

**6 SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND TRADING STANDARDS - ESTABLISHMENT OF POST (AN141-2006)**

Pennington Funding from the Scottish Executive, which has funded food safety staff costs and training within the Environmental Health and Trading Standards (EHTS) Department and its predecessor, ECPD, for a number of years, will be withdrawn from the Departmental budget with effect from April 2006.

The 2006/09 EHTS Revenue Budget has been designed to accommodate this loss of funding and the Head of Environmental Health and Trading Standards has made provision for making permanent a Food Safety Officer post which has been funded through Pennington since 27th January 2004.

The Committee is therefore asked to approve that the post of Temporary Food Safety Officer, graded AP5, £23,739 - £25,857 be made permanent from 1st April 2006.

The cost of this proposal is £33,037, inclusive of employer's cost. This expenditure can be met from resources identified in the Environmental Health & Trading Standards Revenue Budget for 2006/07.