The council liaises closely with DfT on programme delivery and the profile of planned spend. A total of £21.4 million of this grant has already been utilised in prior years in delivering key elements of this programme. The remainder will be spent across 2022/23 and 2023/24.

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To date, in the current financial year, full business cases for the SED TCF have been approved (in line with TCF Programme Board governance framework) and construction has commenced/completed for interventions at Magna Road (S6-1), Ringwood Road (Longham Minis to Church Road) (S5-9) and Wimborne Road in Dorset (S5-12 and S5-14.) At Wimborne Road in Poole (C5-1) construction re-commenced in September 22 after the summer break. Whitelegg Way (S6-3), Leigh Road (S5-12), Kings Park (C1-2) and Rigler Road (C3-2) have been completed. Planning permission has now been received for two new pedestrian and cycle bridges for Glenferness Avenue (C2-3.) This is a key milestone in terms of the C2-3 programme and allows for more certainty around the programme which is linked to the Network Rail possessions planned in November 2023. Meetings have taken place with the Portfolio Holder and relevant Ward Members, including further engagement during Q2 with the Bus Operator ahead of the Public Information Event for Northbourne/Redhill Roundabouts and Castle Lane West (S6-2, S6-4 and C2-5), that is scheduled for Q3. Two schemes (Ringwood Road and Glenferness Ave) have been presented to the BCP EqIA Panel, with positive outcomes in both cases.

The Construction programme and costs continue to be challenging particularly due to the ongoing significant number of national/global issues which are out of BCPs control. These include the impact of Covid, inflation, the conflict in the Ukraine and the rising costs of materials, energy and fuel. The programme has continued whilst we manage the challenges with the Department of Transport. The number of final business cases planned to be brought forward for SED TCF Programme Board approval during the remainder of the financial year is 4.

Coastal protection £6.3 million – Delivered in partnership with the Environment Agency this year's forecasted expenditure includes £3.8 million investment for continued work on the Poole Bay beach management programme and £1.25 million to progress Poole Bridge to Hunger Hill (PB2HH).

Regeneration £2.7 million – Includes £0.7 million budget for completion of phases one and two of the Lansdowne Business District public realm programme funded by BCP unapplied developer contributions. (Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership (DLEP) grant for this scheme was fully utilised in previous years.) No further funding has yet been approved for completion of phases 3 and 4.

£0.8 million is the remaining profiled spend for the relocation of the Skills & Learning Service from Oakdale to the Dolphin Centre.

£0.3 million is anticipated to be spent on the BIC Medium Term Refurbishment Plan this year which will include upgrading digital infrastructure. The remaining investment (£1.5 million) is now planned for 2023/2024.

Major Development £18.1 million – This includes £12.2 million spend this year for Carter's Quay which is a Build to Rent (BTR) residential scheme by the Council earmarked to provide 161 new homes and ancillary ground floor residential amenity and commercial space. A further £23.8 million spend is planned over 2023 – 2025. This is being fully funded by prudential borrowing.

In November 2021 £5.9 million was approved for the Smart Places Gigabit Fibre Scheme (funded through borrowing via BCP Future Fund). Of this £0.2 million is planned to be spent this financial year with £5.7 million across 2023-2025.

Council approved a £2.6 million allocation from the Future Fund for investment in Pokesdown Railway Station – a joint project with Network Rail/South Western Railway who are currently working on design. The main construction works are profiled for 2024/25. £0.2 million spend expected this year.

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£1.6 million this year is to progress the Highways infrastructure works at Wessex fields. Further funding (Futures Fund borrowing) for works which will fall in 2023/2024 was approved by Cabinet and is being recommended to Council on 8 November.

Other major projects currently being developed include Town Fund schemes supporting the regeneration of Boscombe, and Poole Civic Centre and Christchurch Civic Offices. The latter two are being progressed by BCP FuturePlaces the wholly owned council company set up to drive placemaking regeneration and property market transformation in support of the aspirations set out in the Council's Big Plan.

