
**Manchester City Council
Report for Resolution**

Report To: Executive – 11 September 2013

Subject: Capital Programme – Proposed Increases

Report of: Chief Executive and the City Treasurer

Summary

To inform members of requests to increase the capital programme. To seek approval for those schemes that can be approved under authority delegated to the Executive and to make recommendations to the City Council for proposals that require specific Council approval.

Recommendations

Members are requested under powers delegated to the Executive to approve the following:

1. Children's Services – Various School Contributions: To increase the capital budget by £251k in 2013/14, funded from contributions.
2. Highways – New Islington Free School Road: To increase the capital budget by £345k in 2013/14 funded by Education Funding Authority (EFA).
3. Highways – Bus Priority Package: To increase the capital budget by £32.49m (£5.701m in 2013/14, £18.446m in 2014/15 and £8.343m in 2015/16) funded by grant from GMCA.
4. Chief Executive's Regeneration – Longsight Cricket Club: To increase the capital budget by £88k in 2013/14, funded by Section 106.
5. Chief Executive's Regeneration - Broadband Voucher Scheme: To increase the capital budget by £65k in 2013/14, funded by Department for Media, Culture & Sport (DCMS) grant.
6. Highways – Central Manchester University Hospital Signing: To increase the capital budget by £25k in 2013/14, funded by an external contribution.
7. Highways – Whalley Range High School Road Safety Measures: To increase the capital budget by £18k in 2013/14, funded by school contribution.
8. Central Library – Development Fund: To increase the capital budget by £350k in 2013/14, funded by an external contribution.

Wards Affected: Various

Community Strategy Spine	Summary of the contribution to the strategy
Performance of the economy of the region and sub region	Faster broadband speeds to business
Reaching full potential in education and employment	None in this report
Individual and collective self esteem – mutual respect	None in this report
Neighbourhoods of Choice	Improved transport connection, improved leisure facilities,

Full details are in the body of the report, along with any implications for:

- Equal Opportunities Policy
- Risk Management
- Legal Considerations

Financial Consequences – Revenue

If the above capital budget increases are approved they will only create minor revenue consequences which can be financed from existing revenue budgets.

Financial Consequences – Capital

The recommendations in this report, if approved, will increase the capital budget by £33.632m, financed by: £32.9m government grant and £732k external contributions.

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy please contact one of the contact officers above.

Report to the Executive 15 February 2013 (Budget 2013/14 – 2015/16)

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Requests for increases to the current three year capital budget have been identified. This report outlines those requirements.

2. Background

- 2.1 In February each year the Executive receives a report on the capital budget for the forthcoming three financial years and approves a series of recommendations to make to the City Council. The City Council's resolutions on these recommendations constitute the approval of the three year capital programme for Manchester City Council. Proposals for the 2013/14 to 2015/16 Capital Budget were presented to the Executive on 15th February 2013.
- 2.2 A summary of the requests for additions to the programme is shown in Appendix 1 and represents requests received since the previous report to the Executive.

3. Proposals Not Requiring Specific Council Approval

- 3.1 Children's Services – School Contributions for Temple £217k and Pike Fold £34k. An increase to the capital budget of £264k in 2013/14 is requested, funded by external contributions.
- 3.2 Highways - New Islington Free school Road. The project is for the supply of a service road to the new school. An increase to the capital budget of £345k in 2013/14 is requested, funded by the Education Funding Authority (EFA)
- 3.3 Highways - Bus Priority Package. The scheme relates to the Cross City Bus Priority Project which has total value of £32.49m funding via GMCA from the Department for Transport. The package will provide improved transport connection. An increase to the capital budget of £32.49m (£5.701m in 2013/14, £18.446m in 2014/15 and £8.343m in 2015/16) is requested, funded by grant from GMCA.
- 3.4 Chief Executive's Regeneration – Longsight Cricket Club. This project will help mitigate the loss of the former cricket facilities in Longsight by refurbishing an existing multi use games area in Crowcroft Park and installation of 2 artificial cricket wickets on Cringle Playing Fields. An increase to the capital budget of £88k in 2013/14 is requested, funded by Section 106.
- 3.5 Chief Executive's Regeneration – Broadband Voucher Scheme. This is for a pilot broadband voucher scheme to enable faster broadband speeds to businesses. The Council will promote the scheme and small and medium size enterprises will be able to apply for a voucher which will contribute towards the cost of connection. Executive have already approved a capital budget increase of £300k. A further increase to the capital budget of £65k in 2013/14 is requested, funded by Department for Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS) grant.
- 3.6 Highways - Central Manchester University Hospital signing. The scheme

involves the upgrading of directional signs on the approach roads to the hospital. An increase to the capital budget of £25k in 2013/14 is requested, funded by a contribution from the Hospital trust.

- 3.7 Highways. Whalley Range High School Road Safety Measures. The work involves the installation of bollards outside the front of the school. Road signs will also be implemented as well as the installation of new barriers. An increase to the capital budget of £18k in 2013/14 is requested, funded by school contribution.
- 3.8 Central Library Development Fund. The Central Library Development Trust has agreed to allocate funds raised to carry out specified works to the Library. An increase to the capital budget of £350k in 2013/14 is requested, funded by an external contribution.

4. Prudential Performance Indicators

- 4.1 If the recommendations in this report are approved the capital budget will increase by £7.01m non-HRA in 2013/14, £18.694m non- HRA in 2014/15, £8.589m non-HRA in 2015/16 and £372k in future years.
- 4.2 There is a no requirement for prudential borrowing and therefore no impact on the City's Council Tax.

5. Conclusions

- 5.1 The capital budget will increase by £33.632m if the recommendations in this report are approved. The addition of these schemes to the programme, as summarised in Appendix 1, will enhance service delivery council wide and be financed by £32.9m government grant and £732k external contributions.

6. Contributing to the Community Strategy

- 6.1 The Capital Programme provides opportunities for the construction industry to bid for schemes that could provide employment opportunities at least for the duration of contracts.
- 6.2 The decisions provide resources for important projects to go forward, each project making its own contribution to the Community Strategy.

7. Key Polices and Considerations

(a) Equal Opportunities

- 7.1 All proposals have been drawn up in awareness of Council policy on equality.

(b) Risk Management

- 7.2 All capital projects go through the Gateway process and are subject to a risk assessment which includes a rapid risk check, risk workshops and the compilation of risk logs to support project delivery and risk management.

Appendix 1

Requests for Additional Capital Budget Provision							
11 September 2013 EXECUTIVE							
Dept	Scheme	Funding	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Future	Total
			£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Children's Services	School Contributions	School contribution	251				251
Highways	New Islington Free school Road	EFA grant	345				345
Highways	Bus Priority Package	DfT grant	5,701	18,446	8,343		32,490
Chief Executive's Regeneration	Longsight Cricket Club	Section 106	88				88
Chief Executive's Regeneration	Broadband Voucher Scheme	DCMS grant	65				65
Highways	Central Manchester University Hospital signing	ext contribution	25				25
Highways	Whalley Range High Road Safety Measures	School contribution	18				18
Town Hall Complex	Central Library	ext contribution	350				350
		TOTAL	6,843	18,446	8,343	0	33,632