

General Services Capital Plan 2012/13 Final Outturn**Report by Gary Fairley, Head of Finance and Human Resources****1 Purpose of Report**

This report presents the final outturn for 2012/13 on the General Services Capital Plan.

2 Background**2.1 Expenditure**

The last 2012/13 General Services Capital Plan was approved on 26th February 2013. After reflecting projects approved since then and carry forwards due to expenditure slippage and multiyear projects as detailed in Appendix 1, the final budget was £29.558 million. Actual expenditure in the year was £29.525 million, giving a net underspend of £0.033 million as detailed in Appendix 1. The variances relate to:

- An underspend of £0.138 million relating to the demolition of the former Dalkeith High School, this was due to a reduced contingency being required and lower utilities disconnection costs;
- An underspend of £0.057 million for the gym ventilation installed at penicuik High School, this was due to an alternative solution being found;
- An overspend of £0.053 million for the additional ground condition and utility works required on the B7003 Roslin Glen Road;
- An overspend of £0.042 million for works at the Midlothian Snowsports Centre. This was due to additional works being required to rectify a design fault, compensation is currently being pursued;
- An overspend of £0.030 million at Danderhall nursery due to additional works being carried out;
- Other minor variances totalling £0.037 million.

2.2 Funding

After carry forwards the plan budgeted for funding of £22.257 million, as shown in appendix 2. Actual funding was £22.416 million with the variance principally relating to greater than expected developer contributions. The General Capital Grant was £0.050 million lower due to funding third party capital works.

2.3 Borrowing

To fund the investment it was necessary to borrow £7.109 million.

3 Report Implications**3.1 Resource**

There are no direct resource implications as a result of this report.

3.2 Risk

The inherent risk in the Capital Plan is that projects will cost more than estimated thus resulting in additional borrowing. The monitoring procedures ensure that significant variations are reported at an early stage so that remedial action can be taken to mitigate this risk.

3.3 Single Midlothian Plan and Business Transformation

Themes addressed in this report:

- ☐ Community safety
- ☐ Adult health, care and housing
- ☐ Getting it right for every Midlothian child
- ☐ Improving opportunities in Midlothian
- ☒ Sustainable growth
- ☐ Business transformation and Best Value
- ☐ None of the above

3.4 Impact on Performance and Outcomes

There are no issues arising directly from this report.

3.5 Adopting a Preventative Approach

There are no issues arising directly from this report

3.6 Involving Communities and Other Stakeholders

No external consultation has taken place on this report.

3.7 Ensuring Equalities

There are no equalities issues arising directly from this report.

3.8 Supporting Sustainable Development

There are no sustainability issues arising directly from this report.

3.9 IT Issues

There are no IT implications arising from this report

4 Recommendations

Council is asked to note the General Services Capital Plan outturn position for 2012/13.

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Background Papers:

Appendix 1 – General Services Capital Plan 2012/13 Expenditure Outturn

Appendix 2 – General Services Capital Plan 2012/13 Outturn