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SUBJECT:	CAPITAL STRATEGY 2020/21 TO 2024/25	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: FM08

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the proposed Capital Strategy 2020/21 to 2024/25 as detailed in **Appendix 1** is approved.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 To provide an update to the Council's Capital Strategy as required under the CIPFA 2017 Prudential Code.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 In December 2017, CIPFA issued an update to the Prudential Code requiring authorities to look at capital expenditure in light of overall organisational strategy and resources to ensure that decisions are being made with sufficient regard to the long-term financing implications and potential risks to the Council.
- 3.2 The updated Prudential Code remained largely unchanged. However, there is now a requirement to produce a Capital Strategy in order to demonstrate that capital expenditure decisions are taken in line with service objectives and properly take account of stewardship, value for money, prudence, sustainability and affordability.
- 3.3 The Council have historically had a Capital Strategy in place in line with best practice, but this has now been updated to include the requirements set out in the Code.
- 3.4 An update to the Strategy should be presented to Council annually but was not reported in 2020 due to an oversight. There have been no major changes between the Strategy reported in January 2019 and the current document. The capital funding of projects is approved as part of the budget round in February each year and therefore the changes that should have been presented as part of the document in 2020 were reported as part of the budget update.

3.5 This document will be presented to Council in April.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None

5.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

5.1 None

Legal Implications

5.2 None

Corporate Plan Implications

5.3 None

Risk Impact

5.4 Meeting additional demand for Council Services due to the growth of the District is a key risk in the Council's Medium-Term Financial Plan. A fully costed capital expenditure programme provides on-going investment in services and the Council's asset base to support the growth of the District. This in turn helps to ensure that the Council's financial position remains sustainable.

6.0 Community Impact

Consultation

6.1 None

Equality and Diversity Impact

6.2 None

Social Value Impact

6.3 None

Environmental Sustainability

6.4 None

7.0 Background Papers

7.1 None