March 2019 Capital Budget Monitoring Outturn Report
(Subject to Audit)

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This report relates to a Non Key Decision

Purpose of this report

1. The report sets out the Capital outturn for 2018/19 as at the end of March 2019 (Subject to Audit). It excludes the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) which is subject to a separate report.

The outturn position was agreed by the Leader, Deputy Leader, Chief Executive and Director of Resources, under delegated authority from the Executive and this report brings the result into the public domain.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive is asked to:

1. note that the capital gross provisional outturn position (subject to audit) is a spend of £80.2M (£63.2M in 2017/18) demonstrating the continued significant capital investment made by Central Bedfordshire to support its community;

2. note the net overspends between £0.150M and £0.500M as listed at Appendix B;

3. note the gross deferred spend of £66.023M (£49.803M net) from 2018/19 to 2019/20 as detailed at Appendix C. This was approved by the Leader, Deputy Leader, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Resources under a delegated authority given by the Executive at its April 2019 meeting due to the accelerated timescale for the accounts closure;

4. Recommend Council to approve the net overspend on:

- Highways Structural Maintenance £1.829M (See paragraph 34 in appendix A)
- M1-A6 Phase 1 and 2 £0.781M (paragraph 41 in appendix A).
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

2. This report is based on the 2018/19 budget approved by Council at its February 2018 meeting. The reported budget also includes deferred spend from 2017/18 which was approved under delegated authority. The approved budget excluding HRA and including deferred spend from 2017/18 is £141.5M (gross).

ISSUES: None

FINANCIAL AND OTHER OPTIONS: These are covered in the report

3. Outturn

Principal variances

The approved budget including deferred spend from 2017/18 is £141.5M (gross). Actual gross outturn was £80.2M (£63.2M last year), below budget by £61.3M (£47.4M under budget last year). Actual net outturn was £39.0M (£27.2M last year), below budget by £50.2M (£32.1M under budget last year).

Children’s Services outturned at £0.7M above gross budget and £0.6M below net budget. Gross slippage is £0.592M.

Community Services outturned at £44.5M below gross budget and outturned at £38.0M below net budget. Gross slippage is £43M. Much of this slippage is outside of the control of the Council. Appendix A explains this in more detail.

There are a number of schemes that this relates to, however the most significant schemes (gross) are:

- £8.40M A421- M1 Junction 13
- £7.60M Purchase of the Waste Fleet
- £5.82M Strategic Acquisitions
- £4.20M Stratton Industrial Units
- £2.70M IT Digitisation
- £2.53M Crematorium
- £1.88M Dunstable Library & Leisure
- £1.43M Luton & Dunstable Busway
- £1.24M New Car Parks
- £1.08M A5 Residual works
- £0.86M Woodside Link

Regeneration outturned at £7.7M below budget, and below net budget by £4.6M. Gross slippage is £7.6M, £5.2M net.
There are a number of schemes that this relates to, however the most significant schemes are:

- £3.34M Broadband
- £1.46M Flitwick Redevelopment
- £1.04M Market Towns Programme (Flitwick element only – other elements on track)
- £0.52M East/West Rail

SCHH outturned at £9.8M below budget and £7.0M below net budget. Gross slippage is £9.0M, £6.3M net. There are a number of schemes that this relates to, however the most significant schemes are:

- £5.00M MANOP Non-HRA Extra Care Schemes
- £1.54M Review of Accommodation/Day Support, "New Approaches to Outcomes"
- £0.99M Better Care Fund Grant
- £0.87M MANOP Care Home re-provision

A summary of the position is in the table below.

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(Note: Any minor rounding differences are due to linking to detailed appendices)

**Capital Receipts**
The overall budget for Capital receipts is £10.0M. The outturn was £16.2M

**Reasons for decision**

4. To complete schemes currently underway and facilitate effective financial management and planning.

**Council Priorities**

5. Sound financial management contributes to the Council’s Value for Money and enables the Council to successfully deliver its priorities. The recommendations will contribute indirectly to all 6 Council priorities.
Corporate Implications

Legal Implications

6. None.

Financial Implications

7. The financial Implications are contained in the report.

Equalities Implications

8. Equality Impact Assessments were undertaken prior to the allocation of the 2018/19 budgets and Members were advised of significant equality implications relating to the budget proposals when setting the Council’s Budget in February 2018.

Appendices

Appendix A – Detailed Directorate Commentary
Appendix B - Schemes over budget between £0.150M and £0.500M
Appendix C - Capital Slippage Approved under delegated Authority