DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Personnel Committee - 15 May 2006

REPORT ON: Dundee Contract Services - Review of Staffing Structure

REPORT BY: Director of Dundee Contract Services and Assistant Chief Executive

(Management)

REPORT NO: 194-2006

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek the Committee's approval to the proposed changes to the staffing structure of Dundee Contract Services.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee approves:-

- 2.1 the deletion of posts as outlined in Appendix 1;
- 2.2 the establishment of posts as outlined in Appendix 2;
- 2.3 the redesignation and regrading of posts as outlined in Appendix 3;
- 2.4 the regrading of posts as outlined in Appendix 4;
- 2.5 the redesignation of posts as outlined in Appendix 5;
- 2.6 the transfer of employees as outlined in Appendix 6.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of these changes to the staffing structure will result in a net saving of £49,095. inclusive of employer's costs, in a full year.

4. SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Resources are used efficiently and waste is minimised.

5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None.

6. BACKGROUND

- 6.1 The addition of the Parks Section in April 2002 and the recent introduction of the Partnership Agreements for the provision of the Property Maintenance and Small Works Service and Housing Repairs and Maintenance Service, including the establishment of the Housing Repairs Centre at Clepington Road, has significantly changed the way in which the Department operates.
- These changes have impacted on most Sections within the Department, necessitating an overall review of the Departmental Structure.

7. PROPOSALS

Housing Repairs and Maintenance Section

- 7.1 The implementation of the Partnership Agreement changed the roles of the supervisory and administrative employees within the Housing Repairs and Maintenance Section.
- 7.2 The proposed structure is designed to phase out the Whitfield Sub Depot transferring the total functions to the Main Depot at Clepington Road and to reflect the changing role of the supervisory staff due to the implementation of the Partnership Agreement, including the establishment of the Housing Repairs Centre.

It is proposed to:-

- 7.2.1 establish a post of Housing Maintenance Manager, graded PO9-12;
- 7.2.2 establish a post of Assistant Housing Maintenance Manager, graded PO5-8;
- 7.2.3 delete 2 posts of Area Maintenance Manager, graded PO3-6, and the postholders be invited to apply for the posts as outlined in 7.2.1 and 7.2.2. Appointments will be made after competitive interview;
- 7.2.4 regrade and redesignate the post of Senior Security Officer, graded GS3 + 10% shift allowance, to Emergency Contact Officer, graded T2, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.2.5 regrade and redesignate 3 posts of Maintenance Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to Housing Maintenance Co-ordinators, graded PO1-4, to reflect increased duties and responsibilities;
- 7.2.6 regrade and redesignate 1 post of Clerical Assistant, graded GS2, to Senior Clerical Assistant, graded GS1/3, to reflect increased duties and responsibilities. It is also proposed to transfer this post from Property Maintenance Section to Housing Repairs and Maintenance Section;
- 7.2.7 delete one post of Administrative Assistant AP1 on the retirement of the existing postholder;
- 7.2.8 delete one vacant post of Radio Control Officer GS3.

Contracts Section

7.3 The recent retrial of the Contracts Manager has enabled a review of the current structure which has been in operation for a number of years. The proposed changes reflect the changes in operational procedures, methods of working and projected workload, in particular the Scottish Housing Quality Standards Programmes.

It is proposed to:-

- 7.3.1 delete a vacant post of Assistant Contracts Manager, graded PO3-6;
- 7.3.2 regrade and redesignate a post of Site Agent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to Senior Site Agent, graded PO1-4, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.3.3 regrade and redesignate a post of Paint Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to ECM/Paint Co-ordinator, graded PO1-4, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.3.4 regrade and redesignate the post of Plumbing Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to Plumbing Co-ordinator, graded PO1-4, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.3.5 regrade and redesignate the post of Trowel Trades Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to Trowel Trades Co-ordinator, graded PO1-4, to reflect and increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.3.6 regrade and redesignate a post of Electrical Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to Electrical Co-ordinator, graded PO1-4, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.3.7 regrade and redesignate 2 posts of Electrical Supervisor, graded Tech 3 + Contractual Overtime, to Electrical Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities. It is also proposed to transfer one of these posts to the Property Maintenance Section;
- 7.3.8 regrade the post of Contracts Manager, graded PO7-10, to PO11-14, to reflect the increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.3.9 transfer 1 post of Technical Assistant from Cost Control and Measurement Section to Contracts Section;
- 7.3.10 redesignate the post of Maintenance Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to ECM Superintendent, with no change of grade.

