

The Highland Council
Caithness and Sutherland Area Committee

23 September 2014

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Capital Projects – Investing in Caithness and Sutherland

Report by Head of Corporate Finance

Summary

The report lists the capital projects included in the Council's capital programme being delivered in the Caithness and Sutherland area in financial year 2014/15 and the in-year budgets for these projects.

1. Background

- 1.1 This report shows, subtotaled by Council Service, the capital projects being delivered in the Caithness and Sutherland area.
- 1.2 This report is presented annually to inform Members of the planned capital projects in the Caithness and Sutherland area. Supporting reports on specific projects can be available from the appropriate Service for future area meetings as required.

2. Overview

- 2.1 Appendix 1 lists an expanded project title and the 2014/15 budget for each project. The report is not designed to update on project progress. Should this be required, information will be provided to the next Committee meeting or to Ward Business meetings as appropriate.
- 2.2 The projects included in the appendix are those which are specific to the Caithness and Sutherland area. Other capital jobs are being undertaken within the area as part of generic Council wide capital projects; such expenditure is not included in this report.
- 2.3 Negative budgets represent net income budgeted in the year as funding contributions for these projects are generally expected to be received when the work is complete.
- 2.4 Ward Business Meetings are regularly provided with information on the Community Services programme of works which details the planned work being delivered in the Caithness and Sutherland area from the Roads Structural Capital Works budget.

3. Implications

- 3.1 Apart from the budgets referred to being included in the Council's capital programme there are no further Resource implications; nor Legal; Equalities; Climate Change/Carbon Clever; Risk , Gaelic and Rural implications that have not already been considered in setting the capital programme.

Recommendation

Members are asked to consider and note the budgeted capital projects being delivered in the Caithness and Sutherland area in 2014/15.

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Background Papers: Service Budget Monitoring Statements

Caithness & Sutherland Capital Budget for 2014/15

Appendix 1

	ANNUAL BUDGET £	NOTE
Care & Learning		
EC175 Wick High - New School	1,381,000	Enabling works contract in place and works commenced 6 August. 2nd early works contracted due to be signed by Mid September, to allow continuity of on site works while main DBFM contract signed. Target opening date August 2016.
EC208 Thurso Swimming Pool - Extension	650,000	
EC213 Hillhead / North New School	8,101,000	Main design and build contract signed. Works on site and target opening date Aug 2015.
EC231 Golspie High - Re-roofing/Replacement Windows	7,000	
EC236 Thurso Library	1,024,000	Contract award imminent
SW037 New Children's Unit, Wick	390,000	Residents and staff moved to Avonlea on 17 June.
Total Care & Learning	11,553,000	
Community Services		
HR180 HCA0335 Solid fuel Heating Replacements Sutherland	3,000,000	Works to start on site later in the year, completion May/June 2015
HR181 HCA0336 Electric Heating Replacements Sutherland	1,750,000	Works to start on site later in the year, completion May/June 2015
HR182 HCA0337 Electric/solid fuel Heating Replacements Caithness	500,000	Surveys in progress - works due for completion September 2015
HR199 HCA0371 Roofs Golspie and Thurso	760,000	Works to commence in September, completion by the end of the year
HR548 CHB 5 - Dornoch, Deans Park	11,000	Works almost complete
TC002 Sutherland Play Equipment	47,000	Purchase & Installation of Playground Equipment - Various
TC805 Play Areas Caithness	29,000	Purchase & Installation of Playground Equipment - Various
TD006 Caithness - Various Capital Structural Works - Asset No 21995	244,000	Works Ongoing - General Roads & Bridges
TD012 Sutherland - Various Capital Structural Works - Asset No 21995	462,000	Works Ongoing - General Roads & Bridges
TD059 Caithness Surface Dressing - Capital	179,000	Works Ongoing
TD063 Sutherland Surface Dressing - Capital - Asset Number 21995	177,000	Works Ongoing
TD103 Sutherland Bridges	175,000	Preliminary Design on various bridges within Sutherland
TD144 Installation of pontoons - Helmsdale	50,000	Works Ongoing
TD148 Dredging at Helmsdale Harbour	334,000	Works Ongoing
TD153 Chilling Of Fish Market Kinlochbervie	500,000	Preliminary Design
Total Community Services	8,218,000	
Development & Infrastructure		
22480 Naver Bridge	100,000	Preliminary Design
PA011 DDAA0104 Wick Town Hall - Access Work (Asset No: 1085)	722,000	Project progressing, due for completion 2014/15
PD088 Helmsdale Town & Village Regeneration	(20)	Project complete, retention due
PD093 Wick Town & Village Regeneration	120	Coghill options appraisal complete
PD094 Thurso Town & Village Regeneration	43	Bayfield steps upgrdae, project complete
PE151 PAA0318 Thurso Swimming Pool Biomass Boiler & AHU Asset No 22190	8,000	Programmed for completion later in the financial year
PM026 PAA0122 Brora PS Rewire Phase 3 (Asset No 4665)	7,500	Project to commence shortly
PR001 PAA0009 - Reconstruction of Market Square Offices Asset 1080	3,633,700	Project progressing, due for completion 2014/15
TC838 Seater Landfill Site Cell 9 & 10	1,400,000	Works Ongoing and to be complete in 2014/15
TC995 Laxford Bridge North Approach	(147,000)	Works Complete - ERDF grant awaited
TD071 A99 Keiss - North Keiss	400,000	Works Ongoing-to be completed in 2015/16
TD150 B9091 Clephanton Bends	50,000	Preliminary Design-this is a Nairn project
TDXXX Wick Harbour Bridge - NOT SET UP YET	10,000	Preliminary Design
Total Development & Infrastructure	6,184,343	
TOTAL CAITHNESS & SUTHERLAND	25,955,343	