

General Fund Capital Investment Programme (CIP) budget position by service area
Quarter 1 - end June 2026.

Capital budget Virements

1. 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.
2. According to the above financial regulations, the following decisions for changes within the capital programme are required:
3. **It is recommended that Cabinet approve the removal of £856,196 budget underspend from the Canford Heath Infant and Junior SEND provision from the capital programme and the funding is returned to the uncommitted High Needs Grant budget for use on other SEND schemes in line with the SEND reform plan.**

It is recommended that Cabinet recommend to Council to:

4. **Note the proposed Chief executive urgent decision to transfer £1.8m from the Bournemouth Pier scheme towards higher risk East cliff stabilisation works (Appendix C3). The Chief Executive to take decision post Cabinet.**
5. **Approve the capital virement of £1.5m from the Bournemouth Pier structural engineering scheme to the higher risk West cliff stabilisation works**
6. **Approve the capital virement of £1m from the Bournemouth Pier structural engineering scheme to Boscombe Pier structural engineering works.**
7. The table below sets out the schemes affected by the proposed virements. All schemes are fully funded from the local regeneration funding. The proposed reallocation of the funding reflects the emergence of higher-priority risks and the fact that currently available funding is insufficient to deliver the full Bournemouth Pier substructure restoration programme.
8. An urgent decision was required to reallocate funding to address essential infrastructure risks, secure current procurement opportunities, and reduce future repair liabilities. Approximately £5m would remain allocated to Bournemouth Pier to remove the landing stages (estimated cost currently up to £1m) and address the highest-priority substructure repairs. It is proposed that £1m will be redirected towards Boscombe Pier for repairs of main defects to listed canopy and concrete piles.
9. There remains some potential risk following further assessments and construction activities which may affect the programme of works and may require additional funding to be redirected towards the schemes above.

Table A – Proposed local regeneration fund schemes changes.

Scheme	Original allocation £000	Spend to date £000	Funding remaining £000	Proposed virement £000	Revised allocation £000	Notes
Bournemouth Pier (Structural Engineering)	9,569	311	9,258	(4,258)	5,000	
Boscombe Pier (Structural engineering)	0	0	0	1,000	1,000	For Council approval
West Cliff site stabilisation	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	For Council approval
East Cliff lift stabilisation	4,311	469	3,842	1,758	5,600	Chief Executive urgent decision Appendix C3
Other schemes	6,113	4,715	1,398	0	1,398	
	19,993	5,495	14,498	0	14,498	

Capital investment Programme Summary

10. The tables below show the summary position for capital investment programme (CIP) in the general fund as of 30 June 2026.
11. The summary budget movements are shown in table 1 with the detail by directorate included in table 2. How the programme is funded is included in table 3 followed by narrative detail.
12. The original capital investment programme agreed by Council in February 2026 was £107m, following approximately £39m slippage brought forward and £3m in year movement, the current resources to deliver the capital programme is £149m, of this £11m (8%) has been spent during quarter 1.

