# Appendix 2 - Major Capital Projects Update - January 2024

| Rhyl Queens Market Redevelopment   |  |
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| Total Budget                       | £13.253m                                     |
| Expenditure to date                | £12.847m                                     |
| Estimated remaining spend in 23/24 | £0.231m                                      |
| Future Years' estimated spend      | £0.175m                                      |
| Funding                            | WG £8.060m DCC Asbestos £0.272m. DCC £4.921m |

## Narrative:

Construction commenced on Monday 15 August 2022 and is scheduled to handover w/c February 12<sup>th</sup> 2024.

Negotiations with our preferred operator have ceased, and an alternative option to operating the Queen's Market is being progress.

The Council's Facilities Management Team will be responsible for the building in the interim, with the support of the Housing Maintenance Team.

| Forecast In Year Expenditure | £2.709m |
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| 23/24                        |         |

| Waste Service Re-modelling         |                          |
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| Total Budget                       | £21.992m                 |
| Expenditure to date                | £15.980m                 |
| Estimated remaining spend in 23/24 | £6.012m                  |
| Future Years estimated spend       | £0                       |
| Funding                            | WG £12.022m, DCC £9.970m |

## Narrative:

A number of work streams are being taken forward including:

- 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 in March 2024.
- Permit application for new WTS NRW issued a Permit on 14th December 2023.
- At present working towards a go live of the new recycling collections model in early June 2024 subject to 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 was launched at the end of September 2023 in an initial Pilot area (LL16 / LL17). Sign-up launched County wide in January 2024 for implementation in June 2024 in conjunction with the switch to the new recycling collections model.
- Specification and procurement of the new fleet required to support the new model has been completed with delivery of this new fleet from start of 2024 ahead of the roll out of the new service to allow for commissioning and training on the new fleet before it goes operational in June.
- Procurement of the new containers complete and deliveries to DCC have commenced ahead of roll out in 2024 from the end of February through to end May to deliver the new containers to households ahead of the go live switch to the new recycling collections model in June.
- 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 | £11.475m |
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| 23/24                        |          |

| Sustainable Communities for<br>Learning – Band B |                       |
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| Total Budget                                     | £51.9m                |
| Expenditure to date                              | £1.176m               |
| Estimated remaining spend in 23/24               | £0.417m               |
| Future Years' estimated spend                    | £50.307m              |
| Funding  | WG £36.1m, DCC £15.8m |

#### Narrative:

The various schemes included within Band B of the Sustainable Communities for Learning Programme in partnership with Welsh Government are progressing as follows.

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 8<sup>th</sup> November and the period for objection ran until the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Two objections were received and Cabinet approved the proposal to increase the capacity of the school in February 2023. In September 2023 Cabinet approved to proceed to submit a planning application for development on the Ystrad Road site. Work on the project is progressing with a view to a formal submission of the planning application during 2024.

The Denbigh High project is linked to the Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn scheme. The design brief is currently being developed with the view of commissioning concept designs for the site. As part of the process discussions are taking place with the school.

The findings of the feasibility report for Ysgol Bryn Collen / Ysgol Gwernant in Llangollen have been assessed and a way forward for this project identified. A revised design brief has been completed which has enabled the commissioning of further design work in order to progress the project.

Design and Construction have completed initial feasibility works that identified and assessed options for Ysgol Pendref. The findings were presented to the Modernising Education Programme Board in September. Further feasibility work has now been commissioned on the potential options which will involve input from the school with a view to a creating a concept design which identifies the preferred solution for the project.

All the projects under Band B are 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. 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.

| Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24 | £0.640m |
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| Central Prestatyn and Central Rhyl Coastal Defence Schemes – Construction Phase |  |
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| Total Budget  | Prestatyn £26.094m<br>Rhyl £66.026m                                  |
| Expenditure to date   | Prestatyn £9.488m<br>Rhyl £21.136m                                   |
| Estimated remaining spend in 23/24  | Prestatyn £2.191m<br>Rhyl £11.240m                                   |
| Future Years' estimated spend   | Prestatyn £14.415m<br>Rhyl £33.650m                                  |
| Funding   | Prestatyn: WG £22.18m; DCC £3.914m<br>Rhyl: WG £56.122m; DCC £9.904m |

### Narrative:

## Prestatyn

Construction has commenced by Balfour Beatty and is scheduled to finish September 2025.

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. Other works undertaken include: remedial works to the existing promenade stepped revetment; installation of offices at the east end of the scheme; and development of the detailed design for the refurbishment of Rhyl Golf Club. Costs relating to the refurbishment of the golf club are still being reviewed and will be discussed at the January Board meeting.

Stage 2 construction of the bund is due to be completed at the end of February and then there will be a period of dormancy. Initially this was due to be for 9 months but ground conditions indicate the will now be for six months – or even a little less.

## Rhyl

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. Other works undertaken include construction of revetment mass concrete and stone foundations and the installation of the precast stepped revetment units has commenced.

Works within the exclusion zone are still suspended but will hopefully be able to restart in January 2024 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. The current position is that costs have been agreed with both SeaQ and the various locations who will be taking the livestock on a permanent basis. A Delegated Decision report has been signed and all livestock were

removed by January 5<sup>th</sup> 2024 so that construction can now continue within the previously restricted area. At the time of writing there is still an issue with SeaQ in respecting of meeting the terms of the Agreement. Discussions are ongoing to resolve this and hopefully there won't be any adverse effect on construction programming.

| Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24 | Prestatyn £11.183m |
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|                                    | Rhyl £31.751m      |