

Capital Budget 2023/24 – forecast main variances**Children and Family Services**

Net slippage of £5.9m is forecast compared with the updated budget. The main variances are:

| | £000 |
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| Provision of Additional Places | -4,826 |
| <p>1) Shepshed Iveshead - slippage of £2.45m. 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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p> <p>4) Burbage Hastings High School - acceleration of £0.45m. 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</p> <p>5) Market Harborough S106 New Primary School - acceleration of £0.7m. The profiling of the budget for this scheme was undertaken prudently. Forecast developer payments between now and the end of March result in forecast need to accelerate £688k from 23/24. The scheme is well underway, with completion expected approx 27/08/24.</p> <p>6) Other schemes - underspend of -£0.11m</p> | |
| Children's SEND Programme | -800 |
| <p>SEMH school St Botolph's - slippage of -£0.6m. 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.</p> <p>Dorothy Goodman remodel - slippage of -£0.2m. The practical completion date of this scheme has been pushed back from Feb 24 to April 24.</p> | |
| Children's SCIP Programme | -440 |
| <p>EBD Programme - 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. It is now expected that completion of purchase of a suitable property won't happen until 24/25</p> <p>Workspace 17 (Art Hub & 3 beds) - slippage of £0.16m. Due to availability of suitable properties and changes in emerging needs, the primary purpose of some of the SCIP properties has changed and as such the timelines amended accordingly.</p> | |
| Other variances | 89 |
| TOTAL | -5,977 |

Adults & Communities

Net slippage of £1m is forecast compared with the updated budget. The main variances are:

| | £000 |
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| Adults - Supported Living | -1,005 |
| <p>1) 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 year.</p> <p>2) SDF - Minor underspend as final legal costs slightly less than anticipated.</p> | |
| TOTAL | -1,005 |

Environment and Transport

Net slippage of £9.4m is forecast compared with the updated budget. The main variances are:

| | £000 |
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| Council Vehicle Replacement Programme | -2,165 |
| Orders committed however due to supplier issues this has delayed the delivery of the vehicles. | |
| Melton Mowbray Eastern Distributor Rd | -1,630 |
| Adverse weather conditions have delayed works from progressing on the programme. | |
| Highways/Bridge Maintenance Schemes | -837 |
| Slippage on design works for capital programmes, from lower than anticipated costs and delays in securing EA permits. | |
| A511/A50 Major Road Network | -810 |
| 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. | |
| Advance Design / Match Funding | -765 |
| Slippage due to delays in transport modelling and with the strategic planning partnership. | |
| Zouch Bridge Replacement - Construction and Enabling works | -703 |
| Tendering process to commence Oct with award of contract expected early 2024. Due to the tender process not being completed until early 2024 the programme is likely to start towards the end of 2023/24 with most works to be started in 2024/25. | |
| Waste Transfer Station Development | -551 |
| Ongoing discussions with contractor regarding snagging issues has led to slippage. Discussions not being resolved as quickly as previously expected. | |
| Property Flood Risk Alleviation | -479 |
| Slippage forecast on schemes in Breedon, Swithland, Harborough and Diseworth. Resource impacts from Storm Henk and reprofiling with the Environment Agency are key reasons for this. | |
| Safety schemes | -363 |
| Slippage from delays in identifying schemes and further survey work required. | |
| NPIF Schemes | -357 |
| Forecasting slippage and overall underspend in these schemes. | |
| Network Performance and Reliability | -267 |
| Slippage represents delay in surveys. These are now expected in 24/25. | |
| Recycling household Waste Sites - S.106 funded schemes | -166 |
| After a review of the programmes it is now expected that several programmes will be delayed until 2024/25 | |
| Mobile Plant | -150 |
| Slippage represents delivery of new JCB's now expected in 24/25. | |
| Street lighting | -116 |
| Underspend from reduced actual costs on completion. | |
| Preventative Maintenance | 167 |
| 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 | -198 |
| TOTAL | -9,390 |

Chief Executives

The forecast spend is in line with the updated budget.

Corporate Resources

Net slippage of £1.9m is forecast compared with the updated budget. The main variances are:

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| | £000 |
| Workplace Strategy - End User Device (PC, Laptop) | -637 |
| Slippage agreed at previous WoW Programme Board to ensure refresh funds available beyond existing MTFS period. | |
| Workplace Strategy - Office Infrastructure | -545 |
| Forecast reviewed based on current expenditure and planned phased implementation for the Pen Lloyd Building and localities. The slippage is due to requirements for departmental engagement and detailed design work pre-implementation. Internal resources has also impacted on delivery timescales. This forecast has been presented and endorsed by WoW Programme Board on 11.10.23. | |
| Workplace Strategy - Property costs | -277 |
| 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. | |
| Climate Change - Energy Initiatives | -175 |
| Mainly heat decarbonisation plan will not be completed before March 24 which will identify projects for 24/25. | |
| ICT Programme | -150 |
| Slippage of £0.2m to accommodate wider growth during 24-28 MTFS period | |
| Property Services | -132 |
| Underspend due to various small under spends on programme arising from an over receipting of expenditure in prior year. | |
| TOTAL | -1,916 |

Corporate Programme

Net slippage of £0.6m is forecast compared with the updated budget. The main variances are:

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| Investing in Leicestershire Programme (iiLP) | -588 |
| Capital funding to slip due to procurement delays: £0.2m on County Farms Improvements and £0.2m on Industrial properties improvements. Also total of £0.2m of slippage due to re profiling of M69 J2, Embankment house and Lutterworth East schemes. | |

Capital Programme - Changes in Funding (over £10k)

| 2023/24 Budget Adjustments | £000 |
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| <u>Children & Family Services</u> | |
| Provision of School Places programme - s106 Contributions | 15 |
| <u>Adults & Communities</u> | |
| Better Care Fund, Disabled Facilities Grant - Increased grant allocation (Sep23) | 388 |
| Wigston Adult Learning Refurb - earmarked LALs reserve | 58 |
| <u>Environment and Transport</u> | |
| Externally Funded Schemes - funding from s106 contributions | 462 |
| Flood Risk Alleviation Programme - increased local levy grant | 20 |
| TAM Programme - DfT Network North Grant Funding (Dec23) | 2,258 |
| MMDR South - net reduction in funding (23/24) from scheme withdrawal (Oct23) | -2,443 |
| RHWS Mobile Plant - earmarked reserve contribution | 199 |
| Species Recovery grant programme - new grant | 36 |
| <u>Chief Executives - Shire Grants, earmarked reserves</u> | 1 |
| <u>Corporate Resources</u> | |
| Energy Initiatives Programme - reduction in Salix grant funding | -12 |
| Total | 982 |