

Appendix 4 Major Capital Projects Update

Rhyl Coastal Defence

Budget	£10.0m
Funding	WAG Grant
Expenditure to Date	£6.563m
Comments	<p>This coastal defence scheme will reduce the flood risk to some 2,000 properties and 500 businesses in West Rhyl. Approval for phases 1 & 2 has been given by the Welsh Government and they have notified us of approval to increase the grant to £8.246m. This will enable the Council to complete phases 1 & 2 of the scheme in isolation of Phase 3. Formal approval of the grant increase is still awaited.</p> <p>Phases 1 & 2 are the works to the inner harbour and river training wall. The works are underway and are anticipated to be complete by early May 2012.</p> <p>Approval for Phase 3 of the works, in relation to the stepped revetment towards the drift park is still awaited. The Welsh Government has approved a report identifying the remaining flood risk on completion of Phases 1 & 2 and instructed the authority to proceed to calculate the cost benefit of building Phase 3. As part of this, officers will calculate the cost of the most economic solution to reduce flood risk; this is likely to be a rock revetment.</p> <p>The Welsh Government have advised that if the Council decide to build a promenade as originally proposed, the additional cost would need to be met by the Council. Early estimates of this element suggest up to £1m funding would be required.</p> <p>It looks increasingly likely that grant approval for Phase 3 will not be received until 2013/14.</p> <p>The scheme is 100% funded by the Welsh Government until March 2012. Any costs incurred beyond this date will receive a lesser grant contribution of about 87%. The council will attempt to incur the majority of the costs for Phases 1 & 2 whilst 100% funding applies. However, Phase 3 will require a 13% contribution from the Council and funding has been allocated from existing capital resources to cover the required contribution.</p>
Forecast Expenditure 11/12	£5.545m

Foryd Development

Budget	£10.013m (inc Revenue £413k)
Funding	WG, WEFO and Sustrans grants
Expenditure to Date	£1.02m
Comments	<p>Summary</p> <p>A preferred design for the project which supports the working harbour and provides a smaller timber modular building on the harbour square, was agreed further to meetings with the Project Board, Informal Cabinet, Welsh Government (WG) and the Welsh European Funding Office (WEFO).</p> <p>A re profile of the project was submitted to the WG in February; this will form part of a new project approval to formally recognise the additional contribution from WEFO and the additional contribution agreed by the Council on 15 November 2011.</p> <p>The WG Estates department are currently reviewing the project costs to ensure that the project represents value for money; this is expected to be complete before the end of March 2012.</p> <p>Foryd Harbour Cycle & Pedestrian Bridge</p> <p>The detailed design is nearly complete other than the mechanical and electrical works and a tender report is being prepared.</p> <p>Further to a recent Cabinet report, an order has been placed for materials to ensure that that the project stays on the critical path.</p> <p>The preparation of the contract documents for the construction phase of the bridge is near completion, and it is hoped to award the contract in early April 2012.</p> <p>Correspondence from the WG regarding the Section 106 Order in respect of the bridge has confirmed that there are no major issues of concern and it is anticipated that the documentation required to allow confirmation of the order will now be completed.</p> <p>Commencement of on-site works will complement the Public Square scheme to share site costs. This is planned for June 2012 with completion by March 2013.</p> <p>Quayside Units, Public Square & Extended Quay Wall</p>

	<p>The Planning application for the works will be considered at a Conwy County Borough Council Planning Committee meeting scheduled for 14th March 2012.</p> <p>The environmental mitigation works within the Marine Lake have been amended further to consultation, and given that a lesser amount of shingle is to be imported from Foryd Harbour for this work, there is no longer a need for planning permission. This work is planned for February 2013.</p> <p>Work has now commenced on the detailed design which is progressing well, and in parallel the contract documents are being prepared. The contract documents for the public square and the bridge will be reviewed together to ensure that they are complementary.</p> <p>Applications for the necessary licences, permits and orders to commence the works have been made, and their progress is being monitored.</p> <p>The programme of works shows a start on site in June 2012 with the initial works being the construction of the quay walls and the infrastructure of the public square. The programme of works for this element of works dovetails with that of the Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge to enable the schemes to progress alongside each other. It is anticipated that the contract for the quay walls and the public square will be awarded in April 2012; the work will commence in June 2012 and complete by March 2013 enabling the bridge works to be completed. The finishes to the square and the building will be subject to subsequent works contracts; these are scheduled to complete in December 2013. This is due to the settlement period required further to the construction of the quay walls.</p>
Forecast Expenditure 11/12	£1.27m

Highways Programme Works

Budget	£5.87m
Funding	£5.87m Prudential Borrowing
Expenditure to Date	£5.0m
Comments	<p>An allocation of £5.87M was made to progress highways capital works as part of the 2011/12 Capital Bid process.</p> <p>A regular update on progress achieved is produced by the Head of Highways and Infrastructure. A final update for the year will be sent to Councillors and SLT in the near future.</p>

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Property Acquisition & Demolitions

Budget	£3.17m
Funding	£1.93m SRA Grant ; DCC Prudential Borrowing £1,025k , £220k PEG
Expenditure to Date	£2.65m
Comments	<p>Council have previously approved the purchase of a number of properties in Rhyl as part of public realm works:</p> <p>87/88 West Parade The Council has acquired the freehold of this property. The demolition contractor is on site and work is proceeding. Completion of all the works is expected to be complete by mid April.</p> <p>24 West Parade This property, which forms an integral part of a building known as the Honey Club is now in the ownership of the Council.</p> <p>25 & 26 West Parade Discussions with the owner are continuing. A separate report is on this agenda in relation to these properties.</p> <p>26 Abbey Street Transfer of ownership to the Authority is imminent.</p> <p>28 and 30 Abbey Street Both properties are now in the ownership of the Council. Tenders received for demolition have been sent to the Welsh Government for approval. It is anticipated demolition works will commence in May.</p> <p>Costigans This property is now in the Council's ownership. Contractors for the renovation works have been appointed and will be on site by 20 March. Following the renovations works, the property will be offered for sale on the open market.</p> <p>The Honey Club Developers have been invited to submit expressions of interest for the site. A separate report is on this agenda seeking approval for the sale of the property to the preferred developer.</p>
Forecast Expenditure 11/12	£1.2m