



Report of the Cabinet Member for Care, Health & Ageing Well

Cabinet – 19 March 2020

FPR7 – Integrated Care Fund Capital Approval 2019/2020

Purpose:	To approve the ICF capital funding for Swansea Council and to comply with Financial Procedure Rule 7 (Capital Programming and Appraisals) to commit and authorise a scheme to the Capital Programme.
Policy Framework:	Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014 Financial Procedure Rule No. 7
Consultation:	Access to Services, Finance, Legal.
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that: 1) The schemes outlined in this report and their financial implications are noted and are added to the Council's capital programme.
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1. Introduction

- 1.1. Welsh Government has provided Integrated Care Fund (ICF) to Local Authorities and the Health Board since 2014/2015 to build on effective working across health, the 3rd sector, social services and housing to improve the planning and provision of integrated services. The scheme has a focus on integrated working to help avoid unnecessary hospital admissions, or inappropriate admission to residential care, as well as preventing delayed discharges from hospital. This has included both capital and revenue funding.

- 1.2. Welsh Government confirmed that Capital ICF funding allocated for a 3 year Programme up to 2020/21. The amount of capital funding confirmed over this period has been set as follows for the West Glamorgan Region.

Discretionary Funding (Smaller schemes under £100k)	£188,109
Strategic Funding (Larger schemes over £100k)	£3,378,800
Total Capital Funding	£3,566,909

- 1.3. As part of the allocation process, all applications are approved via a multi-agency panel and endorsed by Regional Partnership Board. All funds are claimed via the regional Health Board

2. Swansea Council Proposed Works

A list of the capital schemes for Swansea Council are listed in section 5. These include proposals from Adult Services, Child & Family Services and Housing Departments.

- 2.1. Included within the Swansea Council allocation of funding is the MCP North Hub scheme of which funds for year 1 of the programme were drawn down in 18/19. This allocation totalled £396,096 agreed to be carried forward to 19/20 in order to appropriately manage delays in the purchase of the relocation site.

3. Main Capital programme and Discretionary Capital Schemes:

- 3.1. Expressions of interest were invited from all West Glamorgan partners and the applications were reviewed in a multi-agency panel. The recommendations for the discretionary schemes have been approved by Programme Team members in line with the ICF guidance. The Main and Discretionary Capital Programme, is detailed in section 5.1.
- 3.2. The schemes were submitted to Welsh Government in two rounds of applications. First round submissions approved via the multi-agency panel on the 8th April 2019 and the second round on 3rd July 2019.
- 3.3. Of these submissions the first round DCP applications received ministerial approval on the 23rd July 19 and the 2nd round in November 2019.
- 3.4. The timescales for the capital proposals has presented a challenge given the late approval of proposals by WG. Although the guidance includes indicative allocations for the years 2019-20 and 2020-21 in order to enable regions to plan and programme manage ICF capital on a strategic basis; the 2019/20 funding must be incurred during the 2019/20 financial year. Some of the 2019-20 schemes will not be fully delivered by 31 March 2020

and WG have agreed that unspent funding can be offset against in-year Disability Facilities Grant scheme spend which will enable the ICF grant to be drawn down for delivery during 2020-21.

4. Equality and Engagement Implications

4.1. The Council is subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty (Wales) and must, in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

Our Equality Impact Assessment process ensures that we have paid due regard to the above.

4.2. Project Leads for the individual schemes will follow the Equality Impact Assessment process from the commencement of their work, including any required consultation and engagement.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. It is proposed that the following schemes outlined in the table are added to the Council's Capital Programme

ICF Schemes		18/19 Award £	19/20 Award £	20/21 Award £	Total £
Relocation of North Hub <i>North Hub based within Gorseinon Hospital relocated to Community Equipment Stores site, Morriston. Grant funding used to secure site (19/20) and completion of building works (20/21)</i>	MCP	£396,096 <i>Carried forward to 19/20</i>		£638,000	£1,034,096
Hub and Spoke Edge of Care Service <i>Secure and refurbish site appropriate for A registered children's home that can support up to 4 adolescents per night and is available to offer families a minimum of 1200 spaces per annum.</i>	MCP		£500,000	£0	£500,000
Supported living in rural Swansea for people with varying needs <i>The proposal is for the development of two bespoke supported living blocks of flats on the same site in a rural area of Swansea.</i>	MCP		£906,397	£0	£906,397
Acacia Road ADAPT Conversion <i>Conversion of former respite unit into 2 large family homes, a fully adapted 4 bedroom and 3 bed fully accessible home, to meet the needs of families and children with complex needs, both with G/F bedrooms and bathrooms. Adding to the very short supply of larger adapted accommodation</i>	MCP		£188,307	£0	£188,307
Inclusive Digital Communities <i>Investment in digital equipment for the roll out of day services inter-generational programme pilot. Therapy pets / dolls also to be purchased</i>	DCP		£5,433	£0	£5,433
Swansea Community Equipment Service and Community Alarms <i>Investment in additional delivery vehicles to support timely delivery of required equipment facilitating hospital discharge</i>	DCP		£90,000	£0	£90,000

Swansea/Neath-Port Talbot Community Equipment Service <i>Investment in additional assistive equipment and beds to support anticipated increased demand via regional Hospital to Home programme</i>	DCP		£92,676	£0	£92,676
<i>Building works to exterior area of Bonymaen House which will allow additional ambulance parking/visitor parking</i>					
Early Help Family Support Locality Hubs <i>To support the development of locality based early help hubs that are able to provide a variety of family support services from across multi-agencies.</i>	MCP		£100,000	£650,000	£750,000
Totals			£396,096	£1,882,813	£1,288,000
					£3,566,909

- 5.2. A number of the proposals have the potential to realise ongoing revenue savings for the Council
- 5.3. All of the schemes are 100% grant funded and do not restrict the ability of the Council to make savings in the future. The grant must be claimed in each year otherwise it will be lost. Some of the 2019-20 schemes will not be fully delivered by 31 March 2020 and WG have agreed that unspent funding can be offset against in-year Disability Facilities Grant scheme spend which will enable the ICF grant to be drawn down for delivery during 2020-21.

6. Legal Implications

- 6.1. From April 2016, there was a requirement under Part 9 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act for the establishment of a statutory Regional Partnership Board (RPB). A report requesting approval of the establishment of the RPB Board and its membership was approved by the 3 Local Authority Cabinets and the Health Board in July 2016. The Western Bay Regional Partnership Board leads on the planning and use of the funding, as well as ensuring delivery, to maximise outcomes for people and the effective and efficient use of resources.
- 6.2. WG ICF guidance states 'Regional partnership boards must put in place a Written Agreement to provide assurance that robust processes are in place to manage the effective delivery of ICF capital and revenue funds'. This has been completed and signed by the Chief Executive of ABMU and countersigned by the Finance Director and endorsed by Regional Partnership Board members.

6.3. The Authority has followed the terms and conditions laid out in the guidance. It must also ensure that it complies with the terms and conditions attached to any offer of grant funding.

7. IT/Systems Implications

7.1. There are no IT/systems implications.

8. Property Implications

8.1. Corporate Property have been consulted in respect of proposals affecting Council owned buildings.

Background Papers: None

Appendices: None