

Board Meeting

Date of Meeting	Monday 29 October 2018
Paper Title	Capital Funding - 2018-19
Agenda Item	10
Paper Number	BM1-H
Responsible Officer	Jim Godfrey, Finance and Resources Director
Recommended Status	Disclosable
Action	For Decision

1. Report Purpose

- 1.1. To consider and agree the allocation of £681k remaining capital maintenance funding for 2018-19.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Performance and Resources Committee recommend to the Board that it **agrees** to allocate an additional £681k of capital funding to Glasgow Clyde College to address further 'high priority' works identified within the national condition survey.

3. Background

- 3.1. The capital funds for 2018/19 were allocated by SFC to GCRB and GCRB to the three colleges as follows:

	City of Glasgow College	Glasgow Clyde College	Glasgow Kelvin College	Total
Lifecycle Maintenance	£1,286,586	£906,569	£566,342	£2,759,497
Very High Priority Maintenance	£0	£1,250,534	£1,563,265	£2,813,799
Total	£1,286,586	£2,157,103	£2,129,607	£5,573,296

- 3.2. A further sum of £681,000 was provided to GCRB but was not allocated at the time that the budget was agreed.

4. Additional funding allocation - £681k

- 4.1. Members will be aware that in 2017 SFC commissioned a national conditions survey and that capital maintenance funding for 2018-19 was provided to the sector for very high priority maintenance.
- 4.2. Glasgow Kelvin College was unable to use £681,000 of the funding available to meet the specific criteria set by the SFC. As a result, this sum was not initially allocated by GCRB and work has taken place to determine how this might be utilised in 2018-19.

- 4.3. Discussions have taken place with the SFC to clarify the purpose of this funding and how it might be utilised. The SFC advice is 'to transfer the £681k over to Glasgow Clyde College to help accelerate the urgent works needed to the tower at Cardonald'. The rationale for this being that "from an SFC perspective, this makes sense as the funds were provided to us specifically to help address the highest priority works identified from the condition survey and the Cardonald tower was one of the highest in terms of need (especially when taking the 'high' priority works into account)."
- 4.4. Other alternatives were discussed but these did not meet the criteria for which the funds had been provided by Scottish Government.
- 4.5. It is therefore proposed that the Board agrees to allocate an additional £681k of capital funding to Glasgow Clyde College to address further 'high priority' works identified within the national condition survey.
- 4.6. This is to meet the requirements of the national condition survey and is consistent with SFC advice.

5. Risk Analysis

- 5.1. The capital plans for Glasgow Clyde College represent a significant capital investment in 2018-19. The principal risk is that the sum of money is high and the time available for projects to be delivered is limited. This is a challenging environment for colleges to operate in and is compounded by the need to ensure that buildings remain operational during the times that work is taking place.

6. Equalities Implications

- 6.1. There are no equalities implications as a direct result of this report. However, the capital grant provided does enable colleges to make improvements, and enhancements, to the facilities for all users.

7. Legal Implications

- 7.1. No legal implications are identified.

8. Resource Implications

- 8.1. The financial implications are outlined above.

9. Strategic Plan Implications

- 9.1. The provision of high quality learning environments is integral to the delivery of commitments made in the Regional Outcome Agreement 2017-18 and the Regional Strategic Plan 2017-22.