

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Children’s Services (Education and Inclusion)			
Project title:	Cardinal Newman School Extension			
Total Project Cost (All Years)	£1,000,000			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>Cardinal Newman is a voluntary aided school, and therefore the buildings are owned by the Governing body. However, it forms part of the overall city wide secondary school provision and for revenue funding is funded by the local authority in the same way as other schools. It should therefore be treated in the same way as other schools in being able to apply for loans from the Council.</p> <p>This proposed scheme at Cardinal Newman fits with the school’s strategic plan to significantly increase student numbers in the sixth form. The school is currently experiencing a steady increase in their sixth form numbers and this project plans for an increase to a minimum of 540, but school expectations are that, with the new build, student numbers will grow to 600. Additional annual funding will be generated though increasing student numbers. The proposed extension may also provide an opportunity to develop further technologies and improve local partnerships as well as the potential for additional income streams.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£’000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Unsupported Borrowing	1,000,000	0	0	1,000,000
Total estimated costs and fees	1,000,000	0	0	1,000,000
Financial implications:				
<p>The total cost of the scheme is £3.7m and the school has identified that financing is required to enable the scheme to proceed. Borrowing is available to schools to provide finance for schemes such as this subject to an acceptable business case. It is anticipated that student numbers will grow in the sixth form from 400 to 600 which will increase the income to the school to fund the borrowing costs. Cardinal Newman closed the 2012/13 financial year with an underspend of £0.877m and the school has planned that a significant part of this carry-forward will be used in supporting this capital scheme. The school budget plan factors in the cost of the repayments and also contains a contingency over the next 3-year period to accommodate potential cost overruns. The school’s budget plan has been verified by the council’s Schools Finance team. Should the school convert to an academy during the lifetime of the loan, liability for any outstanding repayments would normally transfer to the academy, subject to the necessary terms and conditions being contractually agreed between the parties.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request

Unit:	Children’s Services (Education and Inclusion)
Project title:	Structural Maintenance
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£920,000

Purpose, benefits and risks:

The sum of £920,000 is annually available for structural maintenance and is provided for in the annual revenue budget. The funding is used to address the most urgent and important items highlighted by the condition surveys of school buildings. The extent of the work at each school will be determined by condition surveys and detailed investigation and scoping of the problems to be addressed. There will also be discussion with each school on the timing and scoping of the works.

Capital expenditure profile (£’000):

Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Direct Revenue Funding	920,000			920,000
Total estimated costs and fees	920,000			920,000

Financial implications:

The sum of £920,000 was included in the Capital Budget reported to Council in February subject to a detailed report being presented to Members before the funds are released. A detailed report was presented at the Children & Young People Committee on 11th March 2013 and approved by Members but Financial Regulations require the approval of the Policy & Resources Committee to formally adopt the scheme into the capital programme.

