

Major Capital Projects - Update as at September 2023

Rhyl Queens Market Redevelopment	
Total Budget	£13.253m
Expenditure to date	£12.670m
Estimated remaining spend in 23/24	£0.408m
Future Years' estimated spend	£0.175m
Funding	WG £8.060m DCC Asbestos £0.272m. DCC £4.921m
Narrative:	
<p>Construction commenced on Monday 15 August 2022 by Wynne Construction and was scheduled to finish July 2023. An issue has arisen with the works to energise the site ready for commissioning and testing. Issues with getting the required approvals in place have meant that the work cannot commence until mid-October. The impact of this is that the facility won't be handed over until November 24th.</p> <p>Approval to award a contract to the preferred supplier was received from June 27th 2023 Cabinet Committee. We are now working with the supplier (Mikhail Hotel and Leisure Group) to agree the contract, complete the fitout and secure vendors ready for opening next year.</p>	
Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24	£2.709m

Waste Service Re-modelling

Total Budget	£21.992m
Expenditure to date	£12.855m
Estimated remaining spend in 23/24	£9.137m
Future Years estimated spend	£0
Funding	WG £12.022m, DCC £9.970m
<p>Narrative:</p> <p>A number of work streams are being taken forward including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work is ongoing with Phase 2 of the construction of the new waste transfer station (WTS) at the Colomendy Industrial Estate in Denbigh. Completion is currently anticipated by December 2023. • At present working towards a go live of the new recycling collections model in June 2024 subject to progress by NRW on issuing a Permit for the new WTS and recruitment of new Staff required to serve the new model. In advance of the main service change, a roll out of AHP weekly collections for those who wish to sign up has been launched at the end of September 2023 in an initial Pilot area before launching County wide in 2024. • Specification and procurement of the new fleet required to support the new model has been completed with delivery of this new fleet anticipated to commence in autumn 2023 ahead of the roll out of the new service to allow for commissioning and training on the new fleet before it goes operational. • Procurement of the new containers required for the new collections model are ongoing with procurement of the remaining containers required occurring through 2023 in the run up to the service change. • A number of mobilisation and communication activities are ongoing to prepare for the service change and include developing the new collection routes; planning for any staffing changes/requirements and ongoing engagement and communication with stakeholders and residents. 	
Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24	£11.921m

Sustainable Communities for Learning – Band B	
Total Budget	£51.9m
Expenditure to date	£0.956m
Estimated remaining spend in 23/24	£1.845m
Future Years' estimated spend	£49.099m
Funding	WG £36.1m, DCC £15.8m
Narrative:	
<p>The various schemes included within Band B of the Sustainable Communities for Learning Programme in partnership with Welsh Government are at a holding stage for a variety of reasons.</p> <p>The Outline Business Case for the Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn project was approved by Welsh Government and the pre planning consultation with the community on the proposed design of the new school has now taken place. The statutory notice for the proposed extension in capacity was published on the 8th November and the period for objection ran until the 5th December 2022. Two objections were received and the Cabinet approved the proposal to increase the capacity of the school in February 2023. Meetings with the Denbigh MAG have been held to consider further information regarding the potential sites for the school. In September 2023 Cabinet approved to proceed to submit a planning application for development on the Ystrad Road site. Work has now recommenced on the project with a view to a formal submission of the planning application. The Denbigh High project is linked to the Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn scheme, so discussions are now resuming with the school to progress the design brief for the school project.</p> <p>The submission of the Ysgol Bryn Collen / Ysgol Gwernant in Llangollen to the Welsh Government for funding via the Sustainable Schools Challenge was unsuccessful. The project was shortlisted but unfortunately was not selected as a pilot project. The findings of the feasibility report are now being assessed to understand the best way forward for this project moving forward and the project will need to be mindful of constraints regarding phosphates around the Dee Valley area which could impact on planning approvals.</p> <p>Design and Construction have completed initial feasibility works for options for Ysgol Pendref and the findings were presented to the Modernising Education Programme Board in September. Further feasibility work will now be undertaken on the potential options with a view to a preferred way forward for the project being confirmed.</p> <p>The projects under Band B will be required to meet Net Carbon Zero requirements and Welsh Government have agreed to meet these additional costs to an agreed benchmark. Discussions have also taken place with Welsh Government regarding likely cost pressures for individual projects and how this will impact on the overall programme affordability. Given timescales for delivery it is increasingly likely that the 4 Band B projects will need to be considered as part of the next phase of the delivery of Sustainable Communities for Learning Programme whereby a rolling programme of projects will need to be submitted to Welsh Government in early 2024.</p>	
Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24	£1.848m

**Central Prestatyn and Central Rhyl
Coastal Defence Schemes –
Construction Phase**

Total Budget	Prestatyn £26.094m Rhyl £66.026m
Expenditure to date	Prestatyn £6.278m Rhyl £11.669m
Estimated remaining spend in 23/24	Prestatyn £4.371m Rhyl £19.269m
Future Years' estimated spend	Prestatyn £15.445m Rhyl £35.088m
Funding	Prestatyn: WG £22.18m; DCC £3.914m Rhyl: WG £56.122m; DCC £9.904m
Narrative:	
<u>Prestatyn</u>	
Construction has commenced by Balfour Beatty and is scheduled to finish April 2026.	
Aggregate has been placed to embankment. There was a design requirement that after the first metre of fill had been placed there was then a nine-month period to allow for settlement before re-commencing with fill operations. As there has been no settlement this requirement has now been waived which should, ultimately create a saving on the overall contract time and cost.	
<u>Rhyl</u>	
Construction has commenced by Balfour Beatty and is scheduled to finish October 2025.	
The promenade rock toe protection, eastern Rhyl, has been constructed. An exclusion zone has been enforced 100m from the Seal Cove. Piling is now complete until the exclusion zone is lifted. There is a reinforced concrete toe beam being constructed from the west end of the pile installation. Construction on the promenade of the crane pad has been undertaken, as has installation of the Cofferdams for the beach access steps foundations.	
Works within the exclusion zone are still suspended but will hopefully be able to restart in January 2023 but if this isn't possible then there will be an inevitable delay to the contract with a consequent increase in costs.	
Agreements with SC2 and the Kiosk owners have now concluded and the associated payments are included within the expenditure to date figure. It's likely further compensation will have to be negotiated prior to the end of the financial year in respect of the SeaQuarium as these discussions reach a conclusion.	
Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24	Prestatyn £10.153m Rhyl £30.312m