Explanation of variances on capital schemes over £100k – 2013/14

Adult & Community Services

- Disabled Adaptations (£228k overspend) due to high demand a large number of applications were received
- Community Capacity Grant (£491k underspend) the specification and tenders were agreed in late 2013/14 and the works commenced in April 2014; the budget is requested for roll forward to 2014/15 for completion.
- Barking Park Restoration & Improvements (£111k overspend) this overspend is due to the extension of time claim that is finally being agreed with the contractor, Kier.
- Mayesbrook Park Athletics Arena (£187k underspend) mainly slippage and requested for roll forward to 2014/15
- Barking Leisure Centre (£868k underspend) work has been delayed on this project due to the archaeological digging at the Abbey ruins. The budget will be requested for roll forward to 2014/15; the contractor has emphasised that they will catch up with the agreed programme for completion.

Children's Services

- Roding Primary School Cannington Road Annex (£137k underspend) the contract is in defects period; the final payments from the budget will be rolled-forward to 2014/15
- Manor Longbridge (Former UEL Site) (£320k overspend) this contract is also in the defects period; the final payments will be made in 2014/15
- William Bellamy Infants/Juniors Expansion (£374k underspend) the contract is approximately 50% complete and will proceed into next financial year; the budget will be carried forward
- Richard Albion Expansion (£252k underspend) this is a large expansion project; it
 is on programme and the budget is requested for roll forward
- Warren/Furze Expansion (£253k underspend) the phase 1 project at Warren is complete and the building is in use; phase 2 at Furze is in development and will continue next financial year with the roll forward budget
- Manor Infant Junior Expansion (£377k underspend) large expansion project that is on programme and the budget requested for roll forward
- Valence Halbutt Expansion (£193k underspend) project complete and final costs being processed
- John Perry School Expansion 13-15 (£206k underspend) contact is approx. 50% complete and will proceed into next financial year, requested budget roll forward

- Sydney Russell Fanshawe Primary Expansion 2013-15 (£214k underspend) final account and retention for 2014-15
- Barking Riverside City Farm (£115k overspend) additional budget will be transferred from basic need funding to cover this
- Sydney Russell Schools For The Future (£116k underspend) this is part of a multi-million pound refurbishment project; the final costs and payments are to be processed
- Trinity 6th Form Provision (£153k Underspend) Sponsor has requested that this
 be rolled forward to 2014/15 as some retention and final account costs are
 anticipated.
- Barking Riverside Secondary Free School (£143k underspend) budget and costs so far cover initial work to develop a £27m new school which is funded by DfE, full scope of project and spend to be developed in next few months
- All Saints Expansion 2013-15 (£939k underspend) ongoing project in phases, phase 1 complete, phase 2 to complete next financial year, budget requested to roll forward
- Jo Richardson Expansion 2013-15 (£296k underspend) project has just started, budget is for enabling works and not yet fully claimed, main building works to commence in next few months, on programme and on budget
- Implementation of early education for 2 year olds (£665k underspend) consists of four different projects, one of which has started; the main project spend will be in 2014/15, and the budget is requested for roll forward accordingly
- SMF School Modernisation (£100k overspend) Budget has increased to support projects overspend
- Devolved Capital Formula (£1.450m overspend) Devolved School Capital allocations cover this overspend
- School Expansion SEN Projects (£328k underspend) consists of various smaller projects some of which were completed in September 2013; the remainder are to be completed for September 2014 – the budget is requested for roll forward
- School Expansion Minor Projects (£423k underspend) consists of various smaller projects some of which were completed in September 2013; the remainder are to be completed by September 2014
- Schools VOIP Telephony project (£607k overspend) an additional £607k budget allocation has been agreed by the schools forum; the project is now complete
- Robert Clack Artificial Football Pitch (£283k underspend) project complete and on programme, final claim from budget roll forward 2014-15
- Barking Abbey Artificial Football Pitch (£630k underspend) Planning delays but tenders are now returned and funding to be re-profiled to 2014/15

- Schools Modernisation Fund 2012/13 (£238k underspend) various projects to be developed over three year plan, budget requested for roll forward
- School Modernisation Fund 2013/14 (£784k underspend) various projects to be developed over three year plan, budget requested for roll forward
- Advanced Skills Centre (£397k underspend) the contract is in the defects period; the final payments to contractor and fees are still to be processed, budget requested for roll forward to 2014/15
- Fanshawe Adult College Refurbishment 2013-15 (£406k overspend) phase 1 of the adult college is now complete and in operation; the final costs are still being processed

Housing & Environment (non HRA)

 There were no individual scheme variances greater than £100k across the Housing & Environment service (see below for variances on the HRA schemes)

Chief Executive

Asset Strategy

- Backlog Capital improvements (£121k underspend) There have been delays in carrying out works that are pending decisions linked with the Corporate Accommodation Strategy project
- Corporate Accommodation Strategy (£157k overspend) Additional pressure due to the capitalisation of a proportion of the Asset Strategy Team. To fund this overspend, funds have been drawn down from the future year budgets.

ICT

- Modernisation & Improvement Capital Fund (£157k underspend) Due to the delay in implementing the Windows XP replacement project in 2014/15. The full balance is required to be rolled forward to meet existing project commitments.
- Oracle R12 (£1.1m underspend) The re-scheduling of the system go-live into 2014/15 means that payment milestones have been reprofiled. The full value of the underspend is requested to be rolled forward for the payment of contractual commitments to the suppliers.

Regeneration

- Barking Bathhouse (£225k underspend) A proposed partnership with Swann Housing to deliver this project has delayed the commencement of works. The Bath House is now likely to form part of a larger development. Costs will be incurred in 2014/15
- Creekmouth Arts & Heritage Trail (£109k underspend) The project is delayed due to legal negotiations over land ownership. Project to proceed in 2014/15

 Safer & Smarter Travel Plans (£111k underspend) – This spend on this project was transferred to revenue budgets, and was funded by TFL

Housing Revenue Account

- Estate Renewal (£616k underspend) due to slippage on Leasehold buybacks (£286k), Gascoigne Decants (£115k), and Demolitions (£215k).
- New Build (£2.1m underspend) due to slippage across a number of schemes, including Marks Gate (£284k), Abbey Phase 2 (£250k) Goresbrook Village (£197k), Leys New Build (£383k), New Council Housing Phase 3 (£260k) and the Lawns/Wood Lane development (£644k).
- Investment in housing stock (£2.0m underspend) predominately due to slippage on the Central Heating/Boiler programme (£862k), Door Entry Project (£280k), External Enveloping Schemes (£317k), and Colne and Mersea (£165k).
- Street Purchases & Environmental Improvements (£4.8m underspend) predominately due to expenditure in respect of the Direct Labour Organisation set up (421k) and Pension deficit (£3,000k) being funded through revenue. In addition, there was slippage of £500k on Street Properties Acquisitions.