

**General Fund Capital Investment Programme (CIP) budget position by service area  
end of March 2025.**

**Capital budget Virements:**

- In accordance with the council's financial regulations the following rules associated with capital virements apply (after advice from the Chief Finance Officer):
  - Virements over £1 million require prior Council approval.
  - Virements over £500,000 and up to £1 million require prior Cabinet approval.
  - Corporate Directors can approve virements over £100,000 up to £500,000.
  - Service Directors can approve virements up to £100,000.
- According to the above financial regulations, the following decision for changes within the capital programme greater than £500,000 are required by **Cabinet**:

**Bus Services Improvement Plans (BSIP) - movement between schemes of £0.9m**

**It is recommended that Cabinet reallocate the underspend in the scheme for High Street and Bargates Christchurch (£490,000), and to defer the Poole College bus lane project (£375,000). The released funding from both schemes of £865,000 to be used to increase funding for the Bournemouth Station to Town Centre bus priority scheme.**

Significant improvement works have been delivered using BSIP funding to upgrade the main bus stops in Christchurch High Street and at Bargates. These include widened footways with accessible boarding kerbs provided at the stops. New bus shelters with real time information and CCTV have also been installed. The works have now been completed as planned and an underspend of £490,000 remains available. It is therefore the intention to vire this to the Bournemouth Station to Town Centre bus priority scheme as this enters the delivery stage.

In addition, the BSIP delivery plan approved by Cabinet in March 2025 included a bus priority scheme for Poole Civic Centre. Following consideration by the Enhanced Partnership Board, it has been agreed to defer this scheme and reallocate the £375,000 budget to the Bournemouth Station to Town Centre Bus Priority scheme.

The table below shows the impact of the virement on the related schemes:

	25/26 current budget	5 March Cabinet approval	Proposed virement July '25	25/26 revised budget
	£	£	£	£
BSIP High street and Bargates Christchurch	670,100		(490,000)	180,100
BSIP Bmth station to Town centre bus priority	2,636,600		865,000	3,501,600
Poole College bus lane		375,000	(375,000)	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,306,700</b>	<b>375,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,681,700</b>

Capital investment Programme Summary

- 3. The tables below show the summary position for capital investment programme (CIP) in the general fund as of 31 March 2025.
- 4. The main changes between the original CIP and the final budget are a net result of reprofiled slippage from 2023/24, further reprofiling into 2025/26, new schemes introduced during 2024/25 and some schemes being removed from the capital programme because new business cases are being considered, or they are no longer viable in the current climate.
- 5. A detailed list of each scheme with the financial position as at end of March 2025 can be found in Appendix C2.
- 6. Summary budget movements are shown in table 1 below with the detail by directorate included in table 2. How the programme is funded is included in table 3 followed by narrative detail.

