

<b>CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL</b>	<b>Cabinet</b> <b>7 July 2021</b>
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<b>Report title</b>	Capital Budget Outturn 2020-2021 including Quarter One Capital Monitoring 2021-2022	
<b>Decision designation</b>	RED	
<b>Cabinet member with lead responsibility</b>	Councillor Ian Brookfield Leader of the Council	
<b>Key decision</b>	Yes	
<b>In forward plan</b>	Yes	
<b>Wards affected</b>	All Wards	
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<b>Report to be/has been considered by</b>	Strategic Executive Board	17 June 2021
	Council	21 July 2021

#### **Recommendations for decision:**

That Cabinet recommend that Council approve:

1. The revised, medium term General Revenue account capital programme of £340.2 million, an increase of £3.0 million from the previously approved programme, and the change in associated resources.
2. The revised, medium term Housing Revenue Account (HRA) capital programme of £450.3 million, a reduction of £222,000 from the previously approved programme, and the change in associated resources.

That Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Approve the virements for the General Revenue Account capital programme detailed at Appendix 4 to the report for;

- i. existing projects totalling £8.1 million;
  - ii. new projects totalling £2.3 million.
2. Approve the virements for the HRA capital programme detailed at Appendix 4 to the report for;
- i. Existing projects totalling £3.9 million.
3. Approve the expansion of delegation endorsed by Cabinet on 18 July 2018 which delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Education, in consultation with the Director of Finance, to approve the allocation of the provision of the Special Education Needs (SEN) Special capital Fund Programme to individual capital projects in order that they may be progressed in a timely manner. Approval is now sought to expand this delegation to approve the payments of grants related to the SEN Special Provision Capital Fund programme where appropriate in order that projects can be progressed in a timely manner. In addition, approval is sought to enter into a grant agreement between the City of Wolverhampton Council and St Martins Multi Academy trust for the provision of a resource base as part of the Special Education Needs (SEN) Special Capital Fund Programme.

### **Recommendations for noting:**

The Cabinet is asked to note:

1. That the Covid-19 pandemic has had an impact on development projects internationally, nationally and regionally and also on projects within the City.
2. There is an intentional 'over-programming' of projects to reflect the reality that some projects will inevitably be delayed due to unexpected circumstances or changes to priorities. Over-programming aims to ensure that, as far as possible, the resources available are fully utilised.
3. There is one new project created through the virement within the Primary School Expansion Programme included in this report, but which is subject to a separate detailed project report also on this agenda. The inclusion of this project is for budget approval purpose and is on the assumption that the approval to progress with the project is given. As the progression is dependent on that decision, if the project is not approved, the capital programme will be adjusted accordingly. The name of the project is:
  - Bilston Church of England Primary - caretaker house renovation.

## **1.0 Purpose**

- 1.1 To provide Cabinet with an update on the outturn position for 2020-2021 and update on the 2021-2022 financial performance of the General Revenue Account and HRA capital programmes whilst also providing a revised forecast for 2021-2022 to 2025-2026 as at quarter one of 2021-2022.
- 1.2 To recommend revisions to the current approved capital programmes covering the period 2021-2022 to 2025-2026.

## **2.0 Executive summary**

- 2.1 The General Revenue Account and HRA capital programmes are underpinned by Our Council Plan 2019-2024 with significant focus on working together to be a city of opportunity; focused on the following strategic outcomes:
  - Children and young people get the best possible start in life
  - Well skilled people working in an inclusive economy
  - More good jobs and investment in our city
  - Better homes for all
  - Strong, resilient and healthy communities
  - A vibrant, green city we can all be proud of.
- 2.2 The Council, alongside managing the emergency response to the pandemic, has undertaken extensive planning for recovery which was approved by Cabinet in September 2020. It engaged with around 2,500 people including residents, young people, the voluntary and community sector and other partners, employees, Councillors and businesses across the city. This engagement has shaped the Council's five-point recovery plan, 'Relighting Our City'.
- 2.3 Relighting Our City sets out the priorities which will guide the Council's approach as the organisation and the City starts to transition from the response to the recovery phase of the pandemic:
  - Support people who need us most
  - Create more opportunities for young people
  - Support our vital local businesses
  - Generate more jobs and learning opportunities
  - Stimulate vibrant high streets and communities
- 2.4 Relighting Our City also references three cross cutting themes which cut across all of our recovery work, namely being climate focused, driven by digital and fair and inclusive in our approach.
- 2.5 The capital programme includes significant investment programmes that endeavour to create an environment where new and existing business thrive, people can develop the