Property Maintenance Section

7.4 The Schedule of Rates Contract for Non Housing Repairs and Small Works was replaced with a Partnership Agreement, similar to the Housing Repairs Partnership Agreement, on 31 March 2005. The implementation of this Agreement has changed the roles of the supervisory and administrative employees within the Property Maintenance Section.

- It is proposed to:-
- 7.4.1 delete a vacant post of Technical Assistant, graded Tech 2/3;
- 7.4.2 regrade and redesignate the post of Property Maintenance Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to Property Maintenance Co-ordinator, graded PO1-4, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.4.3 regrade and redesignate the post of Minor Works Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to Minor Works Co-ordinator, graded PO1-4, to reflect and increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.4.4 regrade and redesignate the post of Minor Works Supervisor, graded Tech 3 + Contractual Overtime, to Minor Works Superintendent, graded Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime, to reflect an increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.4.5 regrade the post of Property Maintenance Manager, graded PO3-6, to PO6-9, to reflect and increase in duties and responsibilities.

Specialist Services Group

7.5 The Partnership Agreement has resulted in a change from the calculation and application of an incentive bonus scheme for repairs and maintenance work to performance monitoring to agreed criteria. The implementation of the Partnership Agreement for contract type work and the increase in landscape design has necessitated changes in working methods and requirements of employees within the Specialist Services Group.

It is proposed to:-

- 7.5.1 establish a post of Landscape/Technical Designer, graded Tech 4;
- 7.5.2 establish a post of Assistant Land Services Surveyor/Estimator, graded Tech 3/4;
- 7.5.3 delete a vacant post of Technical Assistant, graded Tech 1/2;
- 7.5.4 delete a vacant post of Senior Cost Control and Measurement Officer, graded Tech 5;
- 7.5.5 regrade and redesignate a post of Senior Cost Control and Measurement Officer, graded Tech 5, to Principal Cost Control and Measurement Officer, graded PO3-6;
- 7.5.6 regrade and redesignate a post of Technical Assistant, graded Tech 1/2, to Cost Control and Measurement Officer, graded Tech 4;
- 7.5.7 regrade and redesignate the post of Senior Estimator Land Services, graded Tech 4, to Land Services Surveyor/Estimator, graded Tech 5, to reflect increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.5.8 regrade and redesignate the post of Clerical Assistant (Purchasing), graded GS1/2, to Senior Clerical Assistant, graded GS1/3, to reflect increase in duties and responsibilities;
- 7.5.9 redesignate the post of Management Services Officer, graded AP4, to Performance Monitor Officer, with no change of grade;

7.5.10 redesignate the post of Cost Surveyor, graded Tech 4, to Cost Control and Measurement Officer, with no change of grade.

8. CONSULTATION

8.1. The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and the trade unions have been consulted on this report.

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

9.1 None.

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8 May 2006

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8 May 2006

DELETION OF POSTS

Section	Post Title	Grade	Salary
Housing Repairs and Maintenance	2 posts Area Maintenance Manager	PO3-6	£27,822 - £30,288
	1 post Administrative Assistant	AP1	£15,063 - £16,116
	1 post Radio Control Officer	GS3	£14,466 - £15,063
Contracts	1 post Assistant Contracts Manager	PO3-6	£27,822 - £30,288
Property Maintenance	1 post Technical Assistant	T2/3	£15,699 - £20,169
Specialist Services	1 post Senior Cost Control and Measurement Officer	T5	£23,739 - £25,857
	1 post Technical Assistant	T1/2	£15,063 - £17,877

