

**THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL**

**RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**1 October 2008**

Agenda Item	
Report No	

**Capital Monitoring Statements 2008/09**

**Report by Depute Chief Executive and Director of Finance**

**SUMMARY**

This report provides an overview of the General Fund and HRA capital programmes for the period to 31 August 2008 and the projected year end position.

**1. Introduction.**

- 1.1 This report provides an overview of the progress to 31 August 2008 of the General Fund and HRA Capital programmes. The figures presented are the net budget, net expenditure to date and the estimated outturn and variance at the year end.

**2. General Fund Capital Programme – Summary**

- 2.1 The General Fund statement in the attached report shows net expenditure for the year to date of £19.941m. The total net programme budget is £68.853m. These budget figures reflect the recently agreed service capital programmes and represent a reduction of £2.846m across the whole programme compared to that reported at the August meeting of this committee.
- 2.2 All services apart from Education, Culture & Sport (ECS) and Planning & Development are anticipating meeting their targets. Service Directors will continue to monitor progress of the projects and updates will be reported to future Committees.
- 2.3 The ECS Capital Budget is projected to under spend by £1.282m due primarily to revised start dates or delayed completion dates in the following projects: Lochaber High School Phase 1; Lochaber High School Phase 2; Acharacle Primary School replacement; and Tomnacross Primary School Extension.

Discussions are ongoing with the Housing and Property and Finance Services regarding how this under spend could be managed by identifying alternative projects which could be brought forward and undertaken at relatively short notice. The alternative projects identified include: roof repairs at Dornoch Academy; Invergordon High School; replacement roof to dining room and replacement heating system at Tain Royal Academy; window replacement at Kilchuimen Academy, Raigmore Primary School and Kilmuir Primary School and heating changes at Charleston Academy.

2.4 At the current time the estimated net outturn on the Planning & Development capital programme is above the Programme budget by £0.060m. It is anticipated however, that as projects progress through to the end of the financial year and are subject to alteration, the final outturn will be on budget.

### **3. Housing Revenue Account (HRA) capital programme**

3.1 The attached report shows that the gross budget for HRA is £12.000m for 2008/09 to be funded by anticipated income from the sale of Council Houses in 2008/09 of £8.975m; contribution from current revenue of £0.440m; capital receipts brought forward from 2007/08 of £1.164m and additional borrowing of £1.601m. The current estimate is that the programme can be delivered as planned.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee is asked to note the financial position of the General Fund and HRA capital programmes as at 31 August 2008.

Signature:

Designation: Depute Chief Executive and Director of Finance

Date: 22 September 2008

Background Papers Service capital budget monitoring statements

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**Capital Expenditure Monitoring Report - Service Summary**

1 April 2008 - 31 August 2008

	£000 Actual Net Year to Date	£000 Annual Net Budget	£000 Year End Net Outturn	£000 Year End Net Variance
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
Education Culture & Sport	7,628	27,374	26,092	(1,282)
Other Housing (Non HRA)	108	13	13	0
Planning & Development	1	1,190	1,250	60
Social Work	683	4,070	4,070	0
Transport Environmental & Community Services	9,487	27,435	27,435	0
Strategic Property Management	841	4,870	4,870	0
Accommodation Rationalisation	511	972	972	0
Energy Management	281	1,631	1,631	0
Chief Executive's Office	401	798	798	0
Discretionary Fund	0	500	500	0
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>19,941</b>	<b>68,853</b>	<b>67,631</b>	<b>(1,222)</b>

	£000 Actual Year to Date	£000 Annual Budget	£000 Year End Outturn	£000 Year End Variance
<b>Housing Revenue Account</b>				
Gross Expenditure Budget	3,488	12,000	12,000	0
Sale of Council House Receipts	(2,628)	(8,795)	(8,795)	0
CFCR	0	(440)	(440)	0
Borrowing	0	(1,601)	(1,601)	0
Usable Capital Receipts carry forward from 2007/08	(1,164)	(1,164)	(1,164)	0