

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates and Property
Date:	6 April 2022
Title:	Managing Hampshire's Built Estate
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decisions:

That the Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates and Property:

- 1.2 Notes the progress made on the delivery of the 2021/22 repairs and maintenance programme and the projected 2021/22 outturn position for the repairs and maintenance budgets.
- 1.3 Approves the carry forward of the unexpended balance of the 2021/22 repairs and maintenance budgets to 2022/23 to meet the commitments made against these budgets.
- 1.3 Approves the high-level allocation of the 2022/23 repairs and maintenance budgets for the corporate and schools' estates as set out in the report, to address the priorities for health and safety, compliance, condition and business continuity.
- 1.4 Approves the provision of £670,000 of additional Schools Condition Allocation (SCA) funding for the planned "SCOLA" recladding project at Wavell School, identified in the 2022/23 CCBS capital programme, giving a revised total scheme value of £3,402,600, as set out in paragraph 57 and in the project appraisal within Appendix 3
- 1.5 Recommends to Cabinet for its approval, the allocation of £1,485,000 of additional SCA funding for the thermal improvement works to the listed block at Warblington School, identified in the 2022/23 CCBS capital programme, giving a revised total scheme value of £3,489,000, as set out in paragraph 58 and in the project appraisal within Appendix 3

- 1.6 Notes that the detailed programmes of works within each budget allocation, that fall within Chief Officer financial delegations, will be approved by the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services.
- 1.7 Notes the progress made on the Decarbonisation Programme, the forecasted reductions in carbon emissions arising from this work and the emerging work to shape a long-term strategy for climate change for the built estate.
- 1.8 Notes the update on the construction industry market conditions and associated impacts on work being delivered across the County Council's built estate.

2. Reason(s) for the decisions:

- 2.1 Hampshire County Council has one of the largest local authority led building maintenance programmes nationally. This report identifies in the region of £49.8million of new investment for the repair and maintenance of corporate and school buildings in Hampshire in 2022/23. When combined with carry forward of funding and projects from 2021/22, the total value of the anticipated programme is around £75.6million.
- 2.2 Good progress has been made in the delivery of maintenance across the estate this year. However, as anticipated, it has been necessary to prioritise HCC resource and supply chain availability to deliver projects within the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) due to the timebound nature of this funding.
- 2.3 All the programmes of work have experienced the impact of material and labour shortages on the construction industry caused by Covid-19, the EU Exit and other external factors. Property Services continues to work with its suppliers to manage the impact of delays and increased costs, to ensure value for money and minimise disruption to building users. The PSDS deadline was extended to June 2022 on several workstreams, recognising the material and labour shortages that have challenged delivery under the scheme nationally.
- 2.4 Funding for repairs and maintenance of schools was boosted in 2021/22 with an increase in Schools Condition Allocation (SCA) grant of £6million due to a change in grant allocation formula. This helped maintain momentum in the programme that continues to be impacted by cost pressures. Bringing forward additional schemes has afforded contractor visibility of the pipeline and programme contingency, reducing impacts of post contract delays.
- 2.5 High level budget allocations and individual capital schemes valued at £500,000 or more have been identified for 2022/23 and will be allocated to the highest priority works to ensure that the built estate is maintained in a

safe, compliant and operationally effective condition to support the delivery of the County Council's services.

- 2.6 The detailed programmes of work to be delivered within the budget allocations will be adjusted where necessary to match the confirmed funding; these and projects under £500,000 will be approved under Chief Officer delegations. Project appraisals for named capital schemes included in the CCBS capital programme approved in January 2022, will be brought forward at this (and future) decision days as projects develop.
- 2.7 More than £29.4million of PSDS grant funded investment will have been made in the County Council's corporate and schools' estates by June 2022. This programme of energy saving measures to reduce carbon emissions supports the County Council's climate change strategy and its declaration of a Climate Emergency. In addition, this funding will improve building condition and reduce associated health and safety risks across the estate.
- 2.8 Beyond PSDS, Property Services is also progressing an over-arching long-term strategy for climate change for the built estate to 2050, including the development of plans under three strategic themes of heat decarbonisation, low-carbon construction and built estate adaptation.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 None.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1 Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None.

4.2 Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: None.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: Not Applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

6 April 2022

Councillor Steve Forster
Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates
and Property