



CABINET

12 JULY 2016

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE: MATT BOWMER

CABINET MEMBER WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCE: COUNCILLOR ROBIN BROWN

Subject:	Monthly Capital Report (MCR) as at the end of May 2016 (Period 2) for the financial year ending 31 March 2017.
Recommendations:	<p>Cabinet is requested to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Note the current capital forecast expenditure outturn of £177m for the financial year 2016-17 and the expenditure and funding of subsequent financial years.2. Approve and recommend to Council the inclusion of three new schemes with investment totalling £1,699,000 to enable entry into the Council's Committed Capital Programme (detailed in section 9)<ol style="list-style-type: none">I. Malcolm Arnold Academy Highways Work £132,000II. Highways Maintenance Incentive Fund 2016-17 £856,000III. Pothole Action Fund £711,0003. Approve capital investment totalling £10,986,357 to promote five schemes included in the Capital Strategy 2016-17 (detailed in section 9) :<ol style="list-style-type: none">I. budget extension of scheme - PCC Funded Local Road Safety Improvements uplift £98,000II. promotion of scheme Wootton Hall Park School temporary accommodation £3,085,996III. budget extension of scheme - Northampton International Academy uplift £5,626,361IV. promotion of scheme IT Infrastructure £330,000V. promotion of scheme Project Angel and Next Generation Working IT £1,846,000following recommendations from the Capital Investment Board to enable entry into the Council's Committed Capital Programme.

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The report sets out the current financial position of the Council's Capital Programme in total, by Service area and on a scheme by scheme basis.
- 1.2 Cabinet is formally requested to give approval for entry into the Council's Committed Capital Programme of capital schemes following recent recommendation at the monthly meeting of the Capital Investment Board.

2. How this decision contributes to the Council Plan

- 2.1 The Council's vision is to make Northamptonshire a great place to live and work. This is achieved through increasing the wellbeing of your county's communities and/or safeguarding the county's communities.

This initiative specifically delivers increased wellbeing and/or safeguarding by:

- Contributing to creating safer communities
- Contributing to creating healthy communities
- Contributing to creating prosperous communities
- Creating a Sense of Place
- Provision of the personalisation agenda
- Access to information
- Providing choice and self-service
- Getting people involved

And Through:

- Exploitation of Technology
- Intelligence Led Services
- Next Generation Working
- Ambitious Partnerships
- Use of the Asset Utilisation Strategy
- Commissioning and Market Developments
- Self-Financing

3. Background

- 3.1 The current external funding environment and continued announcements from central government on capital schemes also highlight the need to ensure that appropriate monitoring, governance and approval of the Council's Capital Programme is undertaken.
- 3.2 Due to the significant levels of capital investment prioritised by the Council and as a key enabler in the growth, prosperity and economic wellbeing of the County the Council considers that a separate Capital Programme monitoring report is produced, reviewed and approved by Cabinet monthly in line with reporting on revenue expenditure.

4. Consultation and Scrutiny

- 4.1 This report has been produced in consultation with the NCC Group Management Board and the Directors of each of the Delivery Vehicles. The NCC Group Management Board is comprised of the Chief Executive, the Strategic Commissioners for People Services and Place Services, and the Director of Finance (S151 Officer). The report will also be subjected to scrutiny through the Finance Improvement and Performance Working Group.

5. Equality Screening

5.1 This report is for information purposes only and no Equality Impact assessment is required.

6. Alternative Options Considered

6.1 It is considered as best practice to brief members and report the latest budgetary position to Cabinet on a regular monthly basis, rather than less frequently, for example, quarterly. It also meets the Financial Regulations requirement to ensure the provision of financial information and compliance with financial management standards.

7. Executive Summary

7.1 The forecast outturn expenditure on the Council's Capital Programme stands at £177m for the financial year 2016-17. This is the first period of reporting for the current financial year covering the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017. The forecast outturn by Service area can be found in Table 3 on page 6 with more detailed summaries explaining the significant variances and movements occurring within each Service area set out in Section 8.

7.2 Following Capital Investment Board recommendation Cabinet are formally requested to approve eight new schemes totalling £12,685,357 detailed in Table 4 on page 14.

7.3 Place Services are still being formed and established in terms of transferred budgets and staff. When the Place Directorate is firmly established the reporting arrangements will be reorganised to reflect next generation working.

