

Capital Update on Activity and Finance

Report of the Chief Fire Officer

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1 Purpose of Report

This report provides an overview of all of the capital schemes within the Brigade and their current status.

2 Recommendations

The Committee is asked to note the progress on current schemes.

3 Background

Updates on Finance and Activity within Capital Schemes are reported to Members at Strategy and Resources Committee.

This report provides an update on current schemes.

4 Progress

This report covers the reporting period April to September 2013. Detailed progress on schemes carried forward from 2012/13 or earlier; and on this year's schemes (2013/14) is shown within the appendices.

Schemes that are part of the Service Transformation Programme will be monitored by the Service Transformation Programme Board.

A number of amendments to schemes have been recommended in the earlier report on 'Financial Performance'. Details of those amendments are contained within that report.

5 Financial Implications

The financial implications are as outlined within the report.

6 Legal Comment

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

7 Initial Impact Assessment

This report provides historical information on capital schemes. An Initial Impact Assessment has not, therefore, been completed.

8 Appendices

Non-exempt Update to September 2013 on Schemes carried forward from 2012/13 and prior and on Schemes for 2013/14

Paper 12 Exempt Update to September 2013 on Schemes carried forward from 2012/13 and prior and on Schemes for 2013/14

9 Background Papers

There are no background papers associated with this report.

Schemes carried forward from 2012/13 and prior

Name of Scheme	Balance Brought Forward from 2012/13	Spend and commitments to date in 2013/14	Balance	What is the Scheme End Date?	Senior Responsible Owner and Project Manager or Point of Contact	Update
Training Improvements cfwd from 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/10 and Training Facilities 2010/11	£59k	£5k	£54k	Ongoing programme	Andrew Kelcey Andy Perry	It was intended that this scheme would be used to deliver an incident command training suite. A decision is being made over the future of this scheme.
Station End Equipment	£71k	£136k	£65k over spend	July 2013	John Harrison	This scheme has now been completed. The cost of this scheme is funded from the CLG grant, Officers were given devolved powers by Members at Strategy and Resources Committee November 2012, to use the grant and to report any spend to Members.
Fire Kit Replacement	£49k	£2k	£47k	End of June 2013	Andrew Kelcey	This scheme is nearing completion, any underspends will be used towards the purchase of helmets.
BA Set Upgrade	£28k	£8k	£20k	October 2013	Mark Weaver	This is being delivered as part of the Service Transformation Programme. There are a number of outstanding issues, so the Service Transformation Programme Board has requested that this project remain open until these issues have been resolved. The scheme is now complete.

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RTC Equipment on Stations	£65k	£136k	£71 over spend	March 2014	Andy Johnson	A number of invoices have been received, which exceed the scheme value of £65k. A grant from CLG has been received, which covers the cost of the expenditure. Approval is sought from Members to increase this scheme using the monies provided by CLG. This scheme is detailed in the Financial Performance report earlier on the agenda.
Light Vehicle Replacement	£50k	£12k	£38k	unknown	John Das Gupta	A vehicle has been purchased to accommodate the temporary flexi duty officers. It has been suggested that an overall review of this scheme should take place to determine the future of the scheme.

Schemes for 2013/14

Name of Scheme		Spend and commitments to date in 2013/14	Balance	What is the Scheme End Date?	Senior Responsible Owner and Project Manager or Point of Contact	Update
3 Appliances	£660k	£703k	£43k over spent	January 2014	Andrew Kelcey/ Martin Barclay	Vehicles will be delivered slightly later than anticipated due to supplier delays. The total scheme cost has also increased to £703k. Please refer to the Financial Performance report earlier on the agenda.

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Replace Ford Rangers and Land Rovers with incident support units with fire fogging capability	£190k	£0k	£190k			Tenders have been received and evaluated. A preferred supplier has been identified. Please refer to the Financial Performance report earlier on the agenda for a detailed explanation of the scheme. It is anticipated that this scheme will be completed before end of March 2014.
Thermal Imaging Cameras	£25k	£28k	£3k Over spent	July 2013	Martin Barclay	The cameras have been purchased and stowed. This scheme is now closed. There is a small overspend of £3k.

Please note that there is a second part to this appendix, which is an exempt paper and appears at item 12 on the agenda.