

Capital Programme Summary

Fund	Revised Budget 2021/22	New Capital Schemes 2022/23	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000
General Fund	4,610	1,222	5,832
Housing Revenue Account	2,449	3,830	6,279
Total	7,059	5,052	12,111

APPENDIX 3 - OADB Y AND WIGSTON BOROUGH COUNCIL NEW CAPITAL SCHEME PROPOSALS - CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2022/23

Project Code Reference	Scheme	2022-23 New Capital Scheme Proposals	2022-23 Total Budget	Comments
	Funding Available B/F Estimated Additions In Year	£	£	
	Total Funding Available			
	Housing Revenue Account			
1	HRA Business Plan	1,500,000	1,500,000	Standing budget for capital works per HRA business plan The provision of new housing for sale / rent on vacant land owned by OWBC.
2	Horsewell Lane housing development, Modular Build	2,330,000	2,330,000	It is our consideration that the provision of Modular (Factory manufactured) buildings have a significant quality control benefit being manufactured within a controlled environment as opposed to traditional build being subject to prevailing weather conditions. The delivery to site and erection on pre-constructed foundations, car parking and landscaping can be achieved within one month, fully fitted and operational awaiting occupation within a further month. It is our consideration that traditional build, which is subject to weather conditions, would take nine months after which the car parking and landscaping would take a further 30 days. Overall, a modular build project can produce income revenue 7 months earlier than traditional build from commencement on site.
	Total - HRA	3,830,000	3,830,000	
	General Fund			
	Invest to Save	350,000	350,000	This capital funding is to be used for investing in capital projects that will generate a source of income. Business cases would need to be put forward to bid for funding. Projects would need to prove to be financially viable produce an income stream to assist in the funding of Council Services. Business Cases would need to be produced which would be reviewed and presented to Members for approval.
	Transformation	400,000	400,000	Costs relating to transformation projects in 2022/23. Business cases would need to be produced which would be reviewed and presented to Members for Approval. Approved projects qualifying revenue costs could then be charged against the Transformation Capital Budget.
	Vehicle Refurbishment	60,000	60,000	To refurbish vehicles to extend the life by 2 – 3 years rather than investment in total new vehicles This relates to both refuse and recycling wagons and also sweepers and lorries This is for the initial outlay of 1 vehicle only with an ongoing project of vehicle refurb of the following years rather than the purchase of new vehicles
	Christmas Lights Infrastructure	7,500	7,500	Infrastructure requirement for the Christmas lights project. New electricity points are needed to ensure the lights continue to operate, as the network of electrical points installed is at capacity. Also additional icicle lights are needed to cover areas that have not already been covered.
	Website accessibility	5,000	5,000	The council must meet the Government's new Web Content Accessibility Guidelines. These are put in place to ensure that websites are accessible to everyone regardless of disability, age or education. The communications team has been steadily working on this project for a year, with the support of a paid-for Steria website specialist. This expert support is still needed. The O&W website has moved from 280th to 30th nationally in the list of most accessible website but even now we would barely scrape through an assessment from the Government. WCAG guidelines will soon become even stricter and more work needs to be done. If O&W does not undertake this work we are liable to receive a fine. While the communications team is undertaking much of the work, the website specialist adds a layer of accessibility knowledge not held within the organisation. The specialist also adds extra resource in tackling the issues on the website. Despite us leaving the ICT partnership, it has been indicated we could pay for more time from the web specialist – knowledge that is needed to ensure we are compliant with the guidelines

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	Finance System Upgrade	80,000	80,000	The current version of Integra Finance System used by the Council will shortly no longer be supported by Civica. The will require an upgrade to a new finance system.
	New Internal Website	10,000	10,000	In a post-covid world where we work with agility and regularly from home, we need better quality internal communication tools. Our current Wordpress website has huge limitations, is of poor quality, and cannot be improved to any great effect. With a new website we could better explore opportunities with videos, blogs, team pages, widgets, news items and a better document store. This will enhance and improve team cohesion, the effectiveness or corporate messaging and the feeling of working for a council rather than in isolated teams. It will allow teams (and the communications team) to be creative in the ways they share and store information internally, and communicate with the rest of the organisation.
	Provision of Energy Efficiency Technologies at Brocks Hill	200,000	200,000	The resurrection of the existing wind turbine, photovoltaic array and the resurrection of the rainwater harvesting system for home drinking water supplies at Brocks Hill. This would result in ongoing savings on energy costs. The Wind turbine would provide opportunities for the Council to generate additional income by selling excess electricity not used back to electricity national grid suppliers.
				Description of the project (to include sufficient information to serve as the committee narrative)
		74,000	74,000	Allocate £74,000 every year for 3 years to secure funding for a 2024 hardware renewal. This would be a complete replacement for a desk worth of equipment for each user. This would coincide with the end of the warranty period for our current equipment. Any remaining old equipment will be recycled with a possible financial rebate back to the council.
	Laptop Renewal 2024	20,000	20,000	New starter equipment requirements which is outside of the current scope of people we currently support. This also includes some replacement budget for equipment which is broken or lost by the userbase.
	Miscellaneous Equipment and New Starters	10,000	10,000	Oadby Depot and Brocks Hill will be taking more staff due to the relocation away from Bushloe House. The carpet at Oadby Depot is the original and is over 30 years old. It is lifting in some locations forming a trip hazard and is worn and thin. The underlying chipboard floor also needs attention due to the amount it creaks and this can be done at the same time as the floor covering is replaced.
	Oadby Depot – new carpet and addressing floor issues			
	Peace Memorial Park Bowls Green- replace steps to bowling green	5,000	5,000	The wooden steps that give access to the bowls green at Peace Memorial Park have reached the end of their useful life and need replacing. Temporary repairs have been carried out but these are unlikely to last and therefore the steps need removing and replacing with a long term solution. New steps (or ramp) need to be configured so that (unlike the present steps) there are no significant changes in height between the treads which creates a trip hazard for users.
	Total - General Fund	1,221,500	1,221,500	
	PLANNED EXPENDITURE GRAND TOTAL	5,051,500	5,051,500	