

**CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING – 2007/08**  
**(Report by the Head of Financial Services)**

**1. PURPOSE**

1.1 This report highlights the variations from the Capital Programme approved in February 2007 including any member or officer decisions already taken in accordance with the Code of Financial Management.

**2. MONITORING INFORMATION**

2.1 The Budget approved in February 2007 and subsequent adjustments are shown below, together with the forecast variations:-

<b>Capital Variations</b>	<b>2007/08 Capital Expenditure</b>		
	<b>Gross Budget</b>	<b>External Contributions</b>	<b>Net Budget</b>
	£000	£000	£000
<b>Approved Budget (February 2007)</b>	<b>20,202</b>	<b>4,924</b>	<b>15,278</b>
Deferrals from 2006/07 (in excess of the £1.5m provision included in the MTP)	1,911	1,074	837
	<b>22,113</b>	<b>5,998</b>	<b>16,115</b>
<b>Cost Variations (Annex A)</b>			
Reported previously	-1,392	-61	-1,331
Further Variations (see para 2.3)	215	66	159
	<b>-1,177</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-1,182</b>
<b>Timing Changes (Annex B)</b>			
Reported previously	-3,750	-1,850	-1,900
Further Changes (see para 2.4)	626	-510	1,136
	<b>-3,124</b>	<b>-2,360</b>	<b>-764</b>
<b>Capital from Revenue</b>			
Reported previously	213	0	213
Further Changes (see para 2.5)	313	0	313
	<b>526</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>526</b>
<b>Current Forecast</b>	<b>18,338</b>	<b>3,643</b>	<b>14,695</b>

2.3 None of the current variations to scheme cost require approval as they are simply reducing savings that had been forecast earlier in the year.

2.4 The timing changes, now identified, include bringing forward £2.4m relating to the replacement Headquarters building. This follows a detailed review of the value of all building work expected to be completed by the end of March, rather than just the cash paid before the end of the year, so that the figures comply with the appropriate accounting standards. It also reflects a deferral of the expected income for the sale, or transfer, of the Alms Close and Caxton Road depot sites until 2008/09. The forecast cost of this scheme is regularly reviewed and will be updated for the next report once further information is available on potential land values.

- 2.5 The following table identifies some specific items that were originally budgeted for as revenue but can legitimately be charged to capital. This is advantageous as it increases the Council's financial flexibility. The net impact is to reduce capital reserves but increase revenue reserves by £313k.

Revenue/Capital Transfers	Gross Budget	External Contributions	Net Budget
	£000	£000	£000
<b>Revenue to Capital</b>			
St Neots Leisure Centre – Pool Roof Refurbishment	95	0	95
Flexible Working	32	0	32
ICT for New Accommodation	37	0	37
Commutation adjustment – Higher Government approval	72	0	72
Staff time recharge	77	0	77
<b>Extra Capital Provision Required</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>313</b>

- 2.6 Despite this report being based on mid-March figures there are still likely to be further adjustments before the outturn is finalised.

### 3. REVENUE IMPLICATIONS 2007/08

- 3.1 The impact of the variations to the original budget approved in February 2007 is to reduce the net revenue expenditure by £633k in 2007/08 with further reductions in future years, as shown below.

Revenue Impact	2007/ 2008	2008/ 2009	2009/ 2010	2010/ 2011
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cost Variations	-30	-59	-59	-59
Timing Changes 2006/07 to 2007/08	-21			
Timing Changes 2007/08 to 2008/09	-69	-19		
Revenue/Capital Transfers	-513	26	26	26
<b>TOTAL FORECAST VARIATION</b>	<b>-633</b>	<b>-52</b>	<b>-33</b>	<b>-33</b>

### 4 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 It is **RECOMMENDED** that Cabinet note the variations contained in this report.

### BACKGROUND PAPERS

Capital programme and monitoring working papers.  
Previous Cabinet reports on capital expenditure.

