Agenda Item No: 4

CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL

Cabinet

16 November 2022

Report title Capital Programme 2022-2023 to 2026-2027

Quarter Two Review

RED **Decision designation**

Cabinet member with lead

responsibility

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Key decision Yes Yes In forward plan

Wards affected

All Wards

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considered by

Strategic Executive Board

Tim Johnson, Chief Executive

25 October 2022 7 December 2022

Recommendations for decision:

The Cabinet recommend that Council approve:

1. The revised, medium term General Revenue Account capital programme of £338.8 million, an increase of £27.9 million from the previously approved programme, and the change in associated resources.

The Cabinet is recommended to:

- 1. Approve the virements for the General Revenue Account capital programme detailed at Appendix 4 to the report for;
 - i. existing projects totalling £2.8 million.
 - ii. new projects totalling £899,000.
- 2. Approve the virements for the HRA capital programme detailed at Appendix 4 to the report for;
 - i. existing projects totalling £15.3 million.

Recommendations for noting:

The Cabinet is asked to note:

- 1. That there are two separate reports also on today's agenda, titled as follows:
 - Secondary School Expansion Programme 2023
 - Stow Heath Primary School Proposed Resource Base

These reports are not currently seeking budget approval, however, they are seeking approval to delegate authority to allocate budgets once further detail is known. Any approvals will be built into future reports to councillors.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 To provide Cabinet with an update on the 2022-2023 financial performance of the General Fund Account and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) capital programmes whilst also providing a revised forecast for 2022-2023 to 2026-2027 as at quarter two of 2022-2023.
- 1.2 To recommend revisions to the current approved capital programmes covering the period 2022-2023 to 2026-2027.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 On 20 July 2022, Council approved a General Fund capital programme totalling £285.3 million and a Housing Revenue Account (HRA) totalling £401.8 million for the period 2022-2023 to 2026-2027. Since reporting to Council on 20 July 2022 further reports have been approved, increasing the General Fund Capital Programme by £25.6 million, taking it to £310.9 million, fully funded from external resources. No changes have been made to the HRA Capital Programme since reporting to Council on 20 July 2022.
- 2.2 The capital programme underpins Our City, Our Plan, a new Council Plan building on the Relighting Our City Plan was approved by Full Council on 2 March 2022.
- 2.3 The plan continues to identify an overarching ambition that 'Wulfrunians will live longer, healthier lives' delivered through six Council Plan priorities:
 - Strong families where children grow up well and achieve their full potential
 - Fulfilled lives with quality care for those that need it
 - Healthy, inclusive communities
 - Good homes in well connected neighbourhoods
 - More local people into good jobs and training
 - Thriving economy in all parts of the city
- 2.4 These priorities together with the associated key outcomes, objectives and activity form a framework to improve outcomes for local people and deliver our levelling up ambitions.
- 2.5 Supporting the six overarching priorities are three cross cutting principles
 - Climate Conscious
 - Driven by Digital
 - Fair and Equal
- 2.6 The capital programme includes significant investment programmes that endeavour to create an environment where new and existing business thrive, people can develop the skills they need to secure jobs and create neighbourhoods in which people are proud to live.

- 2.7 The capital programme also reflects the priorities of the Strategic Asset Management Plan. Individual capital project delivery milestones are set and financial analysis is undertaken over the lifecycle of each project, by project managers in conjunction with Strategic Finance, and is captured in the Council's project management system. Regular project delivery updates are provided through the relevant governance structures (including Project Assurance Group where appropriate) enabling robust governance and challenge. In addition to this, a Capital Projects Member Reference Group provides enhanced project governance and challenge.
- 2.8 Inflation has been at the highest it has been for four decades and there is considerable uncertainty and risk of inflationary pressures across the capital programme, increases in the cost of materials are already being realised, which have resulted in budget increases on a number of projects across the General Fund capital programme. The Council will continue to monitor and report on the ongoing impact of inflation. The impact of inflation on the HRA capital programme will be reported as part of the HRA Business Plan including rent and service charges annual report to Cabinet in January 2023, as detailed in 4.13.
- 2.9 In addition to inflation risks, there are also supply chain delays, which could impact completion dates on projects and result in further cost pressures. The Council continues to assess the potential implications on its wider capital programme in terms of delivery timescales and increases in costs. Project contingency budgets are viewed in light of these pressures in order to mitigate against such cost increases, however these are unprecedented market conditions and the ongoing risk should be noted. The capital programme makes a significant contribution to the shaping of the City and on the economy of the City and therefore will contribute to the Council's plans for Our City, Our Plan.

