

ITEM No ...4.....

REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE - 31st OCTOBER 2016
REPORT ON: EXTERNAL WALL INSULATION – HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMME FOR SCOTLAND – ADDITIONAL SPEND
REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES
REPORT NO. 343-2016

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1. To request Committee approval for additional spend for the Wester Clepington external wall insulation project programmed for the 2016/17 Capital programme.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that approval be given for an additional spend of £378,000 at the Wester Clepington development for ongoing external wall insulation work. There are 228 properties in this development which are currently receiving funding from the HRA of £665,299 towards the external wall insulation programme. This was previously approved in committee report 261-2016 (Article III of the Minute of Meeting of the Neighbourhood Services Committee of 22nd August 2016).

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There is a required additional expenditure for 84 new boilers and flue extensions from the funding already allocated to external wall insulation from the Council's HRA Capital budget in 2016/17.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

4.1 During pre-inspections at tenants' houses at this development it was discovered that 84 boilers have to be replaced so that flues can be extended and updated, this will ensure the buildings retain their integrity and overall look and will remove any prospect of cold bridging from uninsulated areas of wall. The existing boilers are 14 years old and it is not possible to source compatible flues.

4.2 The Contractor for the works will be Construction Services.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 The Chief Executive, Executive Director of Corporate Services, Head of Democratic and Legal Services and all other Chief Officers have been consulted in the preparation of this report and all were in agreement.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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