

Appendix 4

Major Capital Projects Update – December 2023

Rhyl Queens Market Redevelopment	
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 scheduled handover is Friday 12 th January 2024. The operating model for the Queen's Market is under review. The Council's Facilities Management Team will be responsible for the building in the interim.	
Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24	£2.709m

Waste Service Re-modelling

Total Budget	£21.992m
Expenditure to date	£15.314m
Estimated remaining spend in 23/24	£6.678m
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 in early 2024 – c. end February. • 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 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) before 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 anticipated to commence in early 2024 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 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 23/24	£11.687m

Sustainable Communities for Learning – Band B

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
<p>Narrative:</p> <p>The various schemes included within Band B of the Sustainable Communities for Learning Programme in partnership with Welsh Government are progressing as follows.</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 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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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. Further design work is being commissioned in the context of the constraints regarding phosphates around the Dee Valley area which could impact on planning approvals.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	
Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24	£0.640m

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

Total Budget	Prestatyn £26.094m Rhyl £66.026m
Expenditure to date	Prestatyn £8.798 Rhyl £19.596m
Estimated remaining spend in 23/24	Prestatyn £2.848m Rhyl £11.453m
Future Years' estimated spend	Prestatyn £14.448m Rhyl £34.977m
Funding	Prestatyn: WG £22.18m; DCC £3.914m Rhyl: WG £56.122m; DCC £9.904m

Narrative:

Prestatyn

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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.

Rhyl

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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 5th 2024 so that construction can now continue within the previously restricted area.

Forecast In Year Expenditure 23/24	Prestatyn £11.149m Rhyl £30.424m
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