

**Item remitted to Council
from Cabinet meeting
held on 6 March 2025.**

EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL

Cabinet

6 March 2025

Report by the Head of Finance

GENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to monitor both income and expenditure as at 31 December 2024 against the approved General Fund Capital Programme and to recommend adjustments where required.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. The Cabinet is asked to recommend that Council:
 - note and approve the movements within the 2024/25 programme; and
 - note shortfall of £0.362m and that income and expenditure on the programme will be managed and reported within the final accounts for the year.

BACKGROUND

3. The General Fund Capital Programme for 2024-2034 was approved by Council on 28 February 2024.
4. Movements on the 2024/25 programme were approved by Council on 26 June 2024, and Cabinet on 3 October and 21 November 2024.
5. This report updates project costs and phasings based on progress to date and anticipated to 31 March 2025.
6. The programme is being constantly monitored to ensure any additional cost pressures on key projects can be covered by deferring or reducing other projects to compensate. Where there is general provision for regular capital expenditure (such as on ICT, Roads, or Schools Major Works) officers are expected to prioritise spend on such schemes to remain within the budgeted level. It is recognised that this may mean that fewer such schemes will progress in the year.

CURRENT POSITION

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| 7. Total anticipated expenditure (Appendix A) | £44.815m |
| Total anticipated resources (Appendix B) | <u>£44.453m</u> |
| Shortfall | <u>£ 0.362m</u> |

INCOME MOVEMENTS

8. The main income movements are as follows: -

- Borrowing
Since the last monitoring report submitted to Cabinet on 21 November 2024, borrowing has been reduced by £5.465m due to the various income and expenditure movements within the programme.
- Capital Reserve
As outlined in paragraph 9 below, expenditure on the Purchase of Additional Housing Units during the current year has been reduced. This project is being funded from the Capital Reserve and the drawdown has been rescheduled in line with the revised expenditure plan. The drawdown during the current year has been reduced by £0.150m. This sum will now be drawndown during 2025/26.

EXPENDITURE MOVEMENTS

9. The estimated expenditure has reduced by £5.739m below the level reported to Cabinet on 21 November 2024. The main expenditure movements are as follows:

Property, Schools

- Neilston Learning Campus
This is a large value capital project and main works are now complete. The process of agreeing and settling final payments with the contractor will continue beyond the end of the financial year. Expenditure in the current year has been reduced by £0.637m.
- Improved Learning
This project encompasses various works, including Emotionally Based Learning schemes and pool improvements at Isobel Mair. Anticipated expenditure in 2024/25 has decreased by £0.173m. This is principally due to the hydrotherapy pool works at Isobel Mair School, which will now commence later than previously envisaged. This is to allow for full details of this specialist pool to be assessed before the works commence.
- Free School Meals Expansion
Additional grant funding for this project was reported to Cabinet on 21 November 2024. It was envisaged that the funding could be used to deliver improvements at a number of locations across the school estate. However, following further consideration on where best value may be obtained, these funds will now be predominantly used to deliver improvements at Giffnock Primary School. Due to the intrusive nature of the works intended, the project will need to be scheduled outwith the school term. Expenditure in the year has been reduced by £0.270m.
- Maidenhill Primary School Extension
The design and construction of this project is scheduled over the current and next financial year. The main construction works are now expected to be on site during March with delivery scheduled for August 2025. Expenditure in the current year has been reduced by £0.291m.

Property, Other

- Barrhead South Access – Railway Station
The process of finalising legal agreements is in progress and expenditure this financial year is now likely to be limited to design costs and fees, with main construction works now scheduled to start during 2025/26. As a result, anticipated expenditure in the current financial year has been reduced by £0.800m.
- Country Park Visitor Centre & Infrastructure
This initiative is linked to the larger Aurs Road construction project, with various utility design and construction works being progressed as part of the Aurs Road project. The Visitor Cente is currently at design stage with the main construction work now scheduled for future years. Expenditure in the current year has been reduced by £0.170m.
- Purchase of Additional Housing Units (Homelessness)
There has been significant progress in identifying and purchasing further additional Housing units to help address homelessness in the area. Three homes have been purchased to date and the purchase of a further three is expected to be completed before the end of the financial year. However, the project is likely to continue into the early part of the next financial year. Expenditue in the year has been reduced by £0.150m.
- Eastwood HQ Refurbishment
This project was the subject of a detailed report to Council on 11 December 2024. The main construction works are now planned to take place across 2025 and 2026. Expenditure in the current year has been reduced by £0.200m.

