PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Lifelong Learning School Estate Sub-Committee

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School Estate Capital Programme Progress Update

Report by Executive Director (Education and Children's Services)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report updates Committee on the progress and proposals for delivering the current school projects within the Education and Children's Services Capital Programme. It details key milestones which have been achieved since the last update to Committee in June 2014.

1. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1. The School Estate Strategy sets out the Council's aspirations for our schools and in particular the high value we place on learning, through our vision for well designed, maintained and managed schools.
- 1.2. The strategy is delivered through the School Estate Management Plan (SEMP) which is primarily funded through the Council Capital Programme.
- 1.3. The Education and Children's Services (ECS) Capital Programme details the priorities for the School Estate over a rolling seven year period and is reviewed on an annual basis.

2. PROPOSALS

- 2.1. This report updates Committee on progress and proposals for delivering the current capital projects within Education and Children's Services School Estate Programme. The focus of the programme is on:
 - Primary School Upgrades
 - Secondary School Upgrades
 - Other ECS Capital Projects

3. UPDATES ON CURRENT PROGRAMME

3.1. Detailed updates on current projects are provided in Appendix A. The following projects have reached significant milestones since the previous School Estate Sub-Committee on 5 June 2014.

Significant Milestones – Primary Schools

3.2. Alyth Primary School

This project will upgrade the Victorian building and incorporate a new-build extension and demolition. The construction contractor was selected in July 2014 from a shortleet of 5, the successful contractor is Marshall Construction. The first User Reference Group for this project met in June 2014.

3.3. Errol Primary School

The scope of the works at Errol Primary School will provide 3 additional classrooms and specialist provision for Additional Support Needs (ASN) together with associated ancillary space. The nursery is being moved and expanded to 50/50 (50 children in the morning and 50 in the afternoon). The design has considered future expansion of the school, should this be required. The first User Reference Group met in June 2014.

A statutory consultation is required for the specialist provision for ASN in Errol Primary School. An Education Authority is required to undertake statutory consultation where it proposes to establish a new stage of education within a school or where it proposes to establish a special class in a school which is not a special school. A separate report will go to Lifelong Learning Committee for approval to proceed with the statutory consultation on 29 October 2014.

3.4. Inchture Primary School

The scope of the works at Inchture Primary School includes 2 additional classrooms, a General Purpose (GP) room, extending the school learning resource library and a hall to deliver the primary school PE curriculum. The project also increased the size of one of the existing classes and upgraded other existing classes.

The school works were completed prior to the new term starting in August 2014 and the sports hall is close to completion. Discussions are ongoing with the community regarding outdoor sports provision.

3.5. Oakbank Primary School

The new school at Oakbank has been designed to incorporate specialist provision for ASN and a statutory consultation will be required. A report will go to Lifelong Learning Committee for approval to proceed with the statutory consultation on 29 October 2014.

Significant Milestones – Secondary Schools

3.6. Perth Academy Sports Facilities

The All Weather Pitch at Perth Academy is complete and is operational. The feasibility for a new two court sports hall has been completed and the design development is ongoing. A further update on cost will be available at the end of Stage D.

3.7. Perth Grammar School

Works started on 27 June 2014 to refurbish the Craft, Design and Technology (CDT) classrooms and upgrade significant infrastructure within the school including major heating and electrical works.

3.8. Perth High School Sports Hall

Strategic Policy & Resources Committee, on 11 June 2014, approved the virement of additional funding of £1,250,000 to meet the cost of the proposed new sports hall at Perth High School. The total budget for the project is now £3,950,000. A revised programme and Gross Maximum Cost (GMC) are due on 5 September 2014.

Significant Milestones – Other ECS Capital Projects

3.9. New Secondary School

The proposal paper for the Statutory Consultation to consult on the location and catchment area for the new secondary school was approved by a Special Meeting of Lifelong Learning Committee on 25 June 2014.

The New Project Request (NPR) was submitted to HubCo on 27 June 2014. This begins the procurement process for the project.

3.10. Early Learning and Childcare – 600 hours and Two Year Olds Accommodation

Following a report to Lifelong Learning Committee on 29 May 2013 (Report No. 13/244) regarding the proposals within the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act, a review of the suitability of nursery accommodation to deliver the Early Learning and Childcare requirements of the Act has been progressed.

