ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES CAPITAL BUDGET TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

1.1 The table below details the Direct Services Capital Budget position to 30 September 2020. The total Capital Plan budget of £24.593 million has an actual spend at the end of September 2020 of £3.735 million.

	Capital Plan 2020/21	Actual Expenditure 30 September 2020	Projected Expenditure 2020/20	
	£000	£000	£000	
Vehicles, Plant &	5,041	1,273	3,621	
Equipment				
Land & Buildings	12,717	1,723	11,269	
Infrastructure	6,835	739	6,382	
TOTAL	24,593	3,735	21,272	

2.1 The following table shows the individual projects within the Capital Budget

	Ref	Capital Plan 2020/21	Actual Expenditure 30 September 2020	Projected Expenditure 2020/20	RAG
		£000	£000	£000	
Car Parks	2.2	484	-	155	G
Waste Management	2.3	13,069	2,154	11,695	G
Parks & Open Spaces	2.4	45	9	40	G
Road Safety	2.5	789	35	637	G
Road Improvements	2.6	2,060	398	2,060	R
Traffic		227	1	7	G
Street Lighting		1,000	105	500	R
Bridges		1,662	189	1,662	G
Flood Risk Management & Coastal Protection		15	10	514	G
Sustainable Travel (Grant Funded)		-	10	41	G
Harbours		1,409	67	1,089	G
Vehicle & Plant Replacement Programme		3,823	755	2,823	G
Facilities Management Equipment		10	2	45	G
TOTAL		24,593	3,735	21,272	

- 2.2 **Car Parks**. Works to replace waterproofing and expansion joints at the multistorey car park in Batchen Land have been delayed due to Covid. To tender works now would risk delays in construction due to the winter weather and £329,000 works will now be tendered in January 2021, with expected completion in quarter one of 2021. £30,000 of this budget will be allocated to inform required repairs of St Giles car park
- 2.3 **Waste Management** to 30 September 2020 totals £2,154,000. Expenditure of £141,000 has been incurred for the ongoing project to provide integrated waste facilities at Moycroft in Elgin and £301,000 has been spent on the Dallachy Landfill site. £1,281,000 has been spent to date on the NESS energy from waste project. Covid-19 has delayed this project with works on site suspended during the early stages of the pandemic. Overall the project is anticipated to be within the allocated budget of £9,721,000, but the majority of costs will now occur in 2021-2022.

Domestic and Trade Waste has incurred expenditure of £235,000 for the replacement of a green waste shredder at £196,000 and £196,000 for a new baler at Moycroft.

2.4 Lands and Parks

Cemetery Provision in Moray this budget is projected to spend $\pm 5,000$ by 31 March 2021as ground checks and early design brief work are commenced in preparation for a new cemetery in Elgin.

Lands and Parks - Play Equipment £24,000 is expected to be spent on upgrading children play areas (zip lines and safety surfaces) at the beginning of next calendar year

2.5 Road Safety

New Road Signs and Markings had an actual spend of £6,000 with total projected expenditure of £37,000, Covid 19 has resulted in a reduced lining programme.

Road Safety Barrier provision - has an expenditure of £18,000 and projecting an underspend to budget of £89,000 by the end of March 2021, this is due to Covid19 and shortage of trained staff to undertake design work **Road Safety Provision** has an actual expenditure of £6,000 to 30 September 2020 and a total projected expenditure of £92,000 to the end of March 2021 of £92,000. This projected underspend of £38,000 is due to the reduced number of schemes being implemented.

Road Safety CWSS Cycling Walking Safer Streets has expenditure to 30 September 2020 of £5,000 but is projected to spend £421,000 by March 2021. This project is government grant funding and unspent grant will be returned. Whilst scheme delivery has been impacted by Coronavirus, it is still anticipated that the full grant will be spent by year end.

2.6 **Road Improvements – Carriageway resurfacings/ reconstruction**

/surface dressing / drainage/footways/ kerbs have an actual expenditure of \pounds 390,000 against a revised capital plan allocation of \pounds 2,020,000. The annual surface dressing programme has been reduced due to a delayed start and during the summer months the service was only allowed 50% of its pre Covid workforce allowed on site. It is projected to still spend the revised capital allocation by the end of March 2021

- 2.7 **Road Improvements A95 Landslip River Isla** £8,000 expenditure has been incurred to date on this project with works on site progressing and the full budget of £40,000 is expected to be spent by 31 March 2021.
- 2.8 **Street Lighting** £23,000 expenditure has been incurred replacing SOX and SON street lights with energy efficient LED units and £82,000 has been spent to date replacing columns and lights. Works were severely affected by Covid19 which prevented the full complement of operational staff on site. An anticipated underspend of £500,000 is projected by 31 March 2021 is expected regarding our column replacement programme.
- 2.9 **Bridges –** Works are progressing well on 7 bridge refurbishment and repair projects with an actual spend of £187,000 and a projected combined full budget spend of £1,535,000 by 31 March 2021. £2,000 expenditure has been incurred on remote footbridges with a further £127,000 projected to be spent by 31 March 2021.
- 2.10 **Flood Risk Management & Coastal Protection** The Schemes at Forres (River Findhorn and Pilmuir) are operational but there are compensation claims that need to be agreed before these budgets can be closed and £10,000 expenditure has occurred this year in the Findhorn scheme.
- 2.11 **Sustainable Travel Projects** (grant funded) £10,000 was spent on LCTT ERDF car charging points with a total of £45,000 projected to be spent by the end of March 2021. These additional works were approved by the funder as they are within the overall grant budget, previous items having come in under budget.
- 2.12 **Harbours replacement of life expired elements and upgrades** £300,000 works planned for Findochty Pontoons will not be undertaken this year due to delays associated with the Covid pandemic. £80,000 was spent on a pilot boat replacement at Buckie Harbour, this has resulted in a budget underspend of £20,000 due to a lower purchase price than originally anticipated.
- 2.13 **Harbours Economic Development Economic Development** has no expenditure to date this year. Buckie Harbour Infrastructure Improvements Ice Plant has no expenditure at 30 September 2020 although £160,000 is projected to be spent at the end of the financial year March 2021.
- **2.15** Vehicle plant and replacement programme has a spend of £755,000 to date with committed orders placed with suppliers of £1,755,825 and is projected to spend a total of £2,823,000 by 31 March 2021.