Open Spaces

- Country Park Tourism Infrastructure and Economic Activity Projects
This initiative is also linked to the larger Aurs Road construction project. Expenditure in the current year has been reduced by £0.124m. Funding from Developer Contributions has been secured to fund Balgray Reservoir path works and will be progressed as part of this project. As a result, the total cost has been increased by £0.059m.

Roads

- A736 Main Street Barrhead
In light of the current construction activity in the wider Barrhead area, this project has been deferred to future years. Expenditure in the year has been reduced by £0.175m.
- Active Travel Infrastructure Fund
The process of finalising the approvals required to progress a number of projects, particularly regarding 20mph works, has taken longer than originally anticipated. Expenditure in the current financial year has been reduced by £0.422m.

Council Wide ICT

- **ICT General**
It is expected that costs associated with the SWAN 2 (Scottish Wide Area Network) migration will fall in to the next financial year. This area of work is subject to national timescales and scheduling is dependent on the progress of other authorities. As a result, costs in the current year have been reduced by £0.210m.
- **Education CCTV**
There have been supply chain issues with equipment, with the lead time being longer than anticipated. Work will be completed at a number of sites this financial year but will continue into the next. Expenditure in the current financial year has been reduced by £0.233m.
- **Full Fibre Digital Transformation**
This project involves the replacement of the wide area network at most Council locations including schools. Although the implementation works are in progress, the expenditure incurred is dependent on both progress by the contractor and successful testing at each site. It is anticipated that work will continue into the next financial year. Expenditure in the current year has been reduced by a further £0.339m.
- **ICT Infrastructure Review**
Funding for this project was approved by Cabinet on 3 October 2024. The expenditure profile has been revised following completion of the detailed scheme design. Expenditure in the current financial year has been reduced by £0.270m.

Fleet

- **Vehicles**
Specialised fleet vehicles have a significant lead time between the point of order and the date of delivery. A small number of vehicles ordered this financial year will not be delivered until after the year-end. Expenditure in the current year has been reduced by £0.233m.

COMMENT

10. The projected shortfall of £0.362m represents 0.8% of the resources available and is within manageable limits.
11. The projected expenditure figure of £44.815m exceeds the actual outturn achieved during the previous financial year (£42.446m). However the actual outturn is dependent on the progress achieved by the contractors.

PARTNERSHIP WORKING

12. This report has been prepared following consultation with appropriate staff from various departments within the Council, including Property and Technical Services and Information Technology.

RECOMMENDATIONS

13. The Cabinet is asked to recommend that Council:

- note and approve the movements within the 2024/25 programme; and
- note the shortfall of £0.362m and that income and expenditure on the programme will be managed and reported within the final accounts for the year.

Further information is available from Paul Parsons, Principal Accountant, telephone 07741 701 451.

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11 April, 2025

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Appendix A

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2024/2025

ANNUAL COSTS £'000			TOTAL COST £'000	
CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST	REVISED TOTAL COST
Property - Schools	9,069	7,491	5,222	43,164
Property - Culture & Leisure	2,527	2,432	1,446	5,072
Property - Other	8,081	6,402	4,390	12,533
Open Spaces	3,146	2,831	1,335	8,050
Roads	19,773	19,060	12,102	6,016
Corporate Wide - ICT	5,394	4,268	2,393	6,909
Fleet	2,564	2,331	581	10
TOTAL	50,554	44,815	27,469	81,754
			228,448	230,189