These requirements include free childcare provision for looked after 2 year olds and increasing the hours of provision for 3-4 year olds from 475 to 600 hours per annum. The Council has received £1,721,000 capital to implement changes to accommodate these children.

Additional funding of £1,026,845 from the Scottish Government, has been made available to increase the scope of the provision to parents of two year olds in receipt of certain benefits.

Provision for two year olds will be made in the following facilities from the end of August 2014:

- Balhousie Primary School;
- Community School of Auchterarder;
- Coupar Angus Primary School;

- Inchture Primary School;
- Inchview Primary School;
- Milnathort Primary School;
- North Muirton Primary School;
- Pitlochry Primary School;
- Rattray Primary School;
- Stanley Primary School;
- St Dominic's Primary School.

3.11. Extension to Free School Meals

An assessment of kitchen and dining facilities at schools has been undertaken to ascertain and address the impact of the recent announcement from the Scottish Government that all P1-P3 pupils are to be offered free school meals from January 2015.

Capital expenditure of £110,000 on equipment and £140,000 on services infrastructure has been committed with works proceeding on 6 out of 10 improvement sites during the Summer holidays. The remaining 4 sites are expected to be completed during the October holidays. The sites which are outstanding are Guildtown, Auchterarder, Inchview and Goodlyburn.

The Scottish Government have still to advise of their final financial package to Local Authorities.

4. PLANNED PROJECTS

4.1. Dunbarney Primary School

In recent years the roll of Dunbarney Primary School has been under pressure due to house building in the area. In 2012 a general purpose (GP) room was converted into a classroom as a temporary measure. A feasibility study has been commissioned for Dunbarney Primary School. The feasibility study will confirm whether the school can be expanded to include additional classroom accommodation.

4.2. COSLA Local Authority Special Programme (CLASP) Schools

A strategic review has been commissioned from HubCo to assess Kinross and Tulloch Primary Schools as part of the Council's CLASP School replacement programme. As part of the review, structural surveys were carried out at both schools over the summer break. The review considers three options for each school:

- Do minimum refurbishment and upgrading to extend the lifespan of the school by up to 12 years;
- Full Refurbishment refurbishment and upgrading to extend the lifespan of the school by up to 25 years;
- New Build.

In addition to the financial and technical options appraisal, the report will consider education factors, specifically how well the facilities in the school meet its functional needs. The review will form the basis of a report to Lifelong Learning Committee on 29 October 2014.

5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 This report updates School Estate Sub-Committee on progress of the Education and Children's Services capital projects approved through the Capital Programme for 2013/14 to 2020/21.
- 5.2 This Committee is requested to note that significant milestones have been achieved since the previous Committee meeting in June 2014 including:
 - The Construction Contractor has been selected for Alyth Primary School and the User Reference Group meetings have begun (3.2);
 - Errol Primary School progressing to detailed design phase including establishing a User Reference Group (3.3);
 - Perth Academy All Weather Pitch is complete (3.6);
 - Construction works began at Perth Grammar School to upgrade the CDT classrooms and associated infrastructure in June 2014 (3.7);
 - The NPR for the new secondary school was submitted to HubCo in June 2014 (3.9); and
 - Provision for 2 year olds will be available in 12 nurseries, including the City of Perth Early Childhood Centre (COPECC) by the end of August 2014 (3.10).
- 5.3 It is recommended that the Committee note that:
 - Statutory consultations are required for the new specialist ASN facilities at Errol Primary School and Oakbank Primary School and a report will be taken to Lifelong Learning Committee in this regard (3.3) (3.5);
 - Strategic Policy & Resources Committee approved the virement of additional funding of £1,250,000 to meet the cost of the proposed new sports hall at Perth High School (3.8);
 - A feasibility study has been commissioned for Dunbarney Primary School due to increased roll pressures (4.1); and
 - The review of the CLASP schools (Kinross and Tulloch) will form the basis of a recommendation to Lifelong Learning Committee in October 2014 (4.2).

