

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH

REPORT TO: HOUSING EXECUTIVE MEETING 18th MARCH 2008

**REPORT BY: STRATEGIC DIRECTOR FOR HEALTH, HOUSING
AND SOCIAL CARE AND STRATEGIC DIRECTOR
CORPORATE RESOURCES AND SERVICES**

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COUNCIL HOUSING MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS AND HOUSING IT BUSINESS SOFTWARE 2008/2009

1. Purpose of Report

The Council Housing Repairs & Maintenance Budgets for 2007/8 and 2008/9 were approved at the Housing Executive on 5th February 2008.

The revised 2007/08 and 2008/09 Housing Investment Programme budgets together with the proposed programmes for 2009/10 to 2013/14 were approved by the City Council on 12th February 2008.

The purpose of this report is to inform members of the spending proposed for the next financial year for revenue and capital funded maintenance and improvement programmes together with Housing IT Business Software and to seek approval to incur expenditure in respect of the capital schemes and rolling programmes and to show how the budgets have been allocated on an area office basis.

2. Recommended

- I. That the area programmes and allocation of finance for the funding of the Revenue Budgets for repairs and maintenance of dwellings be noted.
- II. That the capital budgets listed in Appendix B and Appendix C commencing in 2008 / 2009 be approved and the Local Authority Housing Manager be authorised under Financial Rules, Section B14 to proceed with schemes within the sums approved.
- III. That the Strategic Director of Corporate Resources and Services financial appraisal be approved for the capital programme - global provision.

3. Introduction

Area office Budget Programmes have been prepared, which outline all programmed expenditure to the housing stock including the allocation for cleaning and grounds maintenance. (Attached to this report)

4. Revenue Budgets - Repair and Maintenance of Dwellings Budget

The main summary for all areas showing the headings for the allocation of the £18,766,000 budget is attached to this report as Appendix A along with the analyses of each individual Area Office Budget programme.

5. Capital Budgets - Various Schemes

A summary of this *£17,595,164 budget is shown in Appendix B. There are several areas within this programme for 2008 / 2009 where the budget shown represents a global provision from which a number of smaller schemes are financed. Financial Rules Section B14 states that expenditure cannot be incurred unless a full report and financial appraisal has been prepared and approved. The financial appraisal is included on Appendix B.

(*total including professional fees)

6. Signing off the Report

Signed:

Name:

7. Access to information

Background list of documents - Section 1000D of the Local Government Act 1972

The Information used in preparing this report has been made available from within the Repairs and Maintenance team (Chaucer House) of the Local Authority Housing Management Service.

8. Approval of the recommendation(s)

The recommendations set out above were:

Approved:

Approved as amended:

Deferred:

Rejected:

By the Executive Member of Housing, Health and Social Care Executive
on the 18th March 2008

Signed: