

Taunton Deane Borough Council

Asset Management Plan (AMP) 2008

Report of the Corporate Property Officer, Executive

(This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor J Horsley)

Executive Summary

The 2008 Asset Management Plan update follows the same format as previous years and covers the follow areas:

- AMP Maintenance Backlog
- Poorest Performing Properties
- Proposed Actions for 2008
- National Indicators
- Local Indicators

1. Background

- 1.1 The Asset Management Plan (AMP) is a key corporate planning document, and as such is refreshed on an annual basis.
- 1.2 The 2008 refresh has now been completed a full copy of the AMP is available in the Members Room. An executive summary containing all the key points in included at Appendix A,
- 1.3 Careful consideration of the key drivers, ETCHED, on page 5 of the AMP and Appendix C will be required in order to agree the aims and objections of the AMP and Asset Statement.

2 Future AMPs

2.1 Over the next year, the format and content of the AMP will be thoroughly reviewed – to ensure it continues to reflect best practice, is focused on the Councils priorities and enables the Council's

- property assets to optimise their contribution to corporate goals and improved service delivery.
- 2.2 The Borough Council recognises the corporate and strategic importance of good management of its land and property estate, whilst ensuring the property portfolio is suitable for the delivery of the Council's responsibilities. It is the intention to ensure sustainable capital returns and revenue income can be achieved. A systematic review of all Council assets will be undertaken, with all opportunities being reviewed via options appraisals and life cycle costs.

3 Recommendations

3.1 Members of the Strategy and Performance Panel are requested to approve the 2008 AMP and note the intention to carry out a best practice review over the coming months.

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APPENDIX A

ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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- 1. Introduction
- 1.1 The AMP group was formed in 2000 under the responsibility of the Executive Portfolio Holder for Economic Development and the Corporate Property Officer, following directives from central government. All Local Authorities were required to produce AMPs for submission to Govt in 2001
- 1.2 Following a "poor" assessment in 2001, the 2002 AMP submission was awarded a "good" rating. Not only did this give Taunton Deane an extra £50,000 in capital spending approvals but it further meant that Taunton Deane was not required to submit any further AMPs to Central Government.
- 1.3 Taunton Deane has continued to produce AMPs albeit modified to suit the Council's wishes and priorities.
- 1.4 As alluded to earlier, those sections within the Council undertaking property management functions have been restructured and brought together as one team Property Services. The Report by the Strategic Director on the restructure was submitted to and approved by the Executive on 24 May 2005. The new group consisted of a Facilities Team, a Maintenance and Design Team, an Asset Holdings Team, and a Geographical Information Systems

Team. In 2006 the Facilities Team was removed from Property Services. The group has the responsibility of producing the AMP and ensuring the Council's assets are properly maintained and wishes of Members are carried out.

2. Condition of property

The table below gives details of current and past performance

	2002/3	2003/4	2004/5		2005/6		2006/7	2006/7	2007/8
	Target %	Target %	Target	%	Target%		Target	Actual	Target
	Actual	Actual	Actual		Actual		%	%	%
Α	39	42	42	45	44	45	49	45	49
	38	41							
В	55	54	54	52	56	51	51	51	51
	54	52							
С	6	4	4	3	0	4	0	4	0
	6	5							
D	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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- (A) Performing well
- (B) Performing as intended but with minor defects
- (C) Showing major defects/not operating as intended; and
- (D) Life expired and serious risk of failure.

96% of the Council's built assets are performing well or as intended but with minor defects. This compares well with the 96% in 2005/6, 93% recorded in 2003/4 and 92% in 2002/3.

3. Maintenance Backlog

AMP Maintenance Backlog 2006/07, 2007/08 11 October 2008

Multi-Storey Car Park Works complete.

Municipal Buildings Phase 1 stonework complete.

Crematorium Lodge Roof works programmed for Jan 07 – works complete.

Vivary Park Golf Course

Green Keepers
Building/Yard Area

Works to new environmentally friendly wash-down area

and building alternations in progress – works complete

External works and new kiosk complete.

Wellington Sports Centre Roof protection railings/Access ladders – Works

complete. Footpath works. Design in progress -

programmed for 2008/09.

Blackbrook Pavilion External repairs and decorations. To be programmed in

2008/09.

