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Quarter 1 2020/21 Capital Year to Date Position.

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the forecast financial outturn position for capital for the financial year 2020/21.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Force Executive Board and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner notes the outturn position as detailed in the report.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 To update the Office of the PCC on the Force's forecast outturn position for 2020/21 as at the end of quarter 1 and also to comply with good financial management and Financial Regulations.

4. Summary of Key Points

- 4.1 Summary
The Capital Programme for 2020/21 to 2024/25 was presented and approved at the Police and Crime Panel meeting on 6th February 2020.
- 4.2 The total gross expenditure budget approved by the OPCC for 2020/21 was set at £34,589k; this has increased by £87k for CED (Conducted Energy Devices) purchase (decision record 2020.022). Slippage of £1,169k from 2019/20 has also been added. The programme is summarised in the table below:

	New Budget 2020/21 £'000	Slippage From 2019/20 £'000	In Year Approvals £'000	Revised Budget £'000
Assets/Estates	28,270	838	0	29,108
Information Technology	5,212	331	0	5,543
Other Projects	1,107	0	87	1,194
Total	34,589	1,169	87	35,845

- 4.3 The review of capital expenditure shows a forecasted outturn position of £28,241k. This is an underspend of (£536k) and anticipated slippage of (£7,068k). A breakdown of all the projects can be found in Appendix A.
- 4.4 Within the Assets/Estates projects are the three new build projects for Nottingham Custody Suite, new Joint HQ Build and the SARC (Sexual Adult Referral Centre). These three areas alone amount to a combined budget of £25,169k and also amount to the majority of the slippage figure currently being forecast of (£4,546k).
- The custody project is a multiyear project to deliver a new Nottingham Custody Suite at a new location within the City, work is now ahead of schedule, we are therefore at this point in time predicting that the budget allocated to this financial year is at risk of overspending. Should this momentum continue a review will be taken at Q2 with a view to requesting that budget allocated to 2021/22 be brought forward to this financial year. It is expected that the project will be delivered on budget in totality, but the phasing maybe a little out of line with costs being incurred. For a multi-million pound project, over multi years this is not unusual.
 - The new FHQ build is a multiyear project to deliver a new headquarters supporting the needs of Nottinghamshire Police and Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue. The build is taking place on existing land, currently owned by Nottinghamshire Police; as such the difficulties experienced with the new custody suite have been avoided with this project. The project is well underway and the build contract has recently been let to Henry Brothers. It is expected that the project will generate a reasonable underspend, the full amount of this needs to be assessed in detail.
 - The current Topaz Centre is deemed as unsuitable; there is no scope for extending the building, and no opportunity for co-locating and integrating support services to provide a seamless support package for victims. In addition, the Topaz Centre is in need of reparation and improvement from a forensic perspective and requires urgent mitigation work to bring the building up to United Kingdom Accreditation Standards (UKAS) forensic standards. As a result of this assessment a new build is being undertaken close to the existing Centre. During this financial year it is expected that design and planning fees will be incurred with a view to the build starting April 2021. The capital budget is therefore slightly out of alignment with the planned works, hence the potential for slippage into 2020/21.
 - Other projects within the Assets/Estates area consist of building improvement, renovation & conversion works, this is an annual programme and reflects the risks identified within the building condition survey. The survey assessed each building in terms of mechanical, electric and fabric works that is required to keep buildings in top condition, the works have been prioritised and these form the basis for this element of the capital programme. Within the plans for this financial year are replacement windows and roof for Radford Road and Oxclose Lane police stations, this work needs to be completed during summer

months and due to covid this work is now delayed and will be undertaken next financial year. This is reflected in the slippage figure above.

4.5 The Information Technology host of projects includes refreshing and upgrading the existing IT suite of equipment, continuation of the roll out of ANPR (Automatic Number Plate Recognition), an uplift in equipment representing the increase in officer numbers and ESN (Essential Services Network) which is a National project to replace the current airwave system and devices.