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Property - Schools

ANNUAL COSTS £'000						TOTAL COST £'000		
COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	COMMENT	SPENT PRIOR TO 31.03.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST	REVISED TOTAL COST
Grouped	Schools Major Maintenance	1,259	1,259	599	See Annex 1	0	1,259	1,259
800050031	Maidenhill Primary School	151	0	0	Complete - payments outstanding	14,192	14,343	14,343
800050057	Neilston Learning Campus	3,637	3,000	2,638	Complete - payments outstanding	23,937	29,164	29,164
800050038	St Mark's Car Park	267	296	271	Complete - payments outstanding	153	420	449
800050058	MCHS Sports Facility	71	50	37	Complete - payments outstanding	2,096	2,167	2,167
800050065	Improving Learning	308	135	116	Work in progress	17	1,325	1,325
	Isobel Mair External Classrooms	35	35	15	Complete - payments outstanding	889	1,022	1,022
800050068	Free School Meals Expansion	300	30	8	Work to be programmed - project at design stage	228	2,643	2,643
800000023	St John's PS - Early Learning & Childcare Places	992	1,016	911	Work in progress	968	2,030	2,030
800050072	Gaelic Medium PS	98	98	93	Complete - payments outstanding	667	780	780
800050076	Maidenhill Primary School Extension	1,091	800	104	Work programmed	17	3,426	3,426
	Means Castle High School Extension	600	600	429	Internal alterations - work in progress. External extension - at design stage.	0	5,372	5,372
800050081	Crookfur PS Games Area	180	132	1	Work in progress	0	180	180
	Eastwood HS Dining Area	80	40	2	Work to be programmed	0	600	600
		9,069	7,491	5,222		43,164	64,731	64,760

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Property - Culture & Leisure

COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	ANNUAL COSTS £'000			COMMENT	TOTAL COST £'000
		CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24		
8002000019	Eastwood Park Leisure	1,810	1,810	1,322	Work in progress	3,316
8002000020	ERCLT General Building Improvement Fund	243	200	26	Work in progress	588
8000500049	Eastwood HS Sports Centre Changing Rooms/Disabled Facilities	42	42	0	Complete - payments outstanding	1,062
8002000015	Equipment - Gym and Theatre	277	277	0	Work in progress	0
805600002	Theatre Equipment	52	0	0	Work to be programmed	0
8002 00023	Barrhead Foundry Works	103	103	99	Complete - payments outstanding	106
		2,527	2,432	1,446		5,072
						58,973
						58,973

Property - Other

ANNUAL COSTS £'000

COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	COMMENT	SPENT PRIOR TO 31.03.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST	TOTAL COST £'000
Grouped	1. City Deal							
8040000009	Bairhead South Access - Railway Station	1,200	400	273	Work programmed	2,280	18,331	18,331
8040000006	Country Park Visitor Centre & Infrastructure	300	130	43	Design stage completed and OBC approved by Glasgow City Region.	321	2,800	2,800
	Greenlaw Business Incubator	46	0	0	Complete - payment outstanding	5,497	5,543	5,543
Grouped	2. Environment Other Projects							
800420016	Overlee House Extension	50	0	0	Work to be programmed - increase in total cost (£297k) approved by Council 11th December 2024	77	630	927
800420032	Purchase of Additional Housing Units (Homelessness)	1,000	850	163	Work in progress	0	1,000	1,000
Grouped	3. Council Wide Property							
Grouped	Retentions - All Services	50	50	46	Work in progress	0	50	50
800420013	Property Maintenance	2,850	2,791	2,093	See Annex 2	2,431	6,281	6,296
800404017	Eastwood Park Campus Improvements	40	30	26	Work in progress	310	522	522
	Office Accommodation Barrhead	950	950	942	Complete - payments outstanding	1,202	2,252	2,252

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Property - Other

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800420020	Capelrig House Upgrade	934	795	472	Complete - payments outstanding	266	1,200	1,200
	Thornliebank Depot Electricity Sub Station	25	0	0	Work to be programmed - deferred to 2025/26	0	400	400
800420030	Eastwood House Roof	176	176	163	Work complete, payments outstanding	149	325	325
800404025	Eastwood HQ Refurbishment	400	200	169	Work in progress increase in total cost (£1.3m) approved by Council 11th December 2024	0	4,520	5,820
	Response Centre Refurbishment	60	30	0	At design stage - increase in total cost (£61k) approved by Council 11th December 2024	0	189	250
		8,081	6,402	4,390		12,533	44,043	45,716

