

<b>New Capital Project Approval Request</b>				
Unit:	Children’s Services (Education and Inclusion)			
Project title:	Longhill School ICT Equipment			
Total Project Cost (All Years)	£41,910			
<b>Purpose, benefits and risks:</b>				
The purpose of the unsecured borrowing is to purchase the school's annual computer replacements. The school’s computers are replaced every five years and the annual payment is planned for within the budget.				
<b>Capital expenditure profile (£'000):</b>				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Unsupported Borrowing	42	0	0	42
Total estimated costs and fees	42	0	0	42
<b>Financial implications:</b>				
The purchase of IT equipment for Longhill School will be funded by unsupported borrowing over a 5 year term. Longhill School ended the 2012/13 financial year with an underspend of £0.274m and has factored the future repayments of £0.042m into their multi-year budget plan submitted to the Schools Finance Team. Should the school convert to an academy during the lifetime of the loan, liability for any outstanding repayments would normally transfer to the academy, subject to the necessary terms and conditions being contractually agreed between the parties.				

**New Capital Project Approval Request**

Unit:	Adult Services (Adults Provider & Commissioning and Contracts)
Project title:	Environment of Care for People with Dementia Programme
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£980,000

**Purpose, benefits and risks:**

Brighton and Hove has significant numbers of people over 85 with dementia, both diagnosed and undiagnosed, and high numbers of people with alcohol related dementia. This means that, despite having lower prevalence of dementia in early old age than the national average, the care environment is particularly important. As part of a national funding programme by Department of Health, Brighton & Hove City Council has been successful in securing £0.980m of capital funding to support the following care pathways:

- (1) Prevention/community based services - Services that support people in the community, promote health and wellbeing and minimise the need for more intensive support.
- (2) Acute Hospital services, provided by Sussex Partnership NHS Trust (SPFT) and Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust (BSUH).
- (3) Community Short Term Services - Short term, care home and community services that provide rehabilitation and enablement following a crisis or are put in place to prevent a crisis.
- (4) Residential Care Homes - 'Traditional' providers of care to older people.

In each of these care settings, tangible physical improvements will be introduced with the aim of significantly improving the experience and outcomes of people with dementia.

**Capital expenditure profile (£'000):**

Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Environment of Care for People with Dementia Grant	980			980
Total estimated costs and fees	980			980

**Financial implications:**

The grant is from the Department of Health and must be used in the 2013/14 financial year. Any officer time involved in supporting the programme will be met from within existing revenue budgets.

<b>New Capital Project Approval Request</b>				
Unit:		Environment, Development & Housing GF (City Infrastructure)		
Project title:		City Centre Communal Recycling project		
Total Project Cost (All Years):		£684,741		
Purpose, benefits and risks:				
<p>The city centre has a high housing density and a high turnover of population with many properties lacking outside space, leading to lower recycling rates using the black box collection scheme. Where residents do use this scheme, the boxes tend to be used as litter bins by passers by, resulting in contaminated contents and wind blown litter. After a consultation, the residents showed a strong preference for communal recycling bins. Communal recycling would lead to revenue savings and more efficient use of staffing resources.</p>				
Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
DCLG Weekly Collection Grant	685			685
Total estimated costs and fees	685			685
Financial implications:				
<p>The capital set up costs of the scheme will be funded from the Department of Communities &amp; Local Government Weekly Collection Support Scheme grant, which has been awarded to the council to specifically fund the provisions associated with the communal recycling scheme.</p>				

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Unit:	Environment, Development & Housing GF (City Infrastructure)
Project title:	Redevelopment of Brighton Household waste Recycling Site (HWRS)
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£150,000

Purpose, benefits and risks:

Brighton HWRS is located on Wilson Avenue. The main site building was destroyed by fire several years ago. This was the second time it had burnt down. This project seeks to use the insurance money to change the layout of the site and make it split level. A split level site is easier for residents to use as they do not need to walk up steps to throw waste into containers. It reduces the risk of trip hazards and separates the residents from the site operation. Layout will be improved to improve recycling rates and reduce the amount of time the site is closed while skips are moved on site.

Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
External contribution (including S106)	75			75
Waste PFI Reserve	75			75
<b>Total estimated costs and fees</b>	<b>150</b>			<b>150</b>

Financial implications:

The cost of creating a split level site is £0.150m more than the insurance money available. It is proposed that the shortfall is funded equally between the contractor and the Waste PFI Reserve.

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Unit:	Assistant Chief Executive
Project title:	Retail Units West of West Pier (Seafront)
Total Project Cost (All Years):	£510,000

Purpose, benefits and risks:

The structure of these arches is maintained by the council as the Highway Authority and several years ago they were closed as they were assessed to be structurally unsound. The Highways Authority has funded the rebuild of the structure and the project requires unsupported borrowing to fund the fit-out cost of these arches in order to create new retail units for small businesses. The completion of these units will provide a new retail quarter which will regenerate this underutilised section of the seafront. There has already been significant interest received, and there is confidence in obtaining full occupancy and a total annual rental income of £0.100m.

Capital expenditure profile (£'000):				
Year	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	TOTAL
Unsupported Borrowing	510			510
Total estimated costs and fees	510			510

Financial implications:

The financing costs associated with borrowing £0.510m over a 10 year period will be met from the income stream associated with letting the units estimated at £0.1m per annum. The additional income after repaying borrowing costs will be used to support maintenance budgets including costs the council may incur for the upkeep of the arches and units.

