

TAYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE BOARD**REPORT BY THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICER AND TREASURER****26 JANUARY 2009**

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FINANCIAL PLAN 2009/10 – 2011/12**Abstract**

This Report proposes a Capital Expenditure Financial Plan for the years 2009/10 to 2011/12 and seeks authorisation for the plan.

1 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members approve the content of this Report which details the capital expenditure financial plan for the years 2009/10 to 2011/12.

2 BACKGROUND

The Board has in the past submitted a Capital Expenditure Financial Plan to the Scottish Government. This has been the basis for the Government setting their consent levels for Section 94 borrowing for the years in question. The method of financing capital expenditure changed in 2004/05 to a capital grant system rather than consent to borrow. No notification has been received to date of the capital grant allocation for 2009/10.

This Plan sets out Tayside Fire and Rescue's known estimated capital expenditure for the years stated. As with the revenue budget this Plan has been prepared utilising the best information to hand at time of preparation, along with best professional estimates of the Chief Fire Officer and budget holders within Tayside Fire and Rescue as to future initiatives which will require to be undertaken.

The Board can, however, be assured that any known financial implications arising from these issues will be highlighted to Members as early as is practicable.

3 CONSULTATION

The Clerk has been consulted in the preparation of this Report.

4 CONCLUSION

Following approval by the Board a Capital Expenditure Financial Plan will be in place for 2009/10 to 2011/12.

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Chief Fire Officer

J Symon
Treasurer

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

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**CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FINANCIAL PLAN
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INTRODUCTION

Capital expenditure is defined as expenditure incurred in the acquisition, construction or improvement of physical assets required to provide services, where the benefit to the Authority extends beyond one year of account.

The Scottish Government, prior to 2004/05, controlled capital expenditure under Section 94 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973. The Board therefore received notification of its capital allocation and formal consent to incur capital expenditure year on year.

As from 2004/05, the method of financing capital expenditure changed from a formal consent method to that of a capital grant i.e. a block of funding provided to the Board in a similar way to the manner in which revenue is funded. No notification has been received to date of the capital grant allocation for 2009/10.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FINANCIAL PLAN

Project Description	Priority Category (2008/09 Projects)	Major Projects Funding in Prev. Years	CAPITAL ESTIMATES								Amount to be Funded from Other Sources £'000	
			2009/10		2010/11		2011/12		Later Years			
			LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000		
<u>PROPERTY</u>												
Property Improvements/Dignity Facilities	A5			15		15		16		16	Nil	
Property - Minor Works	A4			50		52		53		53	Nil	
Training Facilities				380		391		403		403	Nil	
<u>VEHICLES</u>												
Fire Engines & Equipment	A1			885		912		939		939	260 - Top Slice	
Ancillary Vehicles & Equipment	A2			88		91		93		93	Nil	
<u>MOBILISATION & COMMUNICATIONS</u>												
IT Development	A3			90		93		95		95	Nil	
<u>EQUIPMENT</u>												
Hydrants & Operational Equipment	A6			107		110		114		114	Nil	
TOTAL				0	1,615	0	1,663	0	1,713	0	1,713	
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SUMMARY OF CAPITAL PROGRAMME

Property

Property Improvements and Minor Works

The works involved within these categories of expenditure involve the following:

Description	Cost
	£
Training Facilities - Construction of training block at McAlpine Road Fire Station	380,000
Minor Works - Carbon Trust recommendations to increase energy savings and reduce carbon footprint	50,000
Property Improvements - Retention monies payable	15,000
Total	435,000

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Vehicles

Fire Engines and Equipment

Fire Board Report FB/03/37 details Tayside Fire and Rescues operational appliance replacement policy. In accordance with that policy, expenditure within this category is broken down as follows:

Description	Cost
	£
RP/WtL Replacement –body 3 existing chassis	255,000
3 x Ladder Sets	20,000
Aerial Rescue Pump	380,000
Equipment Inventory for ARP 2	50,000
2 x Chassis for 2010 build	180,000
Total	855,000

Ancillary Vehicles and Equipment

Fire Board Report FB/03/37 details Tayside Fire and Rescue's ancillary vehicle replacement policy. Expenditure in this category will ensure the maintenance of an operationally robust fleet of cars and vans.

Mobilisation and Communications

IT Development

A provision of £90k has been included in the Capital Plan to allow for the continued investment in IT Hardware. Dynamic age profile assessments have been carried out on computer equipment to establish replacement priorities. In addition, there are constant upgrades required to the IT infrastructure in order to support the various systems in place.

Equipment

Hydrants and Operational Equipment/Rescue Pump Equipment

The proposed budget for the above category can be detailed as follows:

Description	Cost
	£
Installation of Hydrants	10,000
Branch Replacement Programme	5,000
Replacement Foam Equipment	15,000
Replacement CABA Cylinders	50,000
BA Compressor Station	15,000
Hose Replacement Programme	6,000
Tychem Suit Replacement	6,000
Total	107,000

