

ITEM No ...5.....

REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 13 FEBRUARY 2017

REPORT ON: EXTERNAL WALL INSULATION – HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMME FOR SCOTLAND

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

REPORT NO. 55-2017

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. To gain Committee approval for a further external wall insulation projects as part of the 2016/17 Capital programme.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

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

Development	No of Properties	HEEPS-ABS £000s	ECO Funding £000s	Council Contribution £000s	Total Cost £000s
Lawton tenements	92	£279,500	£43,794.03	£318,829.30	£642,123.33

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 This project comprises 92 properties with a client contribution for 47 tenanted properties of £318,829.30 which will be required from the HRA Capital budget in 2016/17. This contribution will be met from allowances for Energy Efficiency in 2016/17 that are included in the approved Housing HRA Capital Plan 2017-22. The balance of funding will be met from Energy Company Obligation (ECO) and Home Energy Efficiency Programme Scotland – Area Based Schemes (HEEPS – ABS) funding.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 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 £1.960 million HEEPS - ABS funding from the Scottish Government for 2016/17. This includes £292,500 for an additional project at Lawton tenements Street funded from an overall HEEPS - ABS underspend nationally. The project will require to be completed by the end of May 2017.
- 4.3 The Contractors for these works have been procured by SSE who are project managing the programme on behalf of the Council. The contractor is Robertsons.

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. No concerns were expressed.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

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