Capital item	8/9	9/10	10/11	Total
	£000	£000	£000	
1. SAP Strategy	£1,350	£1,000	£1,000	
2. e-payments strategy	£100			
3. Support for mobile working	£350	£100	£100	
4. Additional funding Support for e-care Phase 2	£152			
5. Development and evolution of external and internal websites	£150	£150	£250	
6. Graphical representation of service and demographic information.	£100			
7. Planning and testing of the Corporate Applications platform	£100	£100		
8. SAN Replacement (Storage Area Network)		£400		
9. IP Telephony Deployment	£1,000			
10. Extranet Maintenance	£100			
11. Desktop Maintenance	£500	£500	£500	
12. Server Maintenance	£100	£100	£100	
13. Network security enhancements			£100	
14. Programme Management	£350	£350	£350	
Total cost of items requested	**£4,352**	**£2,700**	**£2,400**	**£9,452**
Indicative Budget allocated by Cabinet 18.9.07and now being proposed by Cabinet	**£2,300**	**£1,500**	**£1,000**	**£4,800**
2008/9 Submissions				
1. Upgrade of the existing Parking Management system (TMA)	**£60**			
2. Additional funding for Parking system replacement	**£150**			
3. e-benefits solution	**£108**			
4. Online representations	**£30**			
5. Single business account	**£100**	**£100**	**£100**	
Total	**£448**	**£100**	**£100**	**£648**

Background

In September 2007, the Cabinet approved the funding amount for 2007/8 of £2.3m for allocation to primarily business projects that required IT systems to be upgraded or introduced at that time. The budgeting exercise however identified a future 3 year demand for systems of £9.45m, far in excess of the proposed £4.8m over the same period. The report presented at that meeting highlighted the issue of higher demand and stated that a prioritisation process would be used to manage future years and ensure that best value could be achieved from the allocated amounts.

The table shows that in some cases the outline business case is well defined with a reasonable rate of return. In others, the full benefits will not be known until project resources are assigned to perform a more detailed study. Due to the timetable for approval (sept 2007), many of the projects planned have not yet started and therefore the justifications have not been fully developed. In any case a much more detailed business case will be required prior to investment being agreed.

The current expectation is that each project will need to prove at least one of the benefits below:-

    a. Payback within 5 years
    b. Show that cost avoidance will result from the investment
    c. The council will be placed at risk if investment is not made
    d. Measurable service improvement will result from the project.

During this years budget process a further £648k of projects have been identified giving a total of £10.1m of bids over the 3 years. The proposals before Members is to allocate £4.8m leaving a gap of £5.3m. The prioritisation process will need to address this gap.

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