

Report to:	Education Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	19 May 2020
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)
	Executive Director (Education Resources)

Subject: Education Resources - Capital Budget Monitoring 2019/2020

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
 - provide information on the progress of the capital programme for Education Resources for the period 1 April 2019 to 28 February 2020.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
 - (1) that the Education Resources' capital programme of £25.234 million, and expenditure to date of £15.761 million, be noted; and
 - (2) that the projected outturn of £20.5 million be noted.

3. Background

- 3.1. This is the fifth capital monitoring report presented to the Education Resources Committee for the financial year 2019/2020.
- 3.2. The budget reflects the approved programme for the year (Executive Committee, 29 May 2019). It also includes budget adjustments presented to the Executive Committee during 2019/2020. There have been no changes since the last report to this Committee.
- 3.3. The report details the financial position for Education Resources in Appendix A.

3.4. <u>2019/2020 Outturn</u>

The predicted spend position for this financial year, advised by Housing and Technical Resources, is an outturn of £20.5 million. This is an underspend of £4.7 million. As reported to this Committee previously, this mainly relates to the Early Years 1,140 Hours Programme (£2.3m), St Charles' Primary School Extension (£0.4m), Mobile Teaching Units (£0.6m), ICT Solutions for Learning (£0.9m) and Auchingramont Road (£0.5m). The majority of the variance is due to the timing of spend, resulting in budget required in 2020/2021 rather than 2019/2020.

3.5. The year-end position is being prepared and this will be reported to the Executive Committee in June 2020. It is anticipated that the ongoing implications of COVID-19, including the closure of construction sites in advance of the financial year end, will likely impact on the level of capital spend achieved this financial year.

3.6. 2019/2020 Monitoring

Anticipated spend to date was £14.480 million, and £15.761 million has been spent. This represents a position of £1.281 million ahead of profile and mainly reflects the timing of spend across a number of projects within the Early Years 1,140 Hours Programme. However, this is a timing issue only with an underspend anticipated by the end of the financial year. This is reflected in the outturn position identified at 3.4. above.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None

5. Financial Implications

5.1. The total capital programme for Education Resources for 2019/2020 is £25.234 million.

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 an overspend. The risk has been assessed as low given the detailed project management plans prepared and monitored for each project. The risk of an 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 is also no requirement to undertake any consultation in terms of the information contained in the report.

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30 April 2020

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

• Accountable, Effective, Efficient and Transparent

Previous References

• Education Resources Committee 3 March 2020

List of Background Papers

• Financial ledger to 28 February 2020

Contact for Further Information

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South Lanarkshire Council Capital Expenditure 2019-20 Education Resources Programme For Period 1 April 2019 – 28 February 2020

Education Resources	Base Budget £000	Budget Adjustments £000	Slippage/ Acceleration £000	Total Budget £000	Budget to Date £000	Actual Expenditure £000	2019/20 Outturn £000
Primary School Modernisation Programme	6,653	(250)	0	6,403	5,699	5,919	6,100
ICT Developments	2,027	0	0	2,027	1,042	959	1,150
Early Years 1,140 Hours	14,286	0	0	14,286	6,326	8,069	11,950
Other	1,968	550	0	2,518	1,413	814	1,300
TOTAL	24,934	300	0	25,234	14,480	15,761	20,500