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1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
Community Plan / Single Outcome Agreement	Yes
Corporate Plan	Yes
Resource Implications	
Financial	Yes
Workforce	No
Asset Management (land, property, IST)	Yes
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Strategic Environmental Assessment	Yes
Sustainability (community, economic, environmental)	Yes
Legal and Governance	Yes
Risk	Yes
Consultation	
Internal	Yes
External	Yes
Communication	
Communications Plan	No

1. Strategic Implications

Community Plan/Single Outcome Agreement

- 1.1 The proposals relate to the delivery of the Perth and Kinross Community Plan/Single Outcome Agreement in terms of the following priorities:
 - (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
 - (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
 - (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;
 - (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and
 - (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.

This report relates to all of these objectives.

Corporate Plan

- 1.2 The Perth and Kinross Community Plan 2013 2023 and Perth and Kinross Council Corporate Plan 2013 /2018 set out five strategic objectives:
 - (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
 - (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
 - (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;
 - (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and
 - (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.

This report relates to all of these objectives.

- 1.3 The report also links to the Education & Children's Services Policy Framework in respect of the following key policy area:
 - Maximising Resources

2. Resource Implications

Financial

- 2.1 The Council set a 7 year Capital Budget for 2013/14 to 2019/20 at its meeting on 14 February 2013 (report 13/54 refers). Revisions to the budget for these 7 years have been considered by the Strategic Policy & Resources Committee throughout the year. The meeting of the Council on 13 February 2014, approved the Composite Capital Budget 2020/21 (Report 14/45 refers). Additional capital funding has been received from the Scottish Government in 2014 for the implementation of capital works associated with the Children's and Young People (Scotland) Act. These monies total £2,747,845. Capital funding for Free School Meals is awaited.
- 2.1.1 Any additional revenue implications identified through either the existing capital programme, or future capital programmes, will require to be submitted as part of an expenditure pressure with a corresponding saving through the revenue budget process.
- 2.1.2 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report and appendices.

Workforce

2.2 There are no direct workforce implications arising from this report.

Asset Management (land, property, IT)

2.3 There are no direct asset management implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report.

3. Assessments

Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.1 Under the Equality Act 2010, the Council is required to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between equality groups. Carrying out Equality Impact Assessments for plans and policies allows the Council to demonstrate that it is meeting these duties.
- 3.1.1 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) and has been assessed as **not relevant** for the purposes of EqIA.

Strategic Environmental Assessment

- 3.2 The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to identify and assess the environmental consequences of its proposals.
- 3.2.1 However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report. This is because these matters relate to the School Estate Strategy which is being considered under the Act as part of The Council's Asset Management Plan.

Sustainability

- 3.3 Under the provisions of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 the Council has to discharge its duties in a way which contributes to the achievement of sustainable development. In terms of the Climate Change Act, the Council has a general duty to demonstrate its commitment to sustainability and the community, environmental and economic impacts of its actions.
- 3.3.1 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Act. However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report.

Legal and Governance

3.4 The Head of Legal Services has been consulted in the preparation of this report and advised in relation to the Statutory Consultation for Additional Support Needs (ASN) facilities.

<u>Risk</u>

3.5 Individual risk profiles are in place for each of projects listed above.

4. Consultation

Internal

4.1 The Head of Democratic Services, Head of Finance, Head of Legal and Head of Property Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

<u>External</u>

4.2 Participation and involvement of the community are critical to the ongoing and future success of school estate investment and an emphasis is placed on ensuring consultation, over and above that which might be required in terms of planning requirements.

4.2.1 A User Reference Group (URG) is set up for all major and large projects. The purpose of the URG is to assist with providing relevant local input to allow the Design Team to develop the outline concept design into an operational design. The formation of a URG is an invaluable source of information, and any project is reliant on this level of local detail.

2. BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

3. APPENDICES

Appendix A – Detailed updates on Current Projects.

Appendix A

Detailed Updates on Current Projects

ALYTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

CRIEFF PRIMARY SCHOOL

ERROL PRIMARY SCHOOL

INCHTURE PRIMARY SCHOOL

KINNOULL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

OAKBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL

PERTH ACADEMY – All-Weather Pitch

PERTH ACADEMY – Sports Hall

PERTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL – Sports Hall

RATTRAY PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Milestones

Milestones are key tasks within a project plan which mark completion of a significant or critical phase of work or a decision point.

