

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Lifelong Learning School Estate Sub-Committee – 5 June 2014

SCHOOL ESTATE CAPITAL PROGRAMME PROGRESS UPDATE

Report by Executive Director (Education and Children's Services)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report updates Committee on the progress and proposals for delivering the current projects within the Education and Children's Services Capital Programme. It details key milestones which have been achieved since the last update to Committee in March 2014.

1. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1. The School Estate Strategy sets out the Council's aspirations for our schools and in particular the high value we place on learning.
- 1.2. The strategy is delivered through the School Estate Management Plan (SEMP) which is primarily funded through the Council Capital Programme.
- 1.3. The Education and Children's Services (ECS) Capital Programme details the priorities for the School Estate over a rolling seven year period and is reviewed on an annual basis.

2. PROPOSALS

- 2.1. This report updates Committee on progress and proposals for delivering the current capital projects within Education and Children's Services School Estate Programme. The focus of the programme is on:
 - Primary School Upgrades
 - Secondary School Upgrades
 - Other ECS Capital Projects

3. UPDATES ON CURRENT PROGRAMME

- 3.1. Detailed updates on current projects are provided in Appendix A. The following projects have reached significant milestones since the previous School Estate Sub-Committee on 6 March 2014.

Significant Milestones – Primary Upgrade Programme

3.2. Alyth Primary School

A New Project Request (NPR) has been submitted to HubCo for the upgrade of the Victorian building, incorporating a new-build element and demolition of other buildings. The NPR proposes a primary school and nursery, Additional Support

Needs (ASN) accommodation and community facilities. Procurement of architects and other consultants has been concluded and contractor selection is imminent.

3.3. CLASP (Consortium of Local Authority Special Programme) School

A strategic review has been commissioned from HubCo to assess Kinross and Tulloch Primary Schools as part of the Council's Clasp School replacement programme. The review, which will consider technical and educational criteria, will form the basis of a recommendation to Lifelong Learning Committee.

3.4. Crieff Primary School

Enabling works began on site at the new Crieff Primary School on 24 March 2014. The new school will be completed in June 2015 and operational in August 2015. Financial close was reached on the main contract on 9 May 2014. The total project cost of the new primary school will be £11.8m, including land purchase. The existing school has been declared surplus.

3.5. Errol Primary School

A feasibility study has been completed to extend Errol Primary School to deal with the increasing roll. The scope of the works will provide 3 additional classrooms and ASN accommodation together with associated ancillary space. The nursery is being moved and expanded to 50/50 (50 children in the morning and 50 in the afternoon). The design has considered future expansion of the school, should this be required. The feasibility for the current scope has been estimated at £3.317m. Costs will be developed as the design progresses and further information becomes available.

This Project will be funded through the Modernising Primaries Programme, the Enhance/Extend Specialist Provision Programme and through Developer Contributions accrued to provide additional capacity in primary schools. This will be subject to the approval of Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.

A User Reference Group has been established and will meet in June 2014.

3.6. Invergowrie Primary School

The external works including a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) have now been completed. The old primary school and annex have been declared surplus. An official opening is planned for 23 June 2014.

3.7. Oakbank Primary School

On 7 April 2014, enabling works began on site for the new Oakbank Primary School. The new school will be complete by June 2015 and operational by August 2015. Demolition of the old school and external works will be complete by December 2015. Financial close was reached on the main contract for the school on 29 May 2014. The total cost of the new primary school will be £9.56m.

Significant Milestones - Secondary School Upgrade Programme

3.8. Perth High School Sports Hall

The Gross Maximum Cost (GMC) has been received for the project. The project is £1.25m above the budget. The Strategic Improvement Group (SIG) have considered options for moving forward. A number of options for redesigning the building were reconsidered, all of which have risks associated with additional cost, the planning process, delay and **sportscotland** funding.

SIG have recommended to progress with the current design, subject to Strategic Policy & Resources Committee approval. A request will be made to the Strategic Policy & Resources Committee to vire funding of £1,000,000 from the Crieff Primary School project underspend together with £250,000 from the Modernising Secondaries Programme in this regard.