3.0 Capital Programme – Summary

- 3.1 On 20 July 2022, Council approved a General Fund capital programme totalling £285.3 million for the period 2022-2023 to 2026-2027. Since then, further reports have been approved to increase this amount by £25.6 million to £310.9 million, fully funded from external resources. Full details can be found in Appendix 1 and are summarised below:
 - £10.0 million temporary supplementary budget for the Civic Halls refurbishment project to enable to Council to comply with the 'Price for Work Done to Date (PWDD) mechanism in accordance with the contract which is to be repaid through the contract payment mechanism;
 - £1.8 million grant award from the Sustainable Warmth Competition (SWC) for delivery of Local Authority Delivery Phase 3 (LAD3) and Homes Upgrade Grant Phase 1 (HUG1) schemes;

- £10.9 million grant award from the Towns Fund to implement and fund Bilston,
 Wednesfield and City Centre Public Realm Phase 2 (Queen Square and Lichfield Street) schemes;
- £2.9 million for the Accessing Growth Fund Major Roads Network projects, fully funded by Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) 2 capital grant as part of the City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS) programme confirmed in Autumn Budget 2021 from the Department for Transport (DfT).
- 3.2 In addition to this, reallocation of resources totalling £7.2 million from the Corporate Provision for Future Programmes budget to various individual projects has been approved, details of which can be found in Appendix 2 to the report and are summarised below:
 - £5.0 million to cover the costs and the financial pressure of the contract for Civic Halls refurbishment project, if needed;
 - £1.4 million to facilitate works required within the Corporate Asset Management capital programme in order that corporate priorities are addressed and met in an agile and timely manner. This allocation is in part due to inflationary pressures on existing projects;
 - £704,000 to accommodate the purchase of Battery Electric Precinct Sweepers within the Fleet capital programme in further support of the Council's climate change agenda;
 - £42,000 to enable housing adaptation for children and young people in care.
- 3.3 This report considers further specific changes to budgets. A full list of the proposed capital programme can be found in Appendix 1 to the report.
- 3.4 Table 1 shows the approved General Fund capital programme budget compared with that proposed, along with the resources identified to finance the proposed change.

Table 1: Summary of the General Fund capital programme

General Fund capital	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	2025 - 2026	2026 - 2027	Total
programme	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Budget						
Approved	151,661	88,584	54,061	9,810	6,811	310,927
Variations						
New projects	1,262	9,760	-	-	-	11,022
Existing projects	(38,422)	59,528	(4,247)	-	-	16,859
	(37,160)	69,288	(4,247)	-	-	27,881
Projected	114,501	157,872	49,814	9,810	6,811	338,808
Financing						
Approved						
Internal resources	64,620	29,988	33,953	5,053	2,054	135,668
External resources	87,041	58,596	20,108	4,757	4,757	175,259
	151,661	88,584	54,061	9,810	6,811	310,927
Variations						
Internal resources	(14,176)	29,830	310	-	-	15,964
External resources	(22,984)	39,458	(4,557)	-	-	11,917
	(37,160)	69,288	(4,247)	-	-	27,881
Projected						
Internal resources	50,444	59,818	34,263	5,053	2,054	151,632
External resources	64,057	98,054	15,551	4,757	4,757	187,176
Projected	114,501	157,872	49,814	9,810	6,811	338,808