Capital Budget 2016-17

7.4 The Council's Capital Strategy 2016-17 to 2020-21, agreed by Council on 29 February 2016, approved a forecast capital programme of £736m (the Committed Capital Programme plus the Development Pool) over the five year plan period. The Capital Strategy also approved a Discretionary Funding Pot totalling £24.03m available for prioritisation against key Council capital investment schemes over the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) period.

7.5 Table 1 below provides the detailed scheme by scheme prioritised balances against the £24.03m agreed by Council into the Development Pool, the approvals to date including those reported in this paper and the remaining balances to be progressed through the Council's capital approval routes for Cabinet approval.

Discretionary Funding Pot All figures £000's	Budget 2016-17 to 2020-21	Cabinet Approvals To Date	Prioritised Balance 2016-17	Prioritised Balance 2017-18	Prioritised Balance 2018-19 to 2020-2021	Total Prioritised Balance
Project Angel & NGW IT	1,846	1,846	0	0	0	0
Chester Farm	4,925	0	4,925	0	0	4,925
Property Minor Works	5,200	0	1,000	1,200	3,000	5,200

Discretionary Funding Pot All figures £000's	Budget 2016-17 to 2020-21	Cabinet Approvals To Date	Prioritised Balance 2016-17	Prioritised Balance 2017-18	Prioritised Balance 2018-19 to 2020-2021	Total Prioritised Balance
Highway Management	6,150	0	0	0	6,150	6,150
IT Infrastructure	4,160	330	670	690	2,470	3,830
A361 Chipping Warden Relief Road	996	0	996	0	0	996
Daventry Library Fit Out	629	0	0	429	200	629
A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme	120	0	0	0	120	120
Total Discretionary Funding Balance	24,026	2,176	7,591	2,319	11,940	21,850

Table 1 - Summary of Discretionary Funding Pot approved by Council in February 2016

7.6 In addition to discretionary approvals the Council has also prioritised £2.00m of Innovative capital funding over the plan period toward schemes within the Development Pool, detailed in Table 2.

Development Pool Innovative Funding Prioritisation All figures £000's	Budget 2016-17 to 2020-21	Cabinet Approvals To Date	Prioritised Balance 2016-17	Prioritised Balance 2017-18	Prioritised Balance 2018-19 to 2020-21	Total Prioritised Balance
Superfast Broadband	2,000	0	0	2,000	0	2,000
Total Discretionary Funding Balance	2,000	0	0	2,000	0	2,000

Table 2 – Summary of Development Pool Innovative Funding approved by Council in Feb 2016

7.7 These schemes support the Northamptonshire economy with key infrastructure projects that act as a catalyst to wider economic growth. Individual invest to save projects also contribute to Council efficiency savings to enable budgetary targets to be delivered. These assist in the Council being able to reduce revenue levels in line with grant reductions and ongoing austerity measures.

7.8 **Forecast Capital Outturn 2016-17 by Service Area:**

	Forecast Outturn 2016-17 £'000
Environment, Development and Transport Services	97,152
Children's Services	70,785
IT Infrastructure/Development	4,149

	Forecast Outturn 2016-17 £'000
Property Maintenance	3,030
Wellbeing and Prevention Services	1,220
Adults Services	608
Chief Executive Services	384
Forecast Outturn Expenditure	177,328

