

Committee(s)	Dated:
Corporate Asset Sub Committee – For Approval	17 th January 2022
Subject: Cyclical Works Programme – Update Report Q3 2021/22	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation’s Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	N/A
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	Yes
If so, how much?	£1,119,312
What is the source of Funding?	CWP Allocation 2021/22
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain’s Department?	Yes
Report of: The City Surveyor and Chamberlain	For Approval
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Summary

The Peer Review Group have undertaken a review of the projects from the Cyclical Works Programme Reserve lists that can be undertaken utilising savings identified from projects that will not be spent in 2021/2022.

Any projects that have been deferred in this exercise will form part of either a different funding stream such as the PSDS or will form part of a future CWP bid.

As part of the Governance of the Peer Review Group, this report provides details of those projects that have been promoted from the Reserve List via the delegation to the Peer Review Group to progress schemes on the Reserve List if further resources become available within the relevant fund. Projects totalling £1,119,312 have been identified by the Peer Review Group and are set out in appendix 1.

Recommendations

Members are asked to:

1. Approve the projects promoted from the Reserve List to be undertaken in the 2021/22 financial year

Main Report

Background

1. There is need to conduct planned refurbishment and replacement of buildings and their associated equipment in addition to routine serving and repairs. Resources being limited, such works need to be prioritised across the entire corporate operational estate. The Cyclical Works Programmes consider the requirements of each and prioritises individual projects in the context of the whole to ensure that the City's overall property maintenance objectives are met.
2. The CWP is overseen by the City Surveyor's department who undertake most of the project delivery, however projects undertaken by the Barbican and Guildhall School and the engineering projects for the Department of the Built Environment (DBE) are delivered by their own teams and so are accountable for their element of project delivery not the City Surveyors' Department.
3. The Peer Review Group, chaired by the Chamberlain, has delegated authority as part of its governance to agree funding increases and to divert funding to new projects from the Reserve List that meet a jointly agreed criterion when funding becomes available within the approved programme funding envelope. This ensures that project issues can be dealt with promptly and has the potential to reduce the backlog of maintenance (bow-wave) where projects can be brought forward.

Current Position

4. As part of the Governance of the Peer Review Group, the table in appendix 1 shows the projects totalling £1,119,312 for City's Cash, City Fund and Guildhall properties from the Cyclical Works Programme Reserve lists that can be undertaken utilising savings identified from projects that will not be spent in 2021/2022, thus assisting the backlog of maintenance that is also being reported to your committee at this meeting.
5. The funding for these projects has been due to:
 - Some carbon reduction projects had been planned that were later funded by the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS)
 - The City Surveyor's Operations group reviewed the full CWP programme to identify any projects that were partly complete and still retaining funding. These projects have dealt with any urgent issues regarding H&S or asset maintenance but might be dependent on either departmental access or the completion of a project elsewhere. These aspects of the projects are no longer urgent, and any outstanding works will be re-programmed into a later year.

Project Allocation

6. The projects which have been allocated to the funding have come from the following streams:
 - In priority order from the current reserve list of projects

- Projects which are included in the CWP 22/23 bid but can be brought forward to be undertaken now
- Projects that can be completed by the end of the financial year 21/22

Conclusion

7. Various cost savings have been sought from many projects, these savings have been returned to the central funding pot and have been diverted to high scoring projects that may not have had previous funding. This will reduce funding pressures on future works programmes and enable the City Surveyor to address high priority maintenance projects across the corporate portfolio.

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Appendix 1 – Detail of projects promoted from the Cyclical Works Programme Reserve List