- 3.5 This report recommends variations to the approved capital programme totalling a net increase of £27.9 million, which brings the total revised programme to £338.8 million.
- 3.6 Details of all projects that have contributed to the overall increase of £27.9 million in the General Fund capital programme can be found in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report, however, the key projects are as follows;
 - The Corporate Provision for Future Programmes has been revised upwards by £15.0 million over the medium term capital programme to reflect potential future budget requirements, and to ensure ongoing inflationary pressures can be met across the capital programme. This increase has been applied, in part after the reallocation of £7.2 million as highlighted in paragraph 3.2. Budget provision has been incorporated into the Corporate Provision for Future Programmes in order to be prudent at this stage and will be allocated to individual projects using appropriate delegations. Allocations will be reported at each quarterly review. Future requirements across the capital programme remain under review.
 - There is an increase of £9.8 million relating to new High Needs Capital Fund Programme, funded from additional grant that has been secured from the Department for Education (DfE). This will enable the Council to introduce new capital projects within Education;

- An increase of £1.6 million relating to the Active Travel Programme within the Transportation capital programme due to new grant received from the Department for Transport (DfT) via West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA);
- A total increase of £446,000 relating to East Park Improvements (£293,000), taking the total budget of this project to £500,000, and Prouds Lane Playing Field

 Open Space (£153,000); both projects within the Parks Strategy and Open Spaces capital programme, funded from a combination of Public Health reserve and through developer contributions;
- An increase of £395,000 is proposed for the Schools Devolved Formula Capital programme within the Education fully funded from a grant allocation in 2023-2024 from the Department for Education (DfE);
- Further to this, there is an increase totalling £250,000 relating to the Public Realm (Westside Link Phase 3) project within the Transportation capital programme, fully funded from the allocation of Highways Reserves;
- Finally, an increase of £241,000 is proposed for the Empty Property Strategy capital programme, fully funded from additional capital receipts.
- 3.7 On 20 July 2022, Council approved a revised HRA capital programme totalling £401.8 million for the period 2022-2023 to 2026-2027.
- 3.8 To reflect the most up to date forecast for the HRA capital projects available at the time of writing this report, it is proposed to re-profile the programme resulting in £6.7 million re-phasing from 2022-2023 into future years. This change has no impact on the overall approved capital budget for HRA.
- 3.9 However, as detailed in paragraph 4.13, high inflationary costs are having an impact on the HRA. The impact will be reviewed as part of the 30 year HRA Business Plan which will be reported to Cabinet in January 2023.
- 3.10 Table 2 shows the approved HRA capital budget compared with that proposed, along with resources identified to finance the proposed change.

Table 2: Summary of the HRA capital programme

Housing Revenue Account	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	2025 - 2026	2026 - 2027	Total
capital programme	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Budget						
Approved	86,984	95,958	85,256	66,976	66,606	401,780
Variations						
Existing projects	(6,723)	1,081	2,129	2,510	1,003	-
Projected	80,261	97,039	87,385	69,486	67,609	401,780
Financing						
Approved						
Internal resources	86,968	95,958	85,256	66,976	66,606	401,764
External resources	16	-	-	-	-	16
	86,984	95,958	85,256	66,976	66,606	401,780
Variations						
Internal resources	(6,723)	1,081	2,129	2,510	1,003	-
External resources	-	-	-	-	-	-
	(6,723)	1,081	2,129	2,510	1,003	-
Projected						
Internal resources	80,245	97,039	87,385	69,486	67,609	401,764
External resources	16	-	-	-	-	16
Projected	80,261	97,039	87,385	69,486	67,609	401,780

4.0 Existing projects

- 4.1 The changes proposed for existing projects within the General Fund capital programme total an increase of £27.9 million as outlined in section 3. A more detailed listing of the individual projects can be found in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report.
- 4.2 Requests for budget virements between existing projects within the General Fund capital programme total £2.8 million, further details provided in Appendix 4 to the report.
- 4.3 The following paragraphs provide commentary on the key changes to budgets and an update on key projects.

