

# REPORT of DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

to

# FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE 12 JUNE 2018

#### SUPPLEMENTARY CAPITAL ESTIMATE

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To request a supplementary capital estimate of £26,500 to purchase a replacement vehicle for use within the Parks and Countryside Team.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATION

That the supplementary capital estimate be approved.

#### 3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 Provision was made in the 2017 / 18 Capital Programme for a replacement flatbed vehicle to be utilised within the Parks and Countryside team as part of its rolling replacement programme. The project did not progress as originally planned and in line with revised guidance for capital projects; the budget provisioned was put back into reserves until the project could be re-considered by Members. **APPPENDIX 1** to this report provides an overview of project.
- 3.2 If approved, the supplementary capital budget will be used to replace a 15 year old vehicle that is becoming unreliable and has reached the end of its useful life. It is normal for the Council to replace one of its fleet each year but for 2018 / 19 no budget bid was put forward and it is therefore necessary to seek a supplementary capital estimate.
- 3.3 It is the view of Officers that the replacement of this vehicle will become operationally critical over the next financial year.

# 4. CONCLUSION

4.1 That approval of this supplementary estimate will enable one elderly vehicle to be replaced and ensuring that operations are not adversely effected.

## 5. IMPACT ON CORPORATE GOALS

5.1 The adherence to the Financial Regulations and Financial Procedures contributes towards the corporate goal of 'Delivering good quality, cost effective and valuable services'.

## 6. IMPLICATIONS

- (i) <u>Impact on Customers</u> The provision of a good fleet of vehicles helps to ensure that the Council's parks and open spaces are maintained to a suitable standard.
- (ii) <u>Impact on Equalities</u> None identified.
- (iii) <u>Impact on Risk</u> Although no corporate risks have been identified, if the old vehicle is not replaced it is likely that it will cause operational disruption over the next financial year or require more expensive repairs / maintenance.
- (iv) <u>Impact on Resources (financial)</u> The sum of £26,500 is sought. Quotations will be obtained in line with the Council's contract procedure rules.
- (v) Impact on Resources (human) None identified.
- (vi) **Impact on the Environment** None identified

Background Papers: None.

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