Report to Council Item

24 September 2019

Report of Chief finance officer (Section 151 Officer)

Adjustment to the General Fund Capital Programme 2019 -

Subject 20 – Replacement Lighting at St Andrews Multi-Storey Car

Park

Purpose

To approve a Salix Energy Efficient Loan Scheme (SEELS) funded budget of £285,000 within the General Fund Capital Programme 2019/20 to facilitate the installation of new energy efficient LED lighting at St Andrews Multi-Storey Car Park.

Recommendation

To approve cabinet's recommendation of the 11 September 2019:

That the 2019/20 General Fund Capital programme is increased by £285,000 to facilitate utilisation of the Salix Energy Efficient Loan Scheme to finance the cost of installing the new LED lighting and associated fees.

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to meet the corporate priority great neighbourhoods, housing and environment

Financial implications

Based on an indicative quote the cost of installing the new energy efficient LED lighting at St Andrews multi storey car park has been estimated at £285,000. The expenditure will be funded entirely by drawdown from the approved SEELS facility.

Ward/s: All Wards

Cabinet member: Councillor Kendrick - Resources

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Background documents

None

Report

Introduction

- 1. The proposed project will replace the existing lighting with energy-efficient LED equivalents within St Andrews multi-storey car park. The only areas of the car park that will not have the lighting upgraded are the emergency stairwells, where an existing LED replacement project has been completed. It is intended that 1083 light fittings will be replaced with new energy-efficient LED options. The replacement light fittings will have additional sensors to further reduce energy consumption via motion and daylight sensing technology.
- 2. The site is the second highest electricity consuming asset controlled by Norwich City Council and as such is making a significant contribution to the total carbon emissions from the council.
- 3. This project will make a significant contribution to the council's carbon reduction plans. If works proceed as planned, then there will be a 116.35 tonne reduction in annual C02 emissions.
- 4. It will also significantly reduce the energy usage on this site calculations show an 87% energy consumption reduction is achievable.
- 5. The project is intended to be completed before the end of the 2019 financial year.
- 6. The existing lighting equipment is now 15 years old. Some component parts are now obsolete and lighting failures are now commonplace with repairs expenditure increasing with time it is anticipated that an annual saving of approximately £10,000 on repairs and maintenance could be achieved once work is complete. This project will refresh this equipment which otherwise would be recommended for replacement in the near future.

Financial information

- 7. Council approval for an increase in the 2019/20 General Fund Capital Programme is required to confirm the capital budget to finance the award of a contract to install the new energy efficient LED lighting.
- 8. Salix Energy Efficient Loan Scheme (SEELS) has been approved and will fund 100% of this lighting upgrade project.
- 9. Salix loans 'provide interest-free Government funding to the public sector to improve their energy efficiency, reduce carbon emissions and lower energy bills. Salix is funded by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, the Department for Education, the Welsh Government and the Scottish Government and was established in 2004 as an independent, publicly funded company, dedicated to providing the public sector with loans for energy efficiency projects.'

- 10. This loan will then be repaid through the energy and maintenance savings achieved by the installation of the new lighting over a period of 5 years.
- 11. Savings made after that period will be reflected in the in the significant reduction in energy costs on the asset projected to be in excess of £53,000 less per annum than would have been the case with no work undertaken.
- 12. To date the council has achieved a carbon reduction of 57.1%. The project contributes towards the council's ongoing programme of energy efficiency and will therefore complement the objectives within the Environmental Strategy. Any wastes will be recycled where possible or disposed in accordance to relevant legislation. Any lessons will be applied to other relevant assets where possible.

Integrated impact assessment



Report author to complete	
Committee:	Council
Committee date:	24 September 2019
Director / Head of service	Andy Watt
Report subject:	Adjustment to the General Fund Capital Programme 2019/20 – Replacement Lighting at St Andrews Multi-Storey Car Park
Date assessed:	2 September 2019

		Impact		
Economic (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Finance (value for money)		\boxtimes		To ensure the best value for money is obtained from the available supplier.
Other departments and services e.g. office facilities, customer contact				Reduced luminaire failures and faults will reduce maintenance requirements and associated costs. Sectioning-off areas of the car park during installation may lead to a minor level of revenue loss – despite mitigation measures in place.
ICT services	\boxtimes			
Economic development	\boxtimes			
Financial inclusion				
Social (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Safeguarding children and adults	\boxtimes			
S17 crime and disorder act 1998	\boxtimes			
Human Rights Act 1998	\boxtimes			
Health and well being				

Equality and diversity (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Relations between groups (cohesion)	\boxtimes			
Eliminating discrimination & harassment	\boxtimes			
Advancing equality of opportunity				
Environmental (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Transportation				
Natural and built environment				
Waste minimisation & resource use				Suppliers appointed will recycle the vast majority of waste material.
Pollution	\boxtimes			
Sustainable procurement	\boxtimes			
Energy and climate change				Make a significant contribution to the NCC carbon reduction plans. If works proceed as planned, then there will be a 116.35-tonne reduction in annual C02 emissions. Significantly reduce the energy usage on this site – calculations show an 87% energy consumption reduction is achievable.

(Please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Risk management				Risk of financial savings falling below expectations: There is a risk that assumptions made on energy cost increases over the period of the loan (5 years) will not occur, leaving gaps in funding repayments. NCC would make significant savings on total energy costs on all assets as a result of any lack of increase in energy costs but would still leave a repayment shortfall on this asset.
Recommendations from impact ass	essment			
Positive				
Negative				
Neutral				
Issues				