

2023/24 CAPITAL BUDGET CYCLE 3 MONITORING - UPDATE

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	£	A	B	A + B					
GREEN SPACES & AMENITIES									
Play Area Improvement Programme	242,561		(42,300)	(42,300)	200,261	120,763	60%	138,117	Queens Park play area refurbishment is complete. Schemes at Barden Lane/Disraeli Street and Piccadilly Gardens will be progressed by the end of March 2024. Underley St will be undertaken in April/May 2024.
Vehicle and Machinery Replacement	255,405	19,000		19,000	274,405	205,329	75%	60,000	Replacement of Vehicle & Machinery will be completed as per the transport fleet and grounds maintenance programme. Additional vehicles and equipment are due to be procured for Streetscene and Green Spaces which will be funded from revenue contributions and the Climate Action Fund.
Playing Pitch Improvements	25,000			-	25,000	(5,895)	-24%	25,000	Work at Lockyer Avenue and Queens Park will now be carried out in May/June 2024 so the majority of the budget has been rolled forward to 2024/25. £25,000 is needed for 23/24 for ongoing study and consultant work associated with getting the drainage and pitch improvement schemes together and for going out to tender in early 2024.
Towneley Hall Works	2,328,162	43,469		43,469	2,371,631	874,035	37%	367,337	The contract to repair Towneley Hall is progressing to programme. The west wing is complete and works progressing on south wing and great hall ceiling. The contract completion date is now projected 8 weeks later (26.02.25) because the Regency Rooms are being used for storage of art works which will delay redecoration of these rooms.
Play Zones - NEW	165,000	(165,000)		(165,000)	-	-	0%	-	This scheme is not being progressed as the Football Foundation's Playzone funding is not available. A revised 5-year programme for MUGA improvement is being considered by the Executive in February for inclusion in 2024/25 capital programme
Thompson Park Restoration - NEW	84,766			-	84,766	621	1%	84,766	The modular Changing Places Toilet is currently being manufactured for installation before end of March in Thompson Park car park.
Crematorium Improvements	132,000			-	132,000	102,713	78%	-	Work to redecorate and refurbish the interior of the crematorium chapel and waiting room is complete and design work for improvements to access and car parking is progressing with Streetscene engineers.
Memorial Park Improvements	143,142		(5,000)	(5,000)	138,142	124,958	90%	104,142	The Wheeled Sports Area has been completed and the refurbishment of the youth shelter is also complete. Work to refurbish the MUGA is being included in the new 5-year MUGA improvement programme and will be done in 2024/25.
Worsthorne Rec Grd Improvements	46,995			-	46,995	-	0%	25,084	Access works have been completed. Refurbishment of the changing rooms has been delayed due to the connection of water, electricity and sewerage. A revised proposal for the provision of the Community Room is being developed because of cost increases.
Extension of Burnley Cemetery	25,000			-	25,000	-	0%	-	Intend to use the capital monies set aside this financial year to appoint a consultant who specialises in the development of new Cemeteries and Cemetery extensions.
Refill Fountains	5,000			-	5,000	-	0%	-	The 5 bottle fillers are in store. Streetscene engineers are obtaining quotations for installation in Memorial, Ightenhill, Scott, Queens and Thompson Parks. (There is already drinking fountain/bottle filler at Towneley)
Changing Places (Towneley Hall)	43,469	(43,469)		(43,469)	-	-	0%	-	This budget will be incorporated into Towneley Hall Works capital budget with the scheme to be implemented in 2024/25.
Brun Valley Forest Park	13,570			-	13,570	(249)	0%	13,570	Seeding of wildflower meadows has taken place at Bank Hall Park, with the remaining sites at Bank Hall and Lydgate to be seeded by contractors in Quarter 4.
Cremator Relining	53,000			-	53,000	-	0%	-	Refractory re-lining works to Cremator No2 are complete.
	3,563,070	(146,000)	(47,300)	(193,300)	3,369,770	1,422,275	42%	818,016	
STREETSCENE									
River Training Walls	85,258			-	85,258	3,211	4%	-	Spend in 23/24 will be incurred in respect of mandatory works as classified by the EA to meet our obligations for the safe dam structure at Rawley, in addition to other schemes where LCC are the permitting authority, rather than the EA. Works started in January at the River Brun (£17k) with additional works out to tender at the time of this report, to be returned mid-January.
Alleygate Programme	25,320			-	25,320	-	0%	-	The selection process has begun to identify new schemes. The current pool of applications stands at 80 and this year's roll out will be in conjunction with a review and potential removal of some existing schemes where gates are no longer the appropriate intervention. Selection and consultation will take place in Q3, while installation and completion will be in Q4.
Safer Streets	-	11,000		11,000	11,000	-		11,000	The Council has received an offer of additional funding and this will supplement the Alleygate Programme.
Electric Vehicle Charging Points	35,907			-	35,907	-	0%	34,818	The works have been completed and the charge points are operational. Work is ongoing with the Energy Saving Trust to finalise the claim, pay the approved contractor and conclude the project.
Windermere Ave Footpath Improvements	8,000			-	8,000	7,863	98%	8,000	The works have been completed.
	154,485	11,000	-	11,000	165,485	11,074	102%	53,818	