skills they need to secure jobs and create neighbourhoods in which people are proud to live.

- 2.6 The capital programme reflects the priorities of the Strategic Asset Management Plan. Individual capital project delivery milestones and financial analysis is undertaken over the lifecycle of each project, by project managers in conjunction with Strategic Finance, and is updated in the Council's project management system. Regular project delivery updates are provided to Leadership teams and to the Project Assurance Group, enabling governance and challenge. In addition to this, a Capital Projects Member Reference Group provides enhanced project governance and challenge.
- 2.7 The Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant international, national and regional impact, and will continue to have, significant financial implications for the Council. The pandemic has understandably had an impact on the development of capital projects. Given the unprecedented circumstances, there has understandably been delays on some capital schemes due to Covid-19. To ensure that any potential costs are met, in June 2020, the Council approved budget provision for specific risks emerging from the Covid-19 global pandemic. The Council will continue to assess the potential implications of Covid-19 on its wider capital programme in terms of delivery timescales and increases in costs. The capital programme makes a significant contribution to the shaping of the City and on the economy of the City and therefore will contribute to the Council's plans for Relighting Our City.
- 2.8 On 3 March 2021, Council approved a General Revenue Account capital programme totalling £316.4 million for the period 2020-2021 to 2025-2026. Since then, further reports submitted to Councillors have been approved to increase this amount by £20.8 million to £337.2 million, funded from external resources, details of which can be found in Appendix 1 and are summarised below:
- £14.9 million for Future High Streets fund, fully funded by grant from Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government's (MHCLG);
  - £4.6 million for the Transportation capital programme, fully funded by grant from the West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA);
  - £1.3 million for Education School Capital Programme, fully funded by grant from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA).
- 2.9 In addition to this, reallocation of resources totalling £1.3 million from the Corporate Contingency to individual projects within the Corporate Asset Management capital programme have been approved through Individual Executive Decision Notices, to facilitate works required in order that corporate priorities are addressed and met in an agile and timely manner, this is summarised at Appendix 1 to the report.
- 2.10 This report considers specific changes to budgets. A full list of the proposed capital programme can be found in Appendix 1 to the report.

2.11 Table 1 shows the approved General Revenue Account capital programme budget compared with that proposed, along with the resources identified to finance the proposed change.

**Table 1: Summary of the General Revenue Account capital programme**

General Revenue Account capital programme	2020 - 2021	2021 - 2022	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
<b>Budget</b>						
<b>Approved</b>	96,395	193,944	32,264	13,003	1,596	<b>337,202</b>
<b>Variations</b>						
New projects	-	2,312	1,171	-	-	<b>3,483</b>
Existing projects	(23,659)	(55,638)	65,097	10,087	3,600	<b>(513)</b>
	<b>(23,659)</b>	<b>(53,326)</b>	<b>66,268</b>	<b>10,087</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>2,970</b>
<b>Projected</b>	<b>72,736</b>	<b>140,618</b>	<b>98,532</b>	<b>23,090</b>	<b>5,196</b>	<b>340,172</b>
<b>Financing</b>						
<b>Approved</b>						
Internal resources	67,575	107,764	29,686	12,831	1,319	<b>219,175</b>
External resources	28,820	86,180	2,578	172	277	<b>118,027</b>
	<b>96,395</b>	<b>193,944</b>	<b>32,264</b>	<b>13,003</b>	<b>1,596</b>	<b>337,202</b>
<b>Variations</b>						
Internal resources	(16,183)	(16,459)	11,594	8,087	3,600	<b>(9,361)</b>
External resources	(7,476)	(36,867)	54,674	2,000	-	<b>12,331</b>
	<b>(23,659)</b>	<b>(53,326)</b>	<b>66,268</b>	<b>10,087</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>2,970</b>
<b>Projected</b>						
Internal resources	51,392	91,305	41,280	20,918	4,919	<b>209,814</b>
External resources	21,344	49,313	57,252	2,172	277	<b>130,358</b>
<b>Projected</b>	<b>72,736</b>	<b>140,618</b>	<b>98,532</b>	<b>23,090</b>	<b>5,196</b>	<b>340,172</b>

