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REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 12 FEBRUARY 2018

REPORT ON: EXTERNAL WALL INSULATION – HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMME FOR SCOTLAND – 2017/18 PROGRAMME PHASE 3

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

REPORT NO: 30-2018

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To gain Committee approval for a further external wall insulation (and re-roofing) project as part of the 2018-23 Housing HRA Capital Plan.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that approval be given for the projects below at:-

Development	No of Properties	HEEPS-ABS £000s	ECO Funding £000s	Council Contribution £000s	Total Cost £000s	Completion Date
Graham St 2 nd (Barnes Avenue) (with 14 blocks being re-roofed)	120	£591,600	£36,000	£468,896	£1,096,496	July 2018

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 This project comprises 120 properties of mixed tenure. There are 33 tenants and 87 owner occupiers. The client contribution for the 33 tenanted properties for EW1 will be required from the HRA Capital budget. There will be 14 blocks where we will carry out a simultaneous replacement roofing project at a capital cost of £244,000 to benefit from economies of scale with regards scaffolding, labour, materials etc. The total council contribution above will be met from allowances for Energy Efficiency that are included within the Building Stronger Communities – Housing (HRA) section of the Capital Plan 2018-23. The balance of funding will be met from the Energy Company Obligation (ECO), Home Energy Efficiency Programme Scotland – Area Based Schemes (HEEPS – ABS) funding and a contribution from SSE for ECO.

4 BACKGROUND

4.1 Resources are available to fund external insulation for Council owned properties within the current 5 year HRA Capital budget. The Council requires to maximise funding from the Home Energy Efficiency Programme for Scotland - Area Based Schemes (HEEPS: Abs) funding from the Scottish Government and Energy Company Obligation (ECO) funding from utility companies to ensure owner occupiers can be included in the programme and mixed tenure blocks comprehensively treated.

4.2 The Council has been successful in being awarded £1,422,571 HEEPS - ABS funding from the Scottish Government for 2017/18 so far. Together with ECO funding this means that owner occupiers can benefit from these works at no cost.

4.3 The Contractors for these works have been procured by SSE who are project managing the programme on behalf of the Council.

5 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 CONSULTATIONS

- 6.1 The Council Management Team have been consulted in the preparation of this report and agree with its contents.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

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