St Mary's Church Repairs to pathways and seating. Owing to

parking/usage of various areas and bearing in mind listed

requirements, negotiations are in progress with the Diocese of Bath and Wells, to establish mutual

agreement regarding acceptable activities. This process will need to be carried out regarding other churchyards

that have been handed over to TDBC.

Deane House Jelnet upgrade – works complete.

Air quality monitoring Cabinet – Air conditioning

upgrade/replacement works – complete.

Additional roof repairs programmed for 2007/08.

Priory Industrial Estate The head lease on this site expired in July 07. The

intention was not to renew this lease, as the economic advantages to the Council were very limited. Repairing liability negotiations took place with the landlord, Eagle Investments Ltd. This site has now been handed back to the landlord, with an extremely advantageous outcome

for the Council.

Wellington Park Lodge External repairs and decorations. To be programmed.

Combe Florey Church Path/ramp to be investigated – works complete.

28/30 Fore Street

Wellington

Damp problems – work complete.

Other various Leisure Trust items:

Blackbrook Pavilion Roof/rainwater gutters. Works required to remove water

from flat roof areas – investigations in hand. CCTV

coverage to be checked

Station Road Baths Pool inflatable now on site – works complete.

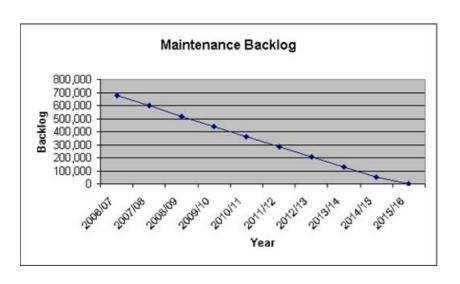
Wellington Sports Centre Ducting to be programmed for 2007/08.

St James Street Baths New security entrance screen – works complete.

New fire proof hatch – works complete.

Profiled Spend (non Leisure) Backlog Performance

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Item	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
	£	£	£	£	£	£
MSCP – lift works	4,000					
MSCP – barriers & signage						
OMB - new water boiler	40.000					
Priory Ind Est - surfacing repairs	10,000					
Market House - external repairs						
St Mary's church - repairs to railings & walling	4.000					
St Mary's church - repairs to pathways & seating	1,000					
Wellington park - repair & decoration	8,230					
Churchyards – various	15,000					
Vivary Park – repairs	10,000	70.000	00.700	04.000		
OMB - stonework repairs	10,770	78,000	63,730	24,000		
Deane House - various external works			7,000	4 700		
Goodland Gardens - bridge repairs	45.000		7,270	1,730		
Crematorium – lodge roof	15,000					
Deane House - Computer Suite air con	4,000			18,000		
Deane House - jelnet upgrade						
Deane House - air handling equipment				8,000		
Parks & Open Spaces - various boundary repairs				8,987		
Victoria Park pavilion – roof works				15,000		
Wellington park lodge - repair & decoration				2,283	2,717	
Wellington Rec Ground - various repairs					7,000	
Car parks – resurfacing					68,283	78,000
Car parks - works to boundary walls						
Car parks – relining works						
Car parks – kerbing works						
Deane House – solar window films						
Goodland Gardens - bridge repairs						
Additional play areas						
Parks & Open Spaces - various boundary repairs						
Cemeteries - walling works						
Crematorium - roofing works						
Total Spend	78,000	78,000	78,000	78,000	78,000	78,000
5 11 .27 5 1	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
Backlog at Year End	597,044	519,044	441,044	363,044	285,044	207,044
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DDA Works Completed - 31 August 2006

- High Street
- Crescent North
- Castle Green
- Whirligig Lane
- Canon Street
- Coal Orchard
- Wood Street
- Elm's Parade
- Kilkenny
- Greenbrook Terrace
- Priory Bridge Road
- Victoria Gate

Other works completed or in hand:

Blackbrook Pavilion Counter alterations completed

New automatic doors ordered (Main entrance & Tennis

Entrance) - works completed.

New tennis reception counter – works completed. New tennis facility under construction and due for completion September 06. This building will be DDA compliant, including the use of sporting wheelchairs –

works completed.

Wellington Sports Centre Air conditioning – works completed.

Deane House Alterations of public toilet – works completed.

Reception – partial upgrade in hand.

Municipal Buildings Project on site is due for completion December 2007.