Table 3 - Capital Expenditure Phasing Outturn Forecast (by Service) 2016-17

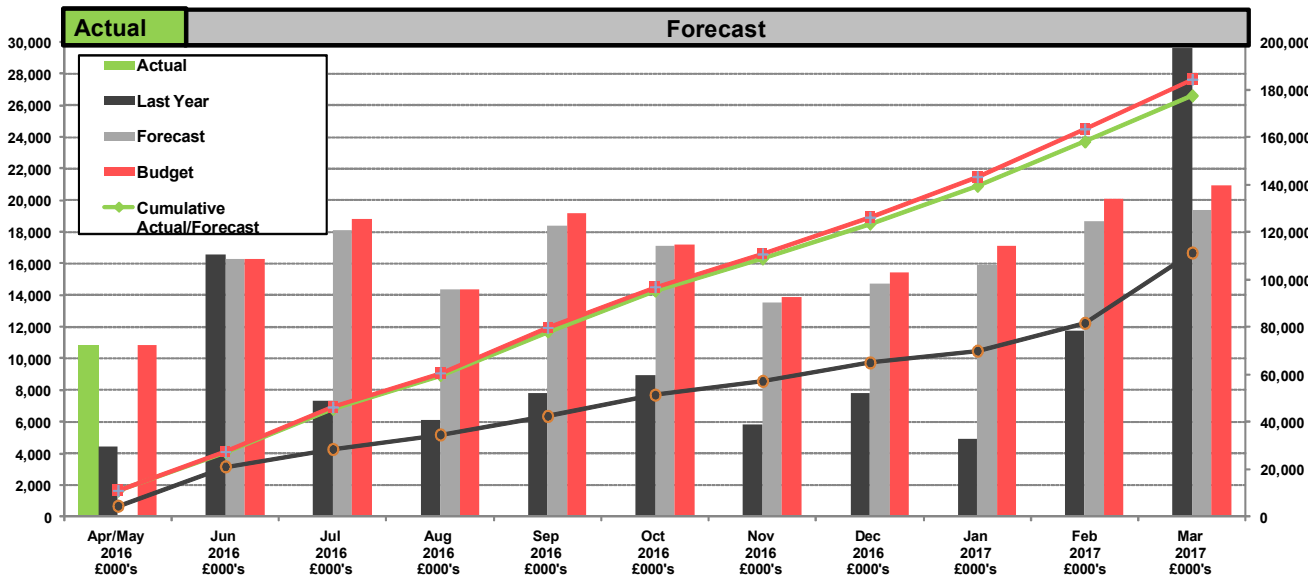


Period 2 - May 2016	Approved Expenditure Budget	Actual Previous Years Expenditure	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6	Period 7	Period 8	Period 9	Period 10	Period 11	Period 12	Forecast Full Year 2016-17 £000's	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast		
			Actuals Apr/May 2016 £000's	Forecast Jun 2016 £000's	Forecast Jul 2016 £000's	Forecast Aug 2016 £000's	Forecast Sep 2016 £000's	Forecast Oct 2016 £000's	Forecast Nov 2016 £000's	Forecast Dec 2016 £000's	Forecast Jan 2017 £000's	Forecast Feb 2017 £000's	Forecast Mar 2017 £000's								
Place	363,465	223,868	6,950	9,423	9,865	8,199	11,855	9,787	6,263	7,572	6,889	9,563	10,789	97,152	55%	27,569	8,207	2,798	2,259	2,249	690
Children, Families and Education	302,829	198,737	3,184	5,820	6,407	5,489	5,559	6,850	6,798	6,759	8,423	8,602	6,895	70,785	40%	29,259	984	317	327	0	0
Adult Social Care Services	2,028	1,389	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	608	608	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Public Health and Wellbeing	17,463	15,848	24	229	207	20	128	0	202	0	110	0	300	1,220	1%	0	0	0	50	0	0
IT Infrastructure / Development	29,821	25,630	535	418	1,194	370	426	205	187	305	129	85	295	4,149	2%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property Maintenance	16,401	11,134	115	371	361	226	388	299	85	57	389	378	360	3,030	2%	2,748	135	0	0	0	0
Chief Executive	33,789	33,252	17	33	56	36	21	16	16	21	16	16	136	384	0%	127	0	0	0	0	0
Total	765,795	509,859	10,825	16,294	18,089	14,340	18,376	17,157	13,550	14,713	15,956	18,644	19,383	177,328		59,702	9,327	3,115	2,636	2,249	690
Month %			6%	9%	10%	8%	10%	10%	8%	8%	9%	11%	11%								
Cumulative %			6%	15%	25%	34%	44%	54%	61%	70%	79%	89%	100%								
Cumulative Spend/Forecast			10,825	27,119	45,208	59,548	77,924	95,081	108,631	123,344	139,301	157,945	177,328								

Full Capital Programme 255,046

Figures in £ 000's

Phased Expenditure By Month



Financial Year 2016-17 Monitoring Progression - Forecast Outturn

All Figures in £	Forecast Capital Expenditure Outturn	Variance From Previous Month	Variance From Previous Month %
1 Apr-16	184,145	n/a	n/a
2 May-16	177,328	-6,817	(3.7%)
3 Jun-16			
4 Jul-16			
5 Aug-16			
6 Sep-16			
7 Oct-16			
8 Nov-16			
9 Dec-16			
10 Jan-17			
11 Feb-17			
12 Mar-17			
Total Movement In Year		(6,817)	(3.7%)

