

Executive Cabinet

Agenda and Reports for consideration on

Thursday, 2nd October 2008

in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Chorley

At 5.00 pm



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23 September 2008

Dear Councillor

EXECUTIVE CABINET - THURSDAY, 2ND OCTOBER 2008

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Executive Cabinet to be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Chorley on Thursday, 2nd October 2008 at 5.00 pm.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

2. **Declarations of Any Interests**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda. If the interest arises **only** as result of your membership of another public body or one to which you have been appointed by the Council then you only need to declare it if you intend to speak.

If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest, you must withdraw from the meeting. Normally you should leave the room before the business starts to be discussed. You do, however, have the same right to speak as a member of the public and may remain in the room to enable you to exercise that right and then leave immediately. In either case you must not seek to improperly influence a decision on the matter.

3. Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Cabinet held on 4 September 2008 (enclosed).

4. Public Questions

Members of the public who have requested the opportunity to ask a question(s) on an agenda item(s) will be requested to put their question(s) to the respective Executive Member(s). Each member of the public will be allowed to ask one supplementary question within his/her allotted three minutes.

ITEMS OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER (BUSINESS) (INTRODUCED BY COUNCILLOR P MALPAS)

5. Climate Change Strategy - Progress on Implementation (Pages 7 - 16)

Report of Corporate Director (Business) (enclosed).

6. Growth Point - Programme of Development (Pages 17 - 22)

Report of Corporate Director (Business) (enclosed).

ITEM OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER (PEOPLE) (INTRODUCED BY COUNCILLOR J WALKER)

7. <u>Introduction of Free Swimming Programme</u>

The Executive Cabinet, at its last meeting on 4 September, confirmed its participation in the scheme to provide free swimming for persons aged 60 and over and expressed an interest in the scheme to provide free swimming for persons aged 16 and under, on the understanding that a further report on the potential financial implications would be presented to a future Executive Cabinet meeting.

The Corporate Director (People) will table a further report at the meeting following the receipt of additional information from the Government on the likely funding of the under 16s element of the scheme expected at the end of September.

ITEM OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER (RESOURCES) (INTRODUCED BY COUNCILLOR A CULLENS)

8. Capital Programme, 2008/09 and onwards - Monitoring (Pages 23 - 34)

Report of Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) (enclosed).

- 9. Any other item(s) that the Chair decides is/are urgent
- 10. <u>Exclusion of the Public and Press</u>

To consider the exclusion of the press and public for the following items of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

ITEM OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER (BUSINESS) (INTRODUCED BY COUNCILLOR P MALPAS)

11. Management of Cotswold House and other Homelessness related matters

Report of Corporate Director (Business) (to follow).

ITEM OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER (NEIGHBURHOODS) (INTRODUCED BY COUNCILLOR E BELL)

12. <u>Future contractual arrangements for civil parking enforcement in Chorley</u> (Pages 35 - 44)

Report of Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods) (enclosed).

ITEM OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER (RESOURCES) (INTRODUCED BY COUNCILLOR A CULLENS)

13. <u>Business Transformation - Restructure</u> (Pages 45 - 50)

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Report of Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) (enclosed).

Yours sincerely

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Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 4 September 2008

Executive Cabinet

Present: Councillor Peter Goldsworthy (Executive Leader in the Chair), Councillor Pat Case (Deputy Leader of the Council) and Councillors Eric Bell, Alan Cullens, Peter Malpas and John Walker

Also in attendance:

Lead Members: Councillors Rosemary Russell (Lead Member for Health and Older People) and Iris Smith (Lead Member for Licensing)

Other Members: Councillors Ken Ball, Terry Brown, Mike Devaney, Dennis Edgerley, Anthony Gee, Laura Lennox, Adrian Lowe, Geoffrey Russell, Ralph Snape and Peter Wilson

08.EC.74 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest by any of the Executive Members on any of the agenda items.

08.EC.75 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Cabinet held on 14 August 2008 were confirmed as a correct record for signature by the Executive Leader.

08.EC.76 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

A request had been received from a local town centre trader for the opportunity to ask a question in relation to the petition on short stay car parking which had been referred to the Executive Cabinet by the Council at its last meeting.

The request was accommodated by the Executive Cabinet during their discussion of the item at Minute 08.EC.84.

08.EC.77 FORWARD PLAN

The Executive Cabinet received the Council's September Forward Plan, which set out the detail of the potential key decisions to be made by the Executive Cabinet or individual Executive Members during the four months period commencing 1 September 2008.

Decision made:

That the September Plan, as now presented, be noted.

08.EC.78 DELIVERING EFFICIENCY AND VALUE FOR MONEY - REFLECTING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

The Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) submitted a final position statement on the Council's performance in reaching the efficiency targets to be achieved during the Spending Review period from 2005 to 2008, which confirmed that the Council had substantially exceeded the efficiency savings target of £1.29m.

While there was no specific requirement for the Council to set a local target for efficiency gains during the Comprehensive Spending Review covering the period 2008 to 2011, the report recommended that a local target of £1.26m be set. This figure had been calculated following advice from the Department for Communities and Local

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Government and after taking account of the fact that the Council was able to carry over the £726,404 excess savings from the previous spending review.

The Officer's report sets out the key areas on which the Council should focus and explained how Officers intend to manage and achieve the savings targets. The Authority would need to ensure that services were procured by the optimum method. processes and systems were streamlined through service transformation and that the Council's assets were used most effectively.

Decisions made:

- 1. That the report be noted.
- 2. That the strategic way forward set out in the report be approved as a platform for the delivery of efficiency gains and the achievement of value for money.
- 3. That an efficiency target of £1.26m be approved as local target for the Council during the Comprehensive Spending Review for the three year period 2008 to 2011.
- 4. That the Executive Member (Resources) be nominated to act as Value for Money Champion for the Authority.
- That an annual update to monitor progress on the efficiency gains be 5. presented to the Executive Cabinet.

Reason for decision:

In order to ensure that Members are appraised of the issues and demands presented by the continuing efficiency agenda and the strategy to achieve successes.

Alternative option(s) considered and rejected:

Unlike the 2004 Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR), there are no individual efficiency targets set in the 2007 CSR. However, in order to ensure maximum internal focus, it is essential that local targets be set for future efficiency gains.

08.EC.79 PREVENTION OF HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY FOR CHORLEY, 2008 - 2013

The Executive Cabinet received a report of the Corporate Director (Business) enclosing a draft Prevention of Homelessness Strategy to cover the period 2008-2013 to replace the initial Strategy produced in 2003.

The purpose of the Strategy was to enable local authorities to have an accurate picture of the levels of homelessness throughout the Borough and to outline the steps to be taken to tackle and prevent homelessness. This would be pursued through an Action Plan which would concentrate on improving services to customers; reducing the use of temporary accommodation and improving standards; and developing early interventions and enhanced options.

Other Members present at the meeting requested the Executive Member (Resources) to examine the progress on the provision of new affordable housing units throughout the Borough to ascertain whether stipulated targets were being met and the correlation between reducing housing waiting lists and the limited availability of affordable dwellings.

Decisions made:

1. That the draft Prevention of Homelessness Strategy, as now presented, be approved for consultation purposes.

2. That the Executive Member (Business) be granted delegated power to agree the final Strategy document after taking account of the outcome of the consultation exercise.

Reason for decisions:

All partners must be consulted on the Prevention of Homelessness Strategy, in order to ensure that the Strategy is 'fit for purpose' and to identify any omissions and ensure that all agencies take 'ownership' of the action plan to ensure its deliverability.

Alternative option(s) considered and rejected:

None.