Market House New access being provided to public house – works

completed.

Highfields The construction of a new commercial viable and

> environmentally friendly horticultural nursery construction due to start in November 2007.

Hamilton Gault and

The construction of two new sports pavilions. To Galmington Playing Field commence following agreement with the Football

Foundation regarding funding.

Station Road Pool Installation of poolside gates. Programmed for November

2007.

Five mobile loop systems purchased.

Public Toilets:

Kingston Road To be demolished.- project complete.

We now have the following loop systems:

- Five Loop systems for the following reception areas: Main Reception/ Planning/Wellington office/DLO/Housing.
- One portable loop system for use by Sheltered Housing Officers.
- One Portable loop system [boundary microphones] to be used for public meetings in different venues.
- One Hearing Helper Pack- a system which will be used for training purposes and will be kept in Personnel.
- Four Portable loop systems for Kilkenny Centre: one for the Emergency Response Team, 2 for Lifeline officers to take into people's houses and one to remain office based.
- Two loop systems for reception areas in the Tourist Information Centres in Taunton and Wellington.
- 14 systems in total.

4. Poorest performing properties – update

Property	Proposal	Update
Frobisher Way, Bindon Road	Development	Planning permission obtained for Industrial units Following tender a preferred developer has been identified and contract documentation is in preparation. The developer will provide industrial starter units for TDBC in return for adjacent development land and modest capital receipt for the Council.

Nursery. Mount Street	Review to be undertaken to maximise the sites potential	Ongoing. Options Appraisal being undertaken. Traffic and wildlife surveys arranged.
Stoke St Mary Site. Highfields - Proposed new Nursery	Site for new nursery found and purchased at Auction	This project has now been tendered and a successful contractor appointed. Construction commenced on 7 January 2008
Public Conveniences	Review of use to be undertaken	The Council's Waste Manager has completed his review. The following are the main outstanding points in relation to built assets: • Kingston Road demolition – works now completed. • Public conveniences at Hamilton Road – this facility has now been sold. Wilton Lands wc – now closed – possible use as parks store
Paul Street Multi Storey Car Park	Works required to comply with health and safety	Structure to be monitored. Essential Health and Safety works required to lifts. Approx £17,000 – now completed
Old Municipal Buildings	Action required on Disability and Fire Safety issues. Alternative uses to be pursued	There is a high expectation that the building will be leased to SCC for use by the County Council Registrar. Consultations with SCC are reaching a conclusion. Monies required for necessary work which are TDBC's responsibility are available from the DDA budget. The alteration works are now in hand with a completion date in December 2007. Update – SCC moved into the building on 7 January 2008.
Leisure Services	Forward Planning as to future service provision required	Ongoing
Hamilton Gault Pavilion	Existing building deteriorating	New pavilion scheduled for completion in 2007. This project has been tendered with a successful contractor being appointed. Construction is due to commence on completion of funding negotiations with the Football Foundation. Update – works to commence on 28 January 2008.
Galmington Pavilion	Existing building deteriorating	New pavilion scheduled for completion in 2007. This project has been tendered with a successful contractor being appointed. Construction is due to commence on completion of funding negotiations with the Football Foundation. Update – works to commence on 28 January 2008.

5. Proposed actions for 2006/7 up to Sept 2007

- 5.1 Complete updated surveys of the Council's main buildings by September 2007 conforming to Somerset County Council's templates.
- 5.2 Completion of scanning of all Council Buildings
- 5.3 Spreadsheet showing energy and water consumption (to be sent to Managers at quarterly intervals until added to the Council's Intranet site)

- 5.4 Updated Asbestos Register all type 2 surveys
- 5.5 Regular AMP meetings to review Capital spend
- 5.6 Development of meaningful Pls/benchmarking
- 5.7 Development of closer working with Somerset County Council.
- 5.8 Development of Permits to Work

Update regarding above items

- 5.9 The following surveys have been completed:
 - St James Street Swimming Pool
 - Station Road Swimming Pool
 - The Deane House
 - Flook House
 - Wellington Sports Centre
 - The Crematorium and Lodge
 - Blackbrook Pavilion
 - The Market House
 - 28 and 30 Fore Street, Wellington
- 5.10 Percentage of scanning complete the majority of scanning to date has been on housing assets.
- 5.11 Ongoing.
- 5.12 Delayed owing to embargo on the letting of contracts.
- 5.13 To be reactivated December 2007
- 5.14 In hand.
- 5.15 Included as part of Southwest One.
- 5.16 Programmed for action by end of March 08.
- 5.17 Delayed for discussions as part of Southwest One.
- 5.18 Action for 2008/09.
- 5.19 Action 2008/09.

