

TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE 12 FEBRUARY 2003

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES MANAGER

THIS MATTER IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR HORSLEY (LEADER OF THE COUNCIL)

GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME

1 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To consider the proposed General Fund Capital Programme as outlined in Appendix A of this report.

2 Resources

2.1 Financing of the General Fund Capital Programme utilises a number of funding sources. These are identified in the table below:

Source	2002/03 Actual £	2003/04 Forecast £	2004/05 Forecast £	2005/06 Forecast £	Total £
Basic Credit Approvals	178,000	189,000	100,000	100,000	567,000
Supplementary Credit Approvals	6,500	11,000	0	0	17,500
Capital Receipts	420,000	200,000	0	0	620,000
Revenue Contributions to Capital (RCCO)	2,537,780	500,000	0	0	3,037,780
Developers Contributions/S106 Agreements	747,420	0	0	0	747,420
Funds	242,600	243,660	209,380	176,490	872,130
Total	4,132,300	1,143,660	309,380	276,490	5,861,830

2.2 Credit approvals, both basic and supplementary, are permission to borrow, and are issued annually by central government. They are approval for an authority to take out loan debt from the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB).

2.3 Basic credit approvals can be used to support capital expenditure in respect of any local government service. The above table takes into account the recent allocations given to the Council via the Single Capital Pot. Supplementary

credit approvals are always earmarked for specified projects and the amounts shown above support air and pollution monitoring schemes.

- 2.4 New loan debt is only taken after full consideration of the Authority's treasury management strategy, as often, the capital programme can be funded using internal resources only, thereby negating the need to take on additional external debt.
- 2.5 Estimated useable capital receipts shown above represent the income that is expected to be generated from the sale of assets. This income is not subject to set aside rules, and can therefore be wholly re-invested in funding capital schemes. Since the budget consultation packs were issued to all Councillors in December the Executive have agreed to the sale of Creech Paper Mills, this has been reflected in the figures shown in paragraph 2.1.
- 2.6 Other earmarked funds such as developers contributions, S106 agreement receipts, the Vehicles Fund, the Capital Fund, and the vehicle and Plant Account are also available to finance capital expenditure incurred.
- 2.7 The amount shown above for the Revenue Contributions to Capital Expenditure (RCCO) is the total sum of funds that have been previously set aside from revenue budgets to fund capital schemes. In addition, during 2002/03, Full Council has approved further revenue contributions to capital amounting to £601,775. In the 2003/04 revenue budget the Executive has included a further RCCO of £500,000 and this is included in the table above. These additional funds have been earmarked for the following schemes in 2003/04:

The Wellsprings Centre	£300,000
Contribution to Silk Mills Scheme	<u>£200,000</u>
Total	£500,000

These amounts are included in the capital programme shown in Appendix A.

3 **Proposed Capital Programme**

- 3.1 Regarding the Wellsprings Centre, in addition to the £300,000 RCCO mentioned above the Executive propose that monies originally earmarked for the proposed extension of the Indoor Tennis Centre should now be transferred to the Wellsprings budget. When it became apparent that there would be a significant funding problem with the Wellsprings Centre work to progress the Tennis Centre Extension was put on ice. In addition, during discussions with the Sport England Lottery Fund (SELF) it became clear that they would not consider any new funding bids by the Council whilst the Council was, at the same time, bidding for further funding to complete the Wellsprings Project. The Executive therefore propose to delete the Tennis Centre extension from the capital programme and use the funds on the Wellsprings Centre.
- 3.2 In addition, in draft financing proposals for the Wellsprings Centre a further £77,735 has been earmarked by the Executive from unallocated capital

resources towards the scheme. In summary, the amounts shown for 2003/04 in Appendix A for the Wellsprings Project comprise:

RCCO (para 2.7)	£300,000
Amount previously set aside for Tennis Centre extension	£318,275
Amount from unallocated resources	<u>£77,735</u>
Total	£696,010

The financing of Wellsprings will be subject to a separate paper once the outcome of the Lottery application is known.