08.EC.80 INTRODUCTION OF FREE SWIMMING PROGRAMME

The Executive Cabinet received and considered a report of the Corporate Director (People) which outlined the Government's plans to encourage local authorities to participate in schemes to allow free swimming for persons aged 60 years or over and for persons aged 16 years and under during public sessions, and commented on its implications for Chorley.

Authorities wishing to participate in the 60 plus free swimming scheme and express an interest to participate in the under 16 scheme were required to confirm their intentions by 15 September 2008.

The Government had undertaken to contribute towards the costs of the free swimming programme for an initial two year period, after which the scheme would be evaluated to consider the possibility of future funding beyond that period. The Corporate Director's report confirmed the likelihood of the costs of free swimming for 60 plus persons being contained within the Government grant during the first two year period. However, the comments of the Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) reminded Members of the current uncertainties in relation to the funding of the under 16s element of the programme in so far as the level of Government grant and the Primary Care Trust's possible contribution was concerned. The Council would also need to assess the risks if, in subsequent years, the Government grant was reduced or removed and consider the implications of Community Leisure Services' future pricing policies.

The Executive Cabinet accepted the Officers' reservations but agreed to pursue the Authority's potential involvement in the free swimming programme on the understanding that a further report would be submitted to an early Executive Cabinet meeting.

Decision made:

That, at this stage, the Council confirms its participation in the scheme to provide free swimming at public sessions for persons aged 60 and over and expresses an interest in the scheme to provide free swimming for persons aged 16 and under.

Reasons for decision:

The Government expects the majority of local authorities to participate in some elements of the free swimming programme to encourage residents to take part in a popular form of physical activity that has proven health benefits. The financial implications and risks will need to be evaluated before a definite commitment is made to provide free swimming for persons aged 16 and under.

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Alternative option(s) considered and rejected:

The only alternative option is not to participate in any element of the programme.

08.EC.81 COPPULL LEISURE CENTRE - OPTIONS FOR FUTURE OPERATION

The Executive Cabinet considered a report of the Corporate Director (People) seeking instructions on the future operation of Coppull Leisure Centre.

The Council's 15 year Indoor Leisure Contract with Community Leisure Services (CLS), which now covered All Seasons Leisure Centre, Clayton Green Leisure Centre and Brinscall Pool, had commenced in November 2006. The contract was supported by a side agreement with CLS in respect of the Coppull Leisure Centre, which was currently leased by the Council from the Coppull Community Association.

The Leisure Centre lease was due to expire in 2011 and the Council would, therefore, need to determine its policy and preferred method of future operation if the Council was to ensure that the agreed arrangements were in place by 2011.

The report outlined a number of options for the future management and operation of the Coppull Leisure Centre, but recommended the commencement of negotiations with the Coppull Community Association and Community Leisure Services with a view to the current level of operations being continued at the Leisure Centre for the remaining period of the Indoor Leisure Contract.

Decision made:

That approval be given to the commencement of negotiations with the Coppull Community Association and Community Leisure Services on the continuation of the current level of operations at the Coppull Leisure Centre for the remaining period of the Indoor Leisure Contract.

Reason for decision:

The proposal will ensure that there is a continuous provision for sport and physical activity within the Borough and Coppull, in particular, which, in turn, will assist the achievement of challenging targets.

Alternative option(s) considered and reported:

The two options assessed and rejected would be not to extend the lease or subsidise the operation of Coppull Leisure Centre or transfer the responsibility for the operation of the Centre to community management.

08.EC.82 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Decision made:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

08.EC.83 BUSINESS DIRECTORATE - RESTRUCTURE OF STRATEGIC HOUSING SECTION

The Executive Cabinet considered a confidential report of the Corporate Director (Business) on the results of the consultation exercise on the draft proposals to restructure the Strategic Housing Section of the Business Directorate.

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The revised structure would reduce the number of Homelessness and Housing Advice Officers from three to two and create a temporary Affordable Housing Officer for a period of two years. The change of emphasis was aimed at strengthening the Section's ability to encourage and pursue the provision of more affordable housing within the Borough in accordance with national and local priorities.

The additional costs of the restructuring proposals could be met from a budget virement.

Decision made:

That the proposals to restructure the Strategic Housing Section of the Business Directorate, as amended to take account of the outcome of the consultation exercise and outlined in the submitted report, be approved and adopted.

Reasons for decision:

The revised structure will provide a 'fit for purpose' strategic housing function aligned to the needs of the service and will ensure the allocation of sufficient resources and capacity to the strategic priority of the Council to provide adequate units of affordable housing.

(The meeting was re-opened to the press and public at this stage)

08.EC.84 SHORT STAY CAR PARKS - PETITION REFERRED BY COUNCIL AT ITS **MEETING ON 15 JULY 2008**

The Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods) presented a report in response to the petition against the 3 hours maximum limit for parking on short stay car parks introduced in April 2008 that that been submitted to the last Council meeting and referred for consideration by the Executive Cabinet.

Recent research into town centre car park usage had revealed that a significant majority of visitors and shoppers using the short stay car parks generally stayed for less than 2 hours and that, whilst the Flat Iron Car Park was well used on Tuesdays and Saturdays, there was ample capacity for parking within the short and long star car parks at most times. Alternative long stay provision was also readily available within easy access of the town centre.

The instigator of the petition attended the Executive Cabinet meeting and was allowed to present a further letter in support of the petition.

A comprehensive debate ensued on the issues raised by the petition, during which a number of suggested schemes aimed at meeting local traders concerns (eg the introduction of pay on exit parking; the extension of the maximum stay on short stay car parks to four hours on payment of a premium charge for the fourth hour) were raised. The Council was also requested to improve the directional signage to the location of town car parks at each gateway to the town.

At the conclusion of the debate, the Executive Cabinet considered that, on balance, in order to maintain a relatively low car parking fee structure and to encourage greater turnover on short-stay car parks, the current policy should be continued. The car parking issues should, however, be monitored and kept under review with an examination of all viable and realistic options.

Decisions made:

That the report be noted. 1.

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- 2. That, on the basis of the evidence presented in the report, the car parking strategy approved by the Executive Cabinet at its meeting on 6 September 2007 be reaffirmed.
- 3. That the petitioner, along with other local retail outlets, be provided with details of the long stay car parks located within the town centre which they can provide to customers.
- 4. That the situation in respect of town centre parking and the fee structure be kept under review, with an examination of all feasible options to assist visitor parking and maintain satisfactory income levels.

Reason for decisions:

Initial analysis of the issues raised in the petition has revealed that there is no evidence to warrant an alteration of the current car parking policy and associated tariff charges. An on-going review, however, will allow an assessment of the concerns expressed and an examination of all feasible options.

Alternative options(s) considered and rejected:

None.

Executive Leader



Report of	Meeting	Date
Corporate Director (Business)	Executive Cabinet	2 October 2008
Introduced by the Executive Member (Business).		

IMPLEMENTATION OF CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY.

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1. To up-date Members on progress made so far into the implementation of the Council's Climate Change Strategy adopted in May 2008.
- To request the approval of the release of funds from the Climate Change monies to progress specific schemes.

