

1 REPLACEMENT OF TELEHEALTH CARE WARDEN CALL SYSTEM AT FORTHILL DRIVE SHELTERED HOUSING COMPLEX (AN1-2011)

During extremely adverse weather on 28th November, 2010, the Warden Call System at the Sheltered Housing Complex at 3A Forthill Drive was hit by lightning and put out of action. The system serves 160 tenants.

The equipment was inspected by McGill Security (who provide the maintenance contract for the equipment) who advised that the system was beyond repair due to the severity of the strike. The fire detection/smoke alarm elements were not affected.

Although temporary dispersed alarms have been distributed these do not provide audio communication.

Therefore, it was recommended that the Architectural Services Department, on behalf of the Director of Housing, negotiate an urgent contract with McGill Security for the replacement of the Telehealth System up to a cost of £50,000. The anticipated costs can be met from the Housing Capital Budget.

In view of the timescales involved, this report was approved by the Director of Housing in consultation with the Convener of the Housing, Dundee Contract Services and Environment Services Committee and Spokespersons from the other political groups.