

NORTHERN JOINT POLICE BOARD

14 SEPTEMBER 2007

Agenda Item	
Report No	

Capital Expenditure Out-turn 2006/07

Report by the Chief Constable

SUMMARY

To inform the Board of the Capital expenditure out-turn position for the 2006/2007 financial year.

BACKGROUND

The attached Capital Monitoring Report reflects the expenditure out-turn position for the 2006/2007 financial year.

Members will note that overall expenditure level was 73.3% of the budget capital expenditure for the period.

Included within the 2006/2007 Capital Plan were a number of projects which were to be driven forward nationally:

- SPR 2 – a system which allows the transfer of information to Procurator Fiscal offices – had a budgetary allocation of £100k. This project did not progress in 2006/2007 due to national issues. An allocation has been made for 2007/2008 but members will note from the August Capital Monitoring report presented to this meeting of the NJPB that it is proposed to remove this allocation as it is not now expected that the project will progress in 2007/2008.
- SPIS HR – a replacement HR system- and the Mobile Data project were also nationally driven projects which did not commence in 2006/2007.
- ANPR – automatic number plate recognition – this again was a national project which was delayed due to a slower than planned roll-out.

Within the Estates projects there were a number of deviations from the initial plan. All of these have been discussed in detail at an early meeting and further information is available in reports presented by the Estates Manager. A number of factors impact on Estates projects each year such as weather, planning processes and issues with tenders. In 2006/2007 there were a number of additional factors contributing to slippage:

- Lairg – issues with environmental assessment on the site of the development.
- Nairn – problems with identification of a suitable site.
- Rhiconich – original plans were revisited due to planning concerns. Thereafter there were problems associated with the acquisition of an alternative site. This has now come full circle and a development at the original site is expected to progress in late November/early December 2007.
- Armoury & Firearms Offices – this was a project which was approved late in the 2006/2007 financial year. Due to other project commitments it was not possible to commence this project in 2006/2007.

- Strontian - £18k of expenditure was incurred – this related to final costs incurred on the project completed in 2005/2006.

Expenditure on the IT Capital plan was 70.8% of the original allocation. This is linked into the issue of national developments. Some of these developments impact on local projects. Due to national slippage there has been corresponding slippage on local projects.

The Fleet Replacement Programme showed a small underspend at the end of the 2006/2007 financial year. This relates to lead-time on orders for vehicles – the underspend of £32k was carried forward to 2007/2008 as this funding had already been committed on vehicle orders.

The Website project was approved during the 2006/2007 financial year. The slight overspend relates to tenders being slightly higher than anticipated. The revenue expenditure approved for this project was underspent in 2006/2007.

A decision was taken to incorporate the Custody Handling project into the overall Force Review programme. This has resulted in some slippage in project delivery in order that the outcomes fit with those of the Force Review.

During 2006/2007 a bid was submitted to the CPMG for funding to undertake work on the HQ security access system. £62k was approved – the underspend of this funding of £15k is incorporated into the ongoing project in 2007/2008.

The Integrated Communications Development Programme (ICDP) incurred costs of £203k in 2006/2007 – these were essential costs which ensured that the system functionality within Northern Constabulary was on a par with other UK Forces.

The CCTV Vehicle was a joint project with Highland Council with the £150k funding being received from the Scottish Executive – there were no difficulties with this project with 98.9% of the funding allocation being spent in the financial year.

A budget of £16k was allocated, and fully spent, following a funding bid made to the CPMG for a piece of technical equipment which allows forensic analysis of mobile telephones.

Members will note that some of the projects mentioned above have been carried forward to 2007/2008. Regular updates will be brought to future meetings of the NJPB.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board is invited to note the year end capital position for 2006/2007.

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Chief Constable
10 September 2007

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CAPITAL MONITORING STATEMENT AS AT 31 MARCH 2007

CAPITAL PROGRAMME	BUDGET £'000	ACTUAL EXPEND £'000	% OF BUDGET
Bonar Bridge	109	131	120.4%
Dingwall Cell Block	94	50	53.5%
Invergordon	-	4	
Gairloch	160	177	110.7%
Grantown on Spey	167	43	25.6%
Lairg	156	45	28.9%
Nairn	177	61	34.3%
Tain	83	88	106.3%
Thurso	217	283	130.4%
Whalsay	47	14	29.6%
Kilmallie	300	272	90.8%
Stornoway Cells/ Office	10	4	35.4%
Rhiconich	116	10	8.6%
Firearms Range	100	92	92.1%
Armoury & Firearms Office	10	-	0.0%
SPR2/ Impact Enhancements	100	-	0.0%
IT Capital Plan	181	128	70.8%
Fleet Replacement Programme	386	354	91.6%
Website	25	32	128.5%
ANPR	80	14	16.9%
Custody Handling	20	-	0.0%
Mobile Data/ Airwave	350	3	0.9%
SPIS HR	63	-	0.0%
Costs Associated with Property Disposal	-	36	
Police HQ	62	47	
ICDP	-	203	
Strontian	-	18	
CCTV Vehicle	150	148	98.9%
Miscellaneous Equipment	16	16	
TOTAL	3,179	2,273	71.5%

Receipts from Property Disposal	-	(1,559)
Receipts from Vehicle Disposal	-	(84)

SOURCES OF FUNDING	Budget £'000
Capital Grant	1,787
Receipts B/F	2,207
Specific Grant - CCTV Vehicle	150
In-year receipts - Property	-
In-year receipts - Vehicles	-
TOTAL CAPITAL RESOURCES	4,144