In terms of the following projects the milestones have the following dates:

The planned date is the original date planned for the project and does not change in the life of the project. These are generally aspirational dates based on a typical project.

The actual date is the date the milestone is completed.

The forecast date is the date which is currently projected for completion

ALYTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

Alyth Primary School is a largely life-expired property requiring major investment. The school has been identified as having the highest maintenance requirement of any primary school in Perth and Kinross. It is also underutilised and inefficient in terms of layout and running costs.

The recommended option, to upgrade the Victorian building and add a new-build element was approved at Lifelong Learning Committee on 29 January 2014 (Report 14/22 refers). It is anticipated the new school will be operational in session 2016/17.

Sources of Funding

This project will be fully funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The funding for this project is £8,800,000. Additional funding will be required from Extend/Enhance Specialist Provision budget (for ASN) and Early Years (for 2 year olds) when final costs are known.

Progress Update

The project is being procured through the East Central Hub. A New Project Request (NPR) was submitted to HubCo in May 2014 and consultants have been appointed. The construction contractor was selected in July 2014 from a shortleet of 5, the successful contractor is Marshall Construction.

The first meeting of the User Reference Group was held on 17 June 2014.

Key I	Milestones
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Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Options Appraisal	August 2013	August 2013	
Preferred Option	October 2013	November 2013	
Identified			
Committee Approval	November 2013	January 2014	
Submit NPR	December 2013	May 2014	April 2014
		(revised July 2014)	-
HubCo Accept NPR	January 2014	TBC	August 2014
Stage 1 Commences	-		-
Stage 1 Agreed	April 2014	TBC	TBC
Planning application	December 2014	TBC	TBC
submitted			
Stage 2 Agreed	January 2015	TBC	March 2015
Financial Close	February 2015	TBC	April 2015
Site Start Date	March 2015	TBC	May 2015
New school	August 2016	TBC	August 2016
operational	-		-
Completion of External	October 2016	TBC	October 2016
works			
Final A/C Agreed	December 2016	TBC	December 2016

Current Issues

An evaluation of ASN requirements has been undertaken and it is confirmed that a specialist ASN provision will not be required; instead the school should have suitable accommodation to withdraw pupils on a flexible basis for learning, social and emotional reasons.

CRIEFF PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

Following the outcome of a statutory consultation exercise, Lifelong Learning Committee approved that education provision at the existing Crieff Primary School is relocated to a new school on the site adjacent to Strathearn Community Campus from August 2015 (Report 12/486 refers).

The school will initially comprise of 15 classes with the infrastructure and capacity to increase to a triple stream in the future if required.

Along with Oakbank Primary School, this school is being procured and developed through a HubCo Design & Build Development Agreement (DBDA).

Sources of Funding

This project is being fully funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The total project cost is anticipated at £11.8m including land purchase.

Progress Update

Enabling works began on the site of the new primary school in Crieff on 24 March 2014. A sod cutting exercise involving the children took place on 29 April 2014. Significant archaeology excavations took place on site at the beginning of the works, however these have concluded without impacting on the programme. Financial Close was achieved on the project on 9 May 2014 and the main contractual works began thereafter.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Stage 1 ¹ Agreed	August 2013	December 2013	
Stage 2 ² Agreed	February 2014	May 2014	
Planning application granted	February 2014	February 2014	
Financial Close	March 2014	May 2014	
Site Start Date	April 2014	March 2014	
Construction complete	June 2015	TBC	June 2015
School operational	August 2015	TBC	August 2015

Current Issues

¹ Stage 1 is equivalent to RIBA Stage C/D, which is a costed outline design

² Stage 2 is equivalent to RIBA Stage E/F, which is a costed detailed design

ERROL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

Following a recent feasibility study, design development work is currently being undertaken to address capacity issues. Land was previously procured adjacent to the school in March 2011 in order to facilitate expansion. Demolition and decontamination works were concluded on the additional land in 2012.

The scope of the works will provide 3 additional classrooms and specialist ASN provision together with associated ancillary space. The project will also include scope for a further 2 classrooms to be added to the building in the future should the need arise. The 2 additional classrooms are not likely to be required in the short to medium term i.e. in the next 10 years.