RECOMMENDATION

To note the progress of the Climate Change Strategy and to approve the release of £120,000 of the Climate Change Monies within the financial year 2008- 2009 and an additional £60,000 in the next financial year.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

- The report sets out the good work that the Council has already begun in relation to its responsibilities regarding climate change and requests that £120,000 be released as follows within this financial year:
 - £60,000 for business grants.
 - £20,000 for grants for domestic solar panels.
 - £10,000 for Greening Chorley Markets
 - £30,000 to bridge match funding gap for individuals, the "third sector", and Small Medium Enterprises.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

(If the recommendations are accepted)

To reduce Chorley Council's impact on Climate Change, to provide visible Community Leadership and to help Chorley's local businesses save money and be environmental leaders.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

6. To spend the monies on other activities that could be financed from other sources.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

7. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:



Put Chorley at the heart of regional economic development in the Central Lancashire sub-region	X	Develop local solutions to climate change.	X
Improving equality of opportunity and life chances		Develop the Character and feel of Chorley as a good place to live	Х
Involving people in their communities		Ensure Chorley Borough Council is a performing organisation	X

BACKGROUND

- 8. Since the adoption of the Council's Climate Change Strategy in May of this year the issue of Climate Change has gone further up the national and local agenda.
- 9. In the autumn, the Climate Change Bill is due to gain Royal Assent. This will give central government the power to require a report from public sector organisations, such as local councils, on how an authority is assessing and acting on the risks and opportunities from a changing climate.
- 10. The LAA for Lancashire was agreed in the summer. It includes national indicators relating to the reduction of carbon emissions within the Borough as a whole, and how the Council is planning for the impacts of Climate Change.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF STRATEGY

- 11. The Climate Change Strategy gives a brief summary of the possible impacts on Chorley of forecast climate change; the statutory obligations the Council has relating to energy efficiency; increasing the use of micro generation; and the reduction in numbers of those in fuel poverty. It also sets out its responsibilities to promote good practice.
- 12. Directors are responsible for implementing the cultural changes set out in the Strategy. Decisions made in their particular services need to consider impact on reducing carbon emissions, and the ability to withstand extreme forecast weather conditions.
- 13. It also set out what the Council has done previously, its current activities and set out a number of specific actions that were proposed for the early, mid and long term.
- 14. These were grouped around the Council as an Organisation, the Council as a Service Provider and as Community Leader. Some of these actions involve costs that need to be specifically agreed.

PROGRESS SO FAR

15. Related to the Climate Change Strategy the following has taken place, or is taking place.

Within the Council as an Organisation:

- The loop and e- news and views regularly used to promote energy saving tips etc.
- Undertaking awareness raising campaign through posters and stickers encouraging staff to cut down on energy use.
- Additional links put on Climate Change website to provide up-to date information on grants etc.
- Survey and investigation of waste from the Council offices. Setting out programme to ensure that the majority of office waste can be recycled.
- Progression through Staff Matters of setting cap for carbon emissions of lease cars, rationalisation of water coolers in Council buildings and information regarding energy saving works to the three main buildings such as turning down the thermostats to 19 C.

- The mayoral car has been changed to a Prius.
- Committed to producing a Green Travel Plan for staff.

16. The Council as a Service Provider:

- Working with the County Council on a cycling strategy for the Borough.
- Has parking charging strategy that acts as a disincentive to commuter parking.
- Ensures new developments include renewables and other methods of reducing carbon emissions as well as developments being designed to be able to withstand more extreme weather patterns.
- Working as a pilot authority with the County Council on details of how the Council's work and the Borough generally will be affected by Climate Change (including costs).

17. As a Community Leader:

• The Council together with its partners has produced the draft Chorley Partnership Climate Change Strategy, for consultation until the 24th October.

ACTIONS THAT REQUIRE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

18. The Council have set aside £180,000 of monies to be used on capital projects that will contribute to the Council's work on Climate Change. In the previous report a number of proposals were put forward. This report requests a specific approval for the release of funds for a number of specific actions. Some of these actions will have a direct impact on reducing carbon emissions, others demonstrate Community Leadership and others will have an indirect but important impact.

GREENING THE COVERED MARKETS

- 19. Planning permission has now been granted for the refurbishment and modernisation of the Covered Markets. The Markets are pivotal to Chorley's character and to its reputation as a Contemporary Market Town.
- 20. It is proposed that up to £10,000 be spent from the Climate Change pot to be used on rainwater harvesting and the introduction of energy saving lighting. These would reduce the carbon footprint of the Markets. Treated water requires considerable energy to be made fit to drink (0.00029 kg of CO2 per litre) and to be pumped from its source, whilst conventional lighting is three quarters less efficient than Energy Saving bulbs and lighting systems.
- 21. It would also reduce the utility bills for the Council, particularly, as the Council is now charged for rainwater run off from the roof span of the Market. If suitably publicised it will demonstrate that the Council is using best practice and taking a Community Leadership role that also makes commercial sense.
- 22. The works are due to take place this financial year. It is estimated that the Council would save approximately £3,000 per annum and around 1000 kg/carbon dioxide per annum relating to the rain water harvesting.

BUSINESS GRANTS

23. The Climate Change Strategy proposed that £120,000 be used for businesses to apply for grant support to make practical changes to reduce their carbon emissions over two years. Following the adoption of the Strategy in May, further work has been undertaken by the Business Directorate, the Local Strategic Partnership, Groundwork Pennine and Lancashire County Developments Ltd (LCDL) to put together a proposed business model. A bid has been made by the Council for up to £60,000 of ERDF monies, which if okayed would result in up to £360,000 of monies being spent on ways of reducing emissions for businesses within the

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Borough. In addition, the County Council and its LCDL arm has up to £462,000 available county wide, on a first come, first served basis, for grants to Small and Medium sized Enterprises to use for the purchase and installation of renewable energy technologies.

- 24. It is envisaged that the Local Strategic Partnership act as the contact between businesses and the professional, free, and experienced advice provided by Groundwork Pennine on behalf of the Government. A detailed programme has been put together to promote the Chorley Business Climate Change Club, which is a good example of joined up working between the County, Chorley Council, LCDL, and the County Council to the benefit of local businesses.
- 25. The average business would save up to £267 per employee and 77 tonnes of carbon per intervention without any grant, therefore depending on the advice given and proposed actions it is likely that considerably more savings would be made on average as well as giving local businesses a competitive advantage in straightened economic consequences. A detailed programme is set out in Appendix 1.

REDUCING EMISSIONS FROM THE DOMESTIC SECTOR

- 26. Chorley's domestic sector is responsible for over 40% of the Borough's carbon emissions. The Council is committed to distributing over £200,000 worth of energy efficiency grants to complement the government's Warm Front grant this financial year. It is currently renegotiating with an external agency to re- engineer how it manages its discretionary grants for insulation measures. Details of which will be presented to members in the future.
- 27. It is proposed that £20,000 of the Climate Change capital monies be set aside to provide grants of up to £1,000 to be match funded for domestic solar thermal heating systems (ie solar water panels). These provide on average a saving of up to 300 tonnes of carbon over the lifetime of the system. They work by the sun heating water that runs through panels to absorb as much heat as possible, this water is then used for hot water systems. Although, a standard system is unlikely to provide all of a household's hot water requirements all year round they are one of the most cost effective ways of reducing domestic energy bills and carbon emissions. They are also suitable for retro- fitting to most properties.
- 28. This technology is established. Most systems have a life expectancy of around 35 years.
- 29. Grants would only be applicable to homes that satisfied the criteria for the government's low carbon buildings programme. Therefore, applicants would be able to benefit from the government's domestic grant scheme as well as the Council's.
- 30. This scheme would reduce carbon emissions in two ways; by ensuring that houses are well insulated and are fitted with energy saving light bulbs, and by introducing a highly visible renewable energy source.
- 31. Such a scheme would demonstrate community leadership and would mirror in the domestic sector the Council's ground breaking business grant system.

GRANTS TO BRIDGE MATCH FUNDING GAP FOR INDIVIDUALS, THE "THIRD SECTOR", AND SMALL MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

- 32. Often grant providing bodies require match funding for projects. For those with limited resources, such as community groups this can be the biggest hurdle for unlocking potential funding.
- 33. It is proposed that up to £30,000 be set aside to provide discretionary contributions up to £5,000 to provide match funding in the following sectors.