Table 1 – Summary of budget movement

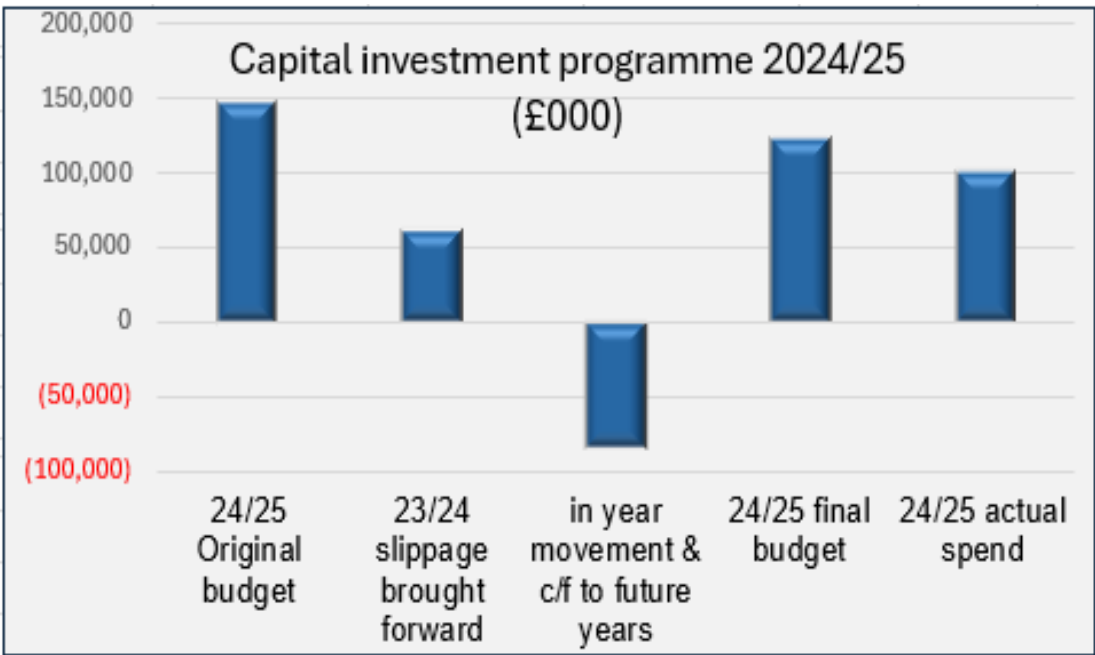


Table 2 – Summary movement and final position by Directorate

Capital Investment Programme 24/25 Monitoring	24/25 Original budget £000	23/24 slippage brought forward £000	in year movement & c/f to future years £000	24/25 Final budget £000	Actual 24/25 £000	% budget consumed
<b>Operations</b>						
Commercial Operations	47,207	2,740	(31,625)	18,322	16,730	91%
Investment and Development	47,321	5,220	(10,039)	42,502	36,368	86%
Customer Arts and Property	30,918	17,427	(14,912)	33,433	27,017	81%
Planning and Transport	9,650	2,701	(7,349)	5,002	1,804	36%
Environment	8,073	11,596	(9,358)	10,311	8,121	79%
Operations Strategy	0	130	533	663	635	96%
	143,169	39,814	(72,750)	110,233	90,675	82%
<b>Children Services</b>						
Education and Skills	800	19,015	(11,098)	8,717	5,131	59%
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<b>Wellbeing</b>						
Housing and Community	1,424	2,453	(1,374)	2,503	3,392	136%
Adults Commissioning	2,172	0	575	2,747	2,654	97%
	3,596	2,453	(799)	5,250	6,046	115%
<b>Executive</b>						
IT and Programmes	682	509	(629)	562	775	138%
Marketing Comms & Policy	0	26	0	26	25	96%
Finance	0	582	(582)	0	0	
	682	1,117	(1,211)	588	800	136%
	148,247	62,399	(85,858)	124,788	102,652	82%

Table 3 – Capital Investment programme funding profile

Capital Investment Programme Funding	24/25 Original budget £000	23/24 slippage brought forward £000	in year movement & c/f into future years £000	24/25 Final budget £000	Actual 24/25 £000	% budget consumed
Prudential Borrowing	(64,985)	(10,850)	27,671	(48,164)	(41,389)	86%
Capital Receipts (General Fund)	(667)	0	644	(23)	0	0%
Reserve Funding (general fund Capital)	(618)	(148)	557	(209)	(59)	28%
Reserve Funding (General fund revenue)	(518)	(574)	351	(741)	(670)	90%
RCCO	(25)	(30)	(17)	(72)	(71)	99%
<b>BCP Funding Requirement</b>	<b>(66,813)</b>	<b>(11,602)</b>	<b>29,206</b>	<b>(49,209)</b>	<b>(42,189)</b>	<b>86%</b>
S106	0	(1,629)	136	(1,493)	(824)	55%
CIL	(1,558)	(2,636)	1,650	(2,544)	(2,085)	82%
Non-government grants	0	(3,056)	512	(2,544)	(1,904)	75%
Government Grants	(77,143)	(44,581)	54,395	(67,329)	(54,932)	82%
Third party contributions	(2,733)	1,105	(41)	(1,669)	(718)	43%
<b>External Funding Contributions</b>	<b>(81,434)</b>	<b>(50,797)</b>	<b>56,652</b>	<b>(75,579)</b>	<b>(60,463)</b>	<b>80%</b>
	(148,247)	(62,399)	85,858	(124,788)	(102,652)	82%

**OPERATIONS (£110.2m)****Commercial Operations - £18.3m**

7. The Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management (FCERM) had a planned programme for 2024/25 of £11.3m funded from Environment Agency grant. Of this, £10.9m (96%) was spent during the year. The balance has been reprofiled to 2025/26.
8. Seafront Development of which £19.1m is funded from the Seafront Levelling Up Infrastructure Fund (MHCLG grant) and a community infrastructure levy (CIL) contribution of £0.2m. £3.1m was spent on the programme during 24/25, there is further £15.9m levelling up fund (LUF) remaining profiled for 25/26 which is due to the usual weighting of contractual payments towards the end of the programme.
9. For the remaining non-grant funded projects, the 2024/25 profiled budget was £3.7m. This was 72% spent, the main slippage was in the Canford Cliffs Pavilion, 3G artificial pitch Rossmore leisure centre and Upton House stabilisation which are being reprofiled to 2025/26.

