

Report

Report to:	Social Work Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	6 March 2024
Report by:	Head of Finance (Strategy) Director, Health and Social Care

Subject:	Social Work Resources - Capital Budget Monitoring 2023/2024
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:

- ◆ provide information on the progress of the capital programme for Social Work Resources for the period 1 April 2023 to 28 December 2023

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the Social Work Resources' capital programme of £2.030 million, and expenditure to date of £1.537 million, be noted; and
- (2) that the projected outturn of £2.6 million be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1. This is the fourth capital monitoring report presented to the Social Work Resources Committee for the financial year 2023/2024.
- 3.2. As noted in the last report to this Committee (6 December 2023), the budget for Social Work Resources for financial year 2023/2024 was £2.030 million. There has been no change to this budget since the last report to this Committee.
- 3.3. The report details the financial position for Social Work Resources in Appendix A.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. There are no employee implications as a result of this report.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. 2023/2024 Capital Programme Update

As detailed in Section 3.2, the 2023/2024 capital programme for Social Work Resources is £2.030 million.

5.2. 2023/2024 Outturn

Work has been ongoing to monitor the predicted spend position for this financial year and current estimates from Social Work Resources suggest an outturn of £2.6 million, an overspend of £0.570 million. The majority of the variance is due to the timing of spend on both the Community Alarms – Analogue to Digital and SWiSplus Replacement projects, resulting in additional budget being required in 2023/2024 rather than 2024/2025. Funding for the overall spend on these projects has already been identified into next financial year.

5.3. Period 10 Position

Anticipated spend to date was £1.391 million and spend to 28 December 2023 amounts to £1.537 million, resulting in Social Work Resources being £0.146 million ahead of programme. This is a timing issue only and as reported previously, this reflects the data migration costs for the SWiSplus Replacement project, which have occurred earlier than originally anticipated.

6. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

6.1. There are no implications for climate change, sustainability or the environment in terms of the information contained in this report.

7. Other Implications

7.1. The main risk associated with the Council's Capital Programme is that there is an overspend. The risk has been assessed as low given the detailed project management plans prepared and monitored for each project. The risk of overspend is managed through four weekly Investment Management Meetings.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

8.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and, therefore, no impact assessment is required.

8.2. There was also no requirement to undertake any consultation in terms of the information contained in this report.

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Link(s) to Council Values/Priorities/Outcomes

◆ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Previous References

◆ Social Work Resources Committee, 6 December 2023

List of Background Papers

▪ Financial ledger to 28 December 2023

Contact for Further Information

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:

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**South Lanarkshire Council
Capital Expenditure 2023-2024
Social Work Resources Programme
For Period 1 April 2023 – 28 December 2023**

<u>Social Work Resources</u>	Base Budget £000	Budget Adjustments £000	Slippage £000	Total Budget £000	Budget to Date £000	Actual Expenditure £000
Community Alarms - Analogue to Digital	1,232	-	-	1,232	933	914
Swis Plus Replacement	798	-	-	798	458	623
TOTAL	2,030	-	-	2,030	1,391	1,537