Movement From Previous Month	
May-16	(£6,817)
Jun-16	
Jul-16	
Aug-16	
Sep-16	
Oct-16	
Nov-16	
Dec-16	
Jan-17	
Feb-17	
Mar-17	

8. Detailed Service Reports

8.1 Children's Services

Original Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	New Schemes / (Completed Schemes) £000's	Revised Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	Schemes rephased to /from 2017-18 £000's	Forecast 2016-17 Capital Outturn £000's
74,290	1,523	75,813	(5,028)	70,785

Children's Services Summary	£m	%
Actual Cumulative Expenditure to Period 2	3.18	4%
Forecast Expenditure - Periods 3-12	67.60	96%
Forecast Outturn 2016-17	70.78	100%

Expenditure

Actual expenditure in the month totalled £2.2m, taking the cumulative actual expenditure at the end of period 2 to £3.18m, some 4% of the total forecast outturn for 2016-17. The forecast outturn of £70.78m represents an overall reduction of £3.50m when compared to previous forecasts.

The revised forecast includes new schemes to expand Isebrooke Special Education Needs School and Old Stratford Primary School and capital works at Barry Road Pool and Rowan Gate Primary School totalling £1.52m in 2016-17.

Budget managers have reprofiled their forecast expenditure for Radstone Fields Brackley £2.48m and Pineham Barns Primary £2.16m due to delays in starting works leading to a reduction in 2016-17 forecast spend.

The following significant schemes are being delivered or progressed in 2016-17 to bring significant improvements and growth in schools infrastructure in the County:

Scheme Description	Forecast Expenditure 2016-17 £m
Northampton International Academy – new 2-19 all through school with 2,220 pupils from primary to post 16.	20.25
East Northants Educational Restructure from three to two tier following the closure of the two middle schools with capital schemes at 11 schools plus interim arrangements.	11.78
Silverstone Primary School	5.06
Radstone Fields Primary School Brackley	4.94
Pineham Barns Primary School (including Land)	4.57
Corby Technical College Extension	3.83

Scheme Description	Forecast Expenditure 2016-17 £m
Moulton Primary Extension	2.65
Roade Primary Extension	2.12
Henry Chichele Primary Extension	1.91
Fairfields PDA - to increase from 112 to 120 pupils to meet the increasing demand for special places in the County and improve the onsite facilities.	1.64
Hardingstone Academy Extension & Remodelling	1.62
Moulton School Science College	1.55
Others (no individual scheme over £1.5m)	8.89
Total	70.78

Funding

Although the 2017-18 basic need allocations from the Department for Education (DfE) for the Council are positive, the authority has already committed the majority of its projected 2016-17 DfE capital grant funding towards the Directorate capital programme

8.2 Environment, Development and Transport Services

Original Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	New Schemes / (Completed Schemes) £000's	Revised Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	Schemes rephased to /from 2017-18 £000's	Forecast 2016-17 Capital Outturn £000's
100,428	1,660	102,088	(4,936)	97,152

EDT Summary	£m	%
Actual Cumulative Expenditure to Period 2	6.95	7%
Forecast Expenditure – Period 3 to 12	90.20	93%
Forecast Outturn 2016-17	97.15	100%

Capital investment plays a critical part in the Council's role of promoting growth, investment, jobs and bringing prosperity to Northamptonshire and its citizens. In recent years the Council has successfully delivered new or enhanced highway, transportation and environmental projects to the Northamptonshire economy and this has seen significantly improved or new transportation links reducing travel times and improving connectivity throughout and beyond Northamptonshire. This has included major schemes such as the Corby Link Road, Sandy Lane Improvements and the ongoing development and regeneration of the Northampton Enterprise Zone, the largest Enterprise Zone in England.

The Council has also pioneered innovative approaches and agreements through partnerships to deliver an infrastructure led regeneration of Northamptonshire. The innovative implementation and funding of the Northamptonshire Revolving Infrastructure Fund (NRIF) has enabled the implementation and delivery of key pieces of infrastructure. This has been delivered hand in hand with Government funding through Local Growth Funds and Local Enterprise Partnerships and saw the start of the construction of the Northampton to Daventry Development Link (NDDL) in December 2015.

Management and funding of the capital programme is considered holistically with other funding streams including revenue budgets, external grants and innovative funding. The programmed delivery and management of capital investment is overseen by a unique public/private partnership Capital Programme Delivery Unit. This not only ensures effective management and controls are in place but enables 'ready to go' schemes to be delivered quickly on the ground.

