

Report

Report to:	Finance and Corporate Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	8 May 2019
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Landlord Registration Service
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ advise of the transfer of the Landlord Registration Team from Housing and Technical Resources to Finance and Corporate Resources with effect from 13 May 2019

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the transfer of the Landlord Registration Service from Housing and Technical Resources to Finance and Corporate Resources be noted; and
- (2) that the transfer of the powers relating to the Landlord Registration Service from the Executive Director (Housing and Technical Resources) to the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) within the Scheme of Delegation be noted.

3. Background

3.1. As part of the Efficiency Review of Legal Services, it was identified that the functions associated with private landlord registration were better aligned to the Licensing and Registration Services Team of Legal Services, Finance and Corporate Resources.

3.2. To allow the savings included in the savings package submitted and agreed by the Council on 27 February 2019 to be fully realised in 2019/2020, the transfer of functions and duties from Housing and Technical Resources to Finance and Corporate Resources will take place on 13 May 2019.

4. Scheme of Delegation

4.1. In order to allow a smooth transition and uninterrupted service delivery, the existing powers contained within the Scheme of Delegation in respect of the Landlord Registration Team required to be transferred from the Executive Director (Housing and Technical Resources) to the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources).

4.2. The powers are as follows:-

- ♦ to fulfil and discharge the Council's statutory duties, functions and policies in relation to the registration of private sector landlords

- ♦ to maintain a public register in respect of the same, including authority and discretion to register and review applications as required in terms of current legislation and any review and/or subsequent or amending legislation

5. Employee Implications

- 5.1. There are 4 FTE current employees of the Landlord Registration Team who will be aligned to Finance and Corporate Resources.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1. The Landlord Registration Service is self –funding. The current landlord registration revenue budget of £228,910 and associated income target of £228,910 was included in the Finance and Corporate Resources 2019/2020 budget approved by the Council on 27 February 2019.

7. Other Implications

- 7.1. There are no risks or implications for sustainability in terms of the information contained in this report.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1. There is no requirement to carry out an impact assessment in terms of the proposal contained within this report.
- 8.2. Consultation with Trade Unions and employees was undertaken as part of the savings exercise and the Trade Union are in full agreement with the transfer of the Team to Finance and Corporate Resources.

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17 April 2019

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- ♦ Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Previous References

- ♦ South Lanarkshire Council (Special) of 27 February 2019

List of Background Papers

- ♦ None

Contact for Further Information

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