Significant Milestones – Other ECS Capital Projects

3.9 New Secondary School

Council approved a report (Report No. 14/193) recommending a catchment area, on which to consult, for the new secondary school on 7 May 2014. A proposal paper for the Statutory Consultation, which will consult on the location as well as the catchment for the new school, is due to be considered by a Special Meeting of Lifelong Learning Committee on 25 June 2014.

3.10 Rattray Primary School – Community Facilities

Community Facilities in the grounds of Rattray Primary School provide flexible spaces for the delivery of services for children, families and the community. Construction work commenced on site in April 2013 and completed in May 2014.

4. PROPOSALS EARLY YEARS AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

- 4.1 A review of the suitability of nursery accommodation to deliver the Early Learning and Childcare requirements of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act has been progressed. These requirements include free childcare provision for two year olds from workless households and increasing the hours of provision for 3-4 year olds to 600 hours per annum. These services will be in place from August 2014.
- 4.2 In Perth and Kinross there are expected to be 175 eligible 2 year olds, with uptake estimated¹ at 125 children. The majority of children are expected to be based in Perth City, however there is expected to be demand in Strathmore and Blairgowrie and the Glens.
- 4.3 It has been possible to identify capacity in Council facilities across Perth and Kinross. These premises will be adapted to suit 2 year old provision. Primarily this involves adding nappy changing and toilet facilities and creating a nurturing environment. It should be noted that options to provide early learning and childcare for 2 year olds can also be made through child minders and partner provider nurseries

¹ 70% of the total based on Scottish Government projections

- 4.4 Capital funding of £2.676m has been made available through the Scottish Government for implementation of the 600 hours and looked after 2 year old provision. All Local Authorities, through COSLA, are in discussion about potential funding for the additional 2 year olds programme.
- 4.5 An assessment of kitchen and dining facilities at schools has been undertaken to ascertain and address the impact of the recent announcement from the Scottish Government that all P1-P3 pupils are to be offered free school meals from January 2015.
- 4.6 Education and Children's Services, in partnership with Tayside Contracts, have identified some 1800 additional meals will be required daily over and above the current provision of c. 8500 meals daily (all schools). This will take annual school meals provision for Perth and Kinross to around 2 million.
- 4.7 There is capital investment required to enable school kitchens to have the increased production capacity required to meet the anticipated new demand for meals.
- 4.8 Consultation with schools will continue to address the changes to the management of lunchtime supervision arrangements as may be required. Capital funding for the implementation of the free school meals is still to be confirmed.

5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 This report updates School Estate Sub-Committee on progress of the Education and Children's Services capital projects approved through the Capital Programme for 2013/14 to 2020/21.
- 5.2 This Committee is requested to note that significant milestones have been achieved since the previous Committee meeting in March 2014 including:
- The New Project Request for Alyth being submitted and procurement of consultants completed (3.2);
 - Financial close and work commencing on site for the replacements for Crieff Primary School (3.4) and Oakbank Primary School(3.7);
 - Errol Primary School progressing to detailed design phase including establishing a User Reference Group (3.5);
 - Completion of the Community Facilities at Rattray Primary School (3.10)and the external works at Invergowrie Primary School (3.6).
- 5.3 Committee is asked to note the SIG recommendation that Perth High School Sports Hall progresses with the current design, subject to SP&R approval. A request will be made to the SP&R Committee to vire funding of £1,000,000 from the Crieff Primary School project together with £250,000 from the Modernising Secondaries Programme in this regard.

- 5.4 In addition to the projects within the capital programme, Committee is asked to note that work is progressing to develop the school estate to meet the requirements of the Early Learning and Childcare requirements of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act and free school meals for P1-P3.