Civic Halls

- 4.4 Progress on the project continues at pace, in the Civic and Wulfrun Halls, all ceilings, resin flooring, new seating installations and the installation of all mechanical and electrical systems are now completed. Throughout the building, isolated minor decoration and snagging is ongoing.
- 4.5 The project team also continue to align the ongoing Civic Hall refurbishment works with the AEG contract and the wider public realm improvement programme to manage and mitigate any risks. The project, design and contracting teams continue to assist AEG with their works interface and have facilitated a number of site visits and meetings.

Interchange

- 4.6 In relation to Interchange, following completion of the Train Station, work is continuing on the completion the Metro Line extension including the establishment of the plaza space outside of the station, the Metro connection and cycle parking as the final components of the multi-modal transport interchange. In collaboration with the West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA), who are delivering the project, a detailed programme of works has been set out to ensure completion of the tramline extension within the coming months.
- 4.7 Following the re-opening of the subway connecting the main station with the lower level station and surrounds, engagement is ongoing with Network Rail and West Midlands Trains to ensure continued improvements to the trackside station facility, treatment of the multi-story car park facade and wider connections to the Station, are agreed and programmed.

City Learning Quarter

- 4.8 City Learning Quarter (CLQ) is one of the Council's top regeneration priorities being fundamental to the levelling up approach for the City. The Council is responsible for the project management and delivery of the City Learning Quarter programme which includes Phase 1, CoWTechC (City of Wolverhampton College Technical Centre) and Phase 2, City Centre which will ultimately provide a new, refurbished and extended College building, integrated and improved Library and Adult Education facilities at land around the existing College's Metro One building at Bilston Street.
- 4.9 The CLQ Programme has successfully secured public funding of approximately £59 million from multiple sources which will now enable implementation. Phase 1, CoWTechC has benefited from Black Country Local Enterprise Partnership (BCLEP) and West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) grant awards while Phase 2 will be funded by a combination of BCLEP, Council Contribution, Towns Fund, Levelling Up Fund and Department for Education Capital Funding, which has recently been confirmed.
- 4.10 Both Phase 1 and Phase 2 are at procurement stages that will conclude with the identification of preferred contractors for the college build projects in late Autumn.

I54 Western Extension

4.11 This is a joint venture construction project with Staffordshire County Council, which reached practical completion stage in Autumn 2021. Financial projections over the last twelve months have indicated that there will be significant savings against the joint venture budget of £38.5 million and the 2021-2022 outturn figures reported support this position. Whilst the project is still incurring residual capital expenditure as it moves through to the final completion and full plot occupation phases, latest estimates (including contingencies) indicate that there will be an overall joint venture project saving in the region of £12.9 million. The project has also secured additional grant support during its life as well as firm interest in the developed plots, both of which will have a positive impact on the Council's capital programme. There are several inter dependencies

between the final project expenditure, final grant secured and the final value of capital receipts achieved which impact on the overall budget requirement for the City of Wolverhampton Council. As a result, the projections in this report continue to reflect the original budgetary position for the Council and will continue to do so until there is greater certainty across these variables as the project nears final completion.

Housing Revenue Account (HRA)

- 4.12 The forecast at quarter 2 is for total spend of £80.3 million, which includes reprofiling of £5.7 million from quarter 1 to future years. The reprofiling mainly relates to new build budgets (£6.6 million). Work is progressing on site for the larger developments such as Heath Town and phase 1 will complete in 2023-2024. The small sites programme continues to deliver phase 5 will complete this year and the procurement for the community led development at Bushbury has now been completed.
- 4.13 Progress on existing refurbishment programmes continues to be good. However, high inflationary costs are having an impact on the programme, as detailed in 2.8, particularly on the costs of materials, and this is likely to increase the overall costs of existing projects. The impact on the capital forecasts is currently being reviewed and will be included in the 30 year HRA business plan which will be reported as part of the HRA Business Plan including rent and service charges annual report to Cabinet in January 2023.
- 4.14 In order to be prudent, there is an intentional 'over-programming' of projects to reflect the reality that some projects will inevitably be delayed due to unexpected circumstances or changes to priorities. Over-programming aims to ensure that, as far as possible, the resources available are fully utilised.

