

21 May 2018**Agenda Item: 6**

REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, PLACE BUILDING SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS

Purpose of the Report

1. To request £120k from the Capital Programme to fund the shortfall in the budget for the Building Security Improvements Project.

Information

2. The project to install a new common security access door system throughout the County was initially tendered for in 2014 with a budget of £150k.
3. As the project progressed it became clear that it made sense to expand the scope of the project thus increasing the cost of the project.
4. Factors which led to the increased expenditure included:
 - the withdrawal of Microsoft support for Windows XP, requiring the implementation of a revised solution to ensure the effective day-to-day operation of the existing building security systems
 - the inclusion of additional buildings and areas which were not part of the original scope of the project. Additional work was also carried out to upgrade the security to all floors at Trent Bridge House and at other sites to strengthen security arrangements
 - unforeseen ICT issues encountered due to the age and type of the buildings and infrastructure
 - identifying a new security card supplier due to compatibility issues with the revised system.
5. It should be noted that the Authority now has a system where any individual can centrally be permitted or declined access to any given door across the entire county and/or building. An ID card can be activated/deactivated instantly there is a new starter/leaver. It is also future proofed in terms of technology with the new cards having sufficient capacity to be utilised for future usage should it be required.

Other Options Considered

6. If the project had not progressed then secure access at NCC buildings would have been piecemeal and in some cases non-existent.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

7. To request a sum from the Capital Programme to fund the shortfall in the budget for the Building Security Improvement Project.

Statutory and Policy Implications

8. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Crime and Disorder Implications

The increased security Countywide increases the safety of all NCC employees and service users.

Financial Implications

The financial implications are included in the body of the report.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That £120k from the Capital Programme be used to fund the shortfall in the budget for the Building Security Improvement Project caused by the increased scope of the project as it progressed.

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Constitutional Comments (EP 03/05/2018)

9. The recommendation falls within the remit of the Finance and Major Contracts Management Committee by virtue of its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (GB 04/05/2018)

10. The report sets out reasons for the increased project costs. Financial regulation 4.1.4 sets out that approvals should be sought in the event of cost increases to existing schemes.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All