**Investment & Development - £42.5m (excluding HRA)**

10. The total Towns Fund (MHCLG grant) is £21.7m of which £7.1m has been utilised up to March 2025 with £14.6m remaining for the next two years. The grant allocation of £7.7m earmarked for Hawkwood Road residential development will be spent within the HRA. The grant needs to be contractually committed in full by the end of March 2026 with £2.4m spent in year of which £0.5m relates to revenue.
11. Council New build Housing and Acquisition Strategy (CNHAS) Acquisitions - £31.7m has been spent in year, bringing the total spend to £71.2m. A total of 275 units have been purchased overall.
12. Wessex Fields Infrastructure - £2.5m was spent in 2024/25, the new link road is nearing completion with £400,000 slippage reprofiled to 25/26.

**Customer, Arts and Property - £33.4m**

13. The South-East Dorset (SED) Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) programme is in the latter stages of delivery. Profiled spend this year is £11m. Actuals at the end of the year are £8.9m (81%). The end date for final delivery of this programme has been extended into 2025/26 as agreed by the DfT. Approximately £22m remains to be utilised during 2025/26.
14. The in-house engineering unit manages a high proportion of the Highways Asset Management, improvement and travel programme on behalf of the planning and transport directorate. A total of £15.8m was planned spend for 2024/25 of which £12.8m (81%) was spent. The programme is funded primarily by DfT Government Grants including Local Transport Plan (LTP), Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP), Highways Challenge Fund, Safer Roads Partnership and Active Travel Fund.
15. The Poole Museum programme which includes Scaplens Court as well as the main museum has £4.2m profiled expenditure in 2024/25 with £3.6m (86%) spent by the end of the financial year. Completion and re-opening are expected for the Summer of 2025. An update on the current position for this scheme is included in Appendix C3.
16. Approximately £2m for estates management and accommodation strategy was budgeted for 24/25, actual spend was £1.4m (70%)

### **Planning and Transport - £5.0m**

17. A high proportion of the Highways asset management, improvement and sustainable travel programme is briefed by the Planning and Transport capital programme management acting as client to the inhouse Engineering Unit within the Customer Arts and Property Directorate.
18. Within the Planning and Transport service direct reporting sits £5m planned spend in 2024/25 of which £1.8m (36%) was spent during the year for sustainable travel and transport improvements. The programme is mainly funded by grants which have been reprofiled to 25/26.

### **Environment - £10.3m**

19. Of the £10.3m expected spend in 2024/25 £8.1m (79%) was spent by the end of the financial year.
20. The capital programme for this area covers green spaces and conservation, sustainable waste and recycling and fleet, fleet being the largest scheme in this service, with £5.8m expenditure in-year.
21. Whilst the fleet was fully funded from borrowing, green spaces and conservation are mainly funded from Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106 contributions. Waste and recycling are mainly funded from grant.

### **WELLBEING (£5.3m)**

#### **Adults Commissioning £2.7 m**

22. The majority of spend within this programme relates to the Integrated Community Equipment Store (ICES) funded by the Disabled Facilities Grant 2024/25 allocation. The council continues to provide support to the community through this means from an annual allocation from the Better Care Fund pooled budget with Health. The grant was 97% spent in 24/25.

#### **Housing and Communities - £2.5m**

23. The Disabled facilities Grant usage profiled for 24/25 of £1.7m was overachieved with actual expenditure of £2.7m. The additional spend represents some catch up with backlog of property adaptations and was funded from unused prior year grant carried forward.
24. The remaining expenditure of £0.7m was incurred on CCTV systems, community related activity and tenancy services.

### **CHILDREN SERVICES (£8.7m)**

25. The 2024/25 capital programme includes investment in SEND and school condition and maintenance schemes with £5.1m spent in 2024/25 (59%). Of this, £4m was utilising the schools high needs grant, £0.4 was funded from the schools Conditions grant and the remainder utilised the child care expansion grant and allocation of the devolved formula grant to maintained schools.
26. Unspent grants were reprofiled to the new financial year. The 2025/26 capital programme was outlined in the children services capital strategy approved by Council in March 25.

**EXECUTIVE & RESOURCES (£0.6m)**

**IT and Programmes Capital - £0.6m**

27. The councils ICT investment programme spent an additional £0.4m in 2024/25. This represents the capitalisation of transformation IT equipment which was not included in the ICT investment programme.