

# Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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# Capital Budget Monitoring – Round 2 2023/24

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#### Summary

This report presents the results of the second round of the Council's capital budget monitoring process for 2023/24.

- 1. Recommendations
- 1.1. It is recommended that the Committee notes the results of the second round of capital budget monitoring for 2023/24.
- 1.2. It is recommended that the Committee notes the changes made to the capital programme as set out in 9.1 to 11.2 to this report.
- 1.3. The Committee notes that Cabinet on 21 November 2023 requested to recommend to Council the removal of the following budgets relating to schemes that are either complete or no longer required:
  - Motorway Signage, £60,000 funded from Capital Receipts.
  - World Heritage Site & GLHP, £31,000 funded from Capital Grants.
  - Civic Centre Decant, £24,000 funded from Reserves.
  - Mountbatten House Purchase, £92,000 funded from Borrowing.
  - MDC Queen Street, £20,000 funded from Borrowing.
  - MP St Marys Amateur Boxing Club, £40,000 funded from Capital Receipts.

#### 2. Budget and policy framework

2.1. Cabinet is responsible for ensuring that capital expenditure remains within the budget approved by Council. Where required, the report will give details relating to additional schemes (capital additions) or movements in budgets between schemes (virements). Virements below £150,000 can be approved by Directors under delegated authority. Virements between £150,000 and £1million can be approved by Cabinet and those in excess of £1million are a matter for Council.

- 2.2. The Chief Operating Officer has delegated authority to approve in year additions to the capital programme, in consultation with the Finance Portfolio Holder, subject to the following criteria:
  - funding coming from external sources, to be used for a specific purpose on a specific asset,
  - no financial contribution coming from the Council,
  - funding being ringfenced for specific purposes.

Any additions made under delegated authority are reported through the next budget monitoring report.

- 3. Background
- 3.1. The approved capital programme for 2023/24 and beyond is £267.677million. Together with spend incurred on this programme in prior years, the total approved cost of these schemes in the approved programme is £547.785million. This report consolidates the second round of capital budget forecasts for 2023/24, based on returns submitted by individual budget managers during August 2023. An analysis is provided below for each service area within the remit of this committee detailing both financial forecasts and providing an update as to the current progress of capital schemes, and any management action required to deal with either budgetary or progress issues. Where schemes are projected to complete later than the current financial year, a forecast of the anticipated spend profile is given.
- 4. Overview and Scrutiny
- 4.1. At its meeting on 20 July 2023 Full Council approved changes to the terms of reference to the Overview and Scrutiny committees. From 2023/24 financial year the budget monitoring reports are included in the terms of reference of all four overview & scrutiny committees not just the Business Support and Digital Overview and Scrutiny committee. As such, though this report includes a summary of the overall Council position at Section 5 for information and context, this remainder of this report provides detailed information about the services within the remit of this Committee only.
- 5. Summary Capital Budget Position 2023/24
- 5.1. Table 1 below summarises the capital programme and Round 2 forecast position. Table 2 details how the approved programme will be funded.

#### Table 1: Round 2 Capital Monitoring Summary

Directorate	Total Approved Cost	Total Expenditure to 31/03/23	Remaining Budget	Forecast Spend 2023/24	Forecast Spend in Future Years	Forecast (Under)/ overspend
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
Children and Adults (including Public Health)	77,506	34,200	42,984	16,217	26,762	(5)
Regeneration, Culture and Environment	401,529	214,004	187,520	65,935	121,846	261
Housing Revenue Account	65,537	28,921	36,615	20,257	16,358	0
Business Support Department	3,116	2,645	471	421	50	0
Members Priorities	98	12	86	46	0	(40)
Total	547,785	279,781	267,677	102,876	165,017	216

#### Table 2: Funding the Capital Budget

Funding Source	Total	C&A	RCE	HRA	BSD	Members Priorities
	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s	£000s
Capital Grants	79,404	35,597	40,407	3,999	1	0
Developer Contributions	4,928	3,967	961	0	0	0
Capital Receipts	1,649	0	1,267	0	296	86
RTB Receipts	6,972	0	0	6,972	0	0
Revenue / Reserves	11,187	0	156	11,031	0	0
Prudential Borrowing	100,620	3,420	81,811	15,213	175	0
Borrowing in lieu of Capital Receipts	20,679	0	20,679	0	0	0
Borrowing in lieu of Future Business Rates	19,993	0	19,993	0	0	0
Borrowing in lieu of Future Rent	11,760	0	11,760	0	0	0
Borrowing in lieu of Future Section 106 Contributions	137	0	137	0	0	0
Borrowing in lieu of Future NHS Grant	10,348	0	10,348	0	0	0
Total	267,677	42,984	187,520	36,615	471	86

## 6. Regeneration, Culture and Environment

6.1. The Regeneration, Culture and Environment programme is forecast to overspend by £261,000 against the current approved budget as set out below.