2.12 This report recommends variations to the approved capital programme totalling an increase of £3.0 million, which brings the total revised programme to £340.2 million.

2.13 The Council has secured significant levels of external funding which has enabled the introduction of new projects in the Capital Programme. Details of the all projects that have contributed to the overall increase of £3.0 million in the General Revenue Account capital programme can be found in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report, however, the key projects that have contributed to the increase in the programme are as follows;

- A net increase of £2.7 million is proposed for the Primary School Expansion Capital programme due to new Basic Need Grant 2022-2023 received from the Education and Skills Funding Agency, Department of Education (ESFA);
- There is an increase of £1.8 million relating to the Contingency for Emergency Works programme also within the Education capital programme due to new School Condition Grant Allocation in 2021-2022 received from the ESFA;
- An increase of £1.3 million is proposed for the Disabled Facilities Grant capital programme to reflect additional grant allocation for 2021-2022 received from the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government's (MHCLG);

- In addition to this, an increase totalling £1.1 million is proposed within the Education capital programme for the capital projects that are fully funded through the Schools contributions. Of the overall £1.1 million increase, £760,000 relates to school improvement works, whilst an increase of £330,000 reflects Schools contributions towards the costs of ICT and equipment;
- An increase of £847,000 is proposed to reflect grant 'in principle' offer from the MHCLG for the provision for future programmes within the Future High Street Fund capital programme.
- The increase in expenditure detailed above is offset in part by decrease of £5.0 million relating to the Transformational capitalisation projects 2020-2021. The Budget Outturn 2020-2021 reported presented to Cabinet on 16 June 2021, stated that in line with the approved strategy, any efficiencies identified across corporate revenue contingency budgets would in the first instance be used to reduce the level of capital receipts used in 2020-2021.

2.14 The outturn expenditure for 2020-2021 for existing projects totals £72.7 million. This represents 75.5% of the approved budget.

2.15 On 3 March 2021, Council approved a revised HRA capital programme totalling £450.5 million for the period 2020-2021 to 2025-2026.

2.16 Table 2 shows the approved HRA capital programme budget compared with that proposed, along with the resources identified to finance the proposed change.

**Table 2: Summary of the HRA capital programme**

Housing Revenue Account capital programme	2020 - 2021	2021 - 2022	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	2025 - 2026	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
<b>Budget</b>							
<b>Approved</b>	49,386	95,287	86,260	84,280	73,330	61,930	<b>450,473</b>
<b>Variations</b>							
Existing projects	(2,541)	(2,372)	10,060	(2,220)	(3,149)	-	<b>(222)</b>
	<b>(2,541)</b>	<b>(2,372)</b>	<b>10,060</b>	<b>(2,220)</b>	<b>(3,149)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(222)</b>
<b>Projected</b>	<b>46,845</b>	<b>92,915</b>	<b>96,320</b>	<b>82,060</b>	<b>70,181</b>	<b>61,930</b>	<b>450,251</b>
<b>Financing</b>							
<b>Approved</b>							
Internal resources	48,767	95,287	86,260	84,280	73,330	61,930	<b>449,854</b>
External resources	619	-	-	-	-	-	<b>619</b>
	<b>49,386</b>	<b>95,287</b>	<b>86,260</b>	<b>84,280</b>	<b>73,330</b>	<b>61,930</b>	<b>450,473</b>
<b>Variations</b>							
Internal resources	(2,541)	(2,372)	10,060	(2,220)	(3,149)	-	<b>(222)</b>
External resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>-</b>
	<b>(2,541)</b>	<b>(2,372)</b>	<b>10,060</b>	<b>(2,220)</b>	<b>(3,149)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(222)</b>
<b>Projected</b>							
Internal resources	46,226	92,915	96,320	82,060	70,181	61,930	<b>449,632</b>
External resources	619	-	-	-	-	-	<b>619</b>
<b>Projected</b>	<b>46,845</b>	<b>92,915</b>	<b>96,320</b>	<b>82,060</b>	<b>70,181</b>	<b>61,930</b>	<b>450,251</b>

