

CLIMATE CHANGE & SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION 27 January 2009

ITEM 8

Report of the Corporate Director Environmental Services

Environmental Services Capital Programme 2009/10 – 2011/12

RECOMMENDATION

1. To recommend to Council Cabinet the proposed Environmental Services Capital Programme for 2009/10 to 20011/12, subject to the external funding bids and receipts that are not yet approved being secured.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Council will approve the capital programme for the 2009/10 financial year at its budget setting meeting on 2nd March 2009 after consideration of the final proposals by Cabinet on 17th February 2009. The Environmental Services Capital Programme will include schemes financed both from service-specific allocations and discretionary corporate funding. This report deals with the proposed uses of available funding including the allocations that are specific to Environmental Services confirmed/expected at the point of its preparation. During spring 2009 the Department will be submitting a number of schemes for consideration by Asset Management Group, which if successful will add to the programme.
- 2.2 The Departments capital programme is heavily dependent on securing external funding to supplement any Council funding available for capital improvements. The Department now employs two External Funding officers with the sole aim of bidding for external funding for Parks and Sport & Leisure.
- 2.3 The proposed vehicle and equipment replacement programme will be funded through the self financed prudential borrowing system. This enables vehicles to be purchased and maintained by the Environmental Services section. Most importantly it gives more flexibility on the subsequent renewal of the asset as it is not tied in to operating lease agreements.
- 2.4 The Council has earmarked £25m towards the new waste disposal treatment plant. This is funded from unsupported borrowing Corporate Resources. It is now anticipated that this contribution will come towards the end of the construction of the plant in 2012/13. A separate report on the scheme will be sent to Cabinet in due course.

2.5 The next table summarises all projected resources available for the three years 2009/10 to 2011/12. Funding that is shown as not yet secured, is included as it is anticipated that the funding bids will be successful.

Table 1 Environmental Services Summary Programme				
	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	Total
Expenditure	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Funded By				
Unsupported				
Borrowing –				
Corporate	149	925		1,074
Unsupported				
Borrowing Self				
Financing	305	1,195		1,500
Capital				
Receipts –				
Secured	40			40
Capital				
Receipts – Not				
Secured	1,051	60		1,111
Government				
Grants –				
Secured	852	1,353		2,205
Government				
Grants – Not				
secured	1,025	25	25	1,075
External				
contributions –				
secured	166			166
External				
Contributions –				
Not secured	1,300			1,300
SCE C	530	396		926
Service				
Reserves	357	200		557
S106	748			748
Revenue	1,087	313		1,400
Total				
Financing	7,610	4,467	25	12,102

Spending plans (New Schemes only)

The total projected funded programme in 2009/10 is £7.6 million, with a further £4.5m in 2009/10. Possible schemes for 2011/12 are not yet established enough to include on the programme other than the likely continuation of air quality monitoring grant funding. The overall programme of works is shown in Appendix 2.

New and extended schemes within the programme are shown in Appendix 3.

The Department plans to review the future use of both the Stores Road and London Road depots. This could result in substantial capital investment in the three year period. The scheme is not included in this report as what is required and how it will be funding is yet to be finalised. Further details will be sent to Cabinet as the scheme progresses.

Included in the programme is £200,000 towards a possible refurbishment of Markeaton Park. It is proposed to develop a comprehensive masterplan for the park which could result in substantial investment to be funded by a combination of Council and external funding. Further details will be sent to Cabinet as the scheme progresses.

All the schemes within the capital programme contribute towards meeting the Councils objectives and priorities in the below areas:-

- Making us proud of our neighbourhoods by making Derby cleaner and greener.
- Leading Derby towards a better environment by reducing the level of carbon emissions and raising awareness on climate change and local environmental issues.
- Helping us all to be healthy and active by improving the health and well-being of our communities.

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Background papers: None

List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications

Appendix 2 – Details of Funded Scheme Costs and Scheme Priorities

Appendix 3 – New Scheme Details

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. Revenue implications of the schemes will be met from within the planned revenue budgets of Environmental Services with the exception of the new waste disposal plant. The future revenue costs of this will be met from the waste strategy corporate budget.

Legal

2. There are no direct legal implications.

Personnel

3. The estimated costs of delivering the programme have been included.

Equalities impact

4. None

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. The proposals are intended to be consistent with corporate objectives and priorities.