- 3.3 Included within the proposed Programme are monies agreed by the Executive during the 2002/03 budget setting process for the purchase of kerbside recycling boxes. The funding agreement on the whole project has now been reviewed, and the overall cost of the project remains as agreed. The allocation of funds between capital and revenue has however changed (due to the split of DEFRA funding). In order to allocate the funds correctly, both the existing capital programme and revenue budget must be amended. This will have no impact on the overall capital programme, as there will be an equal reduction of both resources and expenditure. The Health & Leisure Review Panel had previously considered this subject at their meeting of 18 September 2002.
- 3.4 The budget consultation packs issued to all Councillors in December (yellow folder) outlined savings that could be made and details of new schemes that had been both accepted and rejected by the Executive.
- 3.5 Since the consideration of the Programme by the Review Board on 30 January 2003 Executive Councillors have revisited their proposed programme and wish to make one further addition. The scheme for continued financial support in 2003/04 for improvements to the Taunton Canal and river corridor is now included within the programme. The up to date picture is as follows:

Schemes deleted/reduced from the Programme

Scheme	£	Comments
Somerset Wide Area Network	-5,000	50% of budget not required
Deane House Network Improvements	-5,000	Reduction agreed
Parking on Estates	-30,000	To be removed from programme for 2005/06 <u>only</u> , to be reinstated from 2006/07.
Total	-40,000	

New Schemes Agreed by the Executive

Scheme	£	Comments
Leisure Pools – new and replacement plant	14,610	Replacement of old plant, designated as urgent works in pool condition surveys

Leisure Pools – emergency lighting and fire system upgrade	7,200	Designated as urgent in condition surveys
WSC – decommissioning and making safe ski slope & upgrading of skate park	30,000	Health & Safety Concerns
Air Pollution Software	11,000	Funded by DEFRA SCA
DLO Depot improvements	33,520	Funded by DLO reserve
Improvements to Taunton Canal and river corridor	10,000	Continuation of existing budget into 2003/04
Total	106,330	

New Schemes NOT included in the Programme

The following schemes were proposed by Officers, but have not been included in the proposed programme.

Portfolio/Scheme	Total Budget £	Comments
Leisure, Arts & Culture		
Leisure Grants	15,400	Reinstatement of Leisure Grants budget for 2004/05 back to level of current provision + annual inflationary uplift.
Wellington & Blackbrook Pavilion Air Conditioning	23,000	Both replacement of existing equipment and new equipment at WSC
Corporate Services		
Asbestos Removal	25,000	Increase in 2003/04 budget provision to £40k
IT Storage Area Network	50,000	Increase amount of data stored within the Council
Energy Conservation	15,000 (over three years)	Increase in annual budget provision from £5k pa to £10k pa
Economic Development, Tourism & Council Business		
Crematorium Waiting Room Extension	64,600	Re-submission of scheme rejected last year
Electronic Car Park Signs	100,000	Included within Corporate Strategy
Wellington Street Furniture	10,000	Additional to existing Wellington Town Centre Enhancement scheme
Planning Policy		
Contribution to Street and Path Lighting schemes	25,000	Extension of existing scheme into 2003/04
Total	328,000	

3.6 Detailed project approval reports on all new schemes are available on request from the contact officer.

3.7 The amount of resources available, as detailed in paragraph 2.1, total £5,861,830. The proposed programme, as shown in Appendix A, projects a total programme of £5,621,830. This means that there are currently surplus resources available of £240,000. Any new schemes that emerge during the lifespan of the programme will be funded through these surplus resources or through new resources such as additional capital receipts. Bids for additional schemes to those set out in Appendix A should be made through the Executive, using the project approval report format.

4 Recommendations

4.1 The Executive is recommended to endorse the contents of this report, and to recommend the proposed programme to Full Council for approval.