Table 1 – Summary of budget movement

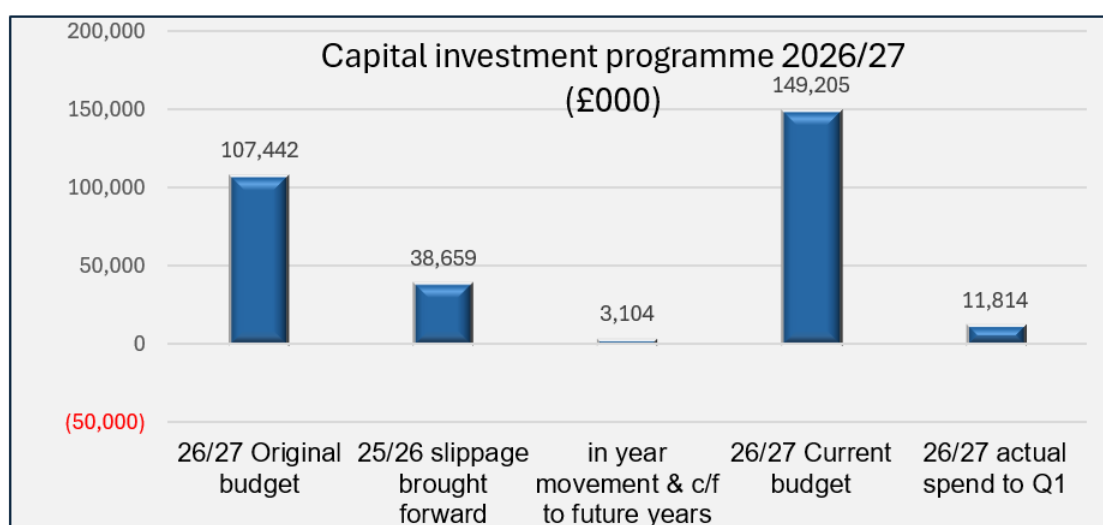


Table 2 – Summary movement and current position by Directorate

Capital Investment Programme 26/27 Monitoring	26/27 Original budget £000	25/26 slippage brought forward £000	in year movement & c/f to future years £000	26/27 Current budget £000	Actual 26/27 £000	Budget remaining £000	% budget consumed
Operations							
Commercial Operations	26,964	6,255	267	33,486	736	32,750	2%
Investment and Development	3,300	3,295	(65)	6,530	375	6,155	6%
Customer Arts and Property	18,333	9,862	7,259	35,454	4,698	30,756	13%
Planning and Transport	18,653	6,028	(8,360)	16,321	398	15,923	2%
Environment	18,923	9,415	(261)	28,077	1,270	26,807	5%
	86,173	34,855	(1,160)	119,868	7,477	112,391	6%
Children Services							
Education and Skills	14,414	2,958	2,590	19,962	254	19,708	1%
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Wellbeing							
Housing and Community	1,775	565	0	2,340	752	1,588	32%
Adults Commissioning	2,672	186	0	2,858	1,113	1,745	39%
	4,447	751	0	5,198	1,865	3,333	36%
Executive							
IT and Programmes	2,408	95	0	2,503	544	1,959	22%
Finance	0	0	1,674	1,674	1,674	0	
	2,408	95	1,674	4,177	2,218	1,959	53%
	107,442	38,659	3,104	149,205	11,814	137,391	8%

Table 3 – Capital Investment programme funding profile

Capital Investment Programme Funding	26/27 Original budget £000	25/26 slippage brought forward £000	in year movement & c/f into future years £000	26/27 Current budget £000
Prudential Borrowing	(15,960)	(9,406)	(504)	(25,870)
Capital Receipts (General Fund	0	(167)	(1,591)	(1,758)
Reserve Funding (general fund	0	0	0	0
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RCCO	0	0	0	0
BCP Funding Requirement	(17,251)	(10,726)	(2,167)	(30,144)
S106	(648)	(609)	(19)	(1,276)
CIL	(13,416)	(2,728)	1,800	(14,344)
Non-government grants	(1,353)	(512)	0	(1,865)
Government Grants	(74,267)	(23,792)	(2,569)	(100,628)
Third party contributions	(507)	(292)	(149)	(948)
External Funding Contributic	(90,191)	(27,933)	(937)	(119,061)
	(107,442)	(38,659)	(3,104)	(149,205)

OPERATIONS £119.9m

Commercial Operations - £33.5m

- The Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management (FCERM) have a planned programme for 2026/27 of £21.0 million funded mainly from Environment Agency grant and Community Infrastructure Levy. The largest projects are Poole Bridge to Hunger Hill flood defence with a budget of £15.5 million and Poole Bay Beach Management with a budget of £3.45 million (including a contingency of £650,000). Other schemes include Poole Bay, Harbour and Wareham FCERM Strategy £406,000, Sterte Flood Defence Works (pumping station) £396,000 and Avon Beach to Highcliffe urgent works £349,000. Thirteen smaller schemes combined are £879,000.
- Seafront Development projects have a planned expenditure budget of £11.8 million for 2026/27 of which £9.9 million relates to projects funded from the Levelling Up Infrastructure Fund (MHCLG grant). BCP council has received confirmation of an extension to the spending deadline to March 2028. The largest project (Bournemouth Pier works) is £4.65 million in 2026/27 with further £4.65million in 2027/28, though this is insufficient to cover the full cost of the works based on the quotes received. Seafront Development are in the process of deciding the best way to proceed.
- The remaining £700,000 was allocated mainly to leisure and events but as of the of Q1 none of this budget has been spent.