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Open Spaces

ANNUAL COSTS £'000

COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	COMMENT	TOTAL COST £'000
					SPENT PRIOR TO 31.03.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST
1. REGENERATION						
8020000008	Country Park - Tourism Infrastructure And Economic Activity Projects	124	0	0	Work to be programmed - increase in total cost funded by Developer Contributions	111
8020000015	White Cart Tributaries Environmental Improvements	204	154	1	Work programmed	3,086
8020000032	Regeneration Projects - General Provision	230	204	169	Work in progress	0
2. Environment - Other Projects						
8022 00010	Town Centre & Neighbourhood Regeneration	25	0	0	Work to be programmed	0
802200007	Parks, Cemeteries & Pitch Improvements	216	216	138	Work in progress	1,243
802200020	Renewal of Playparks	310	310	3	Work in progress	301
802200021	Nature Restoration	20	20	2	Work to be programmed	66
802200002	Clarkston Town Centre Action And Traffic Management Improvements	20	0	0	Work to be programmed	197

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Open Spaces

ANNUAL COSTS £'000

COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	COMMENT	TOTAL COST £'000
					SPENT PRIOR TO 31.03.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST
					0	REVISED TOTAL COST
802200032	Artificial Pitch Replacements	650	650	545	Complete - payments outstanding	1,033
802200030/31	Place Based Investment Programme	126	126	102	Complete - payments outstanding	1,448
Grouped	Town Centre Regeneration	22	0	0	Work to be programmed	1,312
802200015	Braidbar Quarries	20	20	0	Work to be programmed	0
Grouped	UK Shared Prosperity Fund	829	829	266	Work in progress	286
800420031	Cathcart Cemetery Wall	350	302	108	Work in progress	0
		3,146	2,831	1,335		8,050
						13,989
						14,048

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Roads

ANNUAL COSTS £'000				TOTAL COST £'000	
COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	COMMENT
1. City Deal					
804000001	Levern Valley Accessibility - Aurs Road Project	13,587	13,587	8,128	Work in progress
	2. ERC Roads				
803000004	Lighting - Core Cable & Equipment Replacement	160	160	59	Work in progress
803000012	Bridges Refurbishment & Pointing Work	53	67	66	Work in progress
803000015	Principal Inspection Group 1-6	21	21	13	Work in progress
803000025	Traffic Calming Studies/Road Safety	70	70	2	Work programmed
803000369	A77 Ayr Road Reconstruction	225	225	213	Complete - payments outstanding
803000265	A736 Main Street Barrhead	175	0	0	Work programmed
803000390	B764 Eaglesham Moor Road	200	171	171	Work complete
803000391	B771 Paisley Road, Barrhead	72	66	66	Works complete
803000370	A736 Lochlibo Road, Neilston	104	126	126	Works complete
	C3 Uplawmoor Road	200	105	105	Works complete
	General Provision	175	269	0	Work programmed
Grouped	Roads Capital Works	2,789	2,789	2,175	Work in progress
	Street Lighting Column Replacement & Luminaries	860	760	520	Work in progress
				0	860
				0	860
				0	3,071
				0	3,071
				0	860

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Roads

COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	ANNUAL COSTS £'000			COMMENT	TOTAL COST £'000
		CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24		
803000328	A77 Active Corridor	145	129	112	Complete - payments outstanding	805
803000334	Road Safety Improvement Funds	139	139	39	Work in progress	950
803000024	Active Travel Infrastructure Fund (formerly Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets)	672	250	284	Work in progress	111
803000400	Traffic Signals - School Routes	100	100	25	Work in progress	250
803000380	People and Places	26	26	0	Work to be programmed	0
		19,773	19,060	12,102		29,488
					6,016	29,463