Investment in 'Third Sector" Projects, Including our Community Managed Assets.

- 34. This investment could fund feasibility assessments (typically £200-300 via Community Futures), and provide amounts of match funding for carbon reduction and renewable technology projects. This investment could enable community groups to meet the match funding requirements of grant schemes such as:
 - Lancashire Climate Change Fund
 - Low Carbon Buildings Phase 2
 - Lottery Sustainable Energy Programme

Investment in an SME grants programme

- 35. This investment will enable small to medium sized enterprises meet the match funding requirements of loans, grant, and tax relief support such as:
 - Carbon Trust SME loans
 - Lancashire Small Scale renewables grants
 - Carbon Trust Enhanced Capital Allowance
 - European Regional Development Fund
 - The Council's Business Grant Scheme

Grant to Support Individual Householders Not on Mains Gas.

36. A small grant scheme for micro-generation projects may encourage individual householders to invest in renewable technologies (e.g. solar, wind, ground source heat). Currently the only non 'means tested' grant is the Low Carbon Buildings Phase 1. The grant is capped at £2,500 or 30% of the total project cost (whichever is lower). In the current economic climate this may not be a sufficient incentive for householders to install renewable technologies.

IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

37. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Corporate Director's comments are included:

Finance	X	Customer Services	
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity	
Legal		No significant implications in this	
		area	

COMMENTS OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION)

38. The Council in its Capital Programme allocated £180,000to Climate Change schemes that would contribute towards a reduction in both its own carbon footprint and that of the Borough. The proposals outlined in his report are contained within that sum.

CONCLUSION

- 39. The Council has already made good progress in implementing its adopted Climate Change Strategy in how it operates as an Organisation, Service Provider and Community Leader, with little or no additional costs.
- 40. The four funding projects outlined above go one step further. They will make it much easier for the residents, community groups and businesses within the Borough to benefit from the

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- existing grants and business advice available. In the case of Greening Chorley Markets it will be an example of best environmental practice suitable to a Contemporary Market Town.
- 41. This funding package will confirm Chorley Council as one of the leading districts in the North West in the field of Climate Change.

JANE MEEK CORPORATE DIRECTOR BUSINESS

Background Papers			
Document	Place of Inspection		
Chorley Council Climate May 2008 Change Strategy			Union Street
Report Author	Ext	Date	Doc ID
Louise Nurser	5281	18th September 2008	Louise/reports/climate change strategy implementing the Report

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Climate Change - business involvement

The Launch Event – November 2008 The Chorley Partnership's Climate Change Strategy
will soon be out for consultation. We hope to formally launch it in the Autumn. An event is
being planned in partnership with Chorley Council, Groundwork Pennine and LCC for the
beginning of November.

As part of this event, LCC may also use this opportunity to launch its Small Scale Renewables Fund, which Chorley SMEs will be able to apply for. This fund is £462,000 pa for two years, for the whole of Lancashire. The fund will not be disaggregated per district, but will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Groundwork will also be giving information to local businesses (who will be invited to attend using Chorley Council's business contacts database) on the support available to them to carry out an environmental audit of their companies and to signpost them to grants available (eg. CBC, LCC, Carbon Trust, etc).

Following the event, we will promote the setting up of a 'Chorley Businesses Climate Change Club', to be run by Groundwork Pennine, and invite Chorley businesses to become members. Groundwork will carry out resource efficiency audits, at no cost to the businesses involved, as well as the delivery of workshops (evening events or business breakfasts) on raising awareness of various energy and resource saving measures. These will also be another opportunity to signpost businesses to grant support.

Ongoing support from Groundwork Pennine

Groundwork Pennine will continue to deliver energy efficiency audits with Chorley businesses throughout 2008/9 and 2009/10, and signpost them to funding streams as appropriate. The energy efficiency audits will suggest measures business should be taking. Where physical work is involved, Groundwork will signpost businesses to local (Chorley) suppliers specialising in energy saving installations, in conjunction with Chorley Council as a priority over other suppliers in the region.

Workshop events will also be carried out throughout 2008/9 and 2009/10, with frequency depending on interest from local businesses.

This support will be delivered through their ENWORKS funding (secured until March 2010) and therefore will be carried out at no cost to Chorley businesses.

Performance Management

Groundwork use the ENWORKS online toolkit which allows for the performance monitoring of the programme. For instance, we will be able to use it to calculate how much energy has been saved by Chorley businesses, and what this equates to in financial savings.

Money available for grant assistance

 $\pounds 60k$ pa - Chorley Council Climate Change pot (for 2 years) (with potentially double this if we are successful with ERDF bid)

£462k pa county-wide from LCC for Small Scale Renewables for SMEs (for 2 years)

+ other grants available nationally (eg. Carbon Trust, etc).

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• Budget for the Climate Change Strategy Launch

£2475 LCC £1500 Chorley Partnership

+ additional support in kind from Groundwork Pennine and Chorley Council

Climate Change Strategy Launch Event

DRAFT

DATE: w/c 3rd or 10th November.

TIME: 6.30pm

VENUE: Revolution Marketing Suite, Buckshaw Strategic Regional Site.

BUDGET (to include publicity costs): Approx. £5,475 (£2,475 LCC + £1,500 Chorley

Partnership).

PURPOSE:

- To launch the Chorley Partnership's Climate Change Strategy and
- To harness enthusiasm in the business community for climate change,
- To raise awareness of the threats and opportunities posed by climate change to businesses
- To highlight the practical and financial support available from Groundwork, Chorley Council, LCC and national funding pots (eg. Carbon Trust).
- To promote the existence and benefits of a 'Chorley Business Climate Change Club' for climate change and to encourage organisations to join up.

AGENDA:

6.30pm	Welcome from Alian Jones, Chair of the Chorley Partnership
6.40pm	Statement of commitment from Cllr Goldsworthy / Donna
6.50pm	Launch of the strategy presentation
7.15pm	Guest speaker / case study from a Chorley business

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Report of	Meeting	Date
Corporate Director (Business) (Introduced by the Executive Member for Business)	Executive Cabinet	2 October 2008

GROWTH POINT – PROGRAMME OF DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To inform Members of the next stage in the Growth Point and set out the proposals as they apply to Chorley Borough.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2. To note the information contained in this report and endorse the action being taken in developing the Central Lancashire and Blackpool Growth Point Programme of Development for submission by the deadline of 27th October.
- That Programme of Development be submitted on behalf of the Borough Council by the 3. Corporate Director (Business) in consultation with the Executive Member for Business and the Leader of the Council.
- 4. Chorley's involvement in the Growth Point initiative will be subject to Executive Cabinet approval following the Governments announcement on the details of any settlement up to which time the Council reserves the right to withdraw from the process.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

5. Following the approval of the Growth Point Expression of Interest the Government has asked for a Programme of Development. This will set out the details of the proposed development sites including any associated infrastructure costs and when the sites are due to be developed. In addition the Government have invited bids for funding from the Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF2). Chorley's involvement in the Expression of Interest was on the basis that the accelerated growth would deliver badly needed affordable housing quicker which is a corporate priority. However this was to be done on the basis that it would not exceed the amount of housing development set out in the Regional Spatial Strategy (ie approx 455 houses per annum) and would not include any new greenfield sites in the Greenbelt. The Government has said that any proposals should go through the Local Development Framework process and be included in the Core Strategy. Consequently Chorley's current contribution to the Growth Point is modest and as most of the infrastructure and affordable housing contributions have been negotiated the main benefit will be the delivery of affordable housing which should be quicker than would otherwise be the case. A bid has been submitted to the CIF 2 for Buckshaw Station to cover the increase in costs. The details of any settlement associated with the Growth Point and the Programme of Development will not be known at the earliest in February 2009 when an announcement is due.



REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

(If the recommendations are accepted)

6. The Programme of Development submission needs to have the support of each Council.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

7. None in view of the above.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

8. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Put Chorley at the heart of regional economic development in the Central Lancashire sub-region	Х	Develop local solutions to climate change.	
Improving equality of opportunity and		Develop the Character and feel of 2	Χ
life chances		Chorley as a good place to live	
Involving people in their communities		Ensure Chorley Borough Council is a	
		performing organization	

BACKGROUND

- 9. Members will be aware of the Government announcement in July that the Growth Point Expression of Interest submitted in October 2007 had been successful in being taken forward to the next stage. The submission was made jointly by the Central Lancashire authorities (Preston City Council, Chorley Borough Council and South Ribble Borough Council supported by Lancashire County Council) and Blackpool Council.
- 10. The purpose of Growth Points is to uplift new housing provision by about 20% above the figures set out in the emerging Regional Spatial Strategies (RSS). That for the North West of England is due to be approved by the Secretary of State at the end of September 2008. Members will recall that the figures set out in the North West RSS proposed changes published in March 2008 provided for housing provision between 2003 and 2021 of 9,120 net new units in Preston and 7,500 net new units each in Chorley and South Ribble. In addition Blackpool is required to provide 8,000 net new units during that period. The Secretary of state also removed reference to these figures as being maxima. The Growth Point will run to 2017 so in practical terms the requirement is to provide approximately an additional 4,500 units above RSS in the growth point area up to that date.
- 11. A key requirement will also be the delivery of affordable housing and an important component of taking the bid forward will be to ensure sufficient affordable housing is included in the overall new housing mix to meet identified needs. These needs will be established through Strategic Housing Market Assessments that are being prepared as part of the Local Development Framework process.
- 12. Clearly there will be some areas where delivery of additional units can be brought forward early in the Growth Point process, while in other areas there will be a requirement for infrastructure to be first put in place, or other constraints to be overcome before sites can be developed. The next stage in the bidding process is to produce a Programme of Development. This will need to identify which sites are envisaged for housing development and over what period of time. The Programme of Development will also specify the funding that will be required to support the provision of related infrastructure (of all types) and particularly what finance is being sought under the Growth Point initiative, for which approximately £200 million is available nationally.

13. The Programme of Development can differ from the Expression of Interest bid document. For example full account will need to taken of the current housing market situation and how this might change. It will be necessary to aim to predict the level of likely house building through to 2017. In view of the current economic downturn it is likely that slower than previously envisaged house building will occur over the next 2 to 3 years. It may well be possible to accommodate at least this initial level of development on already committed sites, and probably for the whole period in Chorley. This would then allow time for the Local Development Framework documents to be advanced to bring forward new sites (especially elsewhere in Central Lancashire and Blackpool) for development thereafter. The house building predictions arising from this will need to be reflected in the Programme of Development.

FUNDING

- 14. Progress to the next stage in the Growth Point bid brings some funding with it. There is a small amount of revenue funding to enable the bid to be worked up in the detail required for the Programme of Development. The initial tranche of this funding is £150,000 and Lancashire County Council will be the accountable body although it is envisaged that decisions on expenditure will be made by the partner authorities collectively.
- 15. All Growth Point partnerships that have been successful up to this point have also been invited to submit bids to round 2 of the Community Infrastructure Fund. This fund is ring-fenced for capital infrastructure projects related to transport and needs to be spent on specific projects by 2011. The deadline for submissions was 15th September and four projects have been identified in the Growth Point area:
 - Junction improvements M55/A6 and development of park and ride at Broughton
 - Buckshaw Village contribution to the development of Buckshaw Parkway Station
 - Junction improvements, bus priority provision and improved provision for pedestrians and cyclists at various locations in South Ribble
 - Integrated sustainable transport provision in Blackpool.
- 16. It is expected that there will also be further rounds of CIF bidding so further potential projects will be worked up as the Programme of Development evolves.
- 17. In addition to the Community Infrastructure Fund, Growth Point partnerships are also able to bid into a growth fund, which is neither time limited nor ring-fenced and is available for both revenue and capital block funding to local authorities and partnerships based on an assessment of their Programmes of Development. As an unringfenced grant, with the exception of reflecting the split between capital and revenue there will be no grant conditions about how or when it is spent. It will be for local authorities to prioritise how the funding is used in their area. A total of £100M is available through this fund. Bids will need to be worked up as the Programme of Development is taken forward. Assurances have also been given that Government agencies with give Growth Points priority for spending. There is however of course no gaurantee that the bids for funding will be successful.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK AND GOVERNANCE

- 18. The Government has indicated that Growth Points should be delivered through the statutory planning process and progress on that process will be a key factor in taking forward growth points from this stage. In Central Lancashire this means effectively that work on the Programme of Development will be proceeding in parallel with production of the Joint Core Strategy (note however that the plan period of the Core Strategy extends a further 9 years to 2026). In particular the growth point proposals will be subject to the rigorous preparation and examination requirements of the LDF process. It is important that moving forward on two fronts simultaneously in this way is adequately resourced to ensure the success of both initiatives. This is one area where the opportunities for funding through the Growth Fund should be explored as the Programme of Development is worked up.
- 19. Linked to delivery of the programme is the issue of governance. The Growth Point is being delivered through a partnership and how that will be governed will have to be set out in the Programme of Development. A key requirement of the Programme is that a robust delivery mechanism/structure is agreed in which the full governance arrangements are established going forward. Work is currently taking place on identifying a range of options for governance of the Growth Point.

NEXT STEPS

- 20. The Programme of Development has to be produced by a deadline of 27th October. Work is continuing to take that forward to submission by that date and the outcome is expected by February 2008. If approved, from that date onwards the Programme would be a "living" document subject to alteration and refinement as proposals are worked up in more detail. Members are asked to endorse the work that is being carried out to progress the Programme of Development and its submission by 27th October.
- 21. Members should note that the Growth Point area is receiving a visit by Civil Servants from CLG and GONW on 25th September. The outcome will be reported to Members.

CHORLEY PERSPECTIVE

- 22. The Chorley sites provisionally identified in a first draft of the Programme of Development are all sites which either have planning permission or are allocated for development in the Local Plan. Buckshaw Village Group 1 is included in the latter category although a planning application has now been submitted. This and the other named sites were all listed as possible development locations in the original Expression of Interest bid. However in common with all the other local authority areas in the Growth Point the expected rate of development in the early years of the Growth Point has been slowed down to take account of the current slow down in house building and the likelihood this will continue for 2 or 3 years before recovering.
- 23. In addition to identified sites there is an assumption that there will be development on other sites (of less than 30 dwellings in number) in line with past trends many of these sites already have permission. The overall amount of house building that can be achieved in Chorley Borough on this basis is estimated to be 6% above Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) levels. It is envisaged that the overall 20% provision above RSS will be made up through higher growth in other parts of the Growth Point area.
- 24. Under the Community Infrastructure Fund a bid has been made to cover the likely funding shortfall for Buckshaw Parkway Station. However aside from this because of the lower level of growth expected in Chorley and the fact that most of the sites here have developer contribution commitments already in place it will mean that there is likely to be little additional infrastructure funding that could be sought in Chorley Borough in future bids.