5.0 New projects and virements

5.1 Table 3 provides a summary of new projects requiring approval, covering the period 2022-2023 to 2026-2027, and identifying where additional funding is required and where the new expenditure can be met from existing resources. A detailed analysis of the individual projects included in this table can be found in Appendix 3 to the report.

Table 3: Summary of new projects requiring approval

	2022-2023 to 2026-2027					
Directorate	Forecast outturn	Additional internal resources required	Additional external resources required	Virements from existing projects		
	£000	£000	£000	£000		
General Fund	11,022	260	9,863	899		
Total	11,022	260	9,863	899		

5.2 The new projects requiring approval are funded from a mixture of internal (£260,000) and external (£9.9 million) resources and virements totalling £899,000. Approval is sought to allocate £250,000 contribution from the Public Reserve and £10,000 from schools to

support new projects, this is discussed below whilst a list of the virements can be found in Appendix 4 to the report.

- 5.3 Of the overall increase of £11.0 million for the General Fund capital programme of which:
 - an increase of £9.8 million funded externally relates to new High Needs Capital Fund Programme within the Education. The Council has secured significant external funding from the Department for Education (DfE) which will enable the Council to introduce a new capital programme.
 - an increase totalling £60,000 relating to new Ward Street Junction Improvements project within Transportation, funded by developer contributions.
 - an increase totalling £293,000 for the new East Park Improvements project within the Parks Strategy and Open Spaces capital programme is funded from a mixture of internal and external resources. Approval is sought to allocate contributions totalling £250,000 from the Public Health reserve and £43,000 of developer contributions to support the new project.
 - Finally, an increase of £10,000 relates to three new capital projects within Education funded by contributions from schools.
- 5.4 New projects created through virements from existing projects within the General Fund relate to Schools Capital Maintenance, Parks Strategy and Open Spaces, Corporate Asset Management and Leisure Centres Enhancement capital programmes and are summarised below. A detailed list of new projects can be found in Appendix 3 to the report.
- 5.5 In summary, approval for the following General Fund virements is sought in this report:
 - £580,000 is required for 17 new projects within the Schools Capital Maintenance programme, which is externally funded by grant from the DfE, to facilitate works across various schools in the City;
 - £207,000 is proposed to be reallocated for new East Park Improvements project within the Parks Strategy and Open Spaces capital programme, from the Corporate Provision for Future Programmes;
 - £82,000 is required for three new projects within the Corporate Asset
 Management capital programme to enable priority works ensuring all council
 assets are statutory compliant and fit for purpose. This virement is from the
 Corporate Provision for Future Programmes;
 - £30,000 is requested for new Bert Williams Plant Room / Air Handling project within the Leisure Centres Enhancement capital programme for the equipment acquisition and installation. This is also a virement from the Corporate Provision for Future Programmes.

- 5.6 On 6 July 2022, Cabinet approved the recommendation to delegate authority to the Deputy Director of Assets to approve virements from the Provision for future programmes budget within the Corporate Asset Management capital programme to individual schemes in order that corporate priorities can be addressed in an agile and timely manner. It should be noted that there were four virements totalling £47,000 approved through the delegated authority to support urgent works. These can be seen in Appendix 5 to the report.
- 5.7 There are two separate reports also on today's agenda, titled as follows:
 - Secondary School Expansion Programme 2023
 - Stow Heath Primary School Proposed Resource Base

These reports are not currently seeking budget approval, however, they are seeking approval to delegate authority to allocate budgets once further detail is known. Any approvals will be built into future reports.

6.0 Medium term capital programme financing

Table 4 details the approved financing for the capital programme for 2022-2023 to 2026-2027 and incorporates the requested approvals for projects included in this report.