The Directorate's capital programme is £97.15m in the financial year 2016-17 which represents an overall reduction of £3.28m when compared to previous forecasts. This is a result of budget managers reprofiling expenditure, in particular Superfast Broadband £3.92m awaiting confirmation of new stage 3 contracts to be confirmed, and the inclusion of the new £1.3m St Giles Scheme.

Actual expenditure in the month totalled £8.02m taking the cumulative actual expenditure at the end of period 2 to £6.95m (including the reversal of year end adjustments), some 7% of the total forecast outturn for 2016-17.

The following significant schemes are being delivered or progressed in 2016-17 to bring significant improvements in infrastructure in the County, allowing for improved road network access and linkages, to help enable and support growth and development:

Scheme Description	Forecast Expenditure 2016-17 £m
Project Angel – design & construction	27.17
A45 Northampton to Daventry Development Link (NDDL)	17.53
LTP Maintenance Block 2015-17	14.19
A43 Northampton – Kettering Phase 1b	6.83
Highway Network	5.00
Highway Asset Management	4.04
Northampton Superfast Broadband	3.22
Fire Schemes	2.88
LTP Integrated Transport Block 2015-17	2.29
Smart Corridors	2.00
Highways Maintenance	1.96
Stanton Cross	1.60
Others (no individual scheme over £1.5m)	8.44
Total	97.15

Funding

The Council continues to work on additional capital investment on highway maintenance to provide further significant cash injections within the next two 2 years, continuing the progress made in recent years. This is likely to see a step change in the asset condition reducing further deterioration and seeing significant savings against the continuing maintenance of the asset over the medium term to the benefit and savings associated with revenue funding.

8.3 Adults Services

Original Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	New Schemes / (Completed Schemes) £000's	Revised Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	Schemes rephased to /from 2017-18 £000's	Forecast 2016-17 Capital Outturn £000's
608	0	608	(0)	608

Adults Services Summary	£m	%
Actual Cumulative Expenditure to Period 2	0	0%
Forecast Expenditure - Periods 3-12	0.61	100%
Forecast Outturn 2016-17	0.61	100%

Expenditure

The Service's forecast capital expenditure for 2016-17 stands at £0.61m

Adults Services managers are reviewing service provision and future forecasts will reflect their plans.

Funding

In 2015-16 the Council received an allocation of £1,513,000 Social Care Grant funding

From 2016-17 Social Care Grant funding has been amalgamated with the Disabled Facilities Grant and £3,518,418 funding received by the Council is being passported to Northamptonshire Districts and Borough Councils to support people to remain independent in their own homes - reducing or delaying the need for care and support, and improving the quality of life for residents. The Council therefore has less capital resources to support this service area.

8.4 Wellbeing and Prevention Services

Original Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	New Schemes / (Completed Schemes) £000's	Revised Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	Schemes rephased to /from 2017-18 £000's	Forecast 2016-17 Capital Outturn £000's
1,173	0	1,173	47	1,220

PHW Summary	£m	%
Actual Cumulative Expenditure to Period 2	0.02	
Forecast Expenditure - Periods 3-12	1.20	100%
Forecast Outturn 2016-17	1.22	100%

Expenditure

The Service's forecast capital expenditure for 2016-17 stands at £1.22m

The Service has spent £0.02m of the £1.22m forecast capital expenditure outturn for the financial year. The main scheme included in the 2016-17 forecast is the Moulton Library Relocation £0.52m

8.5 IT Infrastructure / Development

Original Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	New Schemes / (Completed Schemes) £000's	Revised Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	Schemes rephased to /from 2017-18 £000's	Forecast 2016-17 Capital Outturn £000's
4,142	0	4,142	7	4,149

IT Summary	£m	%
Actual Cumulative Expenditure to Period 2	0.54	13%
Forecast Expenditure - Periods 3-12	3.51	87%
Forecast Outturn 2016-17	4.15	100%

Expenditure

The IT Infrastructure capital expenditure forecast outturn for 2016-17 stands at £4.15m

The Directorate has spent £0.54m representing 13% of the £4.15m forecast capital expenditure outturn for the financial year.