Proposed Items for 2007/08

- 5.20 Complete updated surveys of the Council's main buildings.
- 5.21 Scanning of the Council's corporate buildings.

- 5.22 Spreadsheet showing energy and water consumption (to be sent to managers at quarterly intervals until added to the Council's intranet site).
- 5.23 Update asbestos register.
- 5.24 Continue with regular AMP meetings.
- 5.25 Development of meaningful Pls/benchmarking.
- 5.26 Development of permits to work.
- 5.27 Development of CDM logbooks.
- 5.28 Investigation into environmental improvements (in connection with climate change).
- 5.29 Investigation into the implications of carbon footprint.

Actions programmed for 2008/09 combining the 10 point Action Plan (2002–2005) – Section 7 of the 2004 AMP. Reference numbers refer to relevant point on the Action Plan.

Property/Task	Action	Target Date	Date Achieved
All TDBC property	A complete re-appraisal of the Corporate Asbestos Register. Actions to include type 2 surveys, and management programmes (Ref 1)Nov 2006. To be discussed as part of Southwest One.	Nov 07	Type 2 surveys being undertaken
Conversion of Warden Flat, Lodge Close, Wellington	Conversion to two flats from existing house	To be completed by end April 2007	Works completed
Housing Sneddon Grove	Installation of two temporary housing units. Construction in hand, due for completion November 2007.	To be completed by end Nov 2007	Ongoing
All TDBC Property	A reappraisal of the Legionella monitoring system Oct 2006 (Ref 1)	Oct 06	Completed. Frequent checks made. Third party audit to take place
All TDBC Property	A Strategy for Contaminated Land was produced in 2001. It is progressing well in line with the agreed time scale (Ref 1)	Ongoing	Ongoing
St James Street Baths	Investigation of mechanical plant. Provision of additional security features	Oct 05 Dec 05	Works completed
Disability Discrimination Work	Completion of at least 49% of DDA works to the Council's Corporate buildings in accordance with the DDA strategy.	Mar 08	Ongoing
Asset Register	There is a need to integrate current	Dec 06	Awaiting

	information on our assets. We hope to		Southwest One
	procure a new financial system as part of		Coddinioot One
	the Southwest One programme which will		
Land registration	include an Asset Register module. To assist legal section in identifying title	April 07	Target achieved,
Land registration	deeds re:- TDBC land holdings. (First	Дрії 07	awaiting
	Stage). Note – it is financially beneficial for		response from
	the Council to take advantage of an offer		the Land
	made by the Land Registry – of £7.50 an "extent" to proceed with this work in the		Registry
	foreseeable future		
Space Audit.	This is currently underway with and being	Ongoing	Awaiting
	actioned within the physical reorganisation of staff/offices.(Ref 2)		Southwest One (Accommodation
	of stall/offices.(Ref 2)		Strategy)
Leisure Trust	Working relations between TDBC and	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Trust now formed and working well.		
Investigation with	Contact with CIPFA family groupings	Mar 06	Ongoing
other similar sized authorities re			
benchmarking			
Avimo (now Thales) site at Lisieux Way,	Investigation ongoing on future use of site	Mar 08	Investigation now
Taunton			recommenced
radition			rocommenced
Priory Way Industrial Estate, Taunton	Complete programme of repairs to ensure compliance with the terms of the Council's		
Estate, raunton	Head Lease. The decision was taken not to		
	renew the lease and the site has now been		
	successfully handed back to the landlord.		N
The Bike Park, Coal Orchard, Taunton	Alterations to existing for Primary Care Trust	Project to be completed by	Negotiations with the Primary
Orchard, radiitori	Trust	Nov 2007	Care Trust
			Ongoing
Local Performance Indicators	Develop meaningful indicators. Although satisfaction surveys have been carried out	Ongoing	Ongoing
indicators	with the tenants of commercial properties		
	this will be developed further following the		
Laisens Da '''	analysis of results		ON
Leisure Pavilions	Hamilton Gault & Galmington Playing Field pavilions have been tendered and a		2No pavilions now being
	successful contractor appointed		designed
National Skateboard Park	Investigation required to ascertain the viability of a park on land at Lisieux Way		Ongoing
Mount Street Nursery	Options appraisal in hand	Site to be	Ongoing
		sold/developed	
		commercially June 2007	
Highfield Nursery	Delivery of new environmentally,	By June 2008	Ongoing
	commercially based nursery. Construction due to commence Nov 2007		
Longrun Farm	Delivery of a flood alleviation scheme.	Sept 2008	Design works in
	•	•	hand
Kilkenny Car Park	Options appraisals regarding development	Dec 2007	Ongoing