Service	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
FLS - Environmental						
Services	26,221	9,106	17,115	1,103	16,500	488
FLS - Highways	95,920	77,047	18,873	11,101	7,712	(60)
FLS - Integrated Transport	19,221	17,959	1,262	1,262	0	0
FLS - Other Front Line						
Services	14,224	12,768	1,451	1,433	19	0
Front Line Services	155,586	116,880	38,701	14,899	24,231	428

Housing Infrastructure Fund	20,778	19,042	1,737	1,737	0	0
Culture & Community	48,708	5,181	43,527	20,322	23,175	(31)
Regeneration - Corporate Property	20,251	10,262	9,990	5,674	4,292	(24)
Regeneration - Future High Streets Fund	9,034	3,215	5,819	5,819	0	0
Regeneration - Green Spaces	2,111	1,049	1,062	887	175	0
Regeneration - Innovation Park Medway	73,307	29,415	43,891	9,083	34,809	0
Regeneration - Medway Development Company	4,122	3,710	412	299	49,751	(112)
Regeneration - Other	67,631	25,250	42,381	7,216	35,165	0
Regeneration	176,456	72,902	103,554	28,977	74,441	(136)
General Fund Total	401,529	214,004	187,520	65,935	121,846	261
Housing Revenue Account	65,537	28,921	36,615	20,257	16,358	0
Regeneration, Culture and Environment Total	467,065	242,925	224,135	86,192	138,205	261

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
FLS - Environmental Services	26,221	9,106	17,115	1,103	16,500	488

The schemes within this area are the Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) Civic Amenity Sites Improvements, the purpose of which is to undertake HWRC Civic amenities infrastructure works, traffic management at the main entrances, allow vehicles to exit, Automatic vehicle barrier and the Operational Depot Site, which is to acquire an operational depot site.

- HWRC Civic Amenity Sites Improvements (Remaining Budget £3,000), the remainder of this budget is due to be spent on compactors, which are due for delivery and installation during the Autumn.
- Operational Depot Site (Remaining Budget £112,000), the site was handed over in December 2022 and is now in full operation with Medway Norse. As reported in previous monitoring, there are still some outstanding issues around potential claims from the contractor for inflation and contract variations. Medway Council is disputing these and final agreement has not yet been reached, however officers have indicated that it is likely that the final agreed amount will be circa £488,000 above the remaining budget for this scheme. The service propose that this will be funded from prudential borrowing and will be requesting additional funding from Council later this year once the final amount is known.
- Waste Fleet Replacement Scheme (Remaining Budget £17million), this scheme is to replace the Council's bespoke waste vehicle fleet. We are currently in the soft market testing stage, and our current plan is to commence procurement in the Spring of 2024 with purchase and delivery in 2024/25 and 2025/26.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by a mixture of capital receipts (HWRC Civic Amenity Sites Improvements) and prudential borrowing (Operational Depot Site and Waste Fleet Replacement Scheme).

**Budgetary Forecast:** it is anticipated that the Operational Depot Site will overspend the allocated budget by £488,000, for which officers will be requesting additional budget from Council to be funded by prudential borrowing.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
FLS - Highways	95,920	77,047	18,873	11,101	7,712	0

The purpose of the schemes within this area are to ensure highways within Medway are in a good condition and include the following schemes:

- Led Lantern Replacement Scheme (Remaining Budget £751,000). The LED scheme is split into two parts:
  - a) The main LED Conversion scheme which has approximately 500 lanterns has now been completed with few remedial works still outstanding; and
  - b) Through the Highways Infrastructure Contract (HIC) 1,254 (non-standard/conservation style lanterns). This part of the scheme has been delayed due to supply chain issues and problems integrating the new system to the existing lantern. There are 127 lanterns still outstanding, brackets have now been received but the columns still need to be costed and orde red. Completion is expected in the Spring of 2024.
- Enforcement Cameras (Remaining Budget £2.019million), project for the development and implementation of Safer Healthier Streets Programme schemes that would enable the Council to carry out the civil enforcement of moving traffic offences under part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, this will also include School Streets and Red Routes. The outcomes comprise the installation of cameras across all schemes within the programme in order to enforce traffic offences at agreed locations. This will also cover any physical infrastructure improvements as required. The procurement process for the cameras has now commenced, with the purchase and installation of the cameras scheduled for later in the year. The Red Routes scheme was subject to a call-in which was heard on 18th October and as a result the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed to accept the Cabinet decision and therefore take no further action.
- Motorway Signage (Remaining Budget £60,000), the original project design will not proceed. There are no current plans for the progression of this project. Officers recommend that this scheme, funded by capital receipts, be removed from the Capital Programme.
- Potholes (Remaining Budget £2.470million), The Stoke Bridge tender was postponed to this financial year due to agreements required with Network Rail. This work will now commence in the summer with estimated completion in the autumn. The annual resurfacing programme for this financial year has identified 16 sites with a total area of 28,648m2. There is now only one site remaining to complete. The annual large patching programme is scheduled to start imminently.
- Medway Tunnel (Remaining Budget £10.529million), general Maintenance. On track to deliver scheduled annual maintenance, inspections and any minor repairs. We have delivered one of the four planned maintenance closures this year, with the second due in the autumn. We have also completed several of the upgrades included in the DfT Challenge fund including the Sump Gas Sampling System, Contraflow Gaps and the Manhole Upgrade and Replacement. Works to be completed in year include Pier Road Retaining Wall, Network / Comms upgrade and the A289 corridor Carriageway Resurfacing, and these are currently in progress and due for completion in this financial year.
- Horsted Gyratory & Ped Imps (Remaining Budget £64,000), there are two project objectives: achieve improved traffic flow through the design and installation of traffic signal control on the gyratory and the installation of a controlled pedestrian/cycle crossing in the vicinity of Pilots View (Horsted Park). Design work for the former will continue, with the pedestrian/cycle crossing implemented in 2023/24.
- Design & Resurfacing (Remaining Budget £1.539million), carriageway and footpath resurfacing towards the annual resurfacing programme. Carriageway works at St Willimas Way and Limetree Close are now complete. There are 10 footway sites identified for resurfacing this financial year, of which works on Sherwood Avenue footway is now complete.
- Street Furniture (Remaining Budget £0), renewal of street furniture across the network. There are no planned works under this project for this financial year.
- Structures & Tunnels (Remaining Budget £74,000), the team is currently working on a minor works programme from inspections carried out in 2022/23 that identified repairs or structures required.
- Highways Maintenance LTP3 (Remaining Budget £1.366million), the minor works programme for structures (produced from inspections) has commenced and is on track. The programmes for Crash Barriers and to implement Skid Policy are also ongoing.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by a mixture of capital grants (Potholes, Medway Tunnel [part] and Highways Maintenance LTP3); section 106 contributions (Horsted Gyratory & Ped Imps); capital receipts (Motorway Signage and Design & Resurfacing [part]); and prudential borrowing (LED Lantern Replacement Scheme, Medway Tunnel [part], Design & Resurfacing [part], Structures & Tunnels, and Enforcement Cameras).