The following significant schemes are being delivered or progressed in 2016-17:

Scheme Description	Forecast Expenditure 2016-17 £m
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Project Angel & Next Generation Working IT – Phase 1 enabling mobile/agile working.	1.08
Next Generation ERP Financial Accounting System	0.84
Microsoft ESA and ECI 2014-17	0.77
Other IT capital schemes under £0.5m	1.46
Total	4.15

8.6 Property Maintenance

Original Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	New Schemes / (Completed Schemes) £000's	Revised Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	Schemes rephased to /from 2017-18 £000's	Forecast 2016-17 Capital Outturn £000's
2,993	0	2,993	37	3,030

Property Summary	£m	%
Actual Cumulative Expenditure to Period 2	0.11	4%
Forecast Expenditure - Periods 3-12	2.92	96%
Forecast Outturn 2016-17	3.03	100%

Expenditure

The Property Maintenance capital programme forecast outturn for 2016-17 stands at £3.03m.

The Directorate has spent £0.11m representing 4% of the £3.03m forecast capital expenditure outturn for the financial year.

The following significant schemes are being delivered or progressed in 2016-17:

Scheme Description	Forecast Expenditure 2016-17 £m
Kettering William Knibb Centre Refurbishment	1.16
Minor Works Schemes 2014-15	0.88
Minor Works Schemes 2015-17	0.82
Other Property capital schemes under £0.5m	0.17
Total	3.03

8.7 Chief Executive Services

Original Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	New Schemes / (Completed Schemes) £000's	Revised Capital Budget 2016-17 £000's	Schemes rephased to /from 2017-18 £000's	Forecast 2016-17 Capital Outturn £000's
511	0	511	(127)	384

Chief Executive Services Summary	£m	%
Actual Cumulative Expenditure to Period 2	0	0%
Forecast Expenditure - Periods 3-12	0.38	100%
Forecast Outturn 2016-17	0.38	100%

Expenditure

The Chief Executive Services capital programme expenditure forecast outturn stands at £0.38m for 2016-17.

9. Capital Investment Board (CIB) - Recommendations and Updates

9.1 Each month the Capital Investment Board meets to discuss and recommend capital projects for inclusion in the Council's Committed Capital Programme..

The CIB met on the 6 June and has recommended the promotion of 3 schemes, extension of 2 schemes and the entry of three new schemes totalling investment of £12,685,357 (Table 4), to go forward for Cabinet and Council approval, as required, to enable formal entry into the Council's Committed Capital Programme.

No.	Scheme Status	Capital Scheme Title	Capital Expenditure Requiring Approval £	Funding Source
1	Promotion from Dev Pool	IT Infrastructure	330,000	Discretionary
2	Promotion from Dev Pool	Project Angel and Next Generation Working IT	1,846,000	Discretionary

No.	Scheme Status	Capital Scheme Title	Capital Expenditure Requiring Approval £	Funding Source
3	Promotion from Dev Pool	Wootton Hall Park School temporary accommodation	3,085,996	EFA Grant
4	Existing Scheme	PCC Funded Local Road Safety Improvements	98,000	Funded by Police
5	Existing Scheme	Northampton International Academy	5,626,361	EFA Free School Capital Grant
6	New Scheme	Malcolm Arnold Academy Highways Works	132,000	S278 Contribution
7	New Scheme	Highways Maintenance Incentive Fund 2016/17	856,000	DFT Grant
8	New Scheme	Pothole Action Fund	711,000	DFT Grant
Capital Investment Recommendation			12,685,357	

Table 4 - Summary of Capital Schemes Recommended by the CIB from 6th June 2016

9.2 CIB Recommended Capital Schemes

IT Infrastructure £330,000

The scheme will upgrade the current Citrix Farm to cope with the new technology that is being rolled out. This new technology includes IE Office 2013, Skype for Business, IE11, Windows 10.

This is the first drawdown against the £1m identified for 2016-17.

Project Angel and Next Generation Working IT £1,846,000

This funding is required for the purchase of the Main Computer Room (MCR) and Satellite equipment rooms (SER). This provides the Local Area Networking, Wifi connectivity and Audio Visual units for communal areas/meeting spaces.

These Elements together will allow the provision of the technology and infrastructure required to equip Angel Street to provide IT Services in line with the cultural and operational changes being delivered by the Next Generation Working project.

This is drawdown of the remaining balance of the £5.5m identified for this scheme

Wootton Hall Park Freeschool temporary accommodation (phase 1) £3,085,996

This scheme will provide temporary accommodation for pupils starting at the Wootton Hall Park Freeschool from September 2016. This part of the scheme will see the installation of sufficient modular buildings to accommodate 540 pupils (180 pupils across the primary age-range and 360 across the secondary age-range).

