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CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2019/20

COMMENTS FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

On 26 September 2019, the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board considered the Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2019/20 and agreed to note the current position of the capital budget.

- The Board questioned the slippage in the 2019/20 Capital Programme and highlighted the need to ensure effective budget profiling across the life of schemes/projects. Officers confirmed that the capital programme comprised schemes which often span a number of financial years and could be challenging to profile over multiple years.
- 2. The Board sought assurance on the reported underspends included in the report for the following schemes:
 - Lincoln Eastern Bypass (£7.683m underspend)
 - Grantham Southern Relief Road (£18.155m underspend)
 - Lincolnshire Enterprise Partnership Contribution (£10.401m underspend)
 - Fire and Rescue and Emergency Planning; and Fire Fleet Vehicles and Associated Equipment (£5.592m underspend)
 - IMT capital projects (£7.328m underspend)

The Board welcomed both the detail included in the report on the reported underspends and the proposed review of spending in the autumn to realign capital budgets with current spending plans.

3. The Board recommended the need for a defined programme of work for the IMT capital projects in order to ensure the required outcomes were delivered. Officers confirmed that additional assurance on the IMT capital projects would be included as part of the January 2020 capital budget monitoring report.