**Budgetary Forecast:** it is anticipated at the current time that the schemes will complete within the approved budget. The Motorway Signage scheme is forecasting a £60,000 underspend and as there are no current plans to progress this scheme, officers recommend its removal from the Capital Programme.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
FLS - Integrated Transport	19,221	17,959	1,262	1,262	0	0

The purpose of the schemes within this area is to facilitate Medway's Integrated Transport Strategy and includes the following schemes:

- Controlled Parking Zones (Remaining Budget £28,000), this budget is used for the controlled parking design and implementation on Rochester Riverside with spend being aligned to the delivery of housing on the site. It is currently expected that the remaining budget will be spent in 2023/24.
- Integrated Transport LTP3 (Remaining Budget £1.234million), project for the design and implementation of an agreed suite of transport infrastructure improvements aligned with the Council's Local Transport Plan and Climate Change Action Plan, related to sustainable transport (walking, cycling and public transport), road safety, and traffic management (including parking design).

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by way of a mixture of Government Grant (Integrated Transport LTP3); and Section 106 Developer Contributions (Controlled Parking Zones).

Budgetary Forecast: it is anticipated at the current time that the schemes will complete within the approved budget.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
FLS - Other Front Line Services	14,224	12,768	1,451	1,433	19	0

The purpose of the schemes within this area are as follows:

- England Coast Path Super Steps (Remaining Budget £0), the works have now been completed and all grant claims submitted to Natural England. The remaining budget was removed under the delegation of the Chief Operating Officer (COO) during Round 2.
- England Coast Path Grain Rainham (Remaining Budget £0), the works have been completed and a grant claim has been submitted to Natural England. The remaining budget was removed under the delegation of the COO during Round 2.
- CCTV (Remaining Budget £46,000), work is underway to improve and upgrade Medway's CCTV infrastructure. Discussions are currently ongoing regarding how to best utilize the remaining budget but will most likely be used to consolidate old BT circuits and transition over to the Council's fibre network.
- New Pay And Display Machines (Remaining Budget £1,000), this project is now complete with the final invoice awaited.
- Bereavement Path Repairs (Remaining Budget £82,000), project to repair roads and pathways across Medway's cemeteries to ensure assets are maintained in a good and safe condition. Quotes have now been received and works are expected to commence in the Autumn.
- Active Travel (Remaining Budget £1.198million), there are three live schemes: an Active Travel route between Cuxton and Strood (design work during 23/24), a pedestrian/cycle path on Four Elms Hill (construction in 23/24) and a programme of School Streets to promote Active Travel (delivery in 23/24). £464,000 has been added to the budget since Round one under the delegation of the COO delegation, funded by Active Travel grant.

- Strood Town Centre (Remaining Budget £12,000), scheme completed; remaining budget to be used for ongoing monitoring and surveys.
- Chatham Town Centre (Remaining Budget £20,000), additional budget has been added by COO delegation for Round 2 to cover the retention on this completed scheme, funded by S106 contributions.
- Medway City Estate Connectivity (Remaining Budget £92,000), this scheme includes Highways Design Fees, Stage 3 Road Safety Auditing, remaining payments to utility companies, the reinstallation of a traffic camera, completion of the Anthonys Way east lighting works including ducting, connections and disconnection and removal of old columns, and the reinstallation of tunnel matrix sign on new posts with ducting for comms and power. The scheme is now substantially complete, subject to minor changes to road markings and signs, and payment of outstanding land transfer fees.

**Funding:** the schemes above are funded from a mixture of Capital Grants (Active Travel, Strood Town Centre and Medway City Est Connectivity); Capital Receipts (CCTV and Bereavement Path Repairs); s106 developer contributions (Chatham Town Centre) and Borrowing in Lieu of Capital Receipts (New Pay and Display Machines).

Budgetary Forecast: it is anticipated at the current time that the schemes will complete within the approved budget.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s	
Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF)	20,778	19,042	1,737	1,737	0	0	
Funding: the above scheme	s are funded h	- way of Go	vernment Gran	te	·	-	

Funding: the above schemes are funded by way of Government Grants. Budgetary Forecast: it is estimated that this scheme will spend within the remaining allocated budget.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Culture & Community	48,708	5,181	43,527	20,322	23,175	(31)

The schemes within this service area are as follows:

- World Heritage Site & Great Lines Heritage Park (GLHP) (Remaining Budget £31,000), this scheme is now complete. There is a small amount of remaining unspent grant and officers are exploring alternative schemes that this could fund. This scheme is currently forecasting an underspend of £31,000. Officers are therefore recommending the removal of this scheme from the Capital Programme and should other uses be found for the remaining grant, this will be presented as a request for a new addition to the capital programme.
- Lordswood Community Hub (Remaining Budget £330,000), The project is now largely complete barring snagging items, with the building re-opening to the public on Monday 19 June 2023. The project has delivered a refurbished library space at Lordswood, now able to offer the full range of Community Hub services to residents. Additions to the building include a new hireable public meeting room, public disabled toilet, better connections between the library and on-site youth centre and an upgraded public computer suite. At round one, this scheme reported a forecast underspend of £10,000, however the costs of fitting out of the public computer suite were higher than expected and the scheme is now forecasting to spend to budget.
- Mobile Library Purchase (Remaining Budget £150,000), this is a new scheme for 2023/24 to replace the existing diesel fleet with electric vehicles. We are expecting bids to be returned over the autumn so that procurement can take place early next year.
- English Heritage Local Management Agreement (EH-LMA) Environmental Monitoring (Remaining Budget £269,000), conservation works to all three sites are ongoing. Main elements include the widening of the gates at Rochester Castle, the repair of the piers and railings along castle view as well as damp repairs and maintenance at Upnor Castle. Future works will include surveys and remedial works to Rochester Castle keep walls. Timings of works is hard to know given requirements of applying for scheduled ancient monuments consent and agreeing methodologies.
- Guildhall Museum Refurbishment (Remaining Budget £3,000), works on new Dickens Gallery have been completed and the gallery is open and operational. Remaining sum to be spent on equipment (large TV screen for presentations) to support meeting hires and talks at the museum.
- Splashes Replacement Scheme (Remaining Budget £21.744million), as previously reported, the project continues to perform within budget and on time, with building works scheduled to finish in April 2024 to enable the new sports centre to open in summer 2024. The steel frame structure is now complete with a topping out ceremony scheduled in the autumn. Work expected to take place over the autumn includes completing the pool slabs and main pool walls (including underwater lights), completing under slab filtration pipework to the Leisure pool, completing Phase 1 frame erection, completing pool hall retaining walls, completing remaining Phase 3 pads and commencing the Phase 2 Frame. Supplies continue to be delivered with costs being closely monitored due to inflation and fluctuation in prices.
- Dickens Chalet Restoration (Remaining Budget £100,000), fundraising for Chalet ongoing with plans to implement the works in 2024/25. Total figure required is approximately £300,000 and work cannot be phased so needs to be delivered in one season once full funding is achieved.
- 3G Pitch (Remaining Budget £3,000), All building works are now complete for both the 3G pitch and new changing pavilion. All invoices to contractors have also been paid. The remaining budget will be used to pay the retention this financial year.
- Brook Theatre Refurbishment (Remaining Budget £20.897million), additional capital budget of £14.7million has been added to this scheme since Round One monitoring. Due to delays and the complex design the estimated completion date is now Summer 2026 (delayed by one year since Round One monitoring). The current programme plan is to tender in March 2024, and for contractors to start on site in Summer 2024.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by way of Government Grants (World Heritage Site & GLHP [part], EH LMA - Environmental Monitoring [part]) and Brook Theatre Refurbishment [part]; other grants (3G Pitch); Capital Receipts (EH LMA - Environmental Monitoring [part], Guildhall Museum Refurbishment and Central Theatre Sound System); Reserves (World Heritage Site & GLHP [part]) with the remainder by

way of prudential borrowing (Splashes Replacement Scheme, Dickens Chalet Restoration, Lordswood Community Hub, Mobile Library Purchase and Brook Theatre Refurbishment [part]).

**Budgetary Forecast:** there is a current forecast underspend of £31,000 in this area on the World Heritage Site & GLHP scheme. Officers are recommending that this scheme be removed from the Capital Programme.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Regeneration - Corporate Property	20,251	10,262	9,990	5,674	4,292	(24)

The schemes within this service area are as follows:

• Building Maintenance (Remaining Budget £8,000), remaining budget will be spent on finalising the leaving care and adolescent hub at Elaine centre.

- Civic Centre Decant (Remaining Budget £24,000), residual budget left for decant from Civic Centre. This scheme is currently forecasting an underspend of £24,000. As the decant was completed in 2008, officers will be recommending the removal of this scheme from the Capital Programme.
- Pentagon: Future Capital Works (Remaining Budget £4.481million), Spend will be paused post RIBA 4 design on the Healthy Living Centre until the NHS has signed the lease and S2 agreement.
- Climate Change Emergency Refit Ph1 (Remaining Budget £298,000), Phase one Refit works to upgrade 11 buildings with energy efficiency measures, including LED lights, Solar, Heat pumps and waterless urinals. Works commenced in the summer of 2021 and are due to complete this summer. Final snagging, commissioning and handover are still outstanding but are expected to take place over the autumn. The project is expected to complete this financial year.
- Gun Wharf Building Works (Remaining Budget £1.031 million), budget approved to fund lift replacements and transformers. The surveys indicated that the transformers do not need to be replaced for another 5 years so only the switchgear will be replaced. The contract for lift 2b has been tendered and awarded, and it is expected that the installation will take place over the winter. It is currently expected that lift 2a can be replaced after 2b works has completed and that both will be completed by the end of the financial year.
- Climate Change Emergency Refit Ph2 (Remaining Budget £3.6million), phase 2 of the retrofit energy improvement programme. Project is to install air source heat pumps across 14 buildings, and these will be purchased during this financial year to comply with the Salix grant conditions.
- Rochester Pier Salvage (Remaining Budget £137,000), new scheme commencing in 2023/24. Scheme is for the removal of collapsed sections of Rochester Pier and two timber mooring towers (dolphins) located at Rochester Esplanade. Removal of Pier section will facilitate future overall restoration of Pier. The contract was awarded in July 2023, with estimated completion in the winter of 2023.
- Council Meeting Facilities (Remaining Budget £320,000), scheme is for conversion of meeting rooms into new Council Chamber, as well as the purchase of furniture and ICT equipment and adaptations to other areas of the building to create a meeting space. Current layout of the Council Chamber has been approved. Due to the recent issues with RAAC at Gun Wharf (see Risks at section 12 for further information), officers are currently reviewing the timeline of the scheme and will present updates to Members once this work has been finalised.
- Changing Places Disabled Toilet (Remaining Budget £90,000), University of Greenwich works for a new changing places facility was completed as planned in August. A new changing places room is also anticipated to be completed this financial year, the location is yet to be confirmed.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded from Capital Receipts (Building Maintenance); Capital Grants (Changing Places Disabled Toilet); Reserves (Civic Centre Decant and Council Meeting Facilities); borrowing in lieu of future s106 developer contributions (Rochester Pier Salvage) and the remainder by way of Prudential Borrowing (Pentagon: Future Capital Works, Gun Wharf Building works and Climate Change Emergency Refit Phase 1).

