Capital Budget 2023/24 – forecast main variances

Children and Family Services

Net slippage of £7.5m. The main variances were:

	£000
Provision of Additional Places	-4,648
Provision of Additional Places 1) Shepshed Iveshead - slippage of -£2.3m. The Shepshed campus has multiple Education provisions that have some degree of interaction and timing dependency for building works. The project planning required additional site visits, to review project brief and competitive procurement options available delaying the start date. Enabling works are underway and are expected to complete by the end of March 2024 with commencement of the build on site in July 2024. 2) Ibstock High School - slippage of -£1.4m. This scheme supports housing growth in the area and transition to 11-16. The original estimates for the start of the project were slightly optimistic with the latest update now reporting construction starting in July 2024. 3) Coalville Forest New Primary - slippage of -£2m. The timing of LA contribution to this scheme is dependent on the contractor hitting trigger points and submitting claims. The site has been impacted by unprecedented weather over the winter to date and as such it is now expected that the LA's contribution will not be incurred until 24/25 4) Burbage Hastings High School - acceleration of £0.6m. This large expansion scheme to create a new sports hall and addition classrooms. The budget had been prudently profiled in the MTFS - however pre-construction works and professional fees will be incurred in 23/24 5) Market Harborough S106 New Primary School - acceleration of £1.8m. The profiling of the budget for this scheme was undertaken prudently. The scheme is well underway, with completion expected approx August 24. 6) Slippage of -£0.2m each on Rothley Classroom Extension, Normandy way Hinckley Primary and Old Dalby extension as final completion slipped to 24/25 Other schemes - slippage of -£0.8m	
Children's SEND Programme	-1,934
SEMH school St Botolph's - slippage of -£0.9m.This budget was increased in anticipation of additional costs relating to drainage/sewage issues and potential upgrades to existing system. Connections into the drain system have now been made, but further testing will need to be undertaken to determine whether any upgrade will need to be undertaken. This will not happen before the end of the financial year. Dorothy Goodman remodel - slippage of -£0.4m. The practical completion date of this scheme has been pushed back from Feb 24 to April 24. SEND Contingency - slippage of -£0.4m from unused SEND grant will be used in 24/25 towards new SEND school Robert Smythe - slippage of -£0.2m from delay in submitting final claim for passported development	
Children's SCIP Programme	-429
Slippage of -£0.6m. Despite extensive searches of the property market, the LA has been unsuccessful to date in sourcing a suitable property for the second EBD provision. A property has now been found, and a provisional offer accepted. However completion of the purchase won't happen until 24/25 Workspace 17 (Art Hub & 3 beds) - acceleration of £0.1m.	-423
Strategic Capital Maintenance	-292
Safeguarding & Schools Access	-199
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Adults & Communities

Net slippage of £1m. The main variances were:

	£000
1) Supported Living SCIP Schemes - This budget relates to two extra care schemes, but the land transaction is no longer expected to take place in this financial year, so is slipping into next financial	-1,009
year.	

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2) Wigston LALS refurbishment – slippage of -£58k due to a delay in commencing of work. Expected to take place in 2024/25.	-58
TOTAL	-1,067

Environment and Transport

Net slippage of £19m. The main variances were:

	£000
Melton Mowbray Eastern Distributor Rd	-9,317
Due to continued storms the programme has been delayed in the 2023/24 year and therefore some works will now need to be delivered in the 2024/25 financial year. In addition There are delays on the land acquisitions claims which is causing the programme to slip.	
Council Vehicle Replacement Programme	-2,199
Orders committed however due to supplier issues this has delayed the delivery of the vehicles.	_,
Advance Design / Match Funding	-1,261
Slippage due to delays in transport modelling from ongoing delays in the strategic planning partnership, delay in securing funding for Desford Crossroad project and works programmes on the cycling and walking for Active Travel.	
A511/A50 Major Road Network	-853
The sealing of compulsory purchase order (CPO) has been delayed due to design amendments. This has resulted in the legal fees and CPO public inquiry costs moving to the next financial year.	
Highways Capital Maintenance	-737
Slippage of -£0.4m relates to delays in design works on the A511 and Zouch bridge procurements. Slippage of -£0.3m relating to Bridge maintenance caused by weather conditions not being optimal for works to be completed and delays in securing EA permits.	
There were also underspends on some schemes(-£0.9m) relating to slippage from 2022/23 financial year matched by overspends in Preventative/Restorative maintenance due to carriageway deterioration and additional vehicle usage charges for Roadmenders.	
Zouch Bridge Replacement - Construction and Enabling works	-665
Procurement process underway with programme works expected to start later in 2024/25.	
Waste Transfer Station Development	-580
Ongoing discussions with contractor regarding snagging issues has led to slippage. Discussions not being resolved as quickly as previously expected.	
Property Flood Risk Alleviation	-569
Slippage on schemes in Breedon, Swithland, Harborough and Diseworth. Resource impacts from Storm Henk and reprofiling with the Environment Agency are key reasons for this.	
Ashby Canal Reed bed	-491
Slippage due to work not commencing until March 2024.	
NPIF Schemes	-378
Slippage due to programme closure now expecting to be early 2024/25 with final works and costings to be confirmed at this time. In addition the works relating to Spa Lane in Hinckley are now commencing later than previously anticipated and now predominantly will occur in 2024/25	
Recycling household Waste Sites - S.106 funded schemes	-344
After a review of the programmes several programmes will be delayed until 2024/25	
Safety schemes	-333
Net slippage in relation to delivery timeframes for Vehicle Activated Signs, Parish's making claims for their speed reduction programmes and a delay in completing safety schemes.	
Recycling household Waste Sites - General Improvements	-307
Slippage due to delays in delivery of new mobile plant for RHWS's.	

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Slippage due to reprogramming the depot improvements/maintenance programme. Expecting delays beyond 24/25 due to MMDR NE compound on land outlined for Melton Depot.	
Externally funded schemes	-251
Slippage as start date of schemes delayed due to supplier issues.	
LLITM Leicester and Leicestershire Integrated Transport Model - Refresh	-250
Due to continued deterioration of the road increased re surface dressing has been required which will be offset by the announcement of additional funding from Network North.	
Other variances	-291
TOTAL	-19,111

Chief Executives

The outturn is in line with the updated budget.

Corporate Resources

Net slippage of £2.8m. The main variances were:

	£000
Workplace Strategy - End User Device (PC, Laptop)	-620
Slippage agreed at previous WoW Programme Board to ensure refresh funds available beyond existing MTFS period.	
Property Services	-602
slippage of £0.5m across a number of smaller schemes, including works at county hall and at various country parks due to procurement / tendering delays. Works are scheduled to complete in 2024/25.	
Workplace Strategy - Office Infrastructure	-589
The slippage is due to requirements for departmental engagement and detailed design work pre- implementation. Internal resources has also impacted on delivery timescales.	
Climate Change - Energy Initiatives	-476
Slippage due to Heat decarbonisation plan to identify projects now expecting completion in April 24. EV Charging plans delayed to align to EV feasibility strategy completion.	
Workplace Strategy - Property costs	-351
Change in strategy - other unplanned work has created a delay to the original plan. This work was to be completed before any further lettings take place.	
ICT Programme	-174
Slippage to accommodate wider growth during 24-28 MTFS period	
TOTAL	-2,812

Corporate Programme

Net slippage of £1.4m. The main variances were:

	£000
Investing in Leicestershire Programme (IiLP)	-1,435
Slippage of -£0.5m on Corporate Asset Investment fund as no investment opportunities identified in	
23/24. Slippage due to procurement delays: -£0.2m on County Farms Improvements and -£0.3m on Industrial properties improvements. Also total of -£0.4m of slippage due to re profiling of M69 J2,	
Embankment house and Lutterworth East schemes.	

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