

TAYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE BOARD**REPORT BY THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICER AND TREASURER****1 FEBRUARY 2010**

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FINANCIAL PLAN 2010/11 – 2012/13**Abstract**

This Report proposes a Capital Expenditure Financial Plan for the years 2010/11 to 2012/13 and seeks authorisation for the plan.

1 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Members approve the Capital Expenditure Financial Plan for the years 2010/11 to 2012/13.

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 2010/11.

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 2010/11 to 2012/13.


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Chief Fire Officer

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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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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 2010/11.

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				
			2010/11		2011/12		2012/13		Later Years		2010/11		2011/12			2012/13		Later Years	
			LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000		LC £'000	NYLC £'000	LC £'000	NYLC £'000
<u>PROPERTY</u>																			
Property Improvements/Dignity Facilities	A5		0			300					309					309		Nil	
Perth Fire Station Upgrading	A4		800			143					147					147		Top Slice 2010/11 - £357k 2011/12 - £143k	
Training Facilities			0			500					500					500		Nil	
<u>VEHICLES</u>																			
Fire Engines & Equipment	A1		475			653					840					673		Nil	
Ancillary Vehicles & Equipment	A2		120			90					90					93		Nil	
<u>MOBILISATION & COMMUNICATIONS</u>																			
IT Development	A3		125			129					133					133		Nil	
<u>EQUIPMENT</u>																			
Hydrants & Operational Equipment	A6		160			302					42					311		Nil	
TOTAL			0	1,680	0	2,117	0	2,061	0	2,166	0	2,061	0	2,166	0	2,166			
			1,680		2,117		2,061		2,166		2,061		2,166		2,166				

SUMMARY OF CAPITAL PROGRAMME

Property

Perth Station Upgrading

A project was been identified within Perth Station which was required by Health and Safety legislation to be commenced as soon as possible. This entails a complete rewiring of the premises. This project was commenced in 2009/10, however it still has some way to go before it is complete. This project has also been subject to a top slice capital bid which was successful and will generate capital funding over the years 2010/11 and 2011/12 of £500,000. It is also intended to allocate a sum of £400,000 CFCR to this project, which is accounted for within the revenue budget.

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 2 existing chassis	180,000
2 x Ladder Sets	15,000
Chassis for 20011/12 Build	270,000
Vehicle Telematics	10,000
Total	475,000

The Vehicle Telematics category refers to the fitting out of vehicles with intelligent in-vehicle technology.

Ancillary Vehicles and Equipment

Fire Board Report FB/03/37 details Tayside Fire and Rescue’s ancillary vehicle replacement policy. Expenditure of £120k in this category will ensure the maintenance of an operationally robust fleet of cars and vans.

Mobilisation and Communications

IT Development

A provision of £125k 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
Hose Replacement Programme	6,000
PPV Fans	7,500
Working at Heights Equipment	10,000
Tychem Suit Replacement	6,000
New Personal Protective Equipment Issue	120,000
Total	159,500