**Budgetary Forecast:** there is currently a £24,000 forecast underspend in this area on the Civic Centre Decant scheme. Officers are recommending the removal of this scheme from the Capital Programme.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remainin g Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Regeneration - Future High Streets Fund (FHSF)	9,034	3,215	5,819	5,819	0	0

The purpose of the schemes within this area are to assist in the regeneration of the centre of Chatham utilising the Future High Streets Fund award. The schemes are as follows:

- FHSF Brook Theatre (Remaining Budget £265,000), contractors are on site and the project is anticipated to complete this financial year. Future works to be funded from the Levelling Up Fund (LUF) and borrowing.
- FHSF Innovation Hub Medway (Remaining Budget £1.631million), project to deliver 760sqm of workspace within the Pentagon Centre. The main works contract will be tendered over the autumn, with contractors expected on site early in 2024.
- FHSF St John's Church (Remaining Budget £832,000), Funding agreement between the Council and the Diocese is now signed, project to progress and aim to be completed by March 2024. Design team has been appointed. Diocese has been successful with its first round of Heritage Lottery Fund application to provide match funding.
- FHSF Property Acquisition & Delivery (Remaining Budget £280,000), Debenhams has been acquired, initial surveys have been undertaken. Tender exercise for multi discipline design team has been paused while options are being considered for the building. The ground floor will be prioritised for delivery as it is a funding output for the grant money.
- FHSF Paddock & Public Realm (Remaining Budget £2.180million), a contractor has now been appointed. The main works will be undertaken in 2023/24 and a contractor has been appointed.
- FHSF Project Management (Remaining Budget £631,000), Subject to approvals from the funding body, funding may be moved across to the capital projects, if required.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by way of a government grant. **Budgetary Forecast:** it is anticipated that the above schemes will be completed within the allocated budget.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remainin g Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Regeneration - Green Spaces	2,111	1,049	1,062	887	175	0

The purpose of the schemes within this area are to improve green spaces throughout Medway. The schemes are as follows:

- Horsted Valley Environmental Enhancements (Remaining Budget £25,000), currently exploring
  options for outdoor sports improvements. Officers are expected to be able to offer updates in the
  spring.
- Rainham Play (Remaining Budget £85,000), Cherry Tree play area works were completed in spring 2023. We are currently working on options for access and further improvements at this site for 2023-24 with the remaining budget.
- Hook Meadow Works (Remaining Budget £44,000), currently awaiting steer as Community Hub scheme will have an impact on this project. Budget now forecast for 2024/25.
- Princes Park Play Area (Remaining Budget £0), this project is now complete, with final invoices due to be paid in 2023/24.
- Berengrave Nature Reserve Ecological Improvements (Remaining Budget £15,000), signage and new seating are still in progress, with completion expected over the autumn.
- Jackson's Field & Victoria Gardens Green Spaces Project (Remaining Budget £49,000), works are in progress at Victoria gardens play areas. The project is expected to be completed this financial year.
- Eastgate House Gardens Improvements (Remaining Budget £10,000), final amount to be spent on refurbishment of pond in Eastgate House gardens. Awaiting additional funds to support the works but this work should take place in 2023/24.

- Copperfields Open Space (Remaining Budget £19,000), the new outdoor gym was installed over the summer, mile markers and benches are now in progress. A community herb garden is currently being planted.
- Jackson's Field & Borstal Recreation Ground Green Spaces Improvements (Remaining Budget £6,000), orders for the improvements have now been made, in consultation with the Friends group. We anticipate that this will be completed this financial year.
- Play Parks Refurbishment (Remaining Budget £251,000), works were delayed by wet weather. All sites have now been completed, with only minor works such as painting outstanding.
- Northcote Recreation Ground & Rede Common (Remaining Budget £1,000), access improvements at Rede Common were completed October 2022 as planned. We are currently awaiting the final invoice.
- Balmoral Gardens Improvements (Remaining Budget £12,000), Play improvements were completed in April 2023. The final invoices have now been paid.
- Great Lines Footpath Improvements (Remaining Budget £149,000), we went out to tender for the footpath improvements in May 2023, and the contract has now been awarded. Works started on site as planned in July 2023 and is on track for completion this financial year. £35,257 of s106 funding allocated to this scheme relates to the Beechings Play Area scheme (under Members Priority).
- Capstone Park S106 Improvements (Remaining Budget £47,000), the Orchard car park improvements were completed as planned in June 2023 and the remaining budget will be spent on play area improvements. We have been out to tender for the play area improvements, the contract has now been awarded and we anticipate contractors will start on site over the autumn. The project is on track to be completed this financial year.
- The Strand Play Area Improvements (Remaining Budget £54,000), scheme to improve junior play provision. This is a new scheme added in Round Two by COO delegation. We went out to tender in May 2023 and a contract has now been awarded. We anticipate contractors will start on site over the autumn. The project is on track for completion this financial year.
- Cozenton Park & Chalk Pit Allotments (Remaining Budget £182,000), scheme to bring the disused nursery back into use as a community garden and allotments. This is a new scheme added in Round Two by COO delegation. We are currently reviewing options for the old nursery site. Expenditure to date has been on improving security of the site and topographical surveys. Draft scheme to be discussed with Planning and then approval sought from Council to go out to public consultation. The project is due for completion in 2024-25.
- Luton Millennium Green Improvements (Remaining Budget £114,000), this is a new scheme added in Round Two by COO delegation, funded by S106 developer contributions. We went out to tender in August 2023 and are hoping for works to commence over the winter.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by way of Section 106 Developer Contributions except Rainham Play, Play Parks Refurbishment [part], which are funded from Capital Receipts and Play Parks Refurbishment [part] which is funded from Prudential Borrowing.