- Technology refresh is a recurring project that has been developed to provide the financial support to refresh and upgrade existing equipment that has reached end of life. The plans for this financial year include the ongoing procurement of BWV (Body Worn Video) devices, replacement laptops, tough books and workstations, DIR (Digital Interview Recording) suites & laptops, nimble storage, Hyper V server hardware refresh, replacement multi-functional devices (printers) and archive storage expansion. Whilst some of these plans are in the early stages of planning and some purchases have been held back due to manufacturing issues delayed through Covid-19, at this stage it is anticipated that there could be an underspend from this project.
- ESN is a national programme to replace the current airwave service. The project started some years ago and has seen several setbacks, progress is still fragmented and types of devices have yet to be established. It is expected that the only cost this financial year will be to improve our firewall capability in preparation. It is expected that this project will slip again, with a further £800k already allocated to 2021/22, it is expected that this budget will slip into 2022/23.
- Replacement of static ANPR cameras around the County is the focus of this project. Existing cameras are old and the failure rate is high, a number of cameras were replaced last financial year, with the last instalment delayed due to manufacturing issues in relation to Covid-19. There is scope and plans for further cameras to be replaced this financial year.
- Operation Uplift includes the increase in BWV and airwave devices. There are also plans to increase the number of car parking spaces at several stations this is due to the increase in officers and whilst not an IT cost, this budget could be reallocated and split between estates and IT.

4.6 Other projects include vehicle replacement, increase in the fleet and more recently an increase in CED devices.

- Vehicle replacement is an annually recurring project that has been developed to provide the financial support to replace non-Venson vehicles that have reached end of life. There is a plan on which vehicles this will provide and progress is being made in delivery the plan which is expected to be on budget at the end of the year.

- Operation Uplift represents the impact on the force in relation to vehicles tied in with the increase in officers, costs currently attributed to this area are 11 Skoda Octavia's for operation Reacher, 3 Skoda Octavia's and introduction of the first 4 x electric vehicles for additional capacity across the force. The running costs for the vehicles have been reflected in the revenue element of the Transport budget.

5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

5.1 The financial information relating to this item is contained within item 4.

6. Human Resources Implications

6.1 There are no immediate Human Resource implications arising from this report.

7. Equality Implications

7.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

8. Risk Management

8.1 Monitoring of the accounts is problematic and errors in the data continue to be reported.

9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities

9.1 There are no policy implications arising from this report.

10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations

10.1 There are no changes in legislation or other legal considerations that are relevant to this report.

11. Details of outcome of consultation

11.1 The figures included in this report are presented to the Force Executive Board on monthly basis.

12. Appendices

12.1 Appendix A – Capital Projects

APPENDIX A

Capital Projects

	Revised Budget	Out-turn	Under Spend	Slippage to 2021/22
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Estates				
Nottingham Custody Suite	12,400	12,852	(0)	452
New HQ Joint Build	11,959	7,498	(139)	(4,322)
Building Improvement, Renovation & Conversion Works	2,640	801	(171)	(1,668)
SARC New Build	800	124	0	(676)
Estate Improvements	600	600	(0)	0
Northern Control Room Conversion & Refurb.	362	362	0	0
Custody Improvements	166	100	0	(66)
West Bridgford Relocation	165	165	0	0
Hucknall EMAS	17	17	0	0
	29,108	22,518	(311)	(6,280)
Information Services				
Technology Services Refresh & Upgrades	2,573	2,350	(223)	0
Operation Uplift - IS	1,926	1,926	0	0
ESN	800	12	0	(788)
ANPR Camera Project	244	244	(0)	0
Command & Control	0	(2)	(2)	0
	5,543	4,530	(225)	(788)
Other Projects				
Operation Uplift - Fleet	572	572	0	0
Vehicle & Equipment Replacement	435	435	(1)	0
Operation Uplift - Other	100	100	0	0
CED	87	87	0	0
	1,194	1,193	(1)	0
Total	35,845	28,241	(536)	(7,068)