Capital Budget 2022/23 - main variances

Children and Family Services

Net slippage of £12.4m. The main variances were:

	£000
Provision of Additional School Places	-7,315

- 1) Barrow Humphreys Perkins acceleration of £1.0m. This is a S.106 funded passported scheme included in 2023/24 as timing was not known. The works started earlier than anticipated to build a new two-storey 13 classroom block to replace several dilapidated temporary buildings.
- 2) Schemes to be defined slippage of £3.1m. Some agreements with schools were signed prior to the current economic situation. Gaps between indexation and inflation rates are likely to continue to impact the delivery of schemes within budgets. For this reason this unallocated budget will be held as an inflation contingency into 23/24.
- 3) Melton, John Fernley slippage of £1.4m. Resourcing issues in Legal pushed back this project timeline even further and works did not commence on site until December 2022. Practical Completion is now expected for August 2023.
- 4) Castle Donington Secondary School slippage of £1.3m. This is a passported scheme. There were originally delays in getting legal agreements drawn up and signed. The school needs to send copies of invoices in order to enable payment to be made. They have been chased numerous times but the evidence has not been submitted.
- 5) Old Dalby primary school slippage of £1.2m. Initial feasibility undertaken. Value engineering has been undertaken to bring down costs. Practical completion is now forecast for the Autumn Term.
- 6) Barrow Hall Orchard School slippage of £0.8m Delays in the creation and signing of the legal agreement for this passported scheme resulted in both delivery delays and increased costs. The final payments to the school will now be made in 23/24.

SEND Programme -3,284

- (i) Foxfield's Special School £0.8m Detailed design and surveys were undertaken to determine exact requirements. Amendments were required as the school will be taking the initial intake of students originally planned to be placed in September at the new Bowman Academy, which has now been delayed. The first payment to Foxfields for this passported scheme is now scheduled for April.
- (ii) Forest Way School £0.7m slippage as the findings of an environmental impact assessment has resulted in a full environmental study needing to be undertaken. Certain parts of this could not be by undertaken until late March for ecological reasons.
- (iii) Ashmount School £0.6m slippage due to poor weather conditions in January resulted in bricklaying delays, which in turn pushed back the delivery of the scheme. Additional works were also needed to be undertaken to re-route services within, rather than outside of the school boundary.
- (iv) Bowman Academy £0.5m slippage due to issues with the DfE appointing contractors. Although the demolition of the old building has taken place, there are a number of other 'abnormal' costs that LCC may be liable for such as drainage and uprated power supply. The DfE have commissioned further site surveys in relation to this.

Children's Social Care Investment Plan

Match funding bids submitted to the DfE was confirmed successful recently. The delay in being advised of this outcome meant that no significant expenditure took place. Property Services are exploring the market for suitable sites.

Strategic Capital Maintenance -711

Slippage due to the intrusive nature of this remedial work it cannot take place during term time. The spend for the works during easter break fell into the new financial year.

Schools Access / Security	-321
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Slippage due to a number of schemes to be completed outside of school term time. One scheme delayed as asbestos was discovered which required removal before works could commence.

Other variances	0
TOTAL	-12,412

Adults & Communities

Net slippage of £0.3m and £0.3m underspend. The main variances were:

	£000
SCIP - Additional Schemes to be confirmed	-305
The SCIP schemes budget - slippage into 2023/24. Delays due to identifying suitable proper time taken to ensure that schemes were properly reviewed and ready to progress.	ty also the
SCIP Specialist Dementia Facility (SDF) - Coalville	-143
The Coalville Specialist Dementia Facility is no longer going ahead - underspend of £133k.	•
Other variances	-112
TOTAL	-560

Environment and Transport

Net slippage of £7.6m. The main variances were:

	£000
A511 Major Road Network	1,141
Acceleration due to increased work on completing the Full Business case to secure the Majo Network Funding.	r Road
(HCM) Preventative maintenance	329
Acceleration due to overspend in year caused by network deterioration and increase in surfa pre-planning needed.	ce dressing
Melton Distributor Rd - Southern Section	-1,510
Delays to scheme progress as a result of evaluation of costings exercise. Scheme to be reprofiled.	
(HCM) Maintenance schemes	-1,011
Slippage to allow for the completion of drainage works before maintenance scheme works or commences and less design works being completed.	the roads
Advanced Design	-990
Slippage due to fewer funding biddings were available than anticipated delaying preparations addition some programmes have been reprofiled.	s works. In
Hinckley Hub (Hawley Road) - National Productivity Investment Fund	-947
Delay due to DfT LTN 1/20 guidance review has resulted in works being paused and reprogr construction during 23/24 and 24/25.	ammed for
M1 Junction 23 / A512	-926
Slippage due to 1) Landscaping as contractor was not procured in time for planting season 2 lighting on National Highways slip roads ongoing liaison regarding replacement costs) Street
(HCM) Street Lighting	-469
Slippage due to resourcing for works and the availability to work on the network at Fosse Pai	·k.
Vehicle replacement programme	-446
Slippage due to delays expected in deliveries. Vehicles were ordered but not all received by financial year.	the end of the
(HCM) Bridge Maintenance	-387
Slippage due to resourcing, wild life protection and flooding issues.	
Safety Schemes	-323
Slippage due to procurement, new contract delays in the VAS programme, delays in surveys average speed cameras and less design works on schemes were completed in year.	relating to