2.17 This report recommends variations to the approved programme totalling a decrease of £222,000, bringing the total revised programme to £450.3 million.

- 2.18 Of the overall decrease of £222,000, £188,000 relates to the Housing Services Capitalised Salaries programme, whilst a decrease of £55,000 is proposed for the Small Sites Phase 3 capital programme. The decrease for both programmes is due to underspend in 2020-2021.
- 2.19 The outturn expenditure for 2020-2021 for HRA existing projects totals £46.8 million. This represents 94.9% of the approved budget.

### **3.0 Existing projects**

- 3.1 The changes proposed for existing projects within the General Revenue Account capital programme total a net increase of £3.0 million, as outlined in paragraph 2.12. A more detailed listing of the individual projects can be found in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report.
- 3.2 Requests for budget virements between existing projects within the General Revenue Account capital programme total £8.1 million, further details provided in Appendix 4 to the report.
- 3.3 The following paragraphs provide commentary on the key changes to budgets and an update on key projects.
- 3.4 The Civic Halls project continues to progress. Structural steel installation to Corporation Street and Mitre Fold are largely complete and the steel installation for new seating balcony in the Wulfrun is completed. Covid-19 measures are in place and constantly being monitored to include material sourcing and sub-contractor resource levels. Operator procurement is progressing to contract.
- 3.5 The Train Station continues to remain fully open with the Interchange Phase 2 works focusing on the completion of the operational aspects of the station in addition to the delivery of a high-quality public realm gateway to the City. This programme will provide the connection and interface with the metro. Redevelopment of Phase 2 of the station is now complete, and work will begin on the establishment of the plaza space and metro connection.
- 3.6 Planning consent was granted for the City Learning Quarter City Campus in late 2019 and the Council assumed project management responsibility for the new Technical Centre project at Wellington Road, Bilston as part of the overall programme management.

A funding strategy is in place for the delivery of CLQ Bilston via an approved business case application to the WMCA. The CLQ city centre campus is subject to the Councils round one 'Levelling Up' grant funding ask to government which will be match funded with the Further Education Match Capital fund submitted by the College.

- 3.7 In relation to the Westside project, the masterplan configuration and project delivery has been re-phased with the hotel element accelerated following the conclusion of a detailed soft marketing exercise to identify likely hotel brands and operators. Following the

confirmation of the Councils preferred procurement route a Cabinet report will be presented to detail the next steps.

- 3.8 The construction of the first phase of the i54 Western Extension was completed in March 2020 ahead of programme. Platform preparation, services infrastructure and landscaping continues, and the fully serviced development plots are programmed to be completed during Summer 2021.

The project partners continue to receive high levels of interest from developers and operators which are considered in line with the pre-qualification requirement for occupier (employment / job creation activities). Following detailed due diligence on proposals received, the partnership have agreed commercial terms and an exclusivity agreement with a new occupier and announcements will follow shortly.

