

# TAYSIDE JOINT POLICE BOARD

## FINANCE SUB COMMITTEE

21 December 2001

Joint Report by the Chief Constable and Treasurer No. PB 58/2001

**SUBJECT: RENEWAL AND REPAIR FUND**

**Abstract: This report apprises members of the repair work carried out during the year to 31 March 2001 which was financed by a contribution from the Renewal and Repair Fund. It also details projects to be carried out during 2001/2002.**

### 1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Finance Sub Committee note:
- (a) the contents of this report, and
  - (b) the use made of the Renewal and Repair Fund in the financial years 2000/2001 and 2001/2002

### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Reference is made to Paragraph 3, Minute of Meeting of Tayside Joint Police Board, Finance Sub Committee of 15 December 2000 wherein the Sub Committee approved Report No. PB 55/2000 – 'Renewal and Repair Fund'. This report detailed a programme of projects totalling £260,000 which it was intended to carry out in 2000/2001 and finance by a contribution from the renewal and repair fund.
- 2.2 The actual expenditure on these projects in 2000/2001 was only £185,000 due to slippage in relation to the new Headquarters Annexe and Mortuary buildings which impacted on some of the work being carried out. A contribution of £185,000 was transferred to the Revenue Account at 31 March 2001 from the Renewal and Repair Fund to meet the actual costs incurred.
- 2.3 The 2000/2001 Report to Members and the Controller of Audit which was considered by the Board at its meeting on 12 November 2001 records this and recommends that a report be submitted to the next Finance Sub Committee regarding the repair work carried out during 2000/2001 and detailing projects to be carried out in 2001/2002 which will be financed by a contribution from the Renewal and Repair Fund.

### 3. CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 A summary of the programme of projects which it was intended to fund from the Renewal and Repair fund is detailed overleaf. The summary provides information on the actual spend in 2000/2001 and the projected spend in 2001/2002 on these projects and the variance from the original estimate:

	<b>Original Estimate</b>	<b>Actual Costs</b>	<b>Projected Costs</b>	<b>Variance</b>
	<b>£000</b>	<b>2000/01 £000</b>	<b>2001/02 £000</b>	<b>£000</b>
1. Refurbishment of HQ Annexe	50	33	34	17
2. Boiler – HQ	30	-	-	(30)
3. Flat Roofs	140	152	8	20
4. Generator Replacement HQ Annexe	40	-	33	(7)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>-</b>

3.2 The above summary shows that the £260,000 earmarked for projects to be financed from the Renewal and Repair Fund will be spent over the two financial years 2000/2001 and 2001/2002. There are a number of compensating over and underspends and in particular no funds were required for the refurbishment of the boiler within Force Headquarters. This project has in fact been completed but was accommodated within the Force's maintenance budget.

3.3 The balance on the Renewal and Repair Fund as at 1 April 2001 was £138,000 and after taking into account estimated expenditure of £75,000 on projects this financial year the projected balance at 31 March 2002 is £63,000 excluding interest.

3.4 The Renewal and Repair Fund Policy Statement approved by the Board at its meeting on 24 May 1999 recommends a minimum balance of £50,000 is set for the Fund. The projected balance of £63,000 as at 31 March 2002 therefore complies with the Policy Statement.

#### **4. OUTSTANDING PROJECTS**

4.1 The programme of projects approved by the Finance Sub Committee at its meeting on 15 December 2000 contained further projects totalling £145,000 beyond the £260,000 available from the Fund. No provision currently exists for these projects, which are detailed below. It is proposed however that these be included within the Force's maintenance programme for completion at the earliest opportunity.

4.2 The outstanding projects are:

	<b>£000</b>
1. <b>Generator Replacement</b>	
Dundee HQ	50
Perth	35
	<b>85</b>
2. <b>CCTV</b>	
HQ and HQ Annexe	40
3. <b>Air Handling Units HQ</b>	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>145</b>

**5. CONCLUSION**

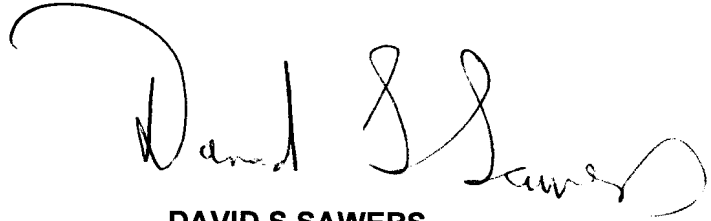
- 5.1 The £260,000 identified in Report No. PB 55/2000