Budgetary Forecast: it is anticipated that the above schemes will be completed within the allocated budget.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remainin g Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Regeneration - Innovation	73,307	29,415	43,891	9,083	34,809	0

The purpose of the schemes within this area are to create the infrastructure at the Innovation Park Medway (IPM). Progress has been made to date on realising the plans for IPM with planning achieved for elements of the Southern Site, enabling works nearing completion on the Northern Site and interest from potential occupiers. We are now reviewing the development approach for the various sites which make up Innovation Park Medway in partnership with key stakeholders.

The schemes are as follows:

• IPM Phase 1 & 2 Public Realm (Remaining Budget £4.603million), public realm works were reached key milestones in the summer however some landscaping, including trees is being reviewed and will be complete later in the year. FM Conway are due to handover the site in the autumn of 2023. Spend beyond 2023/24 is for project delivery including legal fees, salary costs and marketing, as well as

design work for the cycle path, this spend forecast will be reviewed to ensure delivery is achieved in the most sustainable manner.

- IPM Phase 2 Infrastructure (Remaining Budget £172,000), infrastructure works reached key milestones in the summer of 2023. FM Conway are due to handover the site in the autumn of 2023.
- IPM Wider Site Delivery (Remaining Budget £11.062million), the multi storey car park is currently at RIBA stage 3, but the build will not take place until site occupation has reached the appropriate threshold. £2.6m within this cost code is for Highways Mitigation to make road networks improvements in line with National Highways and KCC requirements under the Monitor and Manage approach. This will be paid when occupation triggers are met and will be a contribution to road network improvements.
- IPM Project Capitalised Interest (Remaining Budget £1.057million), interest rate rises in the past 2 years have put pressure on this budget to the extent that we now expect the budget to be fully expended by the end of this financial year.
- IPM 6 Storey Building (Remaining Budget £12.954million), Levelling up Fund (LUF) bid was unsuccessful therefore the business case is being reviewed to ensure the site can be brought forward in the most sustainable manner.
- Innovation Park Medway (Remaining Budget £343,000), this budget will be reviewed following the improvement works carried out in 2021.
- IPM Enabling Works (Remaining Budget £330,000), the project (roads, lighting, drainage, utilities) is complete apart from some additional utilities which are currently being installed. The remaining budget is being reviewed to ensure that delivery is achieved in the most sustainable manner.
- IPM Zone A (Remaining Budget £1.611million), infrastructure works reached key milestones during the summer of 2023 and the contractor, FM Conway is due to hand over the site in the autumn.
- IPM Southern site (Remaining Budget £11.760million), self-certification has now been secured for one of the office buildings with the car park self-certification due shortly.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by way of Prudential Borrowing (IPM Phase 1 & 2 Public Realm [part]), Borrowing in advance of Future Rent (Innovation Park – Southern Site), whilst the remainder will be funded by Borrowing In Lieu of Future Business Rates.

**Budgetary Forecast:** the Council is reviewing the forecasts to ensure that this key site is delivered in the most sustainable and economically advantageous manner.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Regeneration - Medway Development Company	4,122	3,710	412	300	0	(112)

The schemes within this area relate to works projects carried out by Medway Development Company on behalf of Medway Council. Schemes carried out by Medway Development Company directly using financial assistance in the form of capital loans from the Council no longer form part of Medway Council's Capital Programme. The schemes are as follows:

- Mountbatten House Purchase (Remaining Budget £126,000), the purchase of Mountbatten House is now complete. The forecast for 2023/24 covers valuation fees for sale to MDC and temporary roof works to prevent water ingress. It is expected that this scheme will underspend by £92,000. As this scheme is now complete, officers are recommending that it now be removed from the Capital programme.
- Mountbatten House Project (Remaining Budget £266,000), this scheme is for the mechanical and electrical strip of Mountbatten House which is expected to complete this financial year.
- MDC Queen Street (Remaining Budget £20,000), project complete, planning permission approved. No further spend expected and scheme will produce an underspend of £20,000. Officers will be recommending the removal of this scheme from the Capital Programme.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by way of prudential borrowing (Mountbatten House Purchase) and Borrowing in Lieu of Capital Receipts (Mountbatten House Project and MDC - Queen Street).