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(HCM) Network performance & Reliability	-259
Slippage due to evaluating results from a trial to ensure best value for works is procured. The of the evaluation and subsequent procurement is expected in 23/24.	ne completion
(HCM) Restorative Maintenance	-244
Slippage due to actual costs of delivering the programme being less than forecast – in resp service area is reviewing the process for forecasting costs and the impact of in year inflation contractors.	' '
(HCM) Highways Flood alleviation	-230
Slippage of schemes as further design works required and therefore the delivery of these p been delayed.	rojects have
Property Flood Risk Alleviation	-217
Slippage due to the delivery of works on a further 4 flood risk management schemes.	
Recycling House Waste Sites - General improvements	-175
Slippage due to delays caused by additional investigations required.	•
Externally Funded Schemes	-144
Slippage due to survey costs and design works less than anticipated.	
Waste Transfer Station Development	-143
Slippage due to snagging issues on site being resolved slower than anticipated.	•
Ashby Canal	-136
Some of the costs relating to the Canal Association transfer will not be incurred until 2023/2 of the estimated spend was related to land purchase assumptions, which remain uncertain.	24. The majority
Melton Distributor Rd - North and East Sections	-115
Slippage due to less work being completed by utility companies than previously expected.	•
Cycleways	-105
Funding is now proposed to be slipped and used to support the Local Cycling and Walking Plan	Infrastructure
Other variances	-293
TOTAL	-7,600

Chief Executives

A net slippage of £1.0m compared with the updated budget. The main variances were:

	£000
Rural Broadband Scheme - Phase 3	-974
Impact of BT change requests which reduced the overall number of properties needing to be connected (fibre already there or delivery by another provider/method). This has resulted in a net reduction of the total cost. Although c50% of the underspend is likely to require repayment to BDUK who provided grant funding to the scheme. This will be determined in 2023/24. Funding will be set aside in the capital financing reserve to meet the cost.	
Other variances	-5
TOTAL	-979

Corporate Resources

Slippage of £2.3m is forecast compared with the updated budget. The main variances were:

	£000
LCC Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS)	329
Overspend due to essential roof repairs prior to installing solar panels at Embankment H additional costs to the thermal store at County Hall. The additional costs will be funded funding for PSDS schemes in 2023/24.	
Workplace Strategy - Office Infrastructure	-1,067
Reprofiled based on pilot scheme and timescales for implementation approved at projec	t board.
Workplace Strategy - End User Device (PC, laptop)	-269
Slippage due to a reprogramme of works as agreed with Ways of Working (WoW) Programme is now expected to run to 26/27 & 27/28 agreed with WoW.	ramme board. This
Watermead Country Park New Footbridge	-251
Funding held to part fund proposed new project with Leicester City Council.	
Ways of Working - Property	-167
Slippage due to delays in office moves caused by reprofiling of programme.	•
Electric Vehicle Car Charge Points	-143
Slippage due to internal resourcing pressures. Aiming to coordinate procurement and plawith other EV projects in E & T.	acement of EV's
Property - Energy Strategy	-142
The County Hall Inverter project to replace faulty solar inverters and changing the system delayed to start on site in April 2023. Brookfield Adults SCIP property Solar Project delay asbestos discovered on site.	•
Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards	-138
Slippage due to a decision awaited on the future of Glebe House any work carried out w In addition there may be additional work identified by EPC certificates at other buildings be carried out in 23/24.	
ICT - CSC Telephony System Replacement	-91
Slippage due to additional contact centre licences expected 23/24.	
Romulus Court - IT Environmental monitoring	-85
Slippage due to waiting for planning permission.	
Snibston E V Chargers & Solar Car Port	-75
Slippage due to a delay in planning permission which required additional work and are n addition the project is still awaiting final designs and costs including additional drainage. case will be assessed to ensure it remains viable before proceeding with the project.	
Other variances	-216
TOTAL	-2,315

Corporate Programme

Slippage of £5.7m is forecast compared with the updated budget. The main variances are:

	£000
Pooled Infrastructure Funds	8,780
Initially forecast in 2023/24 but invested in 2022/23.	
Oakham, Panniers Way - Industrial Units acquisition	-5,780
Council did not proceed with the purchase - confirmed by the IILP Board. Funding to be retoverall balance held for new IILP acquisitions/ investments	urned to the
Quorn Solar Farm	-3,550
Delays in completing archaeological surveys on the proposed site. These have now been rethe design is due to be completed shortly, subject to approval by the IILP Board.	eceived and

Lutterworth Leaders Farm - Drive Thru Restaurants	-2,606
Scheme will be reprofiled due to planning delays, approved in March 2023 and fina	lising S.106 details.
East of Lutterworth SDA (Planning and Preparatory works)	-1,108
Scheme will be reprofiled due to further delays caused by a judicial review.	·
M69 Junction 2 - SDA	-663
Slippage because of continued delays in the local plan process resulting in the ongobeing done over an extended period.	oing consultancy work
Industrial Properties Estate - General Improvements	-456
Delays bringing forward Capital refurbishment projects due to lack of industrial unit performance improvements not required at the level expected.	turnover. Energy
County Farms Estate - General Improvements	-156
Delays with bringing forward procurement of capital projects due to resourcing of th	e process.
Other variances	-200
TOTAL	-5,739

