

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

2021/22
Decision No.
2347

Record of Decision by Executive

Monday, 7 February 2022

Portfolio	Policy & Resources
Subject:	Capital Programme and Capital Strategy 2022/23
Report of:	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Corporate Priority:	Dynamic, prudent and progressive Council

Purpose:

This report considers the Capital Strategy for 2022/23, prior to its submission to the Council for approval.

Regulations require the Council to prepare and formally approve a Capital Strategy. The document for 2022/23 is attached as Appendix A to the report for consideration by the Executive before being submitted to Council for approval.

The Capital Strategy gives a high-level overview of how capital expenditure, capital financing, asset management and treasury management activity contribute to the provision of services along with an overview of how associated risk is managed and the implications for future financial sustainability.

The main highlights in the Capital Strategy are:

- i. The level of capital expenditure estimate for 2022/23 is £19.9 million.
- ii. The current estimate is that £9.8 million of this will be met by new borrowing.
- iii. A new section about Environmental Sustainability has been added.
- iv. A high-level review of future funding requirements has identified a capital funding requirement of £229 million.
- v. The Council's commercial property portfolio has an estimate value of £61.5 million.

A separate report proposing the Treasury Management and Investment Strategy for 2022/23 is also being presented at the February meeting of the Executive.

Options Considered:

The comments of the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Panel were taken into account in considering this item.

As recommendation.

Decision:

RESOLVED that the Executive:

- (a) endorses the draft Capital Strategy for 2022/23, attached as Appendix A to the report;
- (b) approves the capital programme for the period 2021/22 to 2025/26, amounting to £73.8million as set out in Annex 1 of the Capital Strategy; and
- (c) agrees to submit the Capital Strategy for 2022/23 to Council for approval.

Reason:

To allow the Council to approve the Capital Strategy in accordance with the Prudential Code.

Confirmed as a true record:

Councillor SDT Woodward (Executive Leader)

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