**Budgetary Forecast:** it is anticipated that the above schemes will deliver an underspend of £112,000 on the MDC – Queen Street scheme (£20,000) and MDC – Mountbatten House Purchase (£92,000). Officers will be recommending the removal of these scheme from the Capital Programme as they are now complete.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 203/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Regeneration – Other	67,631	25,250	42,381	7,216	35,165	0
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- Disabled Facilities Grant Mandatory (Remaining Budget £6.120million), the service continues to work through referrals carried over from last financial year. The forecast also includes £700,000 for the provision of Occupational Therapy services at the Chatham Healthy Living Centre.
- Temporary Accommodation Pilot (Remaining Budget £4.773million), scheme to purchase at least 20 properties for use as Temporary Accommodation. The budget is intended to cover the purchase price, stamp duty, refurbishment and fees. Two properties (four units) were purchased as of August 2023. We are expecting to complete on three further properties in Quarter 3 (acquisition costs £540,500 and refurb around £15,000). The purchase of a new build site at Rainham Road is due to start in Quarter 3 (purchase price of £2.800million plus stamp duty £331,250, fees approx. £1,500). A 10% deposit will be due in Quarter 3 of this year, with the remaining balance expected in 2024/25 on completion.
- Debenham's Redevelopment (Remaining Budget £17.879 million), no spend forecast in 2023/24. Discussions are ongoing with potential end users for the building.
- Command Of The Heights Phase 2 (Remaining Budget £37,000), there is no anticipated works taking place this year. Remedial works are planned for 2024/25 with the remaining scheme budget.
- Heritage Action Zone (Remaining Budget £273,000), approximately 75% of the 2023/24 budget is already committed with the remainder provisionally allocated. Anticipated to complete project in time and on budget as this is the final year of the funding programme.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by way of a government grant (Disabled Facilities Grant Mandatory, Command Of The Heights - Phase 2 and Heritage Action Zone); Capital Receipts (Digital Equipment Medway Adult Education and Housing Renovation grants); Section 106 Developer Contributions (Chatham Town Centre S106 Works); Prudential Borrowing (Temporary Accommodation Pilot); Borrowing in Lieu of Capital Receipts (Rochester Riverside Growing Places, Strood Riverside Phase 1&2, Innovation Park – Southern Site and Debenham's Redevelopment) and Borrowing in Lieu of Future NHS Grant (Healthy Living Centre Pentagon).

**Budgetary Forecast:** it is anticipated that the above schemes will be completed within the allocated budget.

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Housing Revenue Account	65,537	28,921	36,615	20,257	16,358	0

These schemes comprise capital schemes relating to the Council's Housing Stock and are as follows:

- Improve To Housing Stock (Budget £11.527million), planned capital works improvement programme to maintaining the 'decent homes' standards HRA properties. This is a rolling programme, and the budget is approved every 3 years for a 3 year programme. Current year forecast is based on the predicted completion of programmes in the current year. £1.034million has been added to the budget via COO delegation since Round One funded by the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund Wave 2.1.
- Disabled Adaptations (Budget £279,000), adaptations carried out to HRA properties are funded from the HRA budget. The Service receives approximately 50 referrals for adaptations per year. Approximately 45 adaptations are approved per year for major adaptations and balance would be made up of minor adaptations or application being carried over into the next financial year. Adaptations are to provide improved access to their home, bathroom, living room or bedroom, providing appropriate bathroom facilities, making the preparation and cooking of food easier, Adapting lighting or heating controls. Adaptations being approved in the current year at an average cost of £7,500 per major adaptation and £350.00 for minor adaptations. On this basis, it is forecast the whole budget will be spent in the current year.
- HRA House Purchase Or Buyback (Budget £356,000), budget is used as and when an opportunity arises to acquire buy back or open market property. This budget is being used in conjunction with the budget for HRA Purchase of Housing Units (see below).
- HRA Purchase Of Housing Units (Budget £4.62million), budget is used to purchase houses/land to support Medway's housing needs for households who are homeless or on the Council's housing waiting list. Each purchase will be recommended based on its cash flow model and formal sign off from Head of Service, Portfolio Holder and Director. Properties currently in the pipeline are Lutton Road, Derwent Way, Wood St, Copenhagen, Saxton Street and Borough Road.
- HRA Future Projects (Remaining Budget £3.750million), this is for future HRA projects where external funding may be announced, such as homes for Ukraine/Afghan. This financial year, we are planning the purchase of 19 units for resettlement and temporary accommodation. The first tranche of funding of £773,000 is due in summer, the second tranche due once 60% of tranche 1 has been committed.
- HRA New Build Phase 5 (Budget £9.896 million), 41 units (19 x 2,3,4,6 bed affordable rent & 21 x 1&2 bed apartments) HMY engaged and FFT engaged working up to RIBA stage 3. Lennoxwood and Aburound House have been submitted to planning. Contractors are expected on site in the spring of 2024. The viability of Phase 5 has been affected by interest rates and the increasing costs of materials and labour. Costing is currently being reviewed.
- HRA Britton Farm (Budget £6.187million), Britton Farm is a Medway Development Company build of 44 units (mix of 1 & 2 bedroom apartments). The development is being purchased by the HRA as a fully affordable rent scheme. This will be the HRA's largest purchase of affordable housing units to date. The scheme is progressing well with the second stage payment due to MDC in the autumn. Completion is currently expected in 2025.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by Capital Receipts (HRA House Purchase Or Buyback [part], HRA New Build Phase 5, Britton Farm [part], and HRA Purchase of Housing Units [part]); Reserves (Improve To Housing Stock [part], Disabled Adaptations and HRA House Purchase Or Buyback [part]); Capital grants (Improve to Housing Stock [part], HRA Purchase of Housing Units [part] and HRA future projects [part]) and Prudential Borrowing (HRA Purchase of Housing Units [part], HRA Future Projects [part], Britton Farm and HRA New Build Phase 5).

**Budgetary Forecast:** it is anticipated that the above schemes will be completed within the allocated budget.

#### 7. Members Priorities

7.1. It is expected that all allocated Members Priorities Schemes will result in a projected underspend of £40,000, and the scheme in question be removed from the Council's capital programme.

