



Report to: Full Council Meeting – 6 March 2025

Relevant Portfolio Holder: Councillor Paul Peacock, Strategy, Performance & Finance

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Report Summary	
Report Title	Capital Programme Budget 2025/26 to 2028/29
Purpose of Report	To approve the Council’s Capital Programme for 2025/26 to 2028/29.
Recommendations	<p>That:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the General Fund schemes shown in Appendix A be approved as committed expenditure in the Capital Programme; b) the Capital Programme be managed in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.2.3; c) in accordance with the delegation to the Section 151 Officer in the Council’s Constitution to arrange financing of the Council’s Capital Programme, the Capital Programme for the financial years 2025/26 to 2028/29 be financed to maximise the resources available, having regard to the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and subsequent legislation; and d) any changes above the limit delegated to the Section 151 Officer (i.e., £10,000), either in funding or the total cost of the capital scheme, be reported to the Cabinet for consideration.
Reason for Recommendations	The Capital Programme to be approved by Council in accordance with Financial Regulation 6.2.3 following recommendation from Cabinet.

1.0 Background

1.1 At its meeting on 18 February 2025, Cabinet considered the proposed Capital Programme and agreed to recommend it to Council. A copy of the report is attached at **Appendix 1**.

2.0 Proposal/Options Considered

- 2.1 The General Fund Capital Programme for 2025/26 to 2028/29 proposes investment of £51.240m over the 4 year period.
- 2.2 This expenditure is financed by a combination of Government Grants, Third Party Contributions, Capital Receipts, Revenue Support and borrowing.

3.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward the recommendations, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection, Digital and Cyber Security, Equality and Diversity, Financial, Human Resources, Human Rights, Legal, Safeguarding and Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

3.1 Legal Implications LEG2425/1012

Approval of the Budget (including the Capital Programme) is reserved to Full Council.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None