It is intended that the specialist ASN provision will occupy the current nursery space with a new larger space created for the nursery.

Sources of Funding

This project will be primarily funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme with a virement from the Modernising Primaries Programme and from the Enhance/Extend Specialist Education Provision in Perth and Kinross budget. Developer Contributions will also be applied to this project. The current projected cost of the project is £3.317m. This is an early estimate based on a feasibility study.

Progress Update

The programme is currently projecting completion in December 2015, however this is still being developed.

Ongoing work to develop the costs will take place as the design progresses. Topographical and utility surveys will be undertaken as part of this design development.

Stage D design has been developed and costs have been prepared and are currently being reviewed.

A User Group meeting was held on 5 June to progress the project. This is being followed by an informal drop in session for Staff, Parents/Carers and members of the wider community after the summer break.

A statutory consultation is required for the specialist provision for ASN in Errol Primary School. An Education Authority is required to undertake statutory consultation where it proposes to establish a new stage of education within a school or where it proposes to establish a special class in a school which is not a special school. A separate report will go to Lifelong Learning Committee for approval to proceed with the statutory consultation on 29 October 2014

Procurement/Contract Type

Partnering Prime Cost.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Concept design	March 2014	March 2014	
Consultation	April 2014 – June		June 2014
	2014		
Stage D design	TBC		July 2014
Gross Maximum Cost	TBC		
Agreed			
Site Start Date	TBC		
Construction	TBC		December 2015
Complete			
School Operational	TBC		
Date			

Current Issues

A statutory consultation will be required for the specialist provision for ASN.

INCHTURE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

Expansion of Inchture Primary School is required to accommodate the predicted numbers of pupils from known house building. The scope of the project includes 2 additional classrooms, a General Purpose (GP) room, extending the school learning resource library and a hall to deliver the primary school PE curriculum.

Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme and Developer Contributions. The overall budget for this project is £2,998,000, this includes £488,000 Developer Contributions.

Progress Update

The planning application was submitted towards the end of June 2013 and this was approved on 21 September 2013.

Agreed Maximum Price (AMP) 3 acceptance was processed on 13 February 2014. Works are progressing well on site and there have been no significant issues encountered to date.

Work on the extension was completed prior to the beginning of the new school term. The sports hall is close to completion. Discussions are ongoing with the Community with regard to outdoor sports facilities.

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application	August 2013	August 2013	
Granted		_	
Site Start Date	October 2013	October 2013	
Classroom and sports	August 2014		August 2014
hall construction			
Complete			
Operational Date	August 2014	TBC	August 2014
Completion of External	April 2015	TBC	April 2015
Works (Multi Use	-		-
Games Area, MUGA)			

Key Milestones

Current Issues

KINNOULL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

This project has renewed the life expired building currently used as a learning resource, provided two modular classrooms that are linked to the main building and renewed toilets in the school.

In addition, Property Services has taken the opportunity to replace major infrastructure including heating, plumbing and electrics while the staff and pupils are decanted to Inchview Primary School.

Sources of Funding

This project is partly funded from the ECS Composite Capital Programme (£1,339,000) with contributions from The Environment Services (TES) Composite Capital Programme (£567,000) for accelerated maintenance works and a further Revenue Contribution (£47,000) in relation to energy works. The total budget is £1,953,000.

Progress Update

Construction work commenced in February 2013 and was completed in December 2013. The school was operational from 8 January 2014, with staff having returned on the 6 January 2014.

The amphitheatre area is still to be completed.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning application granted	October 2012	October 2012	
Site Start Date	February 2013	February 2013	
Construction complete	December 2013	December 2013	
Operational Date	January 2014	January 2014	
Amphitheatre Works	April 2014		August 2014

Current Issues

NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

A review of the school estate has taken place to determine the likely impact of anticipated population growth on the school estate in the medium to long term. One of the priorities for the Council has been agreed as a secondary school on the northern perimeter of Perth. The school will accommodate 1100 pupils.

HubCo Design, Build, Finance and Manage (DBFM) procurement for the secondary element is mandatory as part of the funding terms and conditions.

