5 SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND TRADING STANDARDS - REGRADING AND REDESIGNATION OF POST (AN43-2007)

Reference is made to Articles X, IX and IV of the meetings of this Committee of 15th April, 2002, 20th October, 2003 and 14th March, 2005.

The Assistant Chief Executive (Management) and the Head of Environmental Health and Trading Standards have undertaken a review of the duties and responsibilities of the posts required to meet our statutory obligations in terms of contaminated land.

Local authorities have the lead regulator responsibility for the implementation of Part IIA of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 and, to date, the Council has been able to effectively implement the earlier stages of this regime within existing resources. However, as the regime has progressed, the process has become more complex requiring staff to have a higher level of knowledge and experience in the technical and legal aspects of contaminated land management. In order to continue to meet our statutory obligations and to ensure that the grade accurately reflects the duties and responsibilities of the post, the Assistant Chief Executive (Management) recommends that the post of Assistant Contaminated Land Officer, be redesignated to Contaminated Land Officer and regraded from AP4 (£21,327 - £23,610) to PO1-4 (£27,039-£29,349).

The cost of these changes in this current financial year is £650, inclusive of employer's costs. For financial year 2007/08, the costs will be £5,400, inclusive of employer's costs. This expenditure can be met from resources identified in the Environmental Health and Trading Standards Department's Revenue Budget.