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1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

The undernoted table should be completed for all reports. Where the answer is 'yes', the relevant section(s) should also be completed

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
Community Plan / Single Outcome Agreement	None
Corporate Plan	Yes
Resource Implications	
Financial	Yes
Workforce	No
Asset Management (land, property, IST)	Yes
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Strategic Environmental Assessment	Yes
Sustainability (community, economic, environmental)	Yes
Legal and Governance	None
Risk	None
Consultation	
Internal	Yes
External	Yes
Communication	
Communications Plan	No

1. Strategic Implications

Community Plan/Single Outcome Agreement

- 1.1 The proposals relate to the delivery of the Perth and Kinross Community Plan/Single Outcome Agreement in terms of the following priorities:

- (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
- (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
- (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;
- (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and
- (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.

This report relates to all of these objectives.

Corporate Plan

- 1.2 The Perth and Kinross Community Plan 2013 – 2023 and Perth and Kinross Council Corporate Plan 2013 /2018 set out five strategic objectives:

- (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
- (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
- (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;

- (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and
- (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.

This report relates to all of these objectives.

- 1.3 The report also links to the Education & Children's Services Policy Framework in respect of the following key policy area:

- Maximising Resources

2. Resource Implications

Financial

- 2.1 The Council set a 7 year Capital Budget for 2013/14 to 2019/20 at its meeting on 14 February 2013 (report 13/54 refers). Revisions to the budget for these 7 years have been considered by the Strategic Policy & Resources Committee throughout the year. The meeting of the Council on 13 February 2014, approved the Composite Capital Budget 2020/21 (Report 14/45 refers).
- 2.1.1 Any additional revenue implications identified through either the existing capital programme, or future capital programmes, will require to be submitted as part of an expenditure pressure with a corresponding saving through the revenue budget process.
- 2.1.2 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report and appendices.

Workforce

- 2.2 There are no direct workforce implications arising from this report.

Asset Management (land, property, IT)

- 2.3 There are no direct asset management implications arising from this report other than those reported within the body of the main report.

3. Assessments

Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.1 Under the Equality Act 2010, the Council is required to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between equality groups. Carrying out Equality Impact Assessments for plans and policies allows the Council to demonstrate that it is meeting these duties.
- 3.1.1 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) and has been assessed as **not relevant** for the purposes of EqIA.

Strategic Environmental Assessment

- 3.2 The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 places a duty on the Council to identify and assess the environmental consequences of its proposals.
- 3.2.1 However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report. This is because these matters relate to the School Estate Strategy which is being considered under the Act as part of The Council's Asset Management Plan.

Sustainability

- 3.3 Under the provisions of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003 the Council has to discharge its duties in a way which contributes to the achievement of sustainable development. In terms of the Climate Change Act, the Council has a general duty to demonstrate its commitment to sustainability and the community, environmental and economic impacts of its actions.
- 3.3.1 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Act. However, no action is required as the Act does not apply to the matters presented in this report.

Legal and Governance

- 3.4 The Head of Legal Services has been consulted in the preparation of this report.

Risk

- 3.5 Individual risk profiles are in place for each of projects listed above.

4. Consultation

Internal

- 4.1 The Head of Democratic Services, Head of Finance and Head of Property Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

External

- 4.2 Participation and involvement of the community are critical to the ongoing and future success of school estate investment and an emphasis is placed on ensuring consultation, over and above that which might be required in terms of planning requirements.
- 4.2.1 A User Reference Group (URG) is set up for all major and large projects. The purpose of the URG is to assist with providing relevant local input to allow the Design Team to develop the outline concept design into an operational design. The formation of a URG is an invaluable source of information, and any project is reliant on this level of local detail.

2. BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

3. APPENDICES

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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.

The forecast date is the date which is currently projected for completion

ALYTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period **March 2014 to May 2014**

Overview

Alyth Primary School is a largely life-expired property requiring major investment. The school has been identified as having the highest maintenance requirement of any primary school in Perth and Kinross. It is also underutilised and inefficient in terms of layout and running costs. It is anticipated the new school will be operational in session 2016/17.

Sources of Funding

This project will be fully funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The funding for this project is £8,800,000. Additional funding will be vired from the Extend/Enhance Specialist Provision budget for the ASN facilities.