25. The aim with affordable housing will be to achieve as high a proportion as is feasible given development site viability which in turn is affected by the state of the market. However again as most of the Chorley sites in the draft Programme of Development already have planning permission the affordable housing proportions for these sites have already been decided. However the delivery of affordable housing should be quicker than would otherwise be the case.

IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

26. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Corporate Directors' comments are included:

Finance	Χ	Customer Services	
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity	
Legal		No significant implications in this	
		area	

COMMENTS OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION)

27. There are no immediate financial implications associated with this report. In terms of financial resources available to the Council through the growth point bid, this is still unclear. However, the report highlights the fact that there is currently a significant shortfall in the resources available to fund the Buckshaw Railway Station. Therefore, a bid for funds through the growth point bid is welcomed.

JANE E MEEK COPRORATE DIRECTOR (BUSINESS)

There are no background papers to this report.

Report Author	Ext	Date	Doc ID
Julian Jackson	5280	15 September 2008	Growth Point Chorley Cabinet Report Oct 08

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Report of	Meeting	Date
Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) (Introduced by the Executive Member for Resources, Councillor A Cullens)	Executive Cabinet	2 October 2008

CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING 2008/09 ONWARDS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To report proposed changes to the 2008/09 capital programme and to review the availability of capital resources required for the financing of the programme.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the revised Capital Programme for 2008/09, as set out in Appendix 1 at a total cost 2. of £9,227,320, be approved.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT

- 3. It is proposed that the 2008/09 capital programme be reduced by £970,270, made up of £949,400 slippage to 2009/10 and other reductions of £20,870. These other changes include a net increase of £45,800 in respect of the Covered Market, financed by revenue contribution (LABGI grant); an increase in the externally-financed Clayton Brook Play Area budget of £13,740; and the deletion of the £80,410 Astley Park Woodland Management Project, which will be included in the revenue budget instead. Further information about the slippage and other budget changes is presented in Appendix 2.
- 4. By slipping expenditure that would have been financed by borrowing and by using the VAT Shelter income expected this year to finance capital expenditure, the projected unbudgeted borrowing of £724,490 has been eliminated in 2008/09.
- 5. However, it is likely that the downturn in Preserved RTB receipts will continue for the foreseeable future. I suggest reducing the estimated receipts to £100,000 per year for 2009/10 and 2010/11, which contributes to projected unbudgeted borrowing over the current three-year programme of £1,074,210.
- 6. In order to avoid incurring such unbudgeted borrowing in this period, expenditure would have to slip to 2011/12 or later; or capital expenditure budgets would have to be reduced; or additional income to finance the programme, such as capital receipts, would have to be identified. I suggest that budget holders continue to review their budgets with a view to identifying whether savings or slippage to later years are achievable, and that this be reported at the earliest opportunity. Alternatively the programme may need to be reduced in future years and this will need to be considered as part of the 2009/10 budget cycle.



REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

(If the recommendations are accepted)

- 7. To update the 2008/09 capital programme to take account of slippage to 2009/10 identified by project managers; and to adjust the budgets for the Covered Market, Clayton Brook Play Area and Astley Park Woodland Management Project.
- 8. To indicate the likely effect of external economic factors on the availability of capital resources, in particular leading to a potential increase in the level of borrowing required to finance the three-year capital programme for 2008/09 to 2010/11 unless corrective action is taken.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

9. None.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

10. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Put Chorley at the heart of regional economic development in the	✓	Develop local solutions to climate change.	~
Central Lancashire sub-region Improving equality of opportunity		Develop the Character and feel of	✓
and life chances		Chorley as a good place to live	
Involving people in their	✓	Ensure Chorley Borough Council is	√
communities		a performing organization	

BACKGROUND

11. The Capital Programme for 2008/09 was updated to a total of £10,197,590 at Executive Cabinet 14 August 2008. This report proposes that the programme be reduced by £970,270, taking account of slippage to 2009/10 and other budget adjustments. The detailed programme is presented as Appendix 1; and further information about slippage and the other budget changes is included in Appendix 2.

SLIPPAGE TO 2009/10

12. Project managers have identified slippage of expenditure in respect of the following schemes:

•	Affordable Housing	£599,400
•	Climate Change Pot	£60,000
•	Matched Funding Pot	£100,000
•	Integrated HR System	£50,000
•	Duxbury Golf Course	£30,000
•	Astley Park HLF Scheme	£50,000
•	Village Hall Grants	£60,000

The slippage of the Affordable Housing budget relates to the development of Councilowned surplus sites. It is intended that a number of parcels would be developed over a five to seven year period and that contributions would be required to the schemes. No schemes are close to fruition in 2008/09 hence the slippage of the budget to next year. It

is by no means certain that the full budget would be required in 2009/10 so it may be subject to further rephasing when specific developments are proposed.

13. This slippage of £949,400 is expected to enable borrowing to be reduced by £536,460 in 2008/09. However, unless additional capital resources become available next year, borrowing will increase by the same amount in 2009/10.

OTHER CHANGES

- 14. Now that a detailed design of the Covered Market improvements has been prepared, a budget increase of £75,800 is required, of which £30,000 could be vired from the 'planned maintenance' budget. The balance of £45,800 could be financed by use of LABGI grant, which is shown as revenue financing in Appendix 1.
- 15. As discussed in the 14 August 2008 report, a further externally-financed sum of £13,740 has been awarded to the Clayton Brook Play Area project. It is likely that some of the total budget of £96,780 will slip to next year, but the effect on the borrowing requirement will be neutral. Phasing of the expenditure will be confirmed in a later report.
- 16. The Astley Park Woodland Management Project budget of £80,410 in 2008/09 and £30,000 in 2009/10 may not meet the statutory definition of capital expenditure and inclusion in the revenue budget may be more appropriate. I suggest that the revenue budget provision be reviewed at the first opportunity and that the expenditure be financed by a share of VAT Shelter income. There may be other capital budgets which in whole or in part should be moved to the revenue budget. This will be discussed with project managers and budget adjustments proposed at the next opportunity.
- 17. Not yet reflected in the programme are the likely increase in cost of recycling bins required for the new refuse contract and an annual provision for replacement bins. In addition, it is likely that the total cost of statutory redundancy payments and associated pension fund contributions arising from restructuring of directorates during 2008/09 will exceed the DCLG's 'affordability benchmark'. This should mean that we could submit applications for permission to capitalise such expenditure, the total being likely to be in the region of £500,000. Approval is by no means automatic and will not be given until January 2009 in any case. If the capital programme is increased to include such capitalised revenue expenditure, it will be on the basis that it generates both immediate and continuing revenue budget savings.

CHANGES TO FINANCING OF PROGRAMME

- 18. The main change in 2008/09 is the proposed use of VAT Shelter income to finance capital expenditure. This income arises from the contract between Chorley Council and Chorley Community Housing (CCH) in respect of the transfer of Council dwellings in March 2007. The level of income depends on the rate at which CCH carry out improvements to the dwellings, so there is a degree of risk involved in budgeting to use income not yet received.
- 19. At present there is no reason to expect the current level of Preserved RTB receipts from CCH to pick up in 2009/10 and 2010/11. I suggest reducing the estimated total each year to the same figure as 2008/09, which is £100,000. The effect of this is to increase projected unbudgeted borrowing in 2009/10 and 2010/11 to £1,074,210. This borrowing could be avoided if use of other resources, such as further VAT Shelter income, LABGI grant or capital receipts, could be increased; or expenditure was reduced or slipped to 2011/12 or later.

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IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

20. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Corporate Directors' comments are included:

Finance	✓	Customer Services				
Human Resources		Equality and Diversity				
Legal		No significant implications in this				
		area				

GARY HALL ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION)

There are no background papers to this report.