Sources of Funding

£15.333m of funding will be provided through a Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) grant and £7.667m will be provided through the ECS Composite Capital Programme, giving a total budget of £23m. Strategic Policy and Resources (SP&R) agreed on 11 June 2014 (Art. 422 refers) that inflation on the Council element of the funding will be funded from the underspend on Crieff Primary School. £1m has been vired from the Crieff Primary School to cover anticipated inflation giving a total budget of £24m.

Progress Update

Bertha Park was noted as the preferred location by members at the Lifelong Learning Executive Sub-Committee on 6 February 2013 (Report 13/67 refers), subject to the required statutory consultation process. Discussions have begun with the developers of Bertha Park on the location and size of the campus. The proposed site is 10 hectares.

The proposal paper for the Statutory Consultation to consult on the location and catchment area for the new secondary school was approved by a Special Meeting of Lifelong Learning Committee on 25 June 2014. (Report 14/298 refers).

The NPR was submitted to HubCo in June 2014.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Options to populate school	October 2013	May 2014	
Proposal for Statutory Consultation	August 2014	June 2014	
Submit NPR	October 2014	June 2014	
Stage 1 Agreed	February 2015	TBC	February 2015
Statutory Consultation Complete	May 2015		TBC
Stage 2 Agreed	November 2015	TBC	September 2015
Site Start Date	January 2016	TBC	April 2016
Construction Complete	March 2018	TBC	December 2017

Current Issues

- There is a heavy dependence on having infrastructure in place, in particular the A9/A85 junction to deliver access to the school;
- A condition of SFT funding states the school must be delivered by the end of financial year 2017/18;
- There is expectation that funding for the Primary School will be provided through S75, however this is subject to agreement; and
- Revenue funding for this project will be required in 2017/18.

OAKBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

A new combined school and nursery is being built on the playing field adjacent to the existing school. The existing school and nursery will be demolished following the completion of the new building to create new external space. The finished accommodation will include a specialist provision for Additional Support Needs (ASN).

Sources of Funding

Funding of £8,500,000 for the project was approved by Council on 9 February 2012. In addition a further £187,594 has been made available to be used for enabling works through East Central HubCo and also an underspend on the Invergowrie project of £400,000 has been vired to this project. The estimated cost for the ASN element is £500,000. The total budget for the project is £9,587,594.

Progress Update

Enabling works began on the site of the new primary school at Oakbank on 7 April 2014. A sod cutting exercise involving the children took place on 25 May 2014. Financial Close was achieved on the project on 29 May 2014 and the main contractual works began thereafter.

A statutory consultation is required for the specialist provision for ASN in Oakbank Primary School. An Education Authority is required to undertake statutory consultation where it proposes to establish a new stage of education within a school or where it proposes to establish a special class in a school which is not a special school. A separate report will go to Lifelong Learning Committee for approval to proceed with the statutory consultation on 29 October 2014.

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Stage 1 ³ Agreed	August 2013	Dec 2013	
Stage 2 ⁴ Agreed	March 2014	TBC	May 2014
Planning application granted	February 2014	February 2014	
Financial Close	March 2014	May 2014	
Site Start Date	April 2014	April 2014	
Construction complete	June 2015	TBC	June 2015
School operational	August 2015	TBC	August 2015
Demolition and External Works	December 2015	ТВС	December 2015

Key Milestones

Current Issues

A statutory consultation will be required for the specialist provision for ASN.

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⁴ Stage 2 is equivalent to RIBA Stage E/F, which is a costed detailed design

PERTH ACADEMY – All-Weather Pitch

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

 \pounds 2,000,000 funding was allocated to Perth Academy in the 2012/13 budget for improving sports facilities. The funding will be split between an All Weather Pitch (AWP) and a sports hall.

Sources of Funding

This project is fully funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. Funding of £2m has been allocated for sports facilities at Perth Academy. The cost of the All Weather Pitch is approximately £950,000.

Progress Update

Works began on-site 20 January 2014 and the pitch itself is complete, with the exception of external works to the terracing area as the soil requires a prolonged period of time to stabilise. The terrace area may take up to a year before the school can fully utilise the area.

An area behind the AWP has been developed in order that the memorial bench can be relocated. This has been agreed with the school and the father of the children for whom the bench is a memorial has been advised.