Progress Update

An option appraisal was commissioned through Property Services. The options considered for the project were:

1. Maintain existing facilities;
2. Upgrade and improve existing facilities;
3. Upgrade the Victorian building, demolition of other buildings and a new-build element to provide the required accommodation; and
4. The construction of a new school building on the playing fields, with the listed Victorian building retained or sold.

The recommended option, to upgrade the Victorian building and add a new-build element was approved at Lifelong Learning Committee on 29 January 2014 (Report 14/22 refers).

The project is being procured through the East Central Hub. A New Project Request (NPR) was submitted to HubCo in May 2014 and consultants have been appointed. The contractor procurement is underway.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Option Appraisal	August 2013	October 2013	
Preferred Option Approved	November 2013	January 2014	March 2014
Submit NPR	December 2013	May 2014	

Current Issues

None.

CRIEFF PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

Following the outcome of a statutory consultation exercise, Lifelong Learning Committee approved that education provision at the existing Crieff Primary School is relocated to a new school on the site adjacent to Strathearn Community Campus from August 2015 (Report 12/486 refers).

The school will initially comprise of 15 classes with the infrastructure and capacity to increase to a triple stream in the future if required.

Along with Oakbank Primary School, this school is being procured and developed through a HubCo Design & Build Development Agreement (DBDA).

Sources of Funding

This project is being fully funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. The total project cost is anticipated at £11.8m including land purchase. £2.2m is available for other capital projects.

Progress Update

Enabling works began on the site of the new primary school in Crieff on 24 March 2014. A sod cutting exercise involving the children took place on 29 April 2014. Significant archaeology excavations took place on site at the beginning of the works, however these have concluded without impacting on the programme. Financial Close was achieved on the project on 9 May 2014 and the main contractual works began thereafter.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Stage 1 ² Agreed	August 2013	December 2013	
Stage 2 ³ Agreed	February 2014	May 2014	
Planning application granted	February 2014	February 2014	
Financial Close	February 2014	May 2014	
Site Start Date	April 2014	March 2014	
Construction complete	June 2015	TBC	June 2015
School operational	August 2015	TBC	August 2015

Current Issues

None.

² Stage 1 is equivalent to RIBA Stage C/D, which is a costed outline design

³ Stage 2 is equivalent to RIBA Stage E/F, which is a costed detailed design

ERROL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

Following a recent feasibility study, design development work is currently being undertaken to address capacity issues. Land was previously procured adjacent to the school in March 2011 in order to facilitate expansion. Demolition and decontamination works were concluded on the additional land in 2012.

The scope of the works will provide 3 additional classrooms and ASN accommodation together with associated ancillary space. The project will also include scope for a further 2 classrooms to be added to the building in the future should the need arise. The 2 additional classrooms are not likely to be required in the short to medium term.

It is intended that the new ASN accommodation will occupy the current nursery space with a new larger space created for the nursery. The ASN space will allow for children in the Carse of Gowrie to be educated locally rather than attend schools with ASN facilities in Perth.

Sources of Funding

This project will be primarily funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme with a virement from the Modernising Primaries Programme and from the Enhance/Extend Specialist Education Provision in Perth and Kinross budget. Developer Contributions will also be applied to this project. The current projected cost of the project is £3.317m. This is an early estimate based on a feasibility study.

Progress Update

The project is currently at concept design stage and potential programmes are being reviewed. These programmes show alternative construction completion dates in the 2015/16 session.

Ongoing work to develop the costs will take place as the design progresses.

It is intended to hold a user group session in June 2014 with a view to progress the project.

Procurement / Contract Type

Partnering Prime Cost.

MILESTONE UPDATE

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date	RAG
Errol Primary School				
Concept design	March 2014	March 2014		Green
Consultation	April 2014 – June 2014		June 2014	Green

INCHTURE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

Expansion of Inchture Primary School is required to accommodate the predicted numbers of pupils from known house building. The scope of the project includes 2 additional classrooms, a General Purpose (GP) room, extending the school learning resource library and a hall to deliver the primary school PE curriculum.

Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme and developer contributions. Approval was granted to vire the funding for this project of £2,498,000 from Modernising Primaries Programme budget at Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 18 September 2013 (Report 13/444 refers). Developer Contributions of £250,000 will also be allocated to this project, along with a £250,000 underspend from the Abernethy project. The overall budget for this project is £2,998,000.

Progress Update

Work is progressing well on site. The classroom extension is now wind and watertight. Asbestos works were completed during the Easter holidays to allow works in the existing school to commence immediately the summer holidays begin.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application Granted	August 2013	August 2013	
Site Start Date	October 2013	October 2013	
Classroom Construction Complete	August 2014	TBC	August 2014
Operational Date	August 2014	TBC	August 2014
Completion of External Works (MUGA)	April 2015	TBC	April 2015

Current Issues

None.

INVERGOWRIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

A new single stream school is being built to the rear of the existing school. Temporary classrooms related to the existing school will be demolished and alternative uses will be sought for the listed buildings which form the main school and its annex.

Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme & Scottish Future Trust grant. The overall value of the project is £7,852,000 which includes grant funding of £2,467,000 from the Scottish Futures Trust. The final instalment of the grant funding was received in March 2013.

Progress Update

Construction work commenced on site in October 2012. The school build completed on schedule and the school was occupied and operational on 30 October 2013.

External works were delayed by 7 to 8 weeks due to issues with obtaining utilities disconnections which are required prior to demolition of the life expired buildings.

External works were completed in May 2014.

The old school buildings have been declared surplus by ECS.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning application granted	July 2012	July 2012	
Site Start Date	October 2012	October 2012	
Construction complete – new school	October 2013 (New School)	October 2013 (New School)	
Operational date	October 2013 (New School)	October 2013 (New School)	
Completion of external works	January 2014	May 2014	

Current Issues

None.

KINNOULL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

This project will renew the life expired building currently used as a learning resource, provide two modular classrooms that will be linked to the main building and renew toilets in the school.

In addition, Property Services are taking the opportunity to replace major infrastructure including heating, plumbing and electrics while the staff and pupils are decanted to Inchview Primary School.

Sources of Funding

This project is partly funded from the ECS Composite Capital Programme (£1,214,000) with contributions from TES Composite Capital Programme (£610,000) for accelerated maintenance works.

Progress Update

Construction work commenced in February 2013 and was completed in December 2013. The school was operational from 8 January 2014, with staff having returned on the 6 January 2014.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning application granted	October 2012	October 2012	
Site Start Date	February 2013	February 2013	
Construction complete	December 2013	December 2013	
Operational Date	January 2014	January 2014	
Amphitheatre Works	April 2014		June 2014

Current Issues

The amphitheatre area requires turfing and stabilisation of soil, which will take place in summer 2014.

NEW SECONDARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

A review of the school estate has taken place to determine the likely impact of anticipated population growth on the school estate in the medium to long term. One of the priorities for the Council has been agreed as an All Through School Campus on the northern perimeter of Perth. The secondary element of the Campus will accommodate 1100 pupils.

HubCo Design, Build, Finance and Manage (DBFM) procurement for the secondary element is mandatory as part of the funding terms and conditions.

Sources of Funding

£15.333m of funding will be provided through a Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) grant and £7.667m will be provided through the ECS Composite Capital Programme, giving a total budget of £23m. Any inflation on the Council element of the funding will require to be funded through the Modernising Secondaries Programme.

Progress Update

Bertha Park was noted as the preferred location for the new All Through Campus by members at the Lifelong Learning Executive Sub-Committee on 6 February 2013 (Report 13/67 refers), subject to the required statutory consultation process. Discussions have begun with the developers of Bertha Park on the location and size of the campus. The proposed site is 10 hectares.

Exploratory work has been completed with regard to reviewing catchment clusters and populating the school based on house building projections. A report was submitted to Full Council on May 7 2014, proposing a catchment area for the school. A proposal paper for the Statutory Consultation for the approved option will be submitted to a Special Meeting of Lifelong Learning Committee on 25 June 2014.