Report Author	Ext	Date	Doc ID
Michael L. Jackson	5490	16 September 2008	Capital Programme Monitoring Oct 2008.doc

Capital Programme - 2008/09 to 2010/11	2008/09 Current Estimate (1)	Slippage to 2009/10 (2)	Other Changes (3)	2008/09 Revised Estimate (4)	2009/10 Original Estimate (5)	Slippage from 2008/09 (6)	Other Changes (7)	2009/10 Revised Estimate (8)	2010/11 Original Estimate (9)	Other Changes (10)	2010/11 Revised Estimate (11)	Total 2008/09 to 2010/11 (12)	Financing External Funding (13)	g 2008/09 CBC Funding (14)
Scheme	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£´	`£´	£	`£´
Town Centre Investment														
Markets Action Plan (Phase I) Town Centre Investment	250,000 125,000		75,800	325,800 125,000	1,025,000			0 1,025,000	0		0	325,800 1,150,000		325,800 125,000
Town Centre Investment Total	375,000	0	75,800	450,800	1,025,000	0	0	1,025,000	0	0	0	1,475,800	0	450,800
Affordable Housing														
Homelessness Prevention Central Lancs Sanctuary Scheme Affordable Housing Halliwell Street Project 2007-2010 Affordable Housing HALS Project 2007/08 - 2008/09 Choice Based Lettings Affordable Housing New Development Project 2008/09 - 2010/11	28,500 79,000 880,000 20,000 599,400	(599,400)		28,500 79,000 880,000 20,000	28,500 0 0 0 311,500			28,500 0 0 0 910,900	0 0 0 0 377,000		0 0 0 0 377,000	57,000 79,000 880,000 20,000 1,287,900	28,500 79,000 880,000 20,000	0 0 0 0
Affordable Housing Total	1,606,900	(599,400)	0	1,007,500	340,000	599,400	0	939,400	377,000	0	377,000	2,323,900	1,007,500	0
Sustainability & Climate Change														
Climate Change Pot	180,000	(60,000)		120,000	0	60,000		60,000	0		0	180,000		120,000
Sustainability & Climate Change Total	180,000	(60,000)	0	120,000	0	60,000	0	60,000	0	0	0	180,000	0	120,000
Matched Funding Pot														
Matched Funding Pot	100,000	(100,000)		0	100,000	100,000		200,000	100,000		100,000	300,000		0
Matched Funding Pot Total	100,000	(100,000)	0	0	100,000	100,000	0	200,000	100,000	0	100,000	300,000	0	0
Performing Organisation - Investment in Infrastructure														
Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation)														
Planned Maintenance of Fixed Assets Investment in Council Assets	329,990 100,000		(30,000)	299,990 100,000	200,000 50,000			200,000 50,000	200,000		200,000	699,990 150,000		299,990 100,000
Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation)	429,990	0	(30,000)	399,990	250,000	0	0	250,000	200,000	0	200,000	849,990	0	399,990
Assistant Chief Executive (Policy & Performance)														
Project Management Support Capitalisation External Funding Pot Performance Management	40,000 9,650 10,000		0	40,000 9,650 10,000	40,000 0 0			40,000 0 0	40,000 0 0		40,000 0 0	120,000 9,650 10,000		40,000 9,650 10,000
Assistant Chief Executive (Policy & Performance)	59,650	0	0	59,650	40,000	0	0	40,000	40,000	0	40,000	139,650	0	59,650

Capital Programme - 2008/09 to 2010/11	2008/09			2008/09	2009/10			2009/10	2010/11		2010/11	Total	Financing	g 2008/09
	Current Estimate	Slippage to 2009/10	Other Changes	Revised Estimate	Original Estimate	Slippage from 2008/09	Other Changes	Revised Estimate	Original	Other Changes	Revised Estimate	2008/09 to 2010/11	External Funding	CBC Funding
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	Estimate (9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	runding (13)	(14)
Scheme	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Corporate Director (Business)														
Disabled Facilities Grants	423,360			423,360	300,000			300,000	300,000		300,000	1,023,360	423,360	0
Housing Renewal	0			0	200,000			200,000	200,000		200,000	400,000		0
- Home Repair Grants	128,030			128,030	0			0	0		0	128,030	128,030	0
- Energy Grants	90,000			90,000	0			0	0		0	90,000	90,000	0
- Handyperson Scheme	10,000			10,000	0			0	0		0	10,000	10,000	0
EAGA Energy Efficiency	110,000			110,000	0			0	0		0	110,000	110,000	0
Regeneration Projects - Design Fees	86,940			86,940	70,000			70,000	70,000		70,000	226,940		86,940
Eaves Green Link Road - contribution to LCC scheme	699,450			699,450	0			0	0		0	699,450	647,000	52,450
Chorley Strategic Regional Site			576,530	576,530				0	0		0	576,530		576,530
Corporate Director (Business)	1,547,780	0	576,530	2,124,310	570,000	0	0	570,000	570,000	0	570,000	3,264,310	1,408,390	715,920
Corporate Director (Governance)														
Legal Case Management System	31,750			31,750	0			0	0		0	31,750		31,750
Corporate Director (Governance)	31,750	0	0	31,750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31,750	0	31,750
Corporate Director (Human Resources & Organisational Development)														
e-Enabling HR systems - Training	30,000		(30,000)	0	0			0	0		0	ا		0
HR Management System	65,260		(65,260)	o o	0			0	0		0	ا		٥
Integrated HR, Payroll and Training System	05,200		95,260	45,260	O	50,000		50,000	0		0	95,260		45,260
	U		93,200	,		30,000		30,000			0			·
Corporate Director (Human Resources) Total	95,260	(50,000)	0	45,260	0	50,000	0	50,000	0	0	0	95,260	0	45,260
Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods)														
Replacement of recycling/litter bins & containers	87,710			87,710	50,000			50,000	50,000		50,000	187,710		87,710
Highway improvements - Gillibrand estate/Southlands	90,000			90,000	0			0	0		0	90,000	90,000	0
Intelligent Management Information	65,520			65,520	0			0	0		0	65,520	50,000	15,520
Alleygates	41,030			41,030	30,000			30,000	30,000		30,000	101,030		41,030
Refuse and Recycling Contract Revenue Mitigation	1,000,000			1,000,000	0			0	0		0	1,000,000		1,000,000
MATAC CCTV Infrastructure Upgrades	25,000			25,000	0			0	0		0	25,000		25,000
Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods)	1,309,260	0	0	1,309,260	80,000	0	0	80,000	80,000	0	80,000	1,469,260	140,000	1,169,260
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Capital Programme - 2008/09 to 2010/11	2008/09			2008/09	2009/10			2009/10	2010/11		2010/11	Total	Financing	2008/09
	Current	Slippage to 2009/10	Other Changes	Revised	Original	Slippage from 2008/09	Other Changes	Revised	Original	Other	Revised	2008/09 to 2010/11	External	CBC Funding
	Estimate (1)	(2)	(3)	Estimate (4)	Estimate (5)	(6)	(7)	Estimate (8)	Estimate (9)	Changes (10)	Estimate (11)	(12)	Funding (13)	(14)
Scheme	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Corporate Director (ICT)														
Website Development (incl. ICT salary capitalisation)	30,000		0	30,000	30,000			30,000	30,000		30,000	90,000		30,000
Thin Client/Citrix (started 2007/08)	196,980			196,980	44,850			44,850	159,350		159,350	401,180		196,980
Telephony	137,000			137,000	0			0	0		0	137,000		137,000
Data Storage Solution	67,350			67,350	0			0	0		0	67,350		67,350
OS Positional Accuracy Improvement	38,900			38,900	0			0	0		0	38,900		38,900
Server Virtualisation	101,000			101,000	51,200			51,200	0		0	152,200		101,000
Web Accessibility	20,000			20,000	0			0	0		0	20,000		20,000
Corporate Director (ICT)	591,230	0	0	591,230	126,050	0	0	126,050	189,350	0	189,350	906,630	0	591,230
Corporate Director (People)														
Leisure Centres/Swimming Pool Refurbishment	276,290			276,290	237,070			237,070	244,180		244,180	757,540		276,290
Duxbury Park Golf Course capital investment	500,090	(30,000)		470,090	0	30,000		30,000	0		0	500,090		470,090
Improvements to Sports Pitches	100,000			100,000	100,000			100,000	100,000		100,000	300,000	100,000	0
Astley Park Improvements - Construction	1,568,130	(50,000)		1,518,130	0	50,000		50,000	0		0	1,568,130	1,219,140	298,990
Astley Park Woodland Management (S106 funded)	80,410		(80,410)	0	30,000		(30,000)	0	0		0	0	0	0
Astley Hall/Park CCTV	34,000			34,000	0			0	0		0	34,000	24,000	10,000
Ulnes Walton Play/Leisure Schemes (S106 funded)	10,630			10,630	0			0	0		0	10,630	10,630	0
Corporate Play Development Plan	50,000			50,000	0			0	0		0	50,000	50,000	0
Coppull Playzone	25,000			25,000	0			0	0		0	25,000	25,000	0
Play/Recreation Facilities (S106 funded)	51,510			51,510	0			0	0		0	51,510	51,510	0
Clayton Brook Play Area (lottery funded)	83,040		13,740	96,780	0			0	0		0	96,780	96,780	0
Lighting at Coronation Recreation Ground	76,280			76,280	0			0	0		0	76,280	60,000	16,280
Village Hall & Community Centres Projects	120,000	(60,000)		60,000	0	,		60,000	0		0	120,000		60,000
Cemetery Development	13,280			13,280	0			0	0		0	13,280		13,280
Memorial Safety St Johns Churchyard	28,460			28,460	0			0	0		0	28,460		28,460
Memorial Safety	25,000			25,000	25,000			25,000	25,000		25,000	75,000		25,000
Common Bank - Big Wood Reservoir	118,250			118,250	0			0	0		0	118,250	118,250	0
Groundwork Projects	25,250			25,250	0			0	0		0	25,250		25,250
Chorley Strategic Regional Site	576,530		(576,530)	0	0			0	0		0	0		0
CRM Process Optimisation	108,620			108,620	35,000			35,000	0		0	143,620		108,620
Corporate Director (People)	3,870,770	(140,000)	(643,200)	3,087,570	427,070	140,000	(30,000)	537,070	369,180	0	369,180	3,993,820	1,755,310	1,332,260
Performing Organisation - Investment in Infrastructure Total	7,935,690	(190,000)	(96,670)	7,649,020	1,493,120	190.000	(30,000)	1,653,120	1,448,530	0	1,448,530	10,750,670	3,303,700	4,345,320
- Stromming Organization - myesunent in initiastructure Total	1,333,090	(130,000)	(30,070)	1,043,020	1,433,120	130,000	(30,000)	1,033,120	1,440,330	<u> </u>	1,440,330	10,730,070	3,303,700	4,545,520
Capital Programme Total	10,197,590	(949,400)	(20,870)	9,227,320	2,958,120	949,400	(30,000)	3,877,520	1,925,530	0	1,925,530	15,030,370	4,311,200	4,916,120