- 3.9 i9 is on target for 29 July practical completion with the development substantially complete. The building is now pre let and incorporates the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government making i9 the first departmental dual headquarters in government and will include a ministerial presence.
- 3.10 The outturn for 2020-2021 was total expenditure of £46.8 million on HRA projects against a budget of £49.4 million with £2.3 million of the underspend relating to rephasing of projects to future years and £0.3 million of budget for demand led rolling refurbishment programmes not being required. Rephasing of budgets across future years is across various projects, due to the continuing impact of Covid-19. In particular there has been an impact on newbuild projects due to progress or start on site being slower than anticipated. Good progress on the Heath Town refurbishment has required the budget profile to be accelerated.
- 3.11 In order to be prudent, there is an intentional 'over-programming' of projects to reflect the reality that some projects will inevitably be delayed due to unexpected circumstances or changes to priorities. Over-programming aims to ensure that, as far as possible, the resources available are fully utilised.
- 3.12 On 18 July 2018, Cabinet delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Education, in consultation with the Director of Finance, to approve the allocation of the provision of the Special Education Needs (SEN) Special Capital Fund Programme to individual capital projects in order that they may be progressed in a timely manner. Approval is now sought to expand that delegation to approve the payments of grants related to the SEN Special Provision Capital Fund programme where appropriate in order that projects can be progressed in a timely manner. In addition, approval is sought for the permission to enter into a grant agreement between the City of Wolverhampton Council and St Martins Multi Academy trust for the provision of a resource base as part of the Special Education Needs (SEN) Special Capital Fund Programme.



## 4.0 New projects and virements

- 4.1 Table 3 provides a summary of new projects requiring approval, covering the period 2020-2021 to 2025-2026, and identifying where additional funding is required and where the new expenditure can be met from existing resources. A detailed analysis of the individual projects included in this table can be found in Appendix 3 to the report.

**Table 3: Summary of new projects requiring approval**

Directorate	2020-2021 to 2025-2026		
	Forecast outturn	Additional external resources required	Virements from existing projects
	£000	£000	£000
General Revenue Account	3,483	1,190	2,293
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,483</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>2,293</b>

- 4.2 The new projects requiring approval are funded from external resources of £1.2 million and virements totalling £2.3 million. A list of the virements can be found in Appendix 4 to the report.
- 4.3 Of the overall increase of £1.2 million for the General Revenue Account capital programme, an increase of £1.1 million relates to the Disabled Facilities Grant capital programme. Approval is sought for eight new projects to reflect a new grant allocation from the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government.
- 4.4 An increase totalling £140,000 reflects a new grant award received from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial (BEIS) for the Public Sector Decarbonisation capital programme. Approval is now sought for four new projects delivered by Salix Finance Ltd which will support energy efficiency improvement works on Council assets, delivering carbon savings and contributing to the Councils' climate change agenda.
- 4.5 New projects created through virements from existing projects relate to ICT, Corporate Asset Management and Education capital programmes. A virement totalling £1.6 million is required to support nine new annual rolling ICT capital projects, whilst a virement of £549,000 is proposed for creation of 12 new projects within the Corporate Asset Management, to enable the completion of priority works ensuring all council assets are statutory compliant and fit for purpose. In addition to this, a virement of £155,000 is requested for the Post Building Schools for Future (BSF) ICT Infrastructure upgrades within the Education.

## 5.0 Medium term capital programme financing

- 5.1 Table 4 details the approved financing for the capital programme for 2020-2021 to 2025-2026 and incorporates the requested approvals for projects included in this report.

**Table 4: Approved and forecast capital financing 2020-2021 to 2025-2026**

2020-2021 to 2025-2026				
General Revenue Account capital programme	Approved budget	Recommended budget	Variance	Resource as % of expenditure
	£000	£000	£000	
<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>337,202</b>	<b>340,172</b>	<b>2,970</b>	
<b>Financing</b>				
Internal resources				
Capital receipts	96,066	95,409	(657)	28.0%
Prudential borrowing	122,284	111,537	(10,747)	32.9%
Revenue contributions	825	2,868	2,043	0.8%
Reserves	-	-	-	0.0%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>219,175</b>	<b>209,814</b>	<b>(9,361)</b>	<b>61.7%</b>
External resources				
Grants & contributions	118,027	130,358	12,331	38.3%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>118,027</b>	<b>130,358</b>	<b>12,331</b>	<b>38.3%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>337,202</b>	<b>340,172</b>	<b>2,970</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