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Children’s Services (Education and Inclusion)			
Project title:	Capital Maintenance			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£3,107,780			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>A major priority of the Asset Management Plan is to reduce the amount of condition related works in schools. A rolling programme of works has been prepared which currently shows a backlog of £30 million. Legislation on both the control of legionella and asbestos in buildings has given rise to the need to carry out works on a rolling programme to school buildings to achieve compliance with the new legislation. The council is required by legislation to undertake fire risk assessments for all of its buildings including schools. Any necessary work identified by the audits that is the responsibility of the Local Authority will have to be prioritised and carried out on a rolling programme.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£’000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Education grants	3,107,780			3,107,780
Total estimated costs and fees	3,107,780			3,107,780
Financial implications:				
<p>£2.708m was included in the Capital Budget reported to Council in February subject to a detailed report being presented to Members before the funds are released. Since the February report, the grant allocations changed and a detailed report was presented at the Children & Young People Committee on 11th March 2013 and approved by Members but Financial Regulations require the approval of the Policy & Resources Committee to formally adopt the scheme into the capital programme.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Children’s Services (Education and Inclusion)			
Project title:	Devolved Formula Capital			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£529,120			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>Devolved Formula Capital (DFC) is a formula grant allocated to all schools each year for funding the priority capital needs of their buildings. It must be spent on capital and within time limits. It can be combined with schools other resources and also Local Authority funding. Priorities for use of this funding are new buildings and other facilities, including ICT or capital repairs/refurbishment in accordance with priorities set by each school and in line with their Asset Management Plans.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£’000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Education grants	529,120			529,120
Total estimated costs and fees	529,120			529,120
Financial implications:				
<p>£500,000 was included in the Capital Budget reported to Council in February subject to a detailed report being presented to Members before the funds are released. Since the February report the grant allocations changed and a detailed report was presented at the Children & Young People Committee on 11th March 2013 and approved by Members but Financial Regulations require the approval of the Policy & Resources Committee to formally adopt the scheme into the capital programme.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Children’s Services (Education and Inclusion)			
Project title:	New Pupil Places			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£3,961,230			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>Basic need funding is provided to authorities who are experiencing increasing school rolls. The funding is provided to ensure that the Local Authority can meet its statutory obligation to provide a school place for every child that needs one. At its meeting on 14th January 2013 the Children & Young People Committee agreed to progress with the necessary statutory consultation to expand Aldrington CE Primary School by one form of entry. The additional places need to be available by September 2013. To meet the timetable of providing these places by September 2013 work needs to start on the design of this project immediately and construction work will need to commence as soon as possible after completion of the statutory processes.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Education Grants	3,961,230			3,961,230
Total estimated costs and fees	3,961,230			3,961,230
Financial implications:				
<p>£3.250m was included in the Capital Budget reported to Council in February subject to a detailed report being presented to Members before the funds are released. Since the February report the grant allocations changed and a detailed report was presented at the Children & Young People Committee on 11th March 2013 and approved by Members but Financial Regulations require the approval of the Policy & Resources Committee to formally adopt the scheme into the capital programme.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Children’s Services (Education and Inclusion)			
Project title:	2 year-old capital funding			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£422,000			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>Brighton & Hove City Council has been allocated a sum of £422,000 to support capital investment necessary to implement the extension of the statutory entitlement to free early education for two year olds from lower income families, from September 2013. This funding will be targeted to ensure the necessary increase in the number of spaces available to eligible two year olds.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Education Grants	422,000			422,000
Total estimated costs and fees	422,000			422,000
Financial implications:				
<p>£422,000 was included in the Capital Budget reported to Council in February but Financial Regulations require the approval of the Policy & Resources Committee before the scheme can be formally adopted in the capital programme.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Adult Services (Adult Assessment)			
Project title:	Minor Adaptations			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£450,000			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>To increase the capital budget available for Adult Social Care minor adaptations by £0.150m to help support the unit in delivering greater 'personalisation' on behalf of its residents. National research demonstrates that most service users would choose the one-off provision of re-abling equipment or adaptations, which supports their continued independence, rather than the more costly and ongoing intervention of a care package.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Revenue Contributions	150,000	150,000	150,000	450,000
Total estimated costs and fees	150,000	150,000	150,000	450,000
Financial implications:				
<p>The funding of £0.150m is from a recurrent revenue budget allocation met from the Adult Social Care budget, which is used to fund Minor Adaptations. It may be necessary to identify further resources to be added to the Minor Adaptations budget, during the year, depending on the level of commitments.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request

Unit:	Environment, Development & Housing (Housing)
Project title:	Disabled Facilities Grant
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£727,720

Purpose, benefits and risks:

The Disabled Facilities programme helps disabled people to live as comfortably and independently as possible in their own homes through the provision of adaptations. Entitlement to a Disabled Facilities Grant is mandatory for eligible disabled people and the grant provides financial assistance for the provision of a wide range of housing adaptations ranging from stair lifts, level access showers and home extensions. The programme is therefore key to delivering increased levels of care and support to people in their own homes.