Service	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Member Priorities RCE	98	12	86	46	0	(40)
Members Priorities Total	98	12	86	46	0	(40)

	Total Approved Cost £000s	Total Exp to 31/03/23 £000s	Remaining Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Total Scheme Variance £000s
Member Priorities RCE	98	12	86	46	0	(40)

The schemes within this area have been approved through the Member Priorities programme and are as follows:

- MP St Marys Amateur Boxing Club (Remaining Budget £40,000) The club is currently working on a detailed design. As the Member Priority funding cannot be claimed until the club demonstrates all other funding is in place, it has been forecast for the next financial year. As this scheme has been part of the Capital Programme for several years with no progress, officers recommend to Cabinet and Council the removal of this scheme from the Capital Programme.
- MP Beechings Play Area (Remaining Budget £40,000), this is a new scheme for 2023/24. Currently out to tender for play area refurbishment. Works are due on the ground in autumn 2023. There is an additional £35,257 of s106 funding that has been added to this scheme via COO delegation in Round 2, however this was incorrectly allocated to the Great Lines Heritage Park budget and will be corrected for Round 3.
- MP Halling Bishops Palace (Remaining Budget £6,000), this is a new scheme for 2023/24. Project to enable railings to be installed at Bishops Palace Halling, to protect the scheduled ancient monument. Works will be complete once scheduled ancient monument consent is granted.

**Funding:** the above schemes are funded by Capital Receipts.

**Budgetary Forecast:** the MP St Mary's Amateur Boxing Club scheme is forecasting an underspend of - £40,000 and officers are recommending it be removed from the Capital Programme.

### 8. Section 106 Developer Contributions

8.1. The table below details the projected call on section 106 contributions to fund the forecast expenditure.

	Current Budget £000s	Forecast Spend 2023/24 £000s	Forecast Spend in Future Years £000s	Forecast Under/(over) spend £000s
Capital Reserve Developer Contributions				
S106 Highways & Transport Cap	93	93	0	0
S106 Leisure/Heritage Cap	744	568	175	0
S106 Public Realm Cap	20	20	0	0
Developer Contributions from Capital Reserves	857	681	175	0
Revenue Reserve Developer Contributions				
S106 Leisure/Heritage Rev	15	15	0	0
S106 Public Realm Rev	90	90	0	0
Developer Contributions from Revenue Reserves	105	105	0	0

### 9. Changes Since Cabinet Round 1 Monitoring 8 August 2023

9.1. The following additions have been made since the first round of monitoring was presented to Cabinet on 8 August 2023:

Directorate	Scheme	Approved Budget Addition £000s	Funding	Approval
Regeneration, Culture and Environment	Luton Millenium Park	114	Capital Grant	Chief Operating Officer/Finance Portfolio Holder 07/08/23
Regeneration, Culture and Environment	Active Travel	464	Capital Grant	Chief Operating Officer/Finance Portfolio Holder 25/05/23
Housing Revenue Account	HRA Improvements to Housing Stock	1,024	Capital Grant	Chief Operating Officer/Finance Portfolio Holder 16/07/23

9.2. The following schemes have been removed from the 2023/24 capital programme since the first round of monitoring was presented to Cabinet on 08 August 2023:

Directorate	Scheme	Approved Budget Removed £000s	Funding	Approval
Regeneration, Culture and Environment	Housing Infrastructure Funding	149,751	Capital Grant	Chief Operating Officer/Finance Portfolio Holder 18/10/23
Regeneration, Culture and Environment	Medway Development Company	49,751	Prudential Borrowing	Council 19/10/23
Regeneration, Culture and Environment	England Coast Path Super Steps	1	Capital Grant	Chief Operating Officer/Finance Portfolio Holder 13/10/23
Regeneration, Culture and Environment	England Coast Path Grain to Rainham	4	Capital Grant	Chief Operating Officer/Finance Portfolio Holder 13/10/23
Members Priorities	Platters Farm Panels/Rainham Signage/Unallocated Balance	262	Capital Receipts	Council 19/10/23

#### 10. Conclusion

10.1. The second round of Capital Budget Monitoring for 2023/24 for the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Directorate is forecasting an overspend of £261,000.

#### 11. Risk Management

Risk	Description	Action to avoid or	Risk
		mitigate risk	rating
Capital receipts	A significant proportion of the Capital Programme is funded from capital receipts; if the Council does not achieve the required receipts, some elements of the programme may either need to be curtailed or refinanced.	Close monitoring of the programmes anticipated to deliver capital receipts, and careful management of the delivery of those schemes funded from receipts.	BI
The Council overspends against the agreed budget.	Overspends would need to be funded from other sources; the Council's limited reserves or further borrowing, at further revenue cost.	The capital monitoring process is designed to identify and facilitate management action to mitigate the risk of overspending against the agreed budget.	BIII

Risk	Description		Action to avoid or mitigate risk	Risk rating
Deliverability of the Capital Programme	Macro-economic conditions, largely but not wholly resulting from the external factors, have affected the cost and availability of both materials and labour.		Close monitoring of the programme and careful management of the delivery are supported by scrutiny from senior officers and Members.	BIII
Operational Depot site	The Operational Depot Site is in operation with Medway Norse however there are outstanding issues around disputed claims from the contractor for inflation and contract variations. Final agreement has not yet been reached, and costs could reach up to £500,000.		Discussions are ongoing between the service, legal services and the contractor to ensure only reasonable costs are paid by the Council.	BIII
Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) at Gun Wharf	It has been confirmed that Gun Wharf has reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) in some parts of the roof. There is an as of yet unquantified risk that significant capital investment will be required to address this issue.		Officers are working with industry experts to address this issue.	All
Likelihood		Impact:		
A Very likely		I Catastrophic		
B Likely		II Major		
C Unlikely		III Moderate		
D Rare		IV Minor		

- 12. Financial Implications
- 12.1. The financial implications are set out in the body of the report.
- 13. Legal Implications
- 13.1. There are no direct legal implications to this report.

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## Appendices

Appendix 1 – Progress of Medway Development Company schemes funded by way of capital loans from Medway Council.

#### Background papers

None