

## Capital Programme 2021/24

**Scheme Bid Document - Scheme: Capital Programme Feasibility Studies**

**Description:** SDC has an ambitious capital development agenda. The agenda's programme is not only aimed at regenerating parts of the District, but also generating future income streams for the Council and delivering on the District's housing needs.

This bid is to provide seed funding to explore options and undertake necessary feasibility work to enable the Council to make informed strategic investment decisions. Typical work that this fund will be used for includes amongst others: Concept designs, feasibility studies, utility surveys, legal searches, feasibility studies, development and financial appraisals, planning studies. On average it will support the product development of circa 5 schemes a year before these individual schemes received Cabinet/Council approval. Should the schemes be progressed, these upfront costs could be incorporated into the budgets of the respective projects.

**Service : Property and Commercial**

**Portfolio Holder/Chief Officer :** Cllr Peter Fleming; Detlev Munster

**Financials :**

CAPITAL COSTS	TOTAL	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Gross scheme cost	2,330	1,150	830	350
External Contributions (list)				

Net scheme cost	2,330	1,150	830	350
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**ONGOING REVENUE IMPLICATIONS**

(excluding loss of interest)

Running costs

Income streams

Net cost

**Funding Source :** The funding sources will be dependant on the funding for each scheme. Aborted schemes will not be capitalised and any costs will be need to funded from existing revenue budgets

<b>Other Resource Implications :</b>	
Staffing	Funding will be used to capitalise allowable salaries within the Property team. These are the salaries of those officers that are directly involved with the delivery of the projects.
Asset Values	Funding will be used towards projects that will add value to the Council's property portfolio which should appreciate in value over time.

**Justification:**

This funding will be used towards capital projects that support the Council's Property Investment Strategy, the Council Plan, Corporate Plan and Economic Development Strategy, and the West Kent Partnership Economic Priorities for Growth.

The assessment of options and the preparation of development appraisals and feasibility studies are a necessity to ensure that the Council is able to make an informed decision, before it commits future significant funds of money. Undertaking such due diligence is a requirement under the Prudential Code, IFRS16, and the Council's Risk Management Strategy, and complies with S123 of the LGA.

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## Scheme Bid Document - Scheme: Vehicle Replacement Programme

**Description:** Purchase of replacement commercial fleet vehicles that have reached the end of their fully depreciated operational life.

**Service :** Direct Services

**Portfolio Holder/Chief Officer :** Councillor Margot McArthur/Adrian Rowbotham

**Financials :**

CAPITAL COSTS	TOTAL	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Gross scheme cost	1,689	563	563	563
External Contributions (list)				

Net scheme cost	<u>1,689</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>563</u>
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**ONGOING REVENUE IMPLICATIONS**

(excluding loss of interest)

Contribution to Vehicle replacement Reserve		61	61	61
Income streams				
Net cost		<u>61</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>61</u>

**Funding Source:** Funding is via the vehicle replacement fund which is financed by fixed transport charges, the sale of old vehicles and by an annual revenue contribution. Fixed transport charges include an annual replacement fund contribution as well as individual depreciation charges levied on each fleet purchase over predetermined periods.

<b>Other Resource Implications :</b>	
Staffing	Managed by Direct Services fleet management.
Asset Values	Approximately £9 million

**Justification:**

To maintain services, mainly statutory. Supports all the Council's priorities

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**Scheme Bid Document - Scheme: Disabled Facility Grant**

**Description:** Money provided by the Better Care Fund for the provision of both mandatory and discretionary activities to ensure those eligible for assistance remain residing in their own home along with the new requirement to fund initiatives to better integrate housing with social care and Health Services, through preventive and responsive services.

**Service : Private Sector Housing**

**Portfolio Holder/Chief Officer :** Cllr Maskell / Sarah Robson

**Financials :**

CAPITAL COSTS	Period	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
	TOTAL			
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Gross scheme cost	3,300	1,100	1,100	1,100
External Contributions (list)				
Better Care Fund, via KCC	(3,300)	(1,100)	(1,100)	(1,100)
Net scheme cost	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>ONGOING REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</b>				
(excluding loss of interest)				
Running costs				
Income streams				
Net cost		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Funding Source : Scheme will be fully funded from the Better Care Fund.

<b>Other Resource Implications :</b>	
Staffing	Managed with existing staffing establishment
Asset Values	Assets not in Council ownership

**Justification:**

It is a statutory duty to provide DFGs to older and or disabled residents. The Council's DFG service is eligible for Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) funding. Larger grants are managed by Home Improvement Agency (HIA).

From 2015 the Better Care Fund for Kent has been administered by KCC (ring fenced for

and passed onto each District).