

SCRUTINY COMMISSION - 2 MAY 2012

CORPORATE ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN 2012/13 - PROGRESS REPORT

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE RESOURCES

Purpose of report

- 1. The Corporate Asset Management (CAMP) plan sets out the strategic direction for the use, management and development of Leicestershire County Council's corporate property resources over the next financial year.
- 2. The Scrutiny Commission is invited to make comments and suggestions on the content of the report prior to circulation of the CAMP to the Cabinet at its meeting on 8 May 2012.

Policy Framework and Previous Decisions

3. The CAMP, together with the Capital Strategy and the Medium Term Financial Strategy, support the County Council's corporate and service priorities.

Background

- 4. After staff, the physical assets of the County Council are the most costly to manage.
- 5. It is prudent that the County Council maintains a clear corporate business plan to ensure those physical assets are appropriate to deliver the Council's key priorities in a timely and financially deliverable manner. It is also important that those assets, which are not needed to deliver or support the delivery of those services, are disposed of ensuring maximum value is delivered which will support other Council priorities.
- 6. Corporate business planning requires an integrated approach towards the planning of its resources. The links between financial and asset planning are particularly important and the CAMP is closely aligned with the Council's Capital Strategy and the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2012/13 2015/16.

- 7. The specific aims of the CAMP are to:
 - (a) Identify future property and asset requirements
 - (b) Provide an overview of current assets
 - (c) Establish the Council's asset management aims and objectives
 - (d) Set out an implementation plan
 - (e) Link asset management planning to key priorities
 - (f) Set out the strategic direction of the Council's property resources
- 8. The CAMP continues to support the Council's aims and objectives in delivering its key priorities and services in a financially prudent manner

Consultations

9. The Corporate Asset Management Plan 2012/13 has been consulted upon across all service departments of the County Council. It has also been tabled, discussed and approved by the Asset Management Working Group and the Corporate Property Steering Group.

Resource Implications

10. There are no specific resource implications to the CAMP but each element of the implementation plan will be considered against a clear business case methodology.

Timetable for decisions

11. The CAMP will be considered by Cabinet on 8 May 2012.

Conclusion

12. The Scrutiny Commission is asked to support the overall direction of the Corporate Asset Management Plan 2012/13 and the Implementation Plan contained therein and any views expressed will be submitted to the Cabinet at its meeting on 8 May.

Background papers

Corporate Asset Management Plan (2006)
Resources Scrutiny Committee – 31 March 2006
Scrutiny Commission - 15 December 2006
Corporate Asset Management Progress Report – Scrutiny Commission – 5
February 2008

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13. None.

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List of Appendices

Corporate Asset Management Plan 2012/13

Equal Opportunities Implications

14. None.