

Report

Report to:	Education Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 August 2020
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) Executive Director (Education Resources)

Subject:	Education Resources - Capital Budget Monitoring 2020/2021
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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 Education Resources for the period 1 April to 19 June 2020.

2. Recommendation(s)

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

- (1) that the Education Resources capital programme of £35.001 million, and expenditure to date of £0.599 million, be noted.

3. Background

3.1. This is the first capital monitoring report presented to the Education Resources Committee for the financial year 2020/2021. Further reports will follow throughout the year.

3.2. The budget of £35.001 million reflects the approved programme for the year for Education Resources (Council, 25 March 2020) updated to include funding carried forward from 2019/2020 (Executive Committee, 24 June 2020).

3.3. The progress in delivery of these new year programmes has been affected by the lockdown due to COVID-19. The ongoing implications of this, including the closure of construction sites in advance of the financial year end, has had an impact on the level of capital spend achieved in 2019/2020 and will continue to impact on the 2020/2021 Capital Programme.

3.4. The report details the financial position for Education Resources in Appendix A.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. Section 3.3 notes that the delivery of the 2020/2021 Capital Programme has been affected by the lockdown due to COVID-19. Since the lockdown occurred, little progress has been made in terms of construction work, with sites being temporarily closed down.
- 5.2. As lockdown eases, the review of the General Services Capital Programme continues, with a view to providing a realistic estimate of anticipated spend levels for 2020/2021. The estimates will reflect the initial lockdown delay, along with the ongoing implications of the requirements of social distancing, as sites get back up and running. A separate report detailing the overall level of spend achievable for Education Resources in 2020/2021 will be reported to a future meeting of this Committee.
- 5.3. Period 3 Position
The total capital programme for Education Resources for 2020/21 is £35.001 million. Spend to 19 June 2020 amounts to £0.599 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.
- 7.2. There are no implications for sustainability in terms of the information contained in this report.

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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Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- ◆ Accountable, Effective, Efficient and Transparent

Previous References

- ◆ South Lanarkshire Council, 25 March 2020
- ◆ Executive Committee, 24 June 2020

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Financial ledger to 19 June 2020

Contact for Further Information

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South Lanarkshire Council
Capital Expenditure 2020-21
Education Resources Programme
For Period 1 April 2020 – 19 June 2020

<u>Education Resources</u>	Base Budget £000	Budget Adjustments £000	Slippage/ Acceleration £000	Total Budget £000	Budget to Date £000	Actual Expenditure £000
ICT Developments	4,604	0	0	4,604	0	0
Early Years 1,140 Hours	20,613	0	0	20,613	446	446
Other	9,784	0	0	9,784	149	149
TOTAL	35,001	0	0	35,001	599	599