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ANNEX A

Cost Variations	2007/08 Capital Expenditure		
	Gross Budget	External Contributions	Net Budget
	£000	£000	£000
<b>Disabled Facilities Grants - Saving</b>	-253	113	-366
<b>Repairs Assistance Grants - Saving</b>	-76	0	-76
Social Housing Grant – Interest earned on Section 106 contribution	0	60	-60
<b>Non-reclaimable VAT - Saving</b>	-411	0	-411
Mobile Home Park – Remediation – Saving offset by reduced Grant	-458	-458	0
<b>Tourist Information Kiosk, St Neots – Contribution from St Neots Town Centre Partnership – approval of £13k revenue contribution pending.</b>	35	22	13
Automated Forms Processing (Benefits) – Project not now proceeding	-223	-166	-57
<b>Housing Benefits Mobile Working - Saving</b>	-16	40	-56
Ramsey Rural Renewal – Contribution from the East of England Development Agency	8	8	0
Creative Enterprise Centre, St Neots – Further Contributions from EEDA and the Government and virement from Disabled Facilities Grants (in previous report)	691	600	91
Transportation Projects contributions included in the Programme are now expected to be transferred to the County Council – Local Transport Plan, Cycle Shelters and Safe Cycle Routes	-243	-243	0
Sewage Treatment Repair Works at Herne Road and Wood Walton to be taken on by Luminus	-70	0	-70
Network and ICT Services – Capital monies no longer required	-108	0	-108
Business Systems – Saving	-23	0	-23
County Council agreed contribution to Leisure Centre projects	0	29	-29
Huntingdon Leisure Centre – Energy Saving increased cost	19	0	19
Pathfinder House and One Stop Shop – Identified savings	-49	0	-49
<b>Other Forecast Minor Variations</b>	0	0	0
	<b>-1,177</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-1,182</b>

<b>New item this time</b>
<b>Adjusted value this time</b>

## ANNEX B

Timing changes	2007/08 Capital Expenditure		
	Gross Budget	External Contributions	Net Budget
	£000	£000	£000
<b>New Public Conveniences</b>	-236	0	-236
<b>Mobile Home Park</b>	0	-165	165
<b>St Ives Town Centre Environmental Improvement – Ph 2</b>	20	0	20
<b>Huntingdon Town Centre Environmental Imp – Ph 2</b>	-20	0	-20
<b>Social Housing Grant</b>	-1,048	0	-1,048
<b>Crime and Disorder Lighting</b>	-23	0	-23
<b>Ramsey Community Information Centre - Refurbishment</b>	-11	0	-11
<b>Leisure Centres Future Maintenance</b>	-1,038	0	-1,038
St Neots Leisure Centre – Bar/Kitchen/Creche Extension	-10	0	-10
St Ivo Leisure Centre – Rifle Range	-513	0	-513
<b>St Ivo Leisure Centre – Sect 106 – Football Improvements</b>	35	0	35
<b>Huntingdon Leisure Centre – Impressions Expansion</b>	-1,003	0	-1,003
<b>Huntingdon Leisure Centre – Energy Saving</b>	-90	0	-90
Sawtry Leisure Centre – Fitness Ext etc	-36	0	-36
Leisure Centre – CCTV Improvements	-35	0	-35
<b>Community Facilities Grants</b>	26	0	26
<b>Pathfinder House Improvements and One Stop Shop</b>	2,376	-345	2,721
<b>Postal Dispatch Arrangements</b>	-131	0	-131
<b>Multi-Functional Devices</b>	-18	0	-18
<b>Corporate EDM</b>	-231	0	-231
<b>Customer First</b>	-270	0	-270
<b>Business Systems</b>	-140	0	-140
<b>Voice and Data Infrastructure</b>	-88	0	-88
<b>Vehicles and Plant</b>	-17	0	-17
Town Centre Developments	-61	0	-61
<b>Ramsey Rural Renewal</b>	-36	0	-36
New Industrial Units	-274	0	-274
Huntingdon Marina Improvements	-50	0	-50
<b>Huntingdon Town Centre Developments</b>	-162	0	-162
Heart Of Oxmoor	0	-1,850	1,850
<b>Huntingdon Bus Station</b>	-66	0	-66
<b>Bus Shelter Provision</b>	-67	0	-67
<b>Implement Car Park Strategy</b>	-270	0	-270
Safe Cycle Routes	-100	0	-100
St Neots Pedestrian Bridges	-537	0	-537
<b>Forecast Adjustment to Programme for Deferrals</b>	<b>-4,124</b>	<b>-2,360</b>	<b>-1,764</b>
Less provision for deferral included in MTP	1,000	0	1,000
<b>Adjustment Required</b>	<b>-3,124</b>	<b>-2,360</b>	<b>-764</b>

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