2020-2021 to 2025-2026				
Housing Revenue Account capital programme	Approved budget	Recommended budget	Variance	Resource as % of expenditure
	£000	£000	£000	
<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>450,473</b>	<b>450,251</b>	<b>(222)</b>	
<b>Financing</b>				
Internal resources				
Capital receipts	34,761	32,958	(1,803)	7.3%
Prudential borrowing	282,054	285,289	3,235	63.4%
Revenue contributions	18,322	16,322	(2,000)	3.6%
Reserves	114,717	115,063	346	25.6%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>449,854</b>	<b>449,632</b>	<b>(222)</b>	<b>99.9%</b>
External resources				
Grants & contributions	619	619	-	0.1%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>450,473</b>	<b>450,251</b>	<b>(222)</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

5.2 Capital receipts totalling £95.4 million have been assumed within the General Revenue Account capital programme over the medium term period 2020-2021 to 2025-2026 and can be seen in Table 5. This is a decrease of £657,000 when compared to the approved budget, which has arisen due to re-phasing of receipts and capital requirements.

In order to be prudent, a detailed review of the schedule of asset disposals is undertaken to identify only those that are likely to be completed. The planned utilisation of capital receipts will reflect the need to balance the benefit for both the capital programme and the revenue budget and will form part of the ongoing Medium Term Financial Strategy.

5.3 Whilst the forecast of capital receipts is deemed prudent at this stage, it will continue to be monitored closely throughout the financial year in light of the impact of the Covid-19

pandemic. In the event that capital receipts assumptions change, updates will be provided in future reports to Councillors.

**Table 5: Receipts assumed in the revised General Revenue Account capital programme**

General Revenue Account	Projected						Total £000
	2020 - 2021 £000	2021 - 2022 £000	2022 - 2023 £000	2023 - 2024 £000	2024 - 2025 £000	2025 - 2026 £000	
Capital programme receipts	15,900	30,600	21,000	10,000	13,000	4,900	95,400

5.4 It is the Council's strategy to use capital receipts to reduce the Council's need to borrow to fund the approved capital programme. Capital expenditure has a direct impact upon the Council's revenue budgets and therefore needs to be restricted to projects essential to the Council's priorities. Any proposals to increase the level of the capital programme are considered in accordance with the Capital Strategy.

## 6.0 Key budget risks

6.1 An analysis of the risks associated with the capital programme, along with the details of the risk control measures that are in place in order to manage and mitigate these risks as far as possible can be viewed online on the Council's website by following the link below:

[Capital Programme | City Of Wolverhampton Council](#)

6.2 The overall risk associated with the programme continuous to be quantified as amber.

## 7.0 Evaluation of alternative options

7.1 This report provides an update on progress of capital projects during 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 and anticipated budget requirement for future years. The evaluation of alternative project options is detailed in individual investment proposals.

## 8.0 Reasons for decisions

8.1 To seek Cabinet's recommendation to Council to approve the revised capital budgets. This will ensure that the capital programme budget reflects the latest forecasts and requirements.

## 9.0 Financial implications

9.1 The financial implications are discussed in the body of this report. The revenue implications of the new and existing projects seeking approval for additional or changes in resources for the General Fund Revenue Account are fully reflected in the treasury management budget forecasts included in the report 'Treasury Management – Annual Report 2020-2021 and Activity Monitoring Quarter One 2021-2022' also on the agenda for approval at this meeting.

