DETAILED UPDATES ON CURRENT PROJECTS (APRIL 2021 - AUGUST 2021)

Milestones

Milestones are key tasks within a project plan which mark completion of a significant or critical phase of work or a decision point.

In terms of the following projects, the milestones have the following dates:

- The planned date is the original date planned for the project and does not change in the life of the project. These are generally aspirational dates based on a typical project;
- The actual date is the date the milestone is completed; and
- The forecast date is the date which is currently projected for completion.

BLAIRGOWRIE RECREATION CENTRE - REPLACEMENT

Overview

On 22 June 2016, Council (<u>Report No. 16/277 refers</u>) approved a replacement Recreation Centre at Blairgowrie High School.

Sources of Funding

There is currently £15.1m funding from the ECS Composite Capital Programme for this project. At Council on 30 September 2020 (<u>Report No. 20/175 refers</u>), it was agreed that a funding solution to address the Passivhaus option will be determined in October 2021.

Progress Update

The first User Reference Group (URG) was held virtually during May 2020, with three subsequent meetings held in September 2020, November 2020 and May 2021.

The planning application process has begun with an online event held as part of the preapplication notice process on 7 July 2021.

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
End of Consultation Period and Development of Brief	November 2018	November 2018	
Submit NPR	November 2018	June 2019	
HubCo Stage 1 Formal Commencement	September 2019	September 2019	
Stage 1 Agreed	November 2020		April 2021
Planning Application Submitted	January 2021		September 2021
Planning Application Agreed	TBC		
Stage 2 Agreed	Sept 2021		March 2022
Financial Close	Oct 2021		April 2022
Site Start	Nov 2021		May 2022
Centre Operational	March 2023		Nov 2023
Completion of External Works	June 2024		June 2024

Key Milestones

Current Issues

The design process is challenging due to the project being one of the first leisure facilities aspiring to be Passivhaus certified. There is a potential design issue in relation to drainage, in line with the latest requirements of Scottish Water.

NORTH MUIRTON/BALHOUSIE PRIMARY SCHOOLS - NEW BUILD SCHOOL

Overview

On 24 January 2018, as part of the School Estate Transformation Programme, Council approved funding from the Composite Capital Budget (<u>Report No. 18/15 refers</u>) for the construction of a new primary school on the playing field of the existing North Muirton Primary School site. This new building will accommodate pupils from both North Muirton and Balhousie Primary Schools.

Sources of Funding

There is currently £16.4m funding from the ECS Composite Capital Programme for this project. At Council on 30 September 2020 (<u>Report No. 20/175 refers</u>), it was agreed that a funding solution to address the Passivhaus option (see below) will be determined in October 2021.

Progress Update

The Stage 1 submission has been received. Cost options have been provided to achieve energy efficiency and quality in line with Perth and Kinross Council's (PKC) Interim Climate Emergency Report and Action Plan (<u>Report No. 19/362 refers</u>). At Council on 30 September 2020 (<u>Report No. 20/175 refers</u>), approval was given to proceed on the basis of Passivhaus standard for energy efficiency and quality. As also agreed, a bid has been made to the Scottish Government for funding towards the project. A bid made to the Scottish Government Learning Estate Investment Programme – Phase 2 for funding of 50% towards the project was approved by the Scottish Government in December 2020.

A URG was held on 17 June 2021 and enablement works, including the demolition of the nursery, were undertaken in the 2021 summer holidays.

Full planning approval was granted in May 2021.

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Submit NPR	July 2019	July 2019	
HubCo Stage 1 Formal Commencement	November 2019	November 2019	
Stage 1 Agreed	May 2020	Nov 2020	
Planning Application Submitted	Jan 2021	Jan 2021	
Planning Application Agreed	May 2021	May 2021	
Stage 2 Agreed	July 2021		Aug 2021
Financial Close	Aug 2021		Oct 2021
Site Start	Sep 2021		Nov 2021
School Operational	April 2023		April 2023
Completion of External Works	July 2023		

Key Milestones

Current Issues

There is a delay for financial close and start on-site due to difficulties in obtaining tender packages from sub-contractors and rising costs of packages received.

PERTH ACADEMY - REFURBISHMENT

Overview

Funding has been secured to undertake a partial refurbishment of the existing school facilities to improve the condition and suitability. Due to the live school environment, ongoing works are being phased into manageable packages as part of a rolling programme.

Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The original budget was £16.9m.

Progress Update

A contractor was appointed in November 2019 to undertake Phase 1 of the ongoing programme of refurbishment works. Works completed during the 2020 summer holiday period included installation of a new CCTV system and corridor lighting replacement.

External structural repairs are now concluded, new improved access to the courtyard is complete, new ventilation installed in Craft, Design and Technology (CDT) and major infrastructure upgrades have been completed in August 2021 within the Physical Education (PE) building.

