

GF & HRA MAJOR VARIANCE EXPLANATIONS SINCE LAST REPORTED POSITION

ASPIRATIONS, CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING	
	<u>Slippage and Re-phasing</u>
1.	<u>Secondary Expansion St Marks (Re-phase of £0.94M from 2020/21 to 2019/20)</u> Greater progress has been made in 2019/20 than anticipated requiring budget to be re-phased that had previously been slipped into 2020/21. The project has a pre-construction agreement with the preferred contractor under which a design has been developed and enabling works have progressed. This has allowed earlier progress on the investigations and studies required to submit a planning application.
2.	<u>R&M Programme for School (Slippage of £0.87M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u> Some works are reliant on summer holiday access to schools to be carried out. If the programme misses those windows unfortunately the work needs to be re-phased to another convenient time. Schools affected are Townhill Roof Works, Mount Pleasant Clock Work and Maytree Nursery Roof. In the case of Townhill Park there has also been a change to the scope of work as it was identified in the design phases that there is a need for a significant amount of further work. A full review of options for the school is being commissioned.
3.	<u>Sholing Technical College Renovation (Slippage of £2.02M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u> A funding transfer agreement is in place with the learning trust for the school who are managing the works which were anticipated to be completed in 2019/20. However the trusts completion of works is progressing slower than anticipated and funds will not be transferred until completion. This project does not impact pupil capacity.
	<u>Over & Under Spends</u>
4.	<u>Schools Devolved Capital (Overspend of £0.97M in 2019/20, an increase of £0.97M since last reported position)</u> The schools capital work programme is undertaken throughout the year and funded through devolved capital funding. The capital spend is not included in forecasts during the year but is added to the capital financing out turn statement. The over spend is funded from grant allocations.
PLACE AND TRANSPORT	
	<u>Slippage and Re-phasing</u>
5.	<u>Congestion Reduction - Intelligent Transport Systems (Re-phase of £1.00M from 2020/21 to 2019/20)</u> The Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) schemes planned for 2020/21 meant that it was important to get this scheme completed earlier than originally planned to then allow more network capacity and resources to focus on these TCF projects in the new financial year.

6.	<p><u>Congestion Reduction - Electric Vehicle Action Plan (Slippage of £0.51M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>The Council's depots required charge points to be fitted for the new electric fleet as a priority. As a result installation of twelve additional charge points planned for city centre car parks needed to be delayed. In addition, the installation of on-street residential charge points has been placed on hold due to a legal issue relating to the electricity supply and attempts to find a hardware solutions that will integrate with street lamp columns. An alternative hardware solution has now been found and the project will deliver on-street charge points for residents in 2020/21. The delivery of the 12 additional charge points are part of the wider 2020/21 programme. Additional staff resources are being secured to ensure an uplift in the programme delivery.</p>
7.	<p><u>Additional Roads Programme (Slippage of £0.66M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>The overall highways programme was adjusted in-year based on scheme priority and asset management prioritisation which has resulted in the delivery schedule for this scheme being revised. This meant that several road work projects that were originally planned for 2019/20 will now be delivered in 2020/21.</p>
8.	<p><u>Electric vehicle purchases (Slippage of £0.82M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>The first batch of electric vehicles was scheduled for delivery in late March 2020, however this has been delayed due to the COVID 19 outbreak. Deliveries are now taking place in April 2020, respecting lockdown and social distancing measures.</p>
9.	<p><u>Public Transport – Clean Bus Technology Fund (Slippage of £1.15M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>This is a grant scheme where operators claim from the Council the cost of retrofitting cleaner engines in their fleet of vehicles. There is a set process the bus operators must follow in order to receive the grant. A key step in this process is have the retrofitting independently certified prior to submitting a claim, this certification process is taking longer than anticipated due to capacity issues with the certifiers. Final grant claims from operators are now expected in 2020/21.</p>
RESOURCES	
	<u>Slippage and Re-phasing</u>
10.	<p><u>Civic Centre Upgrade (Slippage of £0.73M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>Revenue works to the civic centre were prioritised to bring a range of improvements to the working and public spaces. This meant that some of the capital programme was re-timed to allow these works to be carried out as a priority. Following the emergence of the Covid19 pandemic non-essential projects were paused to allow key personnel to focus on Covid19 related works.</p>
11.	<p><u>Desktop Refresh Programme (Slippage of £0.97M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>Planned delivery of desktop IT hardware was due to be received in March 2020 but due to supplier operational issues the delivery will now be received in April 2020, as a result this phase of the project will now be completed in the 2020/21.</p>

12.	<p><u>Client Case Management System (Slippage of £1.66M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>This project has been delayed as the supplier Care Works were not able to meet the initial timeframe. Software delivery has been moved from December 2019 to July 2020. Also the delivery of laptops for field workers was delayed to April 2020.</p>
13.	<p><u>Property Investment Fund (Slippage of £20.00M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>Initial plans were for investment in late 2019/20. Due to the current economic climate property investment will not now be undertaken until the 2020/21 or later. Investment opportunities will be carefully reviewed to determine when the best return can be achieved.</p>
HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA)	
	<u>Slippage and Rephasing</u>
14.	<p><u>Oaklands Site (Re-phasing of £1.27M from 2020/21 to 2019/20)</u></p> <p>The Oaklands Development has progressed with an improved timescale than originally anticipated and as a result there is a requirement to re-profile the budget for the project to reflect this. A revised budget for this project was set as part of the HRA budget setting process to ensure it was sufficient.</p>
15.	<p><u>Total Mobile (Slippage of £0.53M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>A lack of resource available that were trained to install the new programme, has delayed go live. Resources will be evaluated in the new financial year to ensure the project is achieved.</p>
16.	<p><u>Energy Company Obligation - Canberra Towers (Slippage of £0.60M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>This project has needed to be re-profiled to 2020/21 to ensure that whilst going through the process of appointing the consultants to work on the project there has been effective involvement of all key parties including Hampshire Fire and Rescue. Budget has been slipped into 2020/21 to match the planned spend.</p>
17.	<p><u>Block Modernisation Programme (Slippage of £0.89M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>This project had been re-profiled compared with the original plans to be able to include additional fire safety measures including sprinklers to supported housing block as part of the scheme. Budget has been slipped into 2020/21 to match the planned spend.</p>
18.	<p><u>Estate Regeneration Woodside/Wimpson (Slippage of £1.17M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>The contractor has experienced challenges on site including severe adverse weather conditions and also the provision of appropriate power from Scottish and Southern Energy. This affected the programme of works.</p>

19.	<p><u>Right to Buy Satisfactory Purchase Scheme (Slippage of £1.33M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>This scheme has been re-profiled to tie in with the delivery of the 1000 homes programme, clear criteria and processes are being established to ensure that the properties acquired meet the needs of the housing register and the council stock requirements. The funding requires slippage into 2020/21 to facilitate the purchase of individual properties based on availability and suitability of properties on the market.</p>
20.	<p><u>Townhill Park Regeneration (Slippage of £1.49M from 2019/20 to 2020/21)</u></p> <p>The funding currently in this programme is focused around the costs associated with the decommissioning of blocks. In some cases negotiations take longer to conclude and in this instance this related to leaseholders in Plot 9 which has caused the spend to be slower than anticipated. The Council will continue negotiations in 2020/21 and will seek to use the Compulsory Purchase Orders route as a last resort. Once the purchase is complete, demolition of the building can resume.</p>