8 MODERNISING GOVERNMENT FUND PROJECTS - EXTENSION OF POSTS (AN47-2007)

The Chief Executive and the Assistant Chief Executive (Management) have undertaken a review of the current projects being funded by the Modernising Government Fund and other sources of external monies. These include Customer Relationship Management, Citizen Account, Corporate Address Gazetteer, Electronic Service Delivery and the National Entitlement Card. To fulfil current and future commitments, it is recommended that four temporary IT Officer posts, graded AP3-PO10 (£18,840 - £34,260), be established on a permanent basis.

In addition, it is recommended that the following temporary posts are extended (the Process Review Officer posts will transfer from Personnel to Support Services and Corporate Planning to carry out specific roles relating to Modernising Government and efficiency):-

Post	Current End Date	Proposed End Date
Data Cleansing/Matching Officer, GS3 (£14,829 - £15,441)	23rd October, 2007	31st March, 2008
Process Review Officer, AP5-PO4 (£24,333 - £29,349) (Customer Services Development) - transfer from Personnel Department to Support Services Department	31st March, 2007	31st March, 2008
Process Review Officer, AP5-PO4 (£24,333 - £29,349) - transfer from Personnel Department to Corporate Planning	31st March, 2007	31st March, 2008
DNAS/CAG Project Officer, AP5-PO4 (£24,333 - £29,349)	30th September, 2007	31st March, 2008

The cost of these recommendations is £254,173, inclusive of employer's costs, in 2007/08 and £142,403 for 2008/09 onwards. These costs can be met from the Modernising Government Fund monies, other sources of external funds for related IT projects, and savings identified. The Committee is further advised that these projects have contributed to efficiency savings of £341,000 (cash and time savings).