ESTABLISHMENT OF POSTS

Section	Post Title	Grade	Salary
Housing Repairs and Maintenance	Housing Maintenance Manager	PO9-12	£32,631 - £34,965
	Assistant Housing Maintenance Manager	PO5-8	£29,541 - £31,860
Specialist Services	Assistant Land Services Surveyor/ Estimator	T3/4	£17,877 - £23,034
	Landscape/Technical Designer	T4	£20,808 - £23,034

REGRADING AND REDESIGNATION OF POSTS

Current **Proposed**

Repairs and Maintenance Section

Maintenance Superintendent (3 posts) Housing Maintenance Co-ordinator

Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632

£20,808 - £23,034

Senior Security Officer **Emergency Contact officer** Tech 2 - £16,515 - £17,877 GS3 + 10% shift allowance -

£14,466 - £15,063

Clerical Assistant Senior Clerical Assistant GS2 - £13,554 - £14,220 GS1/3 - £10,671 - £15,063

(transferred from Property Maintenance Section)

Contracts Section

Site Agent Senior Site Agent

Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632

£20,808 - £23,034

ECM/Paint Co-ordinator Paint Superintendent

Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632

£20,808 - £23,034

Electrical Superintendent Electrical Co-ordinator Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632

£20,808 - £23,034

Plumbing Superintendent Plumbing Co-ordinator

Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632

£20,808 - £23,034

Trowel Trades Superintendent **Trowel Trades Co-ordinator** Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632

£20,808 - £23,034

Electrical Supervisor (2) Electrical Superintendent Tech 3 + Contractual Overtime Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime

£17,877 - £20,169 £20,808 - £23,034

• 1 post to remain in Contracts Section

• 1 post transferred to Property Maintenance

Section

Appendix 3 (Contd)

Current **Proposed** Property Maintenance Property Maintenance Superintendent Property Maintenance Co-ordinator Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632 £20,808 - £23,034 Minor Works Supervisor Minor Works Superintendent Tech 3 + Contractual Overtime -Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -£17,877 - £20,169 £20,808 - £23,034 Minor Works Superintendent Minor Works Co-ordinator Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -PO1-4 - £26,379 - £28,632 ££20,808 - £23,034 **Electrical Superintendent** Electrical Supervisor Tech 3 + Contractual Overtime -Tech 4 + Contractual Overtime -£17,877 - £20,169 £20,808 - £23,034 Specialist Services Group Senior Cost Control & Measurement Officer Principal Cost Control & Measurement Tech 5 - £23,739 - £25,857 Officer PO3-6 - £27,822 - £30,288 Technical Assistant Officer Cost Control & Measurement Officer Tech 4 - £20,808 - £23,034 Tech 1/2 - £14,466 - £17,436 Senior Estimator (Parks) Land Services Surveyor/Estimator Tech 5 - £23,739 - £25,857 Tech 4 - £20,808 - £23,034

Senior Clerical Assistant

GS1/3 - £10,671 - £15,063

Clerical Assistant (Purchasing)

GS1/2 - £10,671 - £14,220

REGRADING OF POSTS

Post Title	Grade	Salary		
Contracts Section				
Contracts Manager	PO7-10 to	£31,068 - £33,423		
	PO11-14	£34,173 - £36,624		
Property Maintenance Section				
Property Maintenance Manager	PO3-6	£27,822 - £30,288		
	to PO6-9	£30,288 - £32,631		

REDESIGNATION OF POSTS

Current Title Proposed Title

Contracts Section

Property Maintenance Superintendent ECM Superintendent

Specialist Services Group

Management Services Officer Performance Monitor Officer

Cost Surveyor Cost Control & Measurement Officer

TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES BETWEEN SECTIONS

Post Title	Current Section	Proposed Title	Proposed Section
Clerical Assistant	Specialist Services Group	Senior Clerical Assistant	Housing Repairs and Maintenance
Electrical Supervisor	Contracts	Electrical Superintendent	Property Maintenance
Technical Assistant	Cost Control and Measurement	Technical Assistant	Contracts