Destination & culture £8.6 million – including capital spend at Upton Country Park, Russell Cotes and Poole Museums, Rossmore Leisure Centre and the seafront programme.

Due to inflationary pressures in the market the Service is in the process of revising business cases to try and secure additional funding to deliver the projects. There is a plan to present the following capital projects again to Cabinet for approval in the future:

- Canford Cliffs Pavilion – current budget approved for delivery of scheme is £1.1 million. This has been reprofiled into 2023/24 until a revised business case is developed. There has been no actual spend incurred to date in 2022/23 (2021/22: nil).
- New Beach Huts – £3.1 million available capital budget approved to deliver scheme. This has been reprofiled into 2023/24 until a revised business case is developed. There has been no actual spend incurred to date in 2022/23 (2021/22: nil).
- Bistro Redevelopment - £6.1 million approved capital budget has been reprofiled into 2023/24 until a revised business case is developed. Up to date actual spend on the project for 2022/23 has been £0.133 million (2021/22: £0.5 million)
- Mudeford CAFÉ £0.96 million has been reprofiled into 2023/24. No actual spend has been incurred in the current year as the Service is currently waiting on a planning decision for development of the site. Planning decision expected in November 2022.

Durley Chine Environment Hub - £1.8 million capital budget approved for 2022-26. Project is funded through Coastal Communities Fund grant. £1.5m actual spend incurred in 2021/22 and £0.38 million spent to date in the current year (22/23). Expectations are that the site will be up and running in the Autumn with a public launch Easter 2023. There currently is a funding gap of £0.4 million which the Service is looking to address.

The 2022/23 cultural programme includes £3.3 million profiled spend on Heritage fund schemes - Upton Country Park (UCP), Highcliffe Castle and Poole Museum projects. UCP and Poole Museum schemes are programmed to complete delivery in future years. Also within the cultural programme is the decarbonisation works at the Poole Museum which benefits from significant Salix grant funding. The remaining £1 million on this project is being spent this year.

Housing £19.8 million – The council approved its Council Newbuild Housing & Acquisition Strategy (CNHAS) in November 2021. £14.2 million investment is planned spend under CNHAS this year.

Work has begun on the delivery of private rented sector accommodation and a new hostel at Princess Road. £0.3 million is planned spend for this year with a further £13.6 million to be spent across 2023-2025 to complete the programme. Given the wider financial landscape particularly material inflation and interest rate increases, schemes are being reviewed to ensure still affordable before commencing with an acquisition.

The council continues to invest in its ongoing Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) programme. Forecasted spend for this year is £4 million funded by government grant allocation.

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Estates £2.2 million – this represents profiled spend on hard facilities management across the authority and includes investment in the maintenance of BH Live assets funded from council reserves and investment across the wider civic estate part funded from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) Salix grant. All Salix funded projects are time limited and must deliver target cost/carbon savings. Up to £1.2 million Salix funding is underwritten by the Green Futures Fund should this be required. Salix have now validated the council's submission of eligible spend and the projects are nearing completion.

Environment £13.3 million – this includes £9.9 million profiled spend this year on fleet operations and management in line with the Sustainable Fleet Management Strategy approved by Council in September 2021. This programme is fully funded by prudential borrowing.

£0.5 million is planned spend on the council's Cleaner Greener Safer programme, which supports the Council's 2030 carbon neutral declaration and is consistent with its Sustainable Fleet Management Strategy and Fleet Replacement Programme.

Around £2.4 million is profiled to be spent on various projects as part of the council's investment in its Parks and Open Space management.

Resources £5.5 million – £2.8 million is currently scheduled to be spent this year to complete part of the council's accommodation strategy facilitating the move to the new civic offices in Bournemouth. An additional £1.3 million relating to the Coroners Service and Bournemouth Customer Services has been reprofiled into 2023/24.

As part of the transformation programme £1 million is due to be spent this year to maintain and improve agile working arrangements and to continue investment in backup and security, and data management. This is in addition to the £0.6 million planned investment in the annual ICT investment plan. £0.7 million relates to planned spend on the Bournemouth and Poole Crematorium refurbishment projects.