

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 so far on current schemes.

3 Background

Updates on finance and activity within Capital Schemes are usually reported to Members on a quarterly basis at Strategy and Resources Committee. On this occasion this reports covers a six-month period.

This report provides an update on current schemes.

4 Progress

This is the first report for 2011/2012 and covers the six-month reporting period from April to September 2011. Detailed progress on schemes carried forward from 2010/11, or earlier and on the new schemes added for 2011/12 is shown within the appendices.

Schemes carried forward from previous years into 2011/12 include:

- Training improvements
- Scanning for all files
- Building improvements

- Training facilities
- Document management
- Retained Duty Service availability system
- Fire kit replacement

New schemes, which will be reported upon in 2011/12 are:

- Breathing apparatus upgrade
- Information and communications technology (ICT)
- Four wheel drive vehicle replacement
- Appliance replacement

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 Equality Impact Assessment

Officers have considered the Service's Brigade Order on Equality Impact Assessments (Personnel 5 Part 2) and have decided that there are no discriminatory practices or differential impacts upon specific groups arising from this report. An Initial Equality Impact Assessment has not, therefore been completed.

8 Appendices

Non-exempt Update to end of September 2011 on Schemes carried forward from 2010/11 and prior and on Schemes for 2011/12.

Paper 16 Exempt Update to end of September 2011 on Schemes carried forward from 2010/11 and prior and on Schemes for 2011/12.

9 Background Papers

There are no background papers associated with this report.

Schemes carried forward from 2009/10 and prior

Name of Scheme	Spend prior to April 09 for older schemes	spend in 2009/2010	Spend in 2010/2011	Spend so far in 2011/12	Balance	What is the Scheme End Date?	Senior Responsible Owner and Project Manager or Point of Contact	Update
Training Improvements carried forward from 07-08, 08-09, 09-10 (£92,000 + £30,000 + £50,000)	£36,453	£28,991	£63,550	£0	£43,006	Ongoing building programme	Andrew Kelcey Andy Perry	Remaining capital is earmarked for invoices yet to be received.
Scanning for all files (Document Storage) (£60,000)	na	£16,471	£20,344	£4,963	£18,222	Suggest that this project/scheme be closed following the final scanning for workshops.	Steve Worrall Louise Goodhead	All files have been scanned for the HQ move. There is some scanning needed for the workshops move back to the St Michael's Street site. Costs for this are being explored. Following this piece of work it is recommended that the scheme be closed.

Schemes carried forward from 2010/11

Name of Scheme	Amount	Spend in 10/11	Spend so far in 2011/12	Balance	What is the Scheme End Date?	Senior Responsible Owner and Project Manager or Point of Contact	Update
Building Improvements	£65,000	£31,108	£35,574	£1,682 over spend	May 2011	Andrew Kelcey	Minsterley Fire Station refurbishment is now complete. The scheme is overspent.
Training Facilities	£50,000	£0	£0	£50,000	March 2012	Andy Perry	Remaining capital is earmarked for invoices yet to be received for drill towers and for improved facilities at the training centre for female firefighters.

Schemes for 2011/12

Name of Scheme	Amount	Spend so far in 2011/12	Balance	What is the Scheme End Date?	Senior Responsible Owner and Project Manager or Point of Contact	Update
Four Wheel Drive Vehicles (3)	£80,000	£86,280	£6,280 over spend.	Part of rolling programme to replace light vehicles	Martin Barclay Andrew Kelcey	The scheme has been used to purchase 4 rather than 3 vehicles. All four vehicles will have radios fitted as part of the scheme.

Please note that there is a second part to this appendix, which is an exempt paper and appears at item 16 on the agenda.