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application Granted	July 2013	August 2013	
Site Start Date	October 2013	January 2014	
Construction of pitch Complete	March 2014	July 2014	
Pitch Operational	August 2014	August 2014	
External Works Complete	ТВС		

Key Milestones

Current Issues

Some drainage issues have been revealed since starting on site. The impact of this on the project is currently being analysed and further information will be provided once known. It is likely that additional drainage may need to be installed and this will impact on the funding available for the sports hall.

PERTH ACADEMY – SPORTS HALL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

 \pounds 2,000,000 funding was allocated to Perth Academy in the 2012/13 budget for improving sports facilities. The funding will be split between an All Weather Pitch (AWP) and a sports hall.

Sources of Funding

The funding is from the ECS Composite Capital Programme.

Progress Update

The feasibility study to ascertain the best way of providing extended indoor sports accommodation at Perth Academy has been completed. Initial discussions have taken place with the school regarding the feasibility and the operation of the new facility. Further discussions are planned.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Feasibility study completed	August 2013	January 2014	
Review of feasibility study	April 2014		September 2014

Current Issues

Drainage issues on the playing fields at Perth Academy will need to be addressed from the overall budget of £2,000,000. Design work is ongoing on the sports hall and the costs are being developed further, however the feasibility study has indicated that £2,000,000 will not be sufficient for the AWP, drainage improvements and a 2 court sports hall.

PERTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL - INFRASTRUCTURE AND PRACTICAL UPGRADES

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

Perth Grammar School was selected for major infrastructure improvement as well as upgrade of its practical classrooms (6 CDT, 3 Science and 2 Home Economics) over the next three financial years.

It is proposed to link the major infrastructure upgrade work with the practical classroom upgrades in an effort to minimise the potentially disruptive effect on the delivery of the pupils' education. The infrastructure works include electrical and data rewiring and upgrading, alarm and emergency systems renewal, heating systems renewal, energy conservation and other infrastructure and systems efficiency improvements.

Sources of Funding

This project is being funded by ECS Composite Capital Programme to a value of \pounds 3,500,000.

Progress Update

The Gross Maximum Cost (GMC) offer was received on 20 June and has been accepted. Works started on 27 June to refurbish the Craft, Design and Technology (CDT) classrooms and upgrade significant infrastructure within the school including major heating and electrical works.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Site Start Date	June 2014	June 2014	
Refurbishment of Technical teaching Areas complete	September 2014	TBC	September 2014
Completion of infrastructure works	October 2015	ТВС	TBC

Current Issues

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL – SPORTS HALL

Reporting Period: June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

The provision of the sports hall will improve the sporting facilities at Perth High School, resulting in improved educational and extra-curricular sporting facilities.

The Council has submitted a bid to **sport**scotland for part funding of the project.

Sources of Funding

This project will be funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme and **sport**scotland. The grant from **sport**scotland is £500,000, the funding from the ECS capital programme is \pounds 3.450m giving an available budget of \pounds 3.950m

Overall progress

A revised programme and Gross Maximum Cost (GMC) for the project are due on 5 September 2014.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application Granted	February 2013	February 2013	
Planning Modification Change Re- submission	October 2013	December 2013	
Agreed Maximum Price	December 2013	February 2014	
Site Start Date	January 2014		September 2014
Revised GMC	n/a		September 2014
Construction Complete	August 2014		October 2015
Operational Date	September 2014		TBC

Current Issues

RATTRAY PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Reporting Period June 2014 to August 2014

Overview

A community facility has been developed, adjacent to Rattray Primary School to provide flexible spaces for the delivery of services for children, families and the community.

Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS and TES Capital Programme (£2,495,000 and £130,000 respectively) and Scottish Government Grant of £414,000, a total of £3,039,000.

Progress Update

Construction work commenced on site in April 2013 and completed in February 2014. External works were completed in May 2014.

The building was operational from June 2014.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application Granted	November 2012	November 2012	
Biomass Planning Application Granted	February 2013	February 2013	
Site Start Date	April 2013	April 2013	
Construction complete	January 2014	May 2014	
Operational Date	April 2014	June 2014	

Current Issues