Investment & Development - £6.5m (GF)

- Towns Fund 2026/27 budget £5.4 million of which £0.3 million has been spent to the end of Q1. The Community Centre demolition and build development forms the largest part of the scheme with a budget of £3.6 million currently profiled in 2026/27, of this £0.2 million has been expended in Q1. There is £1 million budget set aside in 2026/27 for the regeneration of the High Street, Shop fronts and public realm improvements, so far £24,662 has been spent through Q1. The Medical Centre scheme has £0.3 million profiled in 2026/27, this has not yet commenced. Digital Connectivity has £0.2 million budget and Local transport £0.1 million, which are expected to be utilised by the end of the year.
- The Council CNHAS acquisition programme is near completion. There is one property with an office space in progress and one other with repair works still in progress.
- Poole Dolphin Leisure Centre development budget of £0.5 million was carried into 2026/27 of which £4,515 has been spent to the end of Q1. This is funded from reserves. The project is no longer live, a proposal to utilise the reserves elsewhere in the council is being considered.
- Holes Bay delivery route is being explored to seek a development partner to take the project forward with £0.2 million budget carried into 2026/27 of which £9,080 has been spent to the end of Q1.

20. Wessex Fields Infrastructure: The link road is nearing completion with £344,000 budget remaining which was carried forward to 2026/27 for the final project completion.

Customer Arts and Property - £35.5m

21. The in-house engineering team holds £29 million in 2026/27 of which £4.6 million (16%) was spent at the end of June 2026/27. The majority represents schemes funded from the transport grants commissioned by the transport service leads in the Planning and Transport directorate.
22. The Museums programme include the Russell Cotes MEND 4 project of £1.7 million and the final £342,000 of the Poole Museum project.
23. The remaining £4.3 million relates mainly to Estates management, accommodation strategy and leisure development expenditure.

Planning and Transport - £16.3m

24. This service leads on the Highways asset management, improvement and sustainable travel programme and transport capital programme management acting as client to the in-house engineering unit within the Customer Arts and Property Directorate.
25. Within the Planning and Transport service direct reporting there is £6.1 million profiled spend for sustainable travel funded from the Transforming Cities fund, £5.3 million for bus improvement services, £2.5 million for other transport improvements and £2.5 million for network management.
26. Overall, 2.4% was spent during quarter one with the majority of the expenditure due over the next months of the financial year.

Environment - £28.1m

27. 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 £1.7m expenditure in Q1 26/27.
28. The profile for 2026/27 for the second year of a 3 year fleet replacement strategy is £14.6 million fully funded from borrowing.
29. The main budget for green spaces and conservation is the second year of Plan for Play strategy with a profiled expenditure for 2026/27 of £3.5 million funded mainly from Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106 contributions.

CHILDREN SERVICES - £20.0m

30. The SEND budget in the capital programme is now aligned to the SEND Reform Plan submitted in Q1 2026/27. £13.5 million has been budgeted for spend in 2026/27, of which £8.9 million is funded by the High Needs grant and £4.6 million is funded by the additional Special and Alternative Provision grant. £163,940 has been spent in Q1, however it is expected that live projects will see works take place throughout the summer and autumn holidays.

The High Needs grant has £4.1 million yet to be allocated to specific projects and the Special and Alternative Provision funding has also not yet been committed to specific approved schemes in the capital programme. Further work is underway to deliver the SEND reform plan during the financial year.

31. The Schools Condition Grant has reprofiled £4.3 million from previous years and expects a further allocation of £590,584 during 2026/27. Of this £2.3 million is currently allocated to project budgets in 2026/27. Spend to the end of Q1 is £75,588.
32. The Basic Needs Grant has £0.9 million reprofiled into 2026/27 budgets from previous years which has not been spent yet.

33. The Hillbourne New School development has £0.4 million reprofiled into 2026/27. This was funded by approved borrowing, which is no longer required therefore it will be removed from the capital programme.

WELLBEING £5.2m

Housing and Communities - £2.3m

34. The Disabled facilities Grant usage for disabled adaptations profiled for 26/27 is £1.8 million which is mostly committed by quarter one.
35. Of the remaining expenditure of £0.5 million relating to CCTV systems, community related activity and tenancy services.

Adults Commissioning £2.9m

36. The majority of the spend within this programme related to the Integrated Community Equipment Store (ICES) funded by the Disabled Facilities Grant which is planned to be fully spent. 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.

EXECUTIVE & RESOURCES £4.2m

IT and Programmes Capital - £2.5m

37. The councils ICT investment programme planned spend for 2026/27 is £2.5 million 1.2m of this on desktop replacement.
38. The Finance capital investment of £1.7m relates to the purchase of the Upton Country Park farm lease.