

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 21 January 2014

Decision No: (CAB 13/14 12039)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	HOUSING AND SUSTAINABILITY
SUBJECT:	SCHEME APPROVAL HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) PROGRAMME PROJECT APPROVAL FOR ECO CONTRACTS AND LIFT PROJECTS 2013/14 AND 2014/15
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THE DECISION

- (i) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, capital expenditure of £1,027,000, phased £329,000 in 2014/15 and, £698,000 in £2015/16, on the Lift Refurbishment scheme provision for which exists within the Well Maintained Communal Facilities section of the HRA Capital Programme.
- (ii) To recommend that Council approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, capital expenditure of £9,376,000, phased £528,000 in 2013/14, £4,209,000 in 2014/15 and £4,639,000 in £2015/16, provision for which exists within the Warm and Energy Efficient section of the HRA Capital Programme, as detailed in the table below.

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	Total
	000s	000s	000s	000s
Warm and Energy Efficient				
External Cladding (Tower Blocks)	528	1,228	1,458	3,214
External Cladding (PRC Houses)	-	1,975	1,975	3,950
External Cladding (Flats)	-	1,006	1,206	2,212
Total	528	4,209	4,639	9,376

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Financial Procedure Rules state that all schemes already in the capital programme between £500,000 and £2million will require Cabinet approval. Schemes with a total values above £2million will require the approval of full Council. The schemes in this report fall into both of these categories but are presented in one report for completeness.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. There have been various consultation meetings with tenant groups and leaseholders during the last eight months with regard to the proposed programme of capital expenditure associated with the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and the Self-Financing regime.
2. These works form part of the approved five-year Capital Programme (formally approved in February 2013).
3. The alternative option of not undertaking the works identified would leave the Council's homes and surrounding areas in their present condition and would not accord with the view expressed during the consultation process or with the Council's policies of providing homes that comply with the four agreed headings of:
 - Safe Wind and Weather tight
 - Warm and Energy Efficient
 - Modern Facilities
 - Well Maintained Communal Facilities

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 21 January 2014

Decision Maker: The Cabinet

Proper Officer: Judy Cordell

SCRUTINY

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*