

Report for:
ACTION



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Title	Schools Capital Programme 2016-17
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For Consideration By	Cabinet
Date to be Considered	17 December 2015
Implementation Date if Not Called In	December 2015 unless otherwise specified
Affected Wards	“All”
Keywords/Index	Schools; Capital Programme
Report Summary	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Council’s capital programme for 2016-17 exists in draft form and this will be presented to the Children’s Services Overview & Scrutiny panel in November 2015 ahead of the December 2015 Cabinet meeting which will make recommendations to Council on the detail of the programme. 2. CS O&S Panel members are asked to review the proposals listed in Appendix A under the “Condition and other grant funded schemes” and “Other Borough funded schemes” and to comment on which schemes they would particularly like to see included in the capital programme. 3. Appendix A is divided between ‘basic need schemes’, addressing the LA’s duty to ensure there are sufficient school places in the Borough, and other mainly ‘condition’ schemes. Some of the condition schemes will inevitably be pushed into the 2017-18 provisional plans by Cabinet when the final 2016-17 programme is determined. 4. The secondary school basic need schemes shown in Appendix A were approved by Cabinet on 24 September 2015. These schemes are funded by a combination of grant, S106 contributions and corporate funding. Condition schemes are mainly funded from Government Grant. There is some evidence that savings can be achieved by starting the procurement process early, so early approval to the programme is sought via this report. 	

If recommendations are adopted, how will residents benefit?	
Benefits to residents and reasons why they will benefit	Dates by which they can expect to notice a difference

That popular schools will have capacity to admit additional pupils.	On completion of the programme, in the main by September 2016.
That the general condition of school buildings will be improved.	On completion of the programme, in the main by September 2016.

1. Details of Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION: That Cabinet approves:

- i. The Children's Services 2016-17 capital bids appended to this report which have not yet been approved, and includes them in the 2016-17 capital programme subject to any changes as detailed in paragraph 3.7.
- ii. That any approved schemes listed go out to tender.
- iii. A budget of £60k for feasibility assessments preparation work on condition schemes, to be brought forward into 2015-16 from the approved 2016-17 budget, see para 3.9
- iv. Variations to schemes that are dependant on government grant allocations will be reported to Cabinet after the DfE grant allocations have been confirmed.

2. Reason for Decision and Options Considered

Option	Comments
Approve the Children's Services Capital Programme as appended in this report.	Recommended
Approve a modified Capital Programme for Children's Services.	Not Recommended Any proposals to adjust the capital programme need to be made with reference to available funding. Any proposal that is not supported by grant or developer contributions will need to be funded from Council resources.

3. Key Implications

Defined Outcomes	Unmet	Met	Exceeded	Significantly Exceeded	Date they should be delivered
Agreed schemes delivered by	1-4-2017	31-3-2017	31-1-2017 to 30-3-2017	30-1-2017	31-3-2017
Programme budget (under) / overspend	>+0.5%	+0.5% to -2%	-2% to -6%	< -6%	31-3-2017