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**TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME SUMMARY**

Appendix A

Portfolio Expenditure	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
Community Development	10,000	0	0	0	10,000
Corporate Services	252,681	120,000	85,000	85,000	542,681
Eco Dev, Tourism & Council Businesses	1,050,841	232,520	185,000	127,000	1,595,361
Env Policy & Services	831,821	26,000	10,000	10,000	877,821
Housing Services	0	0	0	0	0
Leisure, Arts and Culture	1,755,532	850,920	243,100	91,100	2,940,652
Planning Policy & Transportation	453,349	200,000	0	0	653,349
Total Expenditure	4,354,224	1,429,440	523,100	313,100	6,619,864

Portfolio External Income	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
Community Development	0	0	0	0	0
Corporate Services	0	0	0	0	0
Eco Dev, Tourism & Council Businesses	0	0	0	0	0
Env Policy & Services	0	0	0	0	0
Housing Services	0	0	0	0	0
Leisure, Arts and Culture	998,034	0	0	0	998,034
Planning Policy & Transportation	0	0	0	0	0
Total External Income	998,034	0	0	0	998,034

Net Capital Programme	3,356,190	1,429,440	523,100	313,100	5,621,830
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**TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
CAPITAL PROGRAMME
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO**

Code	Res Officer	Scheme	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
T39	BC	Rural Services - Contribution	10,000	0	0		10,000

**TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
CAPITAL PROGRAMME
CORPORATE SERVICES PORTFOLIO**

Code	Res Officer	Scheme	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
T30	PJ	Public Buildings -Disabled Access	17,558	10,000			27,558
T32	JL	The Deane House - Reception Carpets	13,180				13,180
T32	JP	The Deane House - Air Conditioning	13,540				13,540
W04	JP	The Deane House - Combined Heat & Power Unit	790				790
W62	MM	Somerset Wide Area Network (SWAN)					0
T31	JP	Energy Conservation/Water Management	5,452	5,000	5,000	5,000	20,452
T32	SK	Deane House Network Improvements	30,000				30,000
T58/001	SK	Desk Top Operating System Software	5,699				5,699
T58/002	SK	Desk Top Hardware Refurb Programme	82,401	80,000	80,000	80,000	322,401
T58/003	SK	Priory Depot Communications	10,000				10,000
T58/004	SK	Corporate Imaging Project	12,425				12,425
T58/005	SK	Corporate GIS Project	38,282				38,282
T58/006	SK	Microsoft Office training & software	3,129				3,129
T58/007	SK	Invest To Save (SCC)	5,000				5,000
T58/008	SK	Network Improvements		10,000			10,000
T59	SR	Asbestos Removal	15,225	15,000			30,225
W64	MM	Digital TV scheme	0				0
W65	MM	Implementing E Government	0				0
W66	MM	Invest To Save Bid Round 4	0				0
		Total Expenditure	252,681	120,000	85,000	85,000	542,681

**TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
CAPITAL PROGRAMME
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND COUNCIL BUSINESS PORTFOLIO**

Code	Res Officer	Scheme	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
T27	PR	Cemetery Extension	14,960				14,960
T40	TT	Grass Cutting Equipt.	28,229	27,000			55,229
T83	JL	CCTV Non Car Parking	309,803				309,803
T85	TN	Resignalling at Norton Fitzwarren	10,000				10,000
T96	AH	Wellington Town Centre Enhancement	181,650				181,650
W60	AH	Hestercombe Gardens (Heritage)	90,000	30,000	30,000		150,000
T41	TT/MH	Vehicle Acquisitions	95,000	112,000	125,000	127,000	459,000
T61	JS	Parking on Estates	36,314	30,000	30,000		96,314
T42	MH	Refurbishment / Improvements - Priory Depot	28,753	33,520			62,273
T42	MH	Re-roofing Priory Depot	21,000				21,000
W10	PR	Re-Brick Cremators	35,000				35,000
T97	RWF	Tourist Information Points	34,532				34,532
T82/002	SR	Paul St Car Park	153,300				153,300
W11	PR	Crematorium - New Grass Cutter	12,300				12,300
		Total Expenditure	1,050,841	232,520	185,000	127,000	1,595,361

**TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
CAPITAL PROGRAMME
ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND SERVICES PORTFOLIO**