	opportunities		
Deane House site	Options appraisals regarding development opportunities	Jan 2008	Ongoing
Taunton Market	Demolition of buildings	March 2008	Preparation of tender
			documents in progress
Priorswood Youth	Resolve lease issues with the North	Nov 2007	Ongoing
Club site	Taunton Partnership		

6. **National Indicators**

Indicators will be developed over the near future. 6.1

National Indicators	Indicator	Target 2004/05	Actual 2004/05	Target 2005/06	Actual 2005/06	Target 2006/07	Actual 2006/07	Target 2007/08
1. (a) % Gross internal floor space in condition categories A-D	Category A Good – performing as intended and operating efficiently	% A 42	45	44	% 44	49	45	49
	B Satisfactory Performing as intended but exhibiting minor deterioration	B 54	52	56	51	51	51	51
	C Poor Exhibiting major defects and not operating as intended	C 4	3	0	4	0	4	0
	D Bad Life expired and/or serious risk of imminent failure	D 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 (b) Backlog of	Priority Level	Target as %			Target as %	Target as %		
maintenance in priority categories 1-4	1 2 3 4	0 2 61 37 100	0 1 62 37 100	0 0 64 36 100	0 0 66 34 100	0 0 72 20 100	0 0 66 34 100	0 0 72 20 100

7. Local Indicators

Indicator		2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2005/06	2006/07
		actual	actual	actual	target	actual	actual
1 Number of units	Industrial	6%	0%	.58%	.56%	6.66%	30%
void as a % of investment properties	Retail	13%	6.25%	12.5%	12%	14.58%	20%
2 % of rent arrears as a proportion of annual rent income for commercial property		15%	Approx 13%	14%	13%	29.85%	4.78%

8. **Impact on Corporate Priorities**

Ref Corporate Strategy and Performance Plan 2005-2008 8.1

Economy Ref Ec2	Develop key sites to bring about the Vision for Taunton	Relocate Livestock Market Redevelopment of Somerset County Cricket Club/Coal Orchard Car Park	Ongoing
Environment Ref En2	Protecting and enhancing the quality of the physical environment	Agree Norton Fitzwarren Flood Alleviation Scheme with developers	Scheme completed November 2007
	Achieve Green Flag Award for public open space for three parks	Objective achieved	
	Improve facility provision on three other public open spaces per year. All works ongoing – Victoria Park, French Weir, Greenway Road, Taunton plus various play areas		
	Upper Holway Play Area	Upgrade to play area	Tenders due January 2008
Healthy Living	Provision of sports pavilions	Construction of 2No new pavilions at Hamilton Gault Playing Field and Galmington Playing Field	Construction to commence 28 January 2007.

Although not listed in the Corporate Strategy the proposed starter/industrial sites at Frobisher Way, Taunton and the redevelopment of Unit 1 Blackdown Business Park, Wellington also contribute to the economy of the region

9. **Conclusion**

- 9.1 It can clearly be seen that since the start of the AMP process much has been achieved. Much is also planned for the future, although with the Taunton Deane Property Services becoming part of Southwest One in December 2007, it is difficult to plan accurately.
- 9.2 However, with the broad principle of disposing/developing of assets that are poor, inefficient or do not add to the Corporate Priorities and putting money into those elements that are required either by legislation (DDA, Asbestos Legionella, Contaminated land or that contribute to greater efficiencies (ie, in space standards, use of energy) this Authority is achieving good value from its assets.

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<u>Background Papers</u>:-Asset Management Plan 2006 Asset Management Plan 2008 (full copy available in the Members Room)