



# SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

## Executive Leader Report

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**Report of:** Eugene Walker

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**Report to:** Cllr. Julie Dore, Leader of the Council

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**Date:**

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**Subject:** Month 2 Capital Approvals

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**Author of Report:** Paul Schofield 0114 27 36000

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**Key Decision:** YES

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**Reason Key Decision:** Expenditure decision over £500k and affects all areas of the city.

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**Summary:** This report seeks approval for a number of variations and additions to the 2014/15 Capital Programme, and the approval of procurement strategies for the delivery of projects in the programme.

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### Reasons for Recommendations:

The proposed changes to the Capital programme will improve the roads, schools, homes and parks and woodlands used by the people of Sheffield, and improve the infrastructure of the city council to deliver those services.

To formally record changes to the Capital Programme and gain Member approval for changes in line with Financial Regulations and to reset the capital programme in line with latest information.

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**Recommendations:**

- a) Approve the proposed additions and variations to the Capital Programme listed in Appendix 1, including the procurement strategies, and delegate authority to the Director of Commercial Services to award the necessary contracts following stage approval by Capital Programme Group;
- b) Note that there were no instances of variations or emergency approval of additions under the delegated authority provisions; and
- c) Approve the acceptance of the grants in Appendix 2 and to note the conditions and obligations attached to them.

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**Background Papers:** None

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**Category of Report:**        **OPEN \***

**If CLOSED add 'Not for publication because it contains exempt information under Paragraph (insert relevant paragraph number) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).'**

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## Statutory and Council Policy Checklist

<b>Financial Implications</b>
YES    Cleared by: Eugene Walker
<b>Legal Implications</b>
YES    Cleared by: Deborah Eaton
<b>Equality of Opportunity Implications</b>
YES/NO    Cleared by:
<b>Tackling Health Inequalities Implications</b>
YES/NO
<b>Human Rights Implications</b>
YES/NO
<b>Environmental and Sustainability implications</b>
YES/NO
<b>Economic Impact</b>
YES/NO
<b>Community Safety Implications</b>
YES/NO
<b>Human Resources Implications</b>
YES/NO
<b>Property Implications</b>
YES/NO
<b>Area(s) Affected</b>
City wide
<b>Relevant Cabinet Portfolio Lead</b>
Cllr. Ben Curran
<b>Relevant Scrutiny Committee</b>
Economic and Environmental Well-being
<b>Is the item a matter which is reserved for approval by the City Council?</b>
YES/NO
<b>Press Release</b>
YES/NO

## **REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE LEADER**

### **MONTH 2 2014/15 CAPITAL APPROVALS**

#### **1. SUMMARY**

1.1 A number of schemes have been submitted for approval in line with the Council's agreed capital approval process. In line with the agreed financial reporting calendar, these schemes would normally go forward for approval at the Cabinet to be held in August . However, the August cabinet has been cancelled and the next scheduled meeting is 17<sup>th</sup> September. In order to avoid unnecessary delay to the progress of these projects, approval is sought through a Leader's Executive Decision.

1.2 Below is a summary of the number and total value of schemes in each approval category:

- 9 additions to the capital programme with a total value of £2.9m; and
- 52 variations to the capital programme creating a net increase of £2.7m.

Further details of the schemes listed above can be found in Appendix 1.

1.3 There were no instances of variations or emergency approval of additions under the delegated authority provisions.

#### **2. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR SHEFFIELD PEOPLE**

2.1 The proposed changes to the Capital programme will improve the schools, roads, homes, parks and woodlands used by the people of Sheffield.

#### **3. BACKGROUND**

This report is part of the monthly reporting to Members on proposed changes to the Council's capital programme.

#### **4. OUTCOME AND SUSTAINABILITY**

4.1 By delivering these schemes the Council seeks to improve the quality of life for the people of Sheffield.

#### **5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

##### **5.1 Financial Implications**

The primary purpose of this report is to provide Members with information on the proposed changes to the City Council's Capital Programme and, as such, it does not make any recommendations which have additional financial implications for the City Council.

## **5.2 Procurement and Contract Award Implications**

This report will commit the Council to a series of future contracts. The procurement strategy for each project is set out in Appendix 1. The award of the contracts will be delegated to the Interim Director of Commercial Services following review and approval at the Capital Programme Group line with the Council's Standing Orders and Capital Approvals procedures.

## **5.3 Legal Implications**

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

## **5.4 Human Resource Implications**

There are no direct Human Resource implications for the Council.

## **5.5 Property Implications**

There are no direct property implications arising from this report.

## **6. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 6.1 A number of alternative courses of action are considered as part of the process undertaken by Officers before decisions are recommended to Members. The recommendations made to Members represent what Officers believe to be the best options available to the Council, in line with Council priorities, given the constraints on funding and the use to which funding is put within the Revenue Budget and the Capital Programme.

## **7. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 7.1 The proposed changes to the Capital programme will improve the services to the people of Sheffield
- 7.2 To formally record changes to the Capital Programme and gain Member approval for changes in line with Financial Regulations and to reset the capital programme in line with latest information.

## **8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- a) Approve the proposed additions and variations to the Capital Programme listed in Appendix 1, including the procurement strategies, and delegate authority to the Director of Commercial Services to award the necessary contracts following stage approval by Capital Programme Group;
- b) Note that there were no instances of variations or emergency approval of additions under the delegated authority provisions; and
- c) Approve the acceptance of the grants in Appendix 2 and to note the conditions and obligations attached to them.

Paul Schofield  
Assistant Director of Finance

14<sup>th</sup> August 2014