- 3.1 Schools capital works fall into two categories; basic need (enough places in the right places) and condition (properly maintained buildings). In recent years the Department for Education has made grant funding available which, when added to available s106 funds, has enabled continued investment in school infrastructure.
- 3.2 Appended to this report is a programme of work reflecting the highest priority projects for 2016-17, which is recommended for approval.
- 3.3 This report has been presented to Cabinet slightly earlier than usual in a bid to achieve better prices from contractors. This is particularly relevant to maintenance work and modular buildings where it is evident that local authorities are approaching a small range of contractors to carry out work within a relatively small window (school summer holidays). Early approval of this programme will enable the procurement process to start early so that tenders attract more competitive bids.
- 3.4 The Basic Need Grant covers approved expansion work at all state funded RBWM schools, including Community, Voluntary Controlled, Voluntary Aided, Academy, and Free schools. Basic Need Allocations for 2017-18 (£2.348m) and updated allocations for 2015-16 (£2.065m) and 2016-17 (£2.168m) were announced in February 2015.
- 3.5 The secondary expansion schemes listed under Basic Need in Appendix A were discussed and approved at Cabinet on 24 September. The list also includes a new scheme, "Possible expansion of a primary school in Ascot" which is not expected to be needed until 2017-18.
- 3.6 The Schools Condition Grant covering schemes in 2015-16 was also announced in February 2015. The allocation was £1.544m and is only for use at Community and Voluntary Controlled schools. The 2016-17 allocation is not expected until December or January. Grant allocations will reduce as more schools become Academies. 2016-17. The DfE will calculate Condition Grant with reference to pupils in maintained schools at January 2015. This means that the main effect of the most recent large conversions (Windsor Boys and Girls, Newlands etc.) will not be felt until 2017-18.
- 3.7 The condition schemes in the list attached at Appendix A equate to more than the likely grant available (not expected to be more than £1.5m). Once the grant allocation is confirmed, scheme proposals will need to be tailored according to what can be afforded. Schemes that slip below the affordable budget line will become the first call for subsequent years' funding.
- 3.8 As most work needs to be completed during the summer break when school sites are less occupied, the preparation of schemes needs to begin as soon as possible. This will help ensure that tenders come in lower than if invited at the last minute. Waiting to approve the programme until allocations are known will be too late for many of the schemes.
- 3.9 In order to begin preparing the schemes, some budget is required for feasibility work. This should be taken from the budget identified in the list, but

brought forward into 2015-16 programme. A budget of £60k should be sufficient.

4. Financial Details

The recommended Children’s Services capital programme identifies basic need schemes totalling £22.5m over the period 2016-17 to 2018-19. It is estimated that £14m of this will come from Basic Need Grant and S106 contributions, with £8.5m a corporate funding requirement. Calls on Borough funding will only be made once sources of available grant and S106 funding are exhausted. £20.5m of the total basic need programme relates to the secondary school expansion schemes approved by Cabinet in September 2015. The remaining £2m relates to the expansion of a primary school in Ascot. Funding for this borough funded scheme is not expected to be needed until 2017-18.

The programme also identifies school condition schemes estimated to cost £4.575m fully funded by grant. The list will be adjusted according to available funding once the confirmed grant allocation is known. This is not expected to be more than £1.5m. This means there are likely to be fewer schemes than currently showing in the in draft 2016-17 programme with unaffordable schemes at the bottom of the list being postponed to later years.

There are a small number of schemes for which corporate funding of £503k is required. £310k of this relates to the Wraysbury School staffroom extension scheme.

5. Legal

The Council is required to produce a balanced budget that provides Service Directors with sufficient resource to meet their own statutory requirements.

6. Value for Money

Early approval of this element of the capital programme is sought in a bid to obtain tenders earlier than would otherwise be the case from a wider range of contractors

7. Sustainability Impact Appraisal

No measures arising directly from this report have been identified as requiring a Sustainability Impact Appraisal.

8. Risk Management

Risks	Uncontrolled Risk	Controls	Controlled Risk
Current modelling is based on anticipated funding only	Medium/High	Adjust schemes if funding is insufficient	Low/Medium

9. Links to Strategic Objectives

Residents can be assured that the Council is providing value for money by delivering economic services.

10. Equalities, Human Rights and Community Cohesion

Where specific actions impact on staff or the way that services are delivered an EQIA has been prepared.

11. Staffing/Workforce and Accommodation implications:

None.

12. Property and Assets implications:

Property and asset implications will be addressed as the necessary planning approvals are sought as the programme is delivered.

13. Any other implications:

None.

14. Consultation

Children's Services O&SP will be sent this report prior to the Cabinet meeting.

15. Timetable for Implementation

This section is not applicable.

