
REPORT TO Cabinet

DATE: 19 October 2005

REPORTING OFFICER: Director of Resources
(Sonia Starbuck, Assistant Accountant)

SUBJECT: **CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND TARGET LEVELS
NON-HOUSING SERVICES SMALL SCHEMES
2006/07 TO 2008/09**

WARDS AFFECTED: All

FORWARD PLAN REF: N/A

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To initiate preparation of the capital programme for small schemes within target levels for 2006/07 to 2008/09.
- 1.2 Cabinet is requested to approve spending totals for Revenue funding as shown in Appendix 1. (Spending funded from Grants, On-Street Parking Income, etc is additional.) Spending totals for the three year period are in line with the existing programme.
- 1.3 After the spending totals are set, the portfolio holders for Economic Development and for Planning should revise their capital programmes within these totals (together with other-funded schemes) and should report back to Cabinet in February 2006 with detailed draft programmes for each of the three years.
- 1.4 The small schemes programmes for all other portfolio holders have been transferred by the Council to the revenue budget and are excluded from this report.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the spending targets as shown in Appendix 1 for the period 2006/07 to 2008/09 be approved.
- 2.2 That capital programmes for Economic Development and for Planning be prepared within spending totals shown in Appendix 1, for consideration by Cabinet in February 2006.

3.0

RECOMMENDED REASONS FOR DECISIONS

- 3.1 The target levels need to be approved for revenue budget purposes.
- 3.2 The target levels need to be approved in order for the relevant portfolio holders to compile their detailed capital programmes.

4.0

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND RECOMMENDED FOR REJECTION

- 4.1 Setting no target levels. This would mean a departure from existing Council policy.
- 4.2 Setting increased target levels. Council policy is to cash limit budgets wherever possible.
- 4.3 Setting lower target levels. Portfolio holders may be unable to fulfil their capital objectives and priorities.

5.0

CAPITAL RESOURCES AND SPENDING

- 5.1 The small schemes programme for 2006/07 and onwards continues to be reliant upon existing levels of revenue contributions, amounting to £126,000 in each year.
- 5.2 Proposed revenue spending targets for future years are shown in Appendix 1.
- 5.3 For information, Appendix 2 shows the current approved programme within targets (including slippage), and this is the basis for the proposed spending totals for future years.
- 5.4 The majority of schemes attract significant levels of grant aid from external sources. This may be on a matched funding basis, which increases the overall investment level.

Background Papers: None.

OFFICER CONTACT: Please contact Sonia Starbuck if you require any further information on the contents of this report. The officer can be contacted at Council Offices, Crescent Gardens, Harrogate HG1 2SG, by telephone on Ext 6284 or by email sonia.starbuck@harrogate.gov.uk

SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT/POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

		Implications are		
		Positive	Neutral	Negative
A	Economy		✓	
B	Environment		✓	
C	Social Equity		✓	
(i)	General			
(ii)	Customer Care/People with Disabilities			
(iii)	Health Implications		✓	
D	Crime and Disorder Implications		✓	

If all comments lie within the shaded areas, the proposal is sustainable.