Key milestones have been amended after discussions with HubCo. The site start date will be delayed until April 2016 and the completion date for construction will be December 2017.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Options to populate school	October 2013	May 2014	
Proposal for Statutory Consultation	August 2014		June 2014
Submit NPR	October 2014	TBC	August 2014
Stage 1 Agreed	February 2015	TBC	February 2015
Statutory Consultation Complete	May 2015		May 2015
Stage 2 Agreed	November	TBC	September

	2015		2015
Site Start Date	January 2016	TBC	April 2016
Construction Complete	March 2018	TBC	December 2017

Current Issues

- There is a heavy dependence on having infrastructure in place, in particular the A9/A85 junction to deliver access to the campus;
- A condition of SFT funding states the school must be delivered by the end of financial year 2017/18;
- There is expectation that funding for the Primary School will be provided through S75, however this is subject to agreement; and
- Revenue funding for this project will be required in 2017/18.

OAKBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

A new combined school and nursery will be built on the playing field adjacent to the existing school. The existing school and nursery will be demolished following the completion of the new building to create new external space. Due to an increasing demand for Additional Support Needs (ASN) provision in Perth and Kinross, this project has had additional scope in the form of ASN facilities added to the brief.

Sources of Funding

Funding of £8,500,000 for the project was approved by Council on 9 February 2012. In addition a further £187,594 has been made available to be used for enabling works through East Central HubCo and also an underspend on the Invergowrie project of £400,000 has been vired to this project. The estimated cost for the ASN element is £500,000. The total budget for the project is £9,587,594.

Progress Update

Enabling works began on the site of the new primary school at Oakbank on 7 April 2014. A sod cutting exercise involving the children took place on 25 May 2014. Financial Close was achieved on the project on 29 May 2014 and the main contractual works began thereafter.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Stage 1 ⁴ Agreed	August 2013	Dec 2013	
Stage 2 ⁵ Agreed	March 2014	TBC	May 2014
Planning application granted	February 2014	February 2014	
Financial Close	March 2014	May 2014	
Site Start Date	April 2014	TBC	April 2014
Construction complete	June 2015	TBC	June 2015
School operational	August 2015	TBC	August 2015
Demolition and External Works	December 2015	TBC	December 2015

Current Issues

There are no current issues with this project.

⁴ Stage 1 is equivalent to RIBA Stage C/D, which is a costed outline design

⁵ Stage 2 is equivalent to RIBA Stage E/F, which is a costed detailed design

PERTH ACADEMY – SPORTS HALL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

£2,000,000 funding was allocated to Perth Academy in the 2012/13 budget for improving sports facilities. The funding will be split between an All Weather Pitch (AWP) and a sports hall.

Sources of Funding

The funding is from the ECS Composite Capital Programme.

Progress

The feasibility study to ascertain the best way of providing extended indoor sports accommodation at Perth Academy has progressed and the completed feasibility study has now been received. This is currently being analysed in conjunction with the school.

Current Issues

n/a

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Feasibility study completed	August 2013	January 2014	
Review of feasibility study	April 2014		June 2014

PERTH ACADEMY – All-Weather Pitch

Reporting Period **March 2014 to May 2014**

Overview

£2,000,000 funding was allocated to Perth Academy in the 2012/13 budget for improving sports facilities. The funding will be split between an All Weather Pitch (AWP) and a sports hall.

Sources of Funding

This project is fully funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme. Funding of £2m has been allocated for sports facilities at Perth Academy. The cost of the All Weather Pitch is approximately £950,000.

Progress Update

The best location for the pitch involves the removal of a scots pine tree located on the playing fields. A near neighbour information session took place in February 2013. Since then however, campaigning has taken place by pupils and some staff at the school to save the tree. Meetings have taken place with Local Councillors and the Parent Council to explain the options considered

Statutory approval was deferred on 17 July 2013 to consider application for a Tree Preservation Order. The application was reconsidered on 21 August 2013 and planning permission was awarded.

Discussions with various parties, including the school and Parent Council have concluded and it has been agreed that the project will go ahead in line with the proposals detailed in the planning application.