16. Appendices

Appendix A – Capital proposals for 2016-17 in Children's Services

17. Background Information

18. Consultation (Mandatory)

Name of consultee	Post held and Department	Date sent	Date received	See comments in paragraph:
Internal				
Chief Executive's Management Team (CMT)	All Strategic Directors, Heads of Legal Services and Policy & Performance.	11/11/2015		Changes included in final Cabinet report.
Cllr Dudley	Lead Member for Finance	11/11/2015		Changes included in final Cabinet report.
Cllr Bicknell	Lead Member for Children's Services	11/11/2015		Changes included in final Cabinet report.
Cllr Burbage	Leader of the Council	12/11/2015	16/11/2015	Changes included in final Cabinet report.
External				
None				

19. Report History

Decision type:	Urgency item?
For information	No

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Capital Bids Report for 2016/17 to 2018/19 - Childrens Services Basic Need Schemes

No.	Ref no	Scheme Name	Directorate	Rank	Ward	Description	Planned expenditure			Total Proposed Costs(£k)	Income(£k)			Extn'l Cumulative	Borough Cumulative	S106 Identified	Lead Member Agreed
							2016-17	2017-18	2018-19		Grant	Contributions	NET				
Basic Need Schemes - Secondary Expansion (approved at Cabinet 24 September 2015)										-			-				
1	CB001668	Charters school expansion -2016-17 to 2018-19	Children Services	1	Sunningdale	Expansion to provide 30 places	500	2000	500	3,000	1,357	915	728	2,272	728	Yes	Cllr Bicknell
2	CB001669	Cox Green school expansion 2016-17 to 2018-19	Children Services	2	Cox Green	Expansion to provide 30 places	500	2000	500	3,000	1,779	266	955	4,317	1,683	Yes	Cllr Bicknell
3	CB001670	Furze Platt Senior expansion 2016-17 to 2018-19	Children Services	3	Furze Platt	Expansion to provide 30 places.	500	2000	500	3,000	1,837	178	985	6,332	2,668	Yes	Cllr Bicknell
4	CB001672	Dedworth Middle school expansion 2016-17 to 2018-19	Children Services	4	Clewer North	Expansion to provide 30 places.	500	2000	1500	4,000	2,551	80	1,369	8,963	4,037	Yes	Cllr Bicknell
5	CB001673	The Windsor Learning Partnership 2016-17 to 2018-19	Children Services	5	Castle Without/ Clewer East	Expansion to provide 60 places across both schools.	500	3500	500	4,500	2,640	444	1,416	12,047	5,453	Yes	Cllr Bicknell
6	CB001726	Maidenhead secondary school expansion 2017-18 to 2019-20	Children Services	6		Expansion to provide 30 places in Maidenhead for Sep 2018 Phase 2	0	500	2500	3,000	1,953	-	1,047	14,000	6,500	Yes	
Other Basic Need Schemes - Not yet approved													-				
7	CB001739	Possible expansion of a primary school in Ascot	Children Services	7		New permanent primary school provision is needed in Ascot to (a) ensure that there are enough places in Reception for future intakes, as new housing locally increases demand; (b) ensure that there are places for families moving into the area (many year groups are currently full in the area's five primary schools; and (c) ensure that there is a surplus of places	0	2000	0	2,000	-	-	2,000	14,000	8,500	No	
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Appendix A

No.	Ref no	Scheme Name	Directorate	Rank	Ward	Description	Total Proposed Costs(£k)	Income(£k)			Extn'l Cumulative	Borough Cumulative	S106 Identified	Lead Member Agreed
								Grant	Contributions	NET				
Devolved formula capital for schools														
1	CB001738	Schools Devolved Formula Capital	Children Services	1		Schools Devolved Formula Capital 2016-17 for maintained community schools (final figure TBC)	250	250	-	-	250	-	No	Clr Bicknell
Condition and other grant funded schemes														
2	CB001681	School scheme preparation and feasibilities	Children Services	2	All Wards	Early stage preparation of schemes and initial feasibilities.	180	180	-	-	430	-	No	Clr Bicknell
3	CB001698	School Kitchen refurbishment	Children Services	3	All Wards	Refurbishment and equipment replacement.	150	150	-	-	580	-	No	Clr Bicknell
4	CB001676	Asbestos Removal from schools	Children Services	4	Boyn Hill	All Saints and other schools as required may need substantial asbestos removal. Budget to be used only when necessary.	80	80	-	-	660	-	No	Clr Bicknell
5	CB001686	Trevelyan school roof replacement.	Children Services	5	Park	Possible roof placement if leak repairs continue to cause problems.	200	200	-	-	860	-	No	Clr Bicknell
6	NEW	Fire safety works - various schools	Children Services	6		Essential fire safety inspection works - fire doors.	75	75	-	-	935	-		
7	CB000913	Woodlands Park school internal remodelling	Children Services	7	Hurley & Walthams	Internal remodelling to create a safer front entrance and possibly an additional classbase.	250	250	-	-	1,185	-	No	Clr Bicknell
8	CB001685	Furze Platt Junior school - hall extension	Children Services	8	Furze Platt	Extension to the school hall, including replacement of poor condition windows. Hall size links to previous expansion of the school. The school only has one hall space, with no separate dining area. This schemes achieves good value by tackling two issues at once.	200	200	-	-	1,385	-	No	Clr Bicknell
9	CB001677	Alwyn School Access Ramp	Children Services	9	Pinkneys Green	Repairs to ramp. Budget is required only if the repairs are not accepted as a new-build defect (project is outside defects period).	40	40	-	-	1,425	-	No	Clr Bicknell
10	CB001680	Bisham House refurbishment	Children Services	10	Bisham & Cookham	Redecoration / replacement of soffits and rainwater goods.	50	50	-	-	1,475	-	No	Clr Bicknell
11	CB001692	Furze Platt Junior boiler replacement	Children Services	11	Furze Platt	Renew boiler / heating system.	115	115	-	-	1,590	-	No	Clr Bicknell
12	CB001737	Bisham re-wire and new lighting	Children Services	12		Electrical re-wire and new lighting of school building	260	260	-	-	1,850	-	No	Clr Bicknell
13	CB001679	Bisham general refurbishment	Children Services	13	Bisham & Cookham	Internal flooring repairs required to remove trip hazards.	60	60	-	-	1,910	-	No	Clr Bicknell
14	CB001684	Maidenhead Nursery school maintenance	Children Services	14	Furze Platt	Structural repairs to the buidng, including damp proofing. Need structural engineer survey, so costs could vary.	50	50	-	-	1,960	-	No	Clr Bicknell
15	CB001694	Furze Platt Infant boiler replacement	Children Services	15	Furze Platt	Renew boiler system	65	65	-	-	2,025	-	No	Clr Bicknell
16	CB001674	School caretaker Property rewiring programme	Children Services	16	Bray	Caretaker properties remaining in RBWM control need to be re-wired: Alexander, Alwyn, Oakfield, Oldfield. Rolling programme: £7k per property.	7	7	-	-	2,032	-	No	Clr Bicknell
17	CB001702	Furze Platt Junior school playground	Children Services	17	Furze Platt	An adventure playground area has been made safe but needs capital to return it to suitable play space for the increased numbers of children following expansion.	28	28	-	-	2,060	-	No	Clr Bicknell
18	CB001675	All Saints Junior school boiler replacement	Children Services	18	Boyn Hill	Replacement of boiler and pipework.	65	65	-	-	2,125	-	No	Clr Bicknell
19	CB001695	School heating control replacements	Children Services	19	All Wards	Replacement of school heating controls to support energy efficiency. All remaining RBWM schools.	138	138	-	-	2,263	-	No	Clr Bicknell
20	CB000899	Trevelyan school heating / ventilation	Children Services	20	Park	Replace heating / ventilation controls, energy efficiency.	38	38	-	-	2,301	-	No	Clr Bicknell
21	CB000897	King's Court school heating	Children Services	21	Old Windsor	Replace radiators	31	31	-	-	2,332	-	No	Clr Bicknell
22	CB000900	Eton Wick First school boiler and heating system	Children Services	22	Eton Wick	Replace boiler and associated equipment and pipework.	65	65	-	-	2,397	-	No	Clr Bicknell
23	CB000908	Wessex Primary school heating	Children Services	23	Cox Green	Replacement of external heating mains	60	60	-	-	2,457	-	No	Clr Bicknell
24	CB000909	Wessex Primary gutters and soffits	Children Services	24	Cox Green	Replacement soffits and rainwater goods, external redecoration. Possible asbestos removal.	52	52	-	-	2,509	-	No	Clr Bicknell
25	CB000915	Homer School windows	Children Services	25	Clewer North	Repair / replace hall windows.	25	25	-	-	2,534	-	No	Clr Bicknell
26	CB001682	Courthouse roofing	Children Services	26		Roof repair and replacement.	150	150	-	-	2,684	-	No	Clr Bicknell
27	CB000914	Woodlands Park school water pipework replacement	Children Services	27	Hurley & Walthams	Replacement of hot and cold water supply.	94	94	-	-	2,778	-	No	Clr Bicknell
28	CB001703	Furze Platt Junior school window replacements	Children Services	28	Furze Platt	Replacement of remaining Crittal / wooden window frames and single glazing.	120	120	-	-	2,898	-	No	Clr Bicknell

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								Grant	Contributions	NET				
29	CB000905	Trevelyan middle school re-wiring and new lighting	Children Services	29	Park	Electrical re-wire - phase 3	493	493	-	-	3,391	-	No	Clr Bicknell
30	CB000912	Hilltop school toilet refurbishment	Children Services	30	Clewer South	Toilets refurbishment	30	30	-	-	3,421	-	No	Clr Bicknell
31	CB001689	Eton Wick school re-wire and electrical upgrade	Children Services	31	Eton & Castle	re-wire and electrical upgrade	498	498	-	-	3,919	-	No	Clr Bicknell
32	CB001691	Furze Platt Infant re-wire	Children Services	32	Furze Platt	Electrical re-wire and new lighting	408	408	-	-	4,327	-	No	Clr Bicknell
33	CB001690	Homer school roofing	Children Services	33	Clewer North	Repairs to ageing roof.	100	100	-	-	4,427	-	No	Clr Bicknell
34	CB001693	Furze Platt Junior Electrical upgrade	Children Services	34	Furze Platt	Compliance with electrical regulations	98	98	-	-	4,525	-	No	Clr Bicknell
35	CB001696	Hilltop School electrical upgrade	Children Services	35		Electrical regulation compliance	80	80	-	-	4,605	-	No	Clr Bicknell
36	CB001741	Larchfield nursery refurb	Children Services	36		Refurbishment of Larchfield nursery toilets and flooring.	30	-	-	30	4,605	30	No	Clr Bicknell
37	NEW	Cookham Rise	Children Services	37		Capital maintenance work	60	60	-	-	4,665	30	No	
38	NEW	Homer windows	Children Services	38		Repair / replace hall windows	25	25	-	-	4,690	30	No	
39	NEW	Waltham St Lawrence electrical up-grade	Children Services	39		Electrical regulation compliance	35	35	-	-	4,725	30	No	
40	NEW	South Ascot Village electrical up-grade	Children Services	40		Electrical regulation compliance	100	100	-	-	4,825	30	No	
Other Non Schools Schemes - Borough funded											4,825	30		
41	CB001403	Schools participatory budgeting	Children Services	41	All Wards	Extension of the PB scheme for schools.	100	50	-	50	4,875	80	No	
42	CB001688	Wraysbury school - staffroom extension	Children Services	42	Wraysbury	Extension to provide larger staffroom, relating to previous school expansion.	380	-	70	310	4,945	390	No	Clr Bicknell
43	CB000896	Riverside Children's Centre heating replacement.	Children Services	43	Maidenhead Riverside	Replace heating emitters and distribution pipework.	113	-	-	113	4,945	503	No	Clr Bicknell