Capital Programme - 2008/09 to 2010/11

Scheme

Financing the Capital Programme

Prudential Borrowing - budgeted - unbudgeted

Unrestricted Capital Receipts
Capital Receipt earmarked for Strategic Regional Site
Preserved RTB Capital Receipts from CCH

Revenue Budget - Specific Revenue Reserves or Budgets Revenue Budget - VAT Shelter income

CBC Resources

Ext. Contributions - Developers Ext. Contributions - Lottery Bodies Ext. Contributions - Other

Government Grants - Disabled Facilities Grants Government Grants - Housing Capital Grant

External Funding

TOTAL CAPITAL FINANCING

Slippage from 2008/09 Ch: (6) £ 482,380 54,080		Estimate Changes Estimate (9) (10) (11)	BC Funding (14)
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Capital Programme 2008/09 - slippage/other changes	Slippage to 2009/10	Other Changes	Comments
Scheme	£	£	
Town Centre Investment			
Markets Action Plan (Phase I)		75,800	Increase in specification of improvements
Town Centre Investment Total	0	75,800	
Affordable Housing			
Affordable Housing New Development Project 2008/09 - 2010/11	(599,400)		To be rephased to match availability of sites for development
Affordable Housing Total	(599,400)	0	
Sustainability & Climate Change			
Climate Change Pot	(60,000)		Retain proportion of budget for grants in 2009/10
Sustainability & Climate Change Total	(60,000)	0	
Matched Funding Pot			
Matched Funding Pot	(100,000)		No bids for use of budget in 2008/09
Matched Funding Pot Total	(100,000)	0	
Performing Organisation - Investment in Infrastructure			
Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation)			
Planned Maintenance of Fixed Assets		(30,000)	Vired to Covered Market improvements scheme
Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation)	0	(30,000)	

Capital Programme 2008/09 - slippage/other changes	Slippage to 2009/10	Other Changes	Comments
Scheme	£	£	
Corporate Director (Business)			
Chorley Strategic Regional Site		576,530	Transferred from People directorate
Corporate Director (Business)	0	576,530	
Corporate Director (Human Resources & Organisational Development)			
e-Enabling HR systems - Training HR Management System Integrated HR, Payroll and Training System	(50,000)	(30,000) (65,260) 95,260)) Budgets merged under new description) Systems still being investigated
Corporate Director (Human Resources) Total	(50,000)	0	, -,,,,,,,,,
Corporate Director (People)			
Duxbury Park Golf Course capital investment Astley Park Improvements - Construction Astley Park Woodland Management (S106 funded) Clayton Brook Play Area (lottery funded) Village Hall & Community Centres Projects Chorley Strategic Regional Site	(30,000) (50,000) (60,000)	(80,410) 13,740 (576,530)	Slipped at request of budget holder Slipped at request of budget holder Budget deleted - to be included in revenue budget External funding increased to enhance scheme Slipped at request of budget holder Transferred to Business directorate
Corporate Director (People)	(140,000)	(643,200)	Transferred to Businesse unlock-rate
Performing Organisation - Investment in Infrastructure Total	(190,000)	(96,670)	
Capital Programme Total	(949,400)	(20,870)	

Capital Programme 2008/09 - slippage/other changes

Scheme

Financing the Capital Programme

Prudential Borrowing - budgeted - unbudgeted

Revenue Budget - Specific Revenue Reserves or Budgets

Revenue Budget - VAT Shelter income

CBC Resources

Ext. Contributions - Developers
Ext. Contributions - Lottery Bodies

Ext. Contributions - Other

External Funding

TOTAL CAPITAL FINANCING

Slippage to 2009/10	Other Changes £
(482,380) (54,080)	(670,410)
	45,800 590,000
(536,460)	(34,610)
(371,940) (41,000)	
(11,000)	13,740
(412,940)	13,740
(949,400)	(20,870)

Comments

) Net reduction of £1,206,870

Use of LABGI grant re Covered Market improvements Use of VAT Shelter income to reduce borrowing

Slippage re Affordable Housing scheme Slippage re Astley Park HLF scheme Increase re Clayton Brook Play Area

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