Work commenced on site at the beginning of January 2014 and is expected to complete, weather permitting, in June 2014.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application Granted	July 2013	August 2013	
Site Start Date	December 2013	January 2014	
Construction Complete	April 2014	TBC	June 2014

Current Issues

Some drainage issues have been revealed since starting on site. The impact of this on the project is currently being analysed and further information will be provided once known. It is likely that additional drainage may need to be installed.

PERTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL - INFRASTRUCTURE AND PRACTICAL UPGRADES

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

Perth Grammar School was selected for major infrastructure improvement as well as upgrade of its practical classrooms (6 CDT, 3 Science and 2 Home Economics) over the next three financial years. This project will be delivered through the new framework with Morrison Construction.

It is proposed to link the major infrastructure upgrade work with the practical classroom upgrades in an effort to minimise the potentially disruptive effect on the delivery of the pupils' education. The infrastructure works include electrical and data rewiring and upgrading, alarm and emergency systems renewal, heating systems renewal, energy conservation and other infrastructure and systems efficiency improvements.

Sources of Funding

This project is being funded by ECS Composite Capital Programme to a value of £3,500,000.

Progress Update

A draft programme has now been received showing a site start date of June 2014. The estimated completion date will be the end of October 2015, although this is dependent on the scope of the infrastructure works (see current issues).

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Site Start Date	June 2014	TBC	June 2014
Refurbishment of Technical teaching Areas complete	September 2014	TBC	September 2014
Completion of infrastructure works	October 2015	TBC	TBC

Current Issues

Property Services are taking the opportunity to review the infrastructure requirements with a view to further prioritisation.

Discussions have taken place regarding moving the school office as part of the upgrade works, however this is currently unfunded.

PERTH HIGH SCHOOL – SPORTS HALL

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

The provision of the sports hall will improve the sporting facilities at Perth High School, resulting in improved educational and extra-curricular sporting facilities.

The Council has submitted a bid to **sportscotland** for part funding of the project.

Sources of Funding

This project will be funded by the ECS Composite Capital Programme and **sportscotland**. The grant from sportscotland is £500,000, the funding from the ECS capital programme is £2.2m, giving an available budget of £2.7m.

Overall progress

Property has appointed external consultants to take forward the project, although it will still continue to be managed by Perth and Kinross Council architects.

The Gross Maximum Cost (GMC) has been received for the project. The project is £1.25m above the budget. The Strategic Improvement Group (SIG) have considered an options appraisal for going forward. A number of options for redesigning the building were reconsidered, all of which have risks associated with additional cost, the planning process, delay and **sportscotland** funding.

SIG have recommended to progress with the current design, subject to SP&R approval. A request will be made to the SP&R Committee to vire funding of £1,000,000 from the Crieff Primary School project together with £250,000 from the Modernising Secondaries Programme in this regard.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application Granted	February 2013	February 2013	
Planning Modification Change Re-submission	October 2013	December 2013	
Agreed Maximum Price	December 2013	TBC	February 2014
Site Start Date	January 2014	TBC	March 2014
Construction Complete	August 2014	TBC	February 2015
Operational Date	September 2014	TBC	March 2015

Current Issues

Additional funding is required to proceed with the project, as detailed above.

RATTRAY PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Reporting Period March 2014 to May 2014

Overview

Ratray Primary School is being extended to provide flexible spaces for the delivery of services for children, families and the community.

Sources of Funding

This project is funded by the ECS and TES Capital Programme (£2,495,000 and £130,000 respectively) and Scottish Government Grant of £414,000, a total of £3,039,000.

Progress Update

Construction work commenced on site in April 2013 and completed in February 2014. External works were completed in May 2014.

The building will be operational from June 2014.

Key Milestones

Milestone	Planned date	Actual Date	Forecast date
Planning Application Granted	November 2012	November 2012	
Biomass Planning Application Granted	February 2013	February 2013	
Site Start Date	April 2013	April 2013	
Construction complete	January 2014	May 2014	
Operational Date	April 2014		June 2014

Current Issues

None.