The new Freeschool is being funded by the Education Funding Agency (EFA) and Phase 1 will provide modular buildings to be used over the next three years.

The EFA have purchased the freehold of the land to be developed, subject to receiving planning permission for the permanent accommodation

PCC Funded Local Road Safety Improvements £98,000

Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) have approached Northamptonshire Highways Road Safety team to investigate and deliver localised Road Safety /Speed Reduction interventions at a variety of locations throughout Northamptonshire.

The PCC agreed upto £80k for Design and preparation of schemes:

- > Initial Approval was £50k of design and prep
- > the first set of works have also been agreed - these scheme will cost £67,925

Northampton International Academy £5,626,361

NCC has negotiated £5.6m further funding to cover the additional costs of converting the former Post Office building into a school and the temporary accommodation funding of £0.96m previously treated as Revenue has been amalgamated into the total capital cost of £34.7m.

The 2 – 19 academy will eventually house 2,220 pupils comprising 420 primary, 1,500 secondary and 300 post-16 students. It will admit children in Reception and Year 7 from September 2016 and will share a campus with the Castle Academy, enhancing the opportunities for its pupils as well as those of the new international academy.

Malcolm Arnold Academy Highways Works £132,000

The scheme will carry out highway works, at the request of the developer, to improve capacity at a mini roundabout at Malcolm Arnold Academy to facilitate development of the Academy school

Highways works are a planning requirement placed on the school by the planning authority and must be completed prior to the school opening in early September 2016. Northamptonshire Highways have agreed to deliver these works due to the short timescales involved and to ensure that the school can open to pupils in September as planned.

Highways Maintenance Incentive Fund 2016-17 £856,000

In recent years there has been a growing movement from the Department of Transport (DfT) to encourage local authorities to adopt sound asset management practices. The Highways Maintenance Efficiency programme has provided substantial direction to

help local authorities leading to the introduction of the Incentive Fund which will run until 2020-21.

The money received is dependent on an authority's score received on completion of a 22 question self assessment questionnaire. The scoring ranged from Band 1 to Band 3. Northamptonshire County Council was scored as a Band 2 authority

Pothole Action Fund £711,000

It is expected that each authority will commit to target these funds on permanently fixing potholes on the roads or by stopping them forming in the first place. This funding must complement (rather than displace) planned highway maintenance expenditure for 2016-17.

To promote greater transparency the Department of Transport (DoT) expects every authority to publish an annual report on their website by end of March 2017, showing how much money has been spent, including a quantifiable report of the specific activities that have been undertaken including the location.

10. Government Funding Announcements

There are no new funding announcements.

11. Risk and Business Continuity Management

There are internal control processes in place to ensure that the Council does not spend beyond the resources available. Risk will be managed and monitored throughout the organisation during the delivery of the Council's budget plans.

12 List of appendices

No appendices to this document are included. All information to enable a decision is included within the main report.

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Background Papers:	CP monitoring returns, Head of Service Reports and Capital Monitoring spreadsheets, DMT Meetings and Government Announcements
Does the report propose a key decision is taken?	YES
If yes, is the decision in the Forward Plan?	NO
Will further decisions be required? If so, please outline the timetable here	NO
Is this report proposing an amendment to the budget and/or policy framework?	NO
Have the financial implications been cleared by the Strategic Finance Manager (SFM)? Have any capital spend implications been cleared by the Capital Investment Board (CIB)	Yes Name of SFM: Rosemary Pallot YES
Has the report been cleared by the relevant Director?	YES Name: Matt Bowmer
Has the relevant Cabinet Member been consulted?	YES Cabinet Member: Cllr Robin Brown
Has the relevant scrutiny committee been consulted?	NO
Has the report been cleared by Legal Services?	YES Name of solicitor: Laurie Gould Solicitor's comments:
Have any communications issues been cleared by Communications and Marketing?	YES Name of officer: Simon Deacon
Have any property issues been cleared by Property and Asset Management	NO
Has an Equalities Impact Assessment been carried out in relation to this report?	NO
Are there any community safety implications?	NO
Are there any environmental implications:	NO
Are there any Health & Safety Implications:	NO
Are there any Human Resources Implications:	NO
Are there any human rights implications:	NO
Constituency Interest:	ALL

