

Report to:South Lanarkshire CouncilDate of Meeting:24 February 2021Report by:Chief Executive

Subject: Recommendations Referred by Executive Committee – Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2021/2022

1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

allow consideration of the recommendations of the Executive Committee of 24 February 2021 in relation to the following:-

Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2021/2022

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Council is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
 - (1) that the recommendations from the Executive Committee of 24 February 2021 in relation to the following be approved:-
 - Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2021/2022
 - that the rent increase of 2.2% for Council houses, travelling persons' sites, lockups and garage sites and the revenue estimate proposals for the Housing Revenue Account be approved
 - that the proposal to progress the final stage of the rent harmonisation process be approved
 - that, based on the proposed rent increase of 2.2%, the 2021/2022 Housing Capital Programme, totalling £100.801 million, be approved
- 3. Recommendations Referred by Executive Committee Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2021/2022
- 3.1. The Housing and Technical Resources Committee of 17 February 2021 had made the following recommendations to the Executive Committee:-

Housing Revenue and Capital Account Budget 2021/2022

- that the rent increase of 2.2% for Council houses, travelling persons' sites, lockups and garage sites and the revenue estimate proposals for the Housing Revenue Account Budget 2021/2022 be endorsed
- that the proposal to progress the final stage of the rent harmonisation process be endorsed
- that, based on the proposed rent increase, the 2021/2022 Housing Capital Programme of £100.801 million be endorsed

- 3.2. At its meeting held earlier today, the Executive Committee made the following recommendations to the Council:-
 - (1) that the rent increase of 2.2% for Council houses, travelling persons' sites, lockups and garage sites and the revenue estimate proposals for the Housing Revenue Account Budget 2021/2022 be approved;
 - (2) that the proposal to progress the final stage of the rent harmonisation process be approved; and
 - (3) that, based on the proposed rent increase of 2.2%, the 2021/2022 Housing Capital Programme, totalling £100.801 million, be approved.

4 Employee Implications

4.1 Any employee implications have been highlighted as part of the original report to the meeting of the Housing and Technical Resources Committee.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 All financial implications have been highlighted as part of the original report to the meeting of the Housing and Technical Resources Committee.

6. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

6.1. Any climate change, sustainability or environmental implications have been highlighted as part of the original report to the meeting of the Housing and Technical Resources Committee.

7. Other Implications

7.1 Any risk implications have been highlighted as part of the original report to the meeting of the Housing and Technical Resources Committee.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1 Equality Impact Assessments have been undertaken for all relevant savings proposals and have been provided to Members. For details of work undertaken, please contact the Employee Development and Diversity Manager, Finance and Corporate Resources.
- 8.2. The Fairer Scotland Duty (Part 1 of Equality Act 2010) came into force in Scotland in April 2018. It places a legal responsibility on the Council to actively consider how it can reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage when making strategic decisions. It does not override other considerations such as equality or best value.
- 8.3. The Duty is set at a strategic level and is applicable to the key, high-level decisions that the public sector takes. Preparation of the HRA budget proposals is considered to be relevant for a Fairer Scotland Duty impact assessment. An assessment in line with the requirements of the Fairer Scotland Duty will be made available to Members.
- 8.4. Consultation was undertaken as outlined in Section 5 of the original report to the Housing and Technical Resources Committee.

Cleland Sneddon Chief Executive

24 February 2021

Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives

- Fair, open and sustainable
- Accountable, effective, efficient and transparent

Previous References

Executive Committee of 24 February 2021

List of Background Papers

None

Contact for Further Information

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