

The Highland Council

Transport, Environmental and Community Services Committee 6 February 2014

Agenda Item	17
Report No	TEC 15/14

Capital Expenditure Monitoring – 1 April 2013 to 31 December 2013

Report by Service Finance Manager

Summary

This report invites Members to approve the capital expenditure monitoring position for the period from 1 April 2013 to 31 December 2013.

1. Background

- 1.1 This report is produced in support of the Council's corporate governance process, which in turn is designed to support/augment the Council's overall/corporate delivery of all of its obligations in terms of the Single Outcome agreement.
- 1.2 The summary of capital expenditure against current programme and estimated outturn is included in **Appendix A**. The "Budget" column is that approved at Highland Council on 27 June 2013, amended to include the 2012/13 overspend of £4.490m.

2. Expenditure

- 2.1 After 9 months of the financial year the gross expenditure is £17.734m representing 67.3% of the 2013/14 programmed figure.

3. Income

- 3.1 After 9 months of the financial year the gross income is £0.818m representing 50.0% of the 2013/14 programmed figure.

4. Progress on Capital Projects

- 4.1 Progress on capital projects is as reported in the notes column on **Appendix A**.

5. Estimated Outturn

- 5.1 The projected outturns for expenditure and income are £26.719m and £3.028m respectively leading to an underspend of £1.037m.
- 5.2 The Council's Capital Programme was approved at Highland Council on 27 June 2013, and reflected £10m over-programming. Over-programming represents the difference between the capital programme agreed, and the funding in place. It reflects a plan to set a higher level of programme, on the basis that some degree of slippage in the year is to be expected, which would bring the programme down to the funded level. Over-programming has been introduced to avoid issues

experienced in past years where slippage resulted in the Council underspending its capital programme.

- 5.3 As previously reported to the TECS Committee the Service expected to deliver a balanced capital programme for the year to 31 March 2014. However, due to contractual delays on the first Phase of the River Ness Flood Prevention, and major works on the B851/B862 South Loch Ness Road Improvements delayed until 2014/15 the Service is now anticipating an underspend.

6. Major Issues and Variances

- 6.1 At present there are no major issues or variances.

7. Implications

- 7.1 Resource implications are discussed in the report.
- 7.2 There are no legal implications arising as a direct result of this report.
- 7.3 There are no equality implications arising as a direct result of this report.
- 7.4 There are no climate change implications arising as a direct result of this report.
- 7.5 There are no risk implications arising as a direct result of this report.

8. Recommendation

- 8.1 Members are invited to approve the capital expenditure monitoring position for the period 1 April 2013 to 31 December 2013.

Designation: Service Finance Manager

Date: 21 January 2014

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Background Papers: Monitoring Statement 31/12/13 and Highland Council Financial Ledger

THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL														
MONITORING OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE - 1ST APRIL 2013 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2013														
SERVICE: TRANSPORT, ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY														
		A	BUDGET B	C		YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL				ESTIMATED OUTTURN			Variance J	COMMENTS
						D	E	F		G	H	I		G
		Gross Expenditure		Net Expenditure		Gross Expenditure		Net Expenditure		Gross Expenditure		Net Expenditure	Column I minus Column C	
Project Description	GL Project Code	£000	£000	£000		£000	£000	£000		£000	£000	£000	£000	
ROADS AND BRIDGES														
Major Road Improvements														
The Inverness West Link	TC928	1,914	0	1,914		1,501	0	1,501		1,845	0	1,845	(69)	Following a decision of the Council to adopt Option 6 as the preferred option, detailed design work by Consultants Capita Symonds is now being completed. Members wishes that the recreational areas at Torvean and Ness-side be developed and enhanced on the back of the Inverness West Link have been progressed with a Planning in Principle Application being progressed for Torvean Golf Course and Sports Hub. A Ground Investigation Contract let to Holequest Ltd has been completed for the West Link. Full Council meeting on 5th September gave approval for issue of Planning Application and CPO, with Planning Application issued on 18th October and CPO on 15th November.
West Link - Golf Course & Sports Hub	TD141	0	0	0		20	0	20		200	0	200	200	Members wishes that the recreational areas at Torvean and Ness-side be developed and enhanced on the back of the Inverness West Link have been progressed with a Planning in Principle Application being progressed for Torvean Golf Course, Sports Hub Kilvean Cemetery Extension and Parkland. It is anticipated that the Planning in Principle Application will be issued on 7th January 2014.
Inshes Junction Phase 1 - Culloden Rd Improvement East	TD042	375	0	375		1,433	0	1,433		1,433	(781)	652	277	Works completed in July 2013. Fully funded by Developer's Contributions. £24K Retention due in 2014/2015.
Inshes Junction Phase 2 - Improvements West of Inshes Over Bridge	TD043	175	0	175		10	0	10		175	0	175	0	Design work ongoing. Traffic modelling work well developed. Work being coordinated with Transport Scotland and their work on the East Link, now entitled A9/A96 Connectivity Study. Fully funded by Developer's Contributions - £175K.
Kinnairdie Link Road, Dingwall	23024	200	0	200		86	0	86		150	0	150	(50)	Design work ongoing, planning application submitted, objections are being considered, issues raised by Network Rail regarding level crossings which are being looked into as is land access for the works. Flooding issues also being addressed to ensure that where opportunities arise flood mitigation can be provided. £150K Funded by Developer's Contributions.
Stromeferry Rockface	TC257	400	0	400		437	0	437		437	0	437	37	High Priority maintenance work as defined in the consultants report. Work commenced in June 2013 and is now complete. Committee approval obtained to investigate the options for a permanent solution.
A99 Keiss to North of Keiss Widening	TD071	125	0	125		14	0	14		19	0	19	(106)	Project on hold. PQQ process to restart when capital programme allows.
B851/B862 South Loch Ness Road Improvements	TD056	600	(600)	0		260	(173)	87		300	(300)	0	0	Remainder of 2013/2014 spend will be on design, land and accomodation works. No major works will be carried out until next financial year - Sokich's Bends is the most likely area of spend.
A832 Slattadale Widening	TD134	40	0	40		24	0	24		40	0	40	0	Design Works ongoing. Forecast tender date of February 2014 is on hold at present.
A890 Strathcarron Widening	TD135	55	0	55		0	0	0		55	0	55	0	Works incorporated in same contract as ERDF budget TC965. Some spend forecast this year. Contract completion set to achieve remaining spend of this budget - June 2014.
Lifeline Roads														
A855 - Portree to Staffin	TC848	0	0	0		7	0	7		7	0	7	7	Works complete on strip widening scheme. Monitoring being carried out of deformation at one location arising from peat under existing road.
A861 Drynie Hill - ERDF	TC964	0	(167)	(167)		22	(46)	(24)		22	(210)	(188)	(21)	Works completed and in maintenance. Open to traffic at ceremony on 26 June 2012. Income due.
A890 Strathcarron Junction to Balnacra - ERDF	TC965	1,000	(250)	750		334	0	334		1,000	(167)	833	83	Contract awarded to Wills Bros and now underway. ERDF spend complete by March 2014 - contract Key Dates written to place responsibility to achieve projected spend.
Laxford Bridge North Approach	TC995	1,000	(250)	750		983	0	983		993	(166)	827	77	Works are now complete. Opening planned for 28th November. £12K retention due in 2014/2015.
Major Bridge Works														
A862 Muir of Ord Railway Bridge	21616	260	0	260		326	0	326		375	0	375	115	Design progressing. Major advance Public Utilities work taking place.
Kyle of Tongue Bridge	22479	35	0	35		7	0	7		25	0	25	(10)	Scheme Complete
A836 Naver Bridge, Bettyhill, Sutherland	22480	45	0	45		16	0	16		40	0	40	(5)	Preliminary Design
B863 Invercoe Bridge, Lochaber	TC201	50	0	50		40	0	40		50	0	50	0	Preliminary Design
Laire Bridge Replacement	TD014	4	0	4		4	0	4		4	0	4	0	Scheme Complete
Lower Foyers Bridge	TC981	25	0	25		14	0	14		16	0	16	(9)	Preliminary Design
B9090 White Bridge	TD047	0	0	0		1	0	1		1	0	1	1	Preliminary Design