Table 4: Approved and forecast capital financing 2022-2023 to 2026-2027

	2022-2023 to 2026-2027						
General Fund capital programme	Approved budget	Recommended budget	Variance	Resource as % of expenditure			
	£000	£000	£000				
Expenditure	310,927	338,808	27,881				
Financing							
Internal resources							
Capital receipts	56,515	57,262	747	16.9%			
Prudential borrowing	78,623	93,117	14,494	27.5%			
Revenue contributions	530	1,253	723	0.4%			
Reserves	-	-	-	0.0%			
Subtotal	135,668	151,632	15,964	44.8%			
External resources							
Grants & contributions	175,259	187,176	11,917	55.2%			
Subtotal	175,259	187,176	11,917	55.2%			
Total	310,927	338,808	27,881	100.0%			

	2022-2023 to 2026-2027					
Housing Revenue Account capital programme	Approved budget	Recommended budget	Variance	Resource as % of		
	£000	£000	£000	expenditure		
Expenditure	401,780	401,780	-			
Financing						
Internal resources						
Capital receipts	25,696	26,507	811	6.6%		
Prudential borrowing	266,786	265,975	(811)	66.2%		
Revenue contributions	5,279	5,279	-	1.3%		
Reserves	104,003	104,003	-	25.9%		
Subtotal	401,764	401,764	-	100.0%		
External resources						
Grants & contributions	16	16	-	0.0%		
Subtotal	16	16	-	0.0%		
Total	401,780	401,780	-	100.0%		

- 6.2 Capital receipts totalling £57.3 million have been assumed within the General Fund capital programme over the medium term period 2022-2023 to 2026-2027 and can be seen in Table 5. This is an increase of £747,000 when compared to the approved budget, which has arisen due to re-profiling of receipts and capital requirements.
- 6.3 In order to be prudent, a detailed review of the schedule of asset disposals is undertaken to identify only those that are likely to be completed. The planned utilisation of capital receipts will reflect the need to balance the benefit for both the capital programme and the revenue budget and will form part of the ongoing Medium Term Financial Strategy.
- 6.4 Whilst the forecast of capital receipts is deemed prudent at this stage, it will continue to be monitored closely throughout the financial year. In the event that capital receipts assumptions change, updates will be provided in future reports to Councillors.

Table 5: Receipts assumed in the revised General Revenue Account capital programme

	Projected					
General Fund	2022 - 2023	2023 - 2024	2024 - 2025	2025 - 2026	2026 - 2027	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Capital programme receipts	13,500	10,400	18,000	12,400	3,000	57,300

6.5 It is the Council's strategy to use capital receipts to reduce the Council's need to borrow to fund the approved capital programme. Capital expenditure has a direct impact upon the Council's revenue budgets and therefore needs to be restricted to projects essential to the Council's priorities. Any proposals to increase the level of the capital programme are considered in accordance with the Capital Strategy.

7.0 Key budget risks

- 7.1 A key risk currently to the Council's capital programme is the market rate of inflation and the impact this could have on costs to deliver projects. Inflation is at the highest it has been for four decades and there is considerable uncertainty which is impacting contract pricing. In addition to the inflationary risks there are also supply chain delays, which could impact completion dates on projects and result in further cost pressures. The position in relation to these risks, continues to be monitored and to mitigate these risks contingency budgets are being reviewed. The current market conditions are however unprecedented, therefore quantification of the value of risk to the Council at this time is difficult.
- 7.2 An analysis of the risks associated with the capital programme, along with the details of the risk control measures that are in place in order to manage and mitigate these risks as far as possible can be viewed online on the Council's website by following the link below:
 - Capital Programme | City Of Wolverhampton Council
- 7.3 The overall risk associated with the programme continuous to be quantified as amber.

8.0 Evaluation of alternative options

8.1 This report provides an update on progress of capital projects during 2022-2023 and anticipated budget requirement for future years. The evaluation of alternative project options is detailed in individual investment proposals.

9.0 Reasons for decisions

9.1 To seek Cabinet's recommendation to Council to approve the revised capital budgets. This will ensure that the capital programme budget reflects the latest forecasts and requirements.

10.0 Financial implications

- 10.1 The financial implications are discussed in the body of this report. The revenue implications of the new and existing projects seeking approval for additional or changes in resources for the General Fund Revenue Account are fully reflected in the treasury management budget forecasts included in the report 'Treasury Management Activity Monitoring Mid Year Review 2022-2023' also on the agenda for approval at this meeting.
- 10.2 Table below represents new capital grant notifications received during quarter two 2022-2023:

Service	Funding body	Name of new grant	£000
School Planning & Resources	Department for Education (DfE)	High Needs Capital Fund	9,760
Transportation	Department for Transport (DfT) via WMCA	Active Travel Fund 3	1,637
School Planning & Resources	Department for Education (DfE)	Devolved Formula Capital	395
School Planning & Resources	Department for Education (DfE)	Healthy Pupil Capital Fund	10
Grand total grant notifications			11,802

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11.0 Legal implications

- 11.1 Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires local authorities to make arrangements for the proper administration of their financial affairs.
- 11.2 The Local Government Act 1972 brought in the current regime for capital finance for local authorities. It reduced the level of central control over local authority borrowing and capital expenditure.
- 11.3 Each project mentioned in this report will have its own specific legal implications, raised and tailored in their respective reports.
 [DP/08112022/A]

12.0 Equalities implications

- 12.1 There is a range of individual projects delivered through the Council's capital programme that have significant impacts on specific groups and equality implications should be considered when individual capital projects are being developed.
- 12.2 This requirement would also apply if there were to be any redirection of capital funding in year to ensure that the impact of any changes is considered.

13.0 All other implications

- 13.1 A wide range of projects delivered through the capital programme have significant environmental implications and are geared to promote improvements to the physical environment.
- 13.2 Projects funded and delivered through the Council's capital programme typically have significant impact on the Council's property portfolio. Corporate landlord implications must be considered and included in relevant documents and reports when individual capital projects and programmes are being developed.
- 13.3 There is a range of individual projects delivered through the Council's capital programme which could have health and wellbeing implications, these should be considered when individual capital projects are being developed.
- 13.4 The Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant international, national and regional impact, and will continue to have, significant financial implications for the Council. Covid-19 has had an impact on development projects internationally, nationally and regionally and also on projects within the City. Specific references are made where appropriate throughout the report.

14.0 Schedule of background papers

- 14.1 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 7 May 2022, exempt Resource Base Provision St Michael's CE (A) Primary School;
- 14.2 Council, 20 July 2022 <u>Capital Budget Outturn 2021-2022 and Quarter One Capital Monitoring 2022-2023</u>;
- 14.3 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 25 July 2022 <u>Sustainable Warmth Competition</u> Grant approval;
- 14.4 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 28 July 2022 <u>Corporate Asset Management Fund</u>
 Unit 6 Shaw Park Replacement of Windows and Doors;
- 14.5 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 28 July 2022, exempt <u>Primary School Expansion Programme Loxdale Primary School;</u>
- 14.6 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 15 August 2022, exempt <u>Temporary Supplementary Budget</u>;
- 14.7 Cabinet, 7 September 2022, exempt Amendment to Capital Programme;
- 14.8 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 13 September 2022 Bell Street Box Space Scheme Demolition Capital Budget;
- 14.9 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 15 September 2022, exempt Corporate Asset Management Fund Approval of Schemes 2022-23;
- 14.10 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 12 October 2022 <u>Allocation of the Corporate</u>

 Provision for Future Programmes Fleet Replacement Programme Electric Sweepers;
- 14.11 Cabinet (Resources) Panel, 19 October 2022, exempt <u>Acquisition and Redevelopment</u> of 251-253 Tettenhall Road;
- 14.12 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 21 October 2022, exempt Children and Young People in Care foster carer housing adaptations application;
- 14.13 Individual Executive Decision Notice, 2 November 2022 Towns Fund Projects Supplementary Budgets (Bilston, Wednesfield, City Centre Public Realm Phase 2.

15.0 Appendices

- 15.1 Appendix 1: Detailed projected budget
- 15.2 Appendix 2: Detailed forecast change
- 15.3 Appendix 3: Projects requiring approval
- 15.4 Appendix 4: Virements for approval
- 15.5 Appendix 5: Virements to note