A programme was developed for an initial Phase 2 to improve social space and undertake classroom refurbishments and these works commenced during the 2021 summer holidays.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Phase 1 Refurbishment Works complete on site	June 2021	July 2021	
Phase 2 Refurbishment Works complete on site	August 2021	August 2021	

Current Issues

There are supply issues with materials due to national shortages.

PERTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL - REFURBISHMENT

Overview

Funding is available to undertake major infrastructure upgrades to the existing school building. Additionally, approval was given for works to improve the entrance, reception and administration facilities which were carried out. Due to the live school environment, ongoing works are being phased into manageable packages as part of a rolling programme.

Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The original budget was £7.05m.

Progress Update

Phase 1 of the pupil toilet upgrades was completed in April 2021. Phase 2 of the toilet works commenced April 2021, immediately following completion of Phase 1, and were completed in summer 2021. Phase 3 was due to complete in August 2021; however they have only been partially completed due to supply issues. Phase 4 also commenced during the summer holidays and was programmed to finish in September 2021 but was delayed due to additional surveys being required. Surveys were completed in August 2021 to inform the first phase of classroom refurbishments which are currently being programmed.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Phase 1 Refurbishment Works complete on site	April 2021	April 2021	
Phase 2 Refurbishment Works complete on site	July 2021	July 2021	
Phase 3 Refurbishment Works complete on site	August 2021		TBC
Phase 4 Refurbishment Works complete on site	September 2021		TBC

Current Issues

As detailed above there are supply issues with materials due to national shortages.

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL - REPLACEMENT

Overview

On 20 June 2018, Council approved the replacement of Perth High School (<u>Report No. 18/212 refers</u>). This project will involve the replacement of the existing school building on the playing field of the existing site.

Sources of Funding

There is currently £50m funding from the ECS Composite Capital Programme for this project. At Council on 30 September 2020 (<u>Report No. 20/175 refers</u>), it was agreed that a funding solution to address the Passivhaus option (see below) will be determined in October 2021.

Progress Update

The Stage 1 submission has been received. Cost options were provided to achieve energy efficiency and quality in line with PKC's Interim Climate Emergency Report and Action Plan (Report No. 19/362 refers). At Council on 30 September 2020 (Report No. 20/175 refers), approval was given to proceed on the basis of Passivhaus standard for energy efficiency and quality. A bid made to the Scottish Government Learning Estate Investment Programme – Phase 2 for funding of 50% towards the project was approved by the Scottish Government in December 2020.

A URG meeting was held virtually on 23 March 2021.

The planning application was submitted in August 2021. This was later than initially anticipated due to ongoing technical discussions about the façade of the building.

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Submit Final NPR	June 2019	June 2019	
HubCo Stage 1 Formal Commencement	July 2019	July 2019	
Stage 1 Agreed	May 2020	Feb 2021	
Planning Application Submitted	April 2021	August 2021	
Planning Application Agreed	TBC		
Stage 2 Agreed	Jan 2022		
Financial Close	Feb 2022		
Site Start	March 2022		
Construction Works Complete	June 2024		
School Operational	August 2023		Summer 2024
Completion of External Works	August 2025		

Key Milestones

Current Issues

None.

RATTRAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

NURSERY EXTENSION & REFURBISHMENT

Overview

Lifelong Learning Committee approved Education and Children's Services Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) Expansion Plan on 22 September 2017 (<u>Report No. 17/314 refers</u>). As part of the plan, it is proposed that the capacity of the nursery at Rattray Primary School will be increased by 26.

Sources of Funding

On 1 May 2018, the Scottish Government confirmed PKC's allocation of capital funding for the expansion of ELC. The indicative budget is £4,325,000.

Progress Update

Following the review of alternative design proposals, including consultation with the Scottish Futures Trust and the Care Inspectorate, the planning application was submitted in January 2019 and approved in May 2019. Construction of the nursery extension has been re-phased due to COVID-19 restrictions preventing works starting on the programmed date. Works have now commenced which include a new nursery extension, classroom refurbishments, new electric and heating infrastructure and new Wi-Fi with updated audio/visual technology in teaching spaces.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned Date	Actual Date	Forecast Date
Review of Feasibility Study	March 2018	March 2018	
Planning Application Submitted	November 2018	January 2019	
Planning Application Agreed	December 2018	May 2019	
Contract Cost Agreed	April 2020	January 2021	
Site Start	June 2020	June 2021	
Construction Works Complete	August 2021		August 2022
Nursery Provision Operational	August 2020		May 2022

Current Issues

The contractor has advised that there are supply issues with materials due to national shortages, however, this has not impacted on this project to date.