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Council Wide - ICT

ANNUAL COSTS £'000

COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24			ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	COMMENT	TOTAL COST £'000	
		PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST			REVISED TOTAL COST	
8050000025	ICT Infrastructure Projects	500	500	346	Work in progress	0	500	500
805000002	IT General Provision	1,600	1,390	381	Work in progress	0	2,218	2,218
805000003	Education Network	250	250	151	Work in progress	0	250	250
805000028	HSCP - Responder Service Modernisation & Safety Net Technology	32	37	37	Complete	148	180	185
805000022	The Digital Workplace	65	25	14	Work in progress	381	464	464
805000001	Core Corporate Finance, Payroll & HR	105	86	33	Work in progress	3,500	3,750	3,750
800050004	Education - Computer Equipment	490	490	490	Complete	0	490	490
805600001	ERCLT People's Network	20	20	8	Work in progress	0	20	20
805000029	ERCLT Digital Platform	42	42	30	Work in progress	368	410	410
805500004	Social Work Case Management System	110	110	93	Work in progress	0	110	110
805300003	Education CCTV	403	170	14	Work in progress	23	626	626
805000027	Telecare Service and Peripherals	222	222	202	Work in progress	928	1,150	1,150
805000034	Full Fibre Digital Transformation	1,139	800	521	Work in progress	1,561	2,700	2,700
	Response Centre CCTV	96	96	73	Work in progress	0	96	96
805000037	ICT Infrastructure Review	300	30	0	Work programmed	850	850	850

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Council Wide - ICT

COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	ANNUAL COSTS £'000				COMMENT	TOTAL COST £'000
		CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST		
	The Way We Work Monitors/Conference Screens	20	0	0	0	Work to be programmed	0
		5,394	4,268	2,393	6,909	13,954	13,959

SPENT PRIOR TO 31.03.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST	REVISED TOTAL COST
0	140	140

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Fleet

	TOTAL COST £'000	
SPENT PRIOR TO 31.03.24	PREVIOUS TOTAL COST	REVISED TOTAL COST
0	401	401
0	495	495
0	2,269	2,269
10	105	105
10	3,270	3,270

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Annex 1 - Schools Major Maintenance Analysis

ANNUAL COSTS £'000				TOTAL COST £'000	
COST CODE	PROJECT NAME	CURRENT YEAR APPROVED AT 21.11.24	PROJECTED OUTTURN FOR CURRENT YEAR	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE TO 31.12.24	COMMENT
Grouped	Window Renewal	49	49	33	Complete - payments outstanding
Grouped	Roof Improvements	1,210	1,210	565	Work in progress
		1,259	1,259	599	
				0	1,259
					1,259

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Annex 2 - Property Maintenance Analysis

ANNUAL COSTS £'000						TOTAL COST £'000		
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800404001	HardWire Testing	105	70	37	Work in progress	0	200	70
800404003	COSH Upgrade	40	45	41	Work in progress	0	100	45
Grouped	Asset Management	220	320	317	Work in progress	0	250	320
800404009	Fire Risk Assessment Adaptations	370	300	195	Work in progress	0	405	300
800404012	Structural Surveys & Improvements	40	15	8	Work in progress	0	40	15
800600001	CEEF/Salix Energy Efficiency	75	0	0	Schemes to be identified	0	75	75
800404005-6	Boiler, Heating & Roof Works	1,500	1,535	1,024	Work in progress	0	1,250	1,535
800404014	Legionella Remedial Improvements	120	126	121	Work in progress	0	150	125
800420017	Ventilation Works (including CO2 Monitors)	380	380	351	Work in progress	2,431	3,811	3,811
		2,850	2,791	2,093		2,431	6,281	6,296

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RESOURCES

	£'000
Grants	
General Capital Grant - Main	5,049
General Capital Grant - Free School Meals Expansion	1,742
Gaelic Medium Primary Schools	33
Active Travel Infrastructure Fund	672
Road Safety Improvement Fund	129
Active Travel Transformation Fund	145
People and Places	26
Low Carbon Fund (White Cart Tributaries Environmental Improvements)	154
City Deal	1,000
Sustrans - Levern Valley Accessibility	4,700
Place Based Investment Programme	126
Shared Prosperity Fund	818
Miscellaneous	56
	14,650
Capital Reserve	850
Investment for Future Reserve	30
Developers Contributions	1,223
Capital Receipts	1,400
Borrowing	26,300
	44,453

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