9.2 New capital grant notifications received during quarter one 2021-2022 can be seen in the table below:

Service	Funding body	Name of grant	£000
Transportation	Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG)	Future High Street Fund	15,760
Education and Skills	Education and Skills Funding Agency, Department of Education (ESFA)	Basic Need Grant 2022-2023	7,200
Education and Skills	Education and Skills Funding Agency, Department of Education (ESFA)	School Condition Allocation 2021-2022	3,131
City Housing	Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government (MHCLG)	Disabled Facilities Grant	1,328
Transportation	West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)	S31 Transport Highway Maintenance Fund	1,249
Transportation	West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)	S31 Transport Pothole Action Fund	1,249
Transportation	West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)	S31 Integrated Transport Block	1,191
Transportation	Transport for West Midlands (TfWM)	Major Road Network (MRN)	469
City Development	Black Country Local Enterprise Partnership (BCLEP)	Local Growth Deal - CLQ Site Investigation	326
Transportation	West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)	S31 Transport Highway Maintenance Incentive Fund	312
Transportation	West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA)	Ultra-Low Emission Buses (ULEB) Pantograph	143
Asset Management	Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS)	Public Sector Decarbonisation Grant	140
Planning	War Memorial Trust	Restoration of War Memorial	17
Planning	*Heritage Lottery Fund	Queen Street Gateway Townscape Heritage	(269)
<b>Grand total grant notifications</b>			<b>32,246</b>

\*The reduction in Heritage Lottery Fund grant relates to grant no longer required as the programme is now complete.

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## 10.0 Legal implications

10.1 Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires local authorities to make arrangements for the proper administration of their financial affairs.

10.2 The Local Government Act 1972 brought in the current regime for capital finance for local authorities. It reduced the level of central control over local authority borrowing and capital expenditure.

10.3 Each project mentioned in this report will have its own specific legal implications, raised and tailored in their respective reports.

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## 11.0 Equalities implications

11.1 There is a range of individual projects delivered through the Council's capital programme that have significant impacts on specific groups and equality implications should be considered when individual capital projects are being developed.

11.2 This requirement would also apply if there were to be any redirection of capital funding in year to ensure that the impact of any changes is considered.

## 12.0 All other Implications

- 12.1 A wide range of projects delivered through the capital programme have significant environmental implications and are geared to promote improvements to the physical environment.
- 12.2 Projects funded and delivered through the Council's capital programme typically have significant impact on the Council's property portfolio. Corporate landlord implications must be considered and included in relevant documents and reports when individual capital projects and programmes are being developed.
- 12.3 There is a range of individual projects delivered through the Council's capital programme which could have health and wellbeing implications, these should be considered when individual capital projects are being developed.
- 12.4 The Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant international, national and regional impact, and will continue to have, significant financial implications for the Council. Covid-19 has had an impact on development projects internationally, nationally and regionally and also on projects within the City. Specific references are made where appropriate throughout the report.

## 13.0 Schedule of background papers

- 13.1 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 25 February 2021, exempt – [Primary School Expansion Programme](#)
- 13.2 Council, 3 March 2021 - [Capital Programme 2020-2021 to 2024-2025 Quarter Three Review and 2021-2022 to 2025-2026 Budget Strategy](#)
- 13.3 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 12 March 2021, exempt – [Secondary School Expansion Programme](#)
- 13.4 Special Urgency Decision, Cabinet (Resources) Panel, 19 March 2021 – [The Marches Help to Own Project](#)
- 13.5 Cabinet (Resources) Panel, 21 April 2021, exempt – [Schools Capital Programme 2021-2022](#)
- 13.6 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 30 April 2021, exempt – [Corporate Asset Management Fund – Approval of Parkfields Project 2021/22](#)
- 13.7 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 26 May 2021 - [Future High Street Fund City Centre Public Realm Victoria Street and Civic Halls projects - Supplementary Capital Budgets](#)
- 13.8 Cabinet, 16 June 2021, exempt - [Citywide Non Traditional Property Investment and Regeneration Programme](#)
- 13.9 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 29 June 2021 – Lunt Community Centre

13.10 Cabinet, 7 July 2021, exempt - [Primary School Expansion Programme 2021](#)

#### **14.0 Appendices**

14.1 Appendix 1: Detailed projected budget

14.2 Appendix 2: Detailed forecast change

14.3 Appendix 3: Projects requiring approval

14.4 Appendix 4: Virements for approval