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APPENDIX 1

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ECONOMY & GROWTH									
Lower St James Street Historic Action Zone	756,198	9,807		9,807	766,005	270,021	35%	236,627	Three building schemes have been completed with 3 in the process and a further 2 at application stages. Public realm works are complete and the community engagement and training programme continues throughout year 4.
Levelling Up Fund	17,317,928			-	17,317,928	5,185,002	30%	16,557,928	Redevelopment works continue to Newtown Mill and are making good progress, the current programme shows completion in June 2024. Works also continue on site for the Town 2 Turf public realm scheme. Paving to Harry Potts way section is complete with works now focussed on the Yorkshire St section and roundabout. Final stage ground investigations have completed in relation to the Manchester Rd station project which will inform the detailed design work.
Town Centre & Weavers Triangle Project Work	169,492		(169,492)	(169,492)	-	-	0%	-	Council funding to assist in bringing forward key projects identified in the emerging Town Centre and Weavers triangle masterplan.
Padiham Townscape Heritage	291,510		(70,000)	(70,000)	221,510	103,300	47%	176,974	Twelve building schemes have been completed and the final two building schemes have commenced on site. Public realm works are complete and the community engagement and training programme has been delivered. An extension to the programme has been granted by the NLHF to 30th June 2024 to allow for completion of final building projects, defect periods and to undertake a project evaluation.
Pioneer Place	9,777,085			-	9,777,085	8,544,489	87%	-	The redevelopment of the Curzon Street site in the town centre will supplement the existing thriving retail and service centre with a wider leisure, cultural and social experience during the day and into the evening that will underpin Burnley as an attractive place to live work and visit. The site provides an opportunity for a major leisure-led development, bringing a cinema and new restaurants and shops into the town centre, which opened in Q2. 4 out of the 5 restaurants are let and trading well. Work is underway to redevelop the former Cinema building on Manchester Road with a new supermarket. The Council acquired the site in October, comprising the former cinema and Greene King pub which continues to trade as a tenant of the Council.
Former Open Market & Former Cinema Block	57,738		(57,738)	(57,738)	-	-	0%	-	For remediation works to the parapet
Vision Park	24,506	(17,306)		(17,306)	7,200	-	0%	-	Vision Park is now six years old and it is proposed that the remaining budget will be spent on carrying out improvements/upgrades to the units, for example redecorating work, landscape improvements.
Sandygate Halls (Commercial Units & Car Parking)	190,588		(120,588)	(120,588)	70,000	11,459	16%	-	The Halls were completed in September 2021. There is still fit out works to the commercial units that will be completed subject to tenant requirements. The requirement for car parking for residents of the hall is under review and may require the surfacing of a car park.
Brownfield Land Release	870,494			-	870,494	-	0%	416,312	The Executive approved acceptance of grant and match funding on 16th August 23 for the redevelopment of the Nicholas Street offices.
	29,455,539	(7,499)	(417,818)	(425,317)	29,030,222	14,114,271	49%	17,387,841	
FINANCE & PROPERTY									
IT Upgrades	15,350			-	15,350	368	2%	-	This is a rolling replacement programme. The first tranche of devices were issued in 2022. The remainder will follow during 2023/ 24 as required.
Burnley Leisure Improvements	878,517			-	878,517	199,291	23%	220,000	Delivery of condition survey related capital based works to ensure continuity of business, compliance with undertakings and improvement in appearance in order to continue to attract patronage.
Building Infrastructure Works	1,630,964	261,674	(209,000)	52,674	1,683,638	744,256	44%	110,000	Contribution towards larger scale works arising out of the building condition surveys currently being undertaken, with particular focus on Burnley Town Hall and Towneley Hall. Dilapidation works at the Stables Cafe site have been identified and are to be funded by third party contribution.
Carbon Reduction Measures	279,958	(7,728)		(7,728)	272,230	-	0%	-	This budget will provide funding to progress initiatives included within the Council's Climate Change Strategy.
Audio & Visual Upgrade to Facilitate On-Line Meetings	100,000			-	100,000	-	0%	-	The upgrade of the system is linked to the Council Chamber works which were due to be completed in the Autumn. Site visits and discussions with suppliers have taken place to inform the council's specification prior to going out to tender. The tender process has been extended due to the ongoing Chamber works impeding necessary on-site survey works.
Charter Walk Refurbishment	1,179,871			-	1,179,871	166,492	14%	-	This budget is being utilised to provide for landlord works to enable the expansion of three national retailers into adjacent units. This will reduce the number of vacant units within Charter Walk whilst improving the appearance and energy efficiency of these units.
	4,084,660	253,946	(209,000)	44,946	4,129,606	1,110,407	27%	330,000	