Code	Res Officer	Scheme	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
T50	SR	Flood Relief	613,404				613,404
T51	BC	Recycling Facilities	0				0
T52	BC	Refurbish Public Conveniences	45,070				45,070
T54	PW	Env Health Hand Held Computers	6,653				6,653
T57	AW	Hankridge Lake	0				0
T74	IC	Taunton/Bridgwater Canal	10,000	10,000			20,000
T75	IC	Conservation Areas Underground	33,620				33,620
T88	IC	Grand Western Canal	0				0
T95/003	GK	Air Pollution Equipment	0	11,000			11,000
T95	GK	Air Quality Monitoring Equipment	3,074				3,074
T98	BC	Purchase of Kerbside Recycling Boxes	120,000	5,000	10,000	10,000	145,000
		Total Expenditure	831,821	26,000	10,000	10,000	877,821

**TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
CAPITAL PROGRAMME
LEISURE, ARTS AND CULTURE PORTFOLIO**

Code	Res Officer	Scheme	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
T11	SH	Dual Use Schemes	6,022				6,022
T28	SH	WSC Refurbishment	39,461				39,461
T29	KD	Grants to Village Halls	20,000				20,000
T90	SR	The Wellsprings Centre	650,916				650,916
W08	SR	The Wellsprings Centre - Post Determination	99,000	696,010			795,010
T91	AW	Parks Refurbishment - Wellington	82,897				82,897
T91	AW	Parks Refurbishment - Vivary Park	116,340				116,340
T92	SH	Rural Kickabout Scheme Grant	15,000				15,000
W05	KD	Play Facilities Nth Taunton	23,836				23,836
W01	SH	VGC - New Greenkeepers Stores	10,470				10,470
W02	KD	Pavilion @ Rockwell Green	129,095				129,095
W03	PW	Grounds Maintenance System	60,000				60,000
T01	KD	Corporate Priorities - Grants to Clubs	117,199	56,100	44,100	44,100	261,499
T04	KD	Corporate Priorities - Play Equipt. Grants to Parishes	35,799	21,000	21,000	21,000	98,799
T05	KD	Play Equipt. Replacement	31,086	13,000	89,000	13,000	146,086
T21	KD	New Play Equipt.	45,600	13,000	89,000	13,000	160,600
T17	SH	Taunton Pool - Lift Replacement	1,811				1,811
W06	SH	Wellington SC - Electrical Works	74,500				74,500
W07	SH	Resurfacing of Outdoor Tennis Cts	36,500				36,500
W67	KD	Wellington Arts Association Grants	40,000				40,000
W22	KD	Cotford Prim School & Comm Centre	120,000				120,000
	SH	Leisure Pools-New & Replacement Plant		14,610			14,610
	SH	Leisure Pools-Emergency Lighting & Fire System Upgrade		7,200			7,200
	SH	WSC - Decommissioning of Ski Slope/Upgrade Skate Park		30,000			30,000
		Total Expenditure	1,755,532	850,920	243,100	91,100	2,940,652

		External Contributions to Schemes	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £		Total £
T11	SH	Dual Use Schemes					0
T90	SR	The Wellsprings Centre	229,044				229,044
T91	AW	Parks Refurbishment - Wellington	258,770				258,770
T91	AW	Parks Refurbishment - Vivary Park	508,000				508,000
T12	SH	St James - Replacement Lockers	2,220				2,220
		Total External Income	998,034	0	0	0	998,034

		Net Capital Programme	757,498	850,920	243,100	91,100	1,942,618
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**TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
CAPITAL PROGRAMME
PLANNING POLICY AND TRANSPORTATION PORTFOLIO**

Code	Res Officer	Scheme	Budget 2002/03 £	Budget 2003/04 £	Budget 2004/05 £	Budget 2005/06 £	Total £
T63	TN	Parking for Rural Footpaths	7,697				7,697
T66	JH	Town Centre Management Initiative	18,700				18,700
T86	JH	Town Centre Improvements	142,700				142,700
T94	JH	Pedestrian Signage	5,700				5,700
W20	TN	St Margarets Hospital Restoration	0				0
W21	AH	Station Road Parking	40,000				40,000
T60	JP	Contributions to Footpaths and Streetlighting	39,552				39,552
T74	IC	Taunton/Bridgwater Canal	0				0
W30	AH	Contribution to Silk Mills Scheme	199,000	200,000			399,000
		Total Expenditure	453,349	200,000	0	0	653,349