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Lifeline Bridges														
B8021 Sand - Lifeline Bridges	TC645	88	0	88		86	0	86		88	0	88	0	Works complete - in maintenance
A861 Sheil - Lifeline Bridges	TC646	10	0	10		3	0	3		10	0	10	0	Scheme Complete
A986 Chada - Lifeline Bridges	TC648	35	0	35		21	0	21		35	0	35	0	Preliminary Design
B8007 Glenmore Bridge	TD107	30	0	30		16	0	16		30	0	30	0	Preliminary Design
B8005 Bridge Replacements - Lifeline Bridges	TC913	30	0	30		30	0	30		30	0	30	0	3 Structures Complete - 2 outstanding
U1547 Muchrachd - Lifeline Bridges	TC917	979	0	979		761	0	761		940	0	940	(39)	Works in progress
Henrietta Bridge	TC927	2	0	2		0	0	0		2	0	2	0	Scheme Complete
A832 Rosemarkie - Lifeline Bridges	TC931	6	0	6		6	0	6		6	0	6	0	Scheme Complete
Cantray Bridge - Lifeline Bridges	TD046	5	0	5		1	0	1		5	0	5	0	Works Complete - in maintenance
A862 Conon Bridge - Lifeline Bridges - See SRTS Ben Wyvis Primary	TD089	3	0	3		0	0	0		3	0	3	0	Scheme Complete
C1112 Innis An Droighinn - Lifeline Bridges	TD108	20	0	20		17	0	17		20	0	20	0	Ready to go to tender, subject to land and budget
U1074 Ruthven Bridge	TD109	10	0	10		0	0	0		10	0	10	0	Preliminary Design
Structural Road Works	Various	4,380	0	4,380		3,047	0	3,047		4,408	0	4,408	28	Works ongoing.
A850 Snizort - Skeabost Bridge	TC651	10	0	10		2	0	2		10	0	10	0	Works Complete - In Maintenance
A832 Refurbishments	TC935	3	0	3		6	0	6		6	0	6	3	Scheme Complete
B817 Rosskeen	TD032	2	0	2		2	0	2		2	0	2	0	Works Complete
Achmore Bridge Repairs	TD101	0	0	0		5	0	5		25	0	25	25	Preliminary Design
Sutherland Bridges Repairs	TD103 / 10289	0	0	0		3	(17)	(14)		3	0	3	3	Preliminary Design
Ralia Railway Bridge	TD112	20	0	20		26	0	26		26	0	26	6	Design and Contract preparation.
Area Minor Capital Works														
Area Minor Works - Traffic Calming	TD075	20	0	20		0	0	0		20	0	20	0	Works ongoing.
Timber Extraction	TD076	90	0	90		0	0	0		90	0	90	0	Works ongoing.
ACTIVE TRAVEL														
Cycling, Walking & Safer Routes to Schools	21269	335	(270)	65		114	(56)	58		338	(270)	68	3	Works ongoing - at design and tender stage. Outturn estimate confirmed as £378K (including cycle shelters which are managed by the Safety Team).
ERDF - Green & Active Travel	TC991	0	0	0		85	0	85		224	(224)	0	0	Year 1 works complete - Year 2 works ongoing. THC contribution for this is £51K each year from 2011/12 through to 2013/14.
Alness To Invergordon Cycle Path	TC760	0	0	0		8	(6)	2		8	(6)	2	2	
20mph Zones	TC994	50	0	50		0	0	0		50	0	50	0	Designs in progress and works progressing.
Bus Shelters	TC837	50	0	50		44	0	44		50	0	50	0	Works ongoing.
Conon Railway Station Re-Opening	TD091	0	0	0		34	0	34		37	0	37	37	Footpath lighting works (as instructed by Members) now complete. Retentions still to pay.
Traffic Management Improvements	TD104	0	0	0		38	0	38		38	0	38	38	
LIGHTING														
Road Structural Capital Works - HQ - Street Lighting	TD013	426	0	426		388	0	388		426	0	426	0	Works ongoing in all areas. Funding allocated to replacement of old columns and defective cabling.
Street Lighting - Energy Reduction - Conversion to LED Lighting	TD117	120	0	120		75	0	75		120	0	120	0	LED Replacements underway in C&S and Ross.
FLOOD PREVENTION														
Flood Prevention Schemes														
River Ness Flood Prevention - Tidal Section	TD048	7,231	0	7,231		3,661	0	3,661		7,658	0	7,658	427	Phase 1 contract on site with some delays to programmed spend. Phase 2 tender issued with works programmed to commence in January 2014.
South West Inverness Storm Water Relief	20373	0	0	0		76	0	76		76	0	76	76	Works Complete
Flood Prevention Orders														
Acharacle Flood Prevention	10146	259	0	259		54	0	54		54	0	54	(205)	Design work ongoing. Tender in Autumn / Winter with construction in 2014/2015.
River Enrick Flood Prevention, Drumnadrochit	21595	17	0	17		36	0	36		36	0	36	19	Development of flood defences within field progressing as well as Kilmichael Road raising.
Dell Burn, Inverness Flood Study	22169	10	0	10		7	0	7		20	0	20	10	Design Work ongoing.
River Lochy - Caol Flood Scheme	22725	43	0	43		59	0	59		59	0	59	16	Design work ongoing. JBA appointed to re-assess flood mapping and finalise flood levels for various return periods. Report due in December 2013.
Mill Burn Flood Prevention	TC382	10	0	10		0	0	0		20	0	20	10	Ongoing assessment of survey results and scheme options. Progressing construction consents. Check revenue for costs.
Smithton / Culloden Flood Alleviation	TD061	375	0	375		157	0	157		458	0	458	83	Due to issue Tender with contract starting in January 2014. Ongoing Phase 3B work will continue with 2nd contract in summer 2014.
Feabuie (Near Balloch) Flood Alleviation	TD130	40	0	40		2	0	2		40	0	40	0	Design work ongoing.
Culloden - Murray Park Gardens - Flooding	TD131	15	0	15		0	0	0		0	0	0	(15)	Resources unavailable to progress.
Blairninch - Strathpeffer - Flooding	TD132	15	0	15		0	0	0		15	0	15	0	Design work ongoing.