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HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT CONTROL									
Emergency Repairs	180,000			-	180,000	137,408	76%	180,000	Emergency Repairs is a discretionary grant that is made available to owner-occupiers to remedy repairs where there is a serious and imminent risk to the health and safety of the occupants. The grant is eligible to owner-occupiers in receipt of income-related benefits and aged 60 or over, or a disabled person who is in receipt of income related benefits. In addition to the grants completed there is a further £50k committed to an additional 11 grants that have been approved and a further 7 applications. There is a tendency for applications to increase in the winter months. It is anticipated the full budget will be spent.
Better Care Grant	2,237,569	492,544		492,544	2,730,113	1,918,821	70%	2,960,113	The funding is allocated by the Government through the Better Care Fund. It enables grants to be provided to disabled/vulnerable people, to adapt their house so that they can remain living as independently as possible in the home of their choice. An addition to the grants completed there is currently a further £1,045k committed for disabled facilities grants. Along with another 66 applications. We are aiming to complete over 200 DFGs this year. It is anticipated that a further £3k will be utilised for the safe and secure grants, £4k for the declutter grant as well as £3k for dwelling dementia grants. LCC have approved 3 social projects under the better care fund at a cost of £587k. With the current spend and current commitment it is anticipated that the full budget will be spent.
Energy Efficiency	50,000			-	50,000	34,920	70%	50,000	The Council's Energy Efficiency Programme allows the Council to achieve its strategic objective of reducing carbon emissions and reducing fuel poverty in the most vulnerable households. We are still predicting to complete 125 grants this year and looking at introducing new energy efficiency grants. There is £9k committed and we have 15 applications waiting approval and this is likely to increase as we move into the autumn and winter months.
Empty Homes Programme	1,300,000			-	1,300,000	1,089,016	84%	-	The Empty Homes Programme brings long term empty properties back in to use in the borough of Burnley. We are aiming to acquire a maximum of 20 properties and complete 25 renovations. In addition the face-lifting schemes on Winsor and Ivory street will have completed along with the Piccadilly Road area. Subsequently it is anticipated that the full budget will be spent. As part of the Local Housing Authority Fund Road 2 to provide 6 units of temporary accommodation £70k is required to be transferred to the empty homes programme from the Dispersal Accommodation Grant. During Covid 3 properties were acquired and renovated through the empty homes programme. They were used and continue to be used as temporary accommodation. Subsequently the empty homes programme has not been able to generate a capital receipt for these properties. It is proposed that £215k is transferred from general capital receipts to the empty homes programme.
Affordable Warmth Grant	-	140,063		140,063	140,063	95,617	68%	140,063	In October 23 we spent the remaining allocation of the 22/23 funding of £132k. So far out of 23/24 allocation we have spent £23k which includes a 12.5% fee. In addition to the grants completed there is currently another £5k committed. Additional funding may follow if we utilise first tranche 23/24. Funding to be claimed in two rounds, 50% allocation followed by a further 50%. Second round funding may be withheld or reallocated if not claimed by the 31st January 2024. Recipients will have an opportunity to state the likelihood of them claiming the remaining 50%. At this stage we are unlikely to have spent the remaining grant by the 31st January 2024.
Building Control IT Procurement	60,000			-	60,000	-	0%	-	This scheme is for the procurement of a replacement IT system for Building Control to improve the service's digital offering to customers and to increase service efficiency.
Local Authority Housing Fund	572,000			-	572,000	228,006	40%	402,000	This funding is to provide six properties for temporary accommodation. The six properties have been acquired, 2 of which are complete and are currently occupied. The remaining 4 are in the renovation process and will be finished by the end of March 2024. The funding received from the home office was £402k and as agreed by the Executive Committee the further required funding to complete the 6 properties will be funded through the Dispersal Accommodation Grant. This amount is estimated to be £170k.
	4,399,569	632,607	-	632,607	5,032,176	3,503,788	70%	3,732,176	
	41,657,323	744,054	(674,118)	69,936	41,727,259	20,161,816	48%	22,321,851	