Capital expenditure profile (£'000):

Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Disabled facilities Grant	727,720			727,720
Total estimated costs and fees	727,720			727,720

Financial implications:

Grant funding of £0.728m from the Department of Communities and Local Government has been allocated to Brighton & Hove City Council and will be available to fund new and existing committed applications against the Disabled Facilities Grant. This was included in the approved budget in February at £0.700m but subject to further information being presented to this Committee.

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Unit:	Environment, Development & Housing (Housing)
Project title:	HOAT – Major Adaptation
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£116,000

Purpose, benefits and risks:

Local authorities have a statutory duty under the National Health Service & Community Care Act 1990 to assess and meet people’s needs which may include the need for an adaptation or move to suitable housing; they also have a statutory duty under the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970 and the Housing Grants Construction & Regeneration Act 1996 to meet the adaptations needs of disabled people. The Integrated Housing Adaptations Service is responsible for commissioning the provision of major housing adaptations across all tenures in the City including investment, Occupational Therapist assessment, management of the Adaptations Technical Team and partnership with our Home Improvement Agency.

Capital expenditure profile (£'000):

Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Direct Revenue Funding	116,000			116,000
Total estimated costs and fees	116,000			116,000

Financial implications:

Revenue Funding of £0.116m has been identified for 2013/14 by Adult Care & Health to deliver a ‘whole systems approach’ from the housing occupational therapy assessment and recommendations, feasibility and technical support through to practical completion.

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Environment, Development & Housing (Housing)			
Project title:	Empty Property Grant Funding (Round 2)			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£620,000			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>The Homes and Communities Agency has now confirmed the Empty Homes Round 2 funding of £0.620m over 2 years which will enable 31 empty properties to be brought back into use as affordable housing by the end of March 2015. As reported to Housing Committee on 19th June 2013, this funding will be used to provide capital grants for eligible properties in return for a minimum 10 year lease. Of the £0.620m, £0.520m relates to Brighton & Hove City Council and £0.100m relates to Lewes District Council and there will be a Service Level Agreement with Lewes DC for the support provided on their behalf.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Capital Grant Funding	300,000	320,000		620,000
Total estimated costs and fees	300,000	320,000		620,000
Financial implications:				
<p>The funding of £0.620m is from the Homes and Communities Agency for Empty Homes Round 2 and will provide grant funding of £0.020m (average) per unit for 31 units.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Environment, Development & Housing (Transport)			
Project title:	Highways Maintenance Funding			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£919,000			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>An additional grant was announced in the chancellor’s Autumn Statement for essential maintenance to renew, repair and extend the life of roads. The Highways maintenance funding is to be used for improvements to road surfacing and repairing damage to highway infrastructure. This will contribute to a safer environment for all road users, including pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Grant	594,000	325,000		919,000
Total estimated costs and fees	594,000	325,000		919,000
Financial implications:				
<p>A Department of Transport grant for essential maintenance is available to fund this expenditure. To be eligible for this additional funding the department requires the Highway Authority to publish a brief note on their website by the end of each financial year on where (in terms of location) and how this additional funding was spent on the maintenance. The £0.594m was included in the approved budget in February subject to further information being presented to this Committee.</p>				

New Capital Project Approval Request				
Unit:	Assistant Chief Executive (Sports Development Team)			
Project title:	New ICT System for Sports development			
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£30,000			
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>The Active For Life club database to be built within the council’s web environment will improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the functions of the services provided by the Sports Development Team.</p> <p>The new system will provide refreshed information on where to ‘get active’ in the city, providing a new A - Z of sports activities and groups and the booking system will lead to long term savings, in particular through reduced administration costs for holiday programme courses.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£’000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Direct Revenue Funding	30,000			30,000
Total estimated costs and fees	30,000			30,000
Financial implications:				
<p>The direct revenue funding for this scheme was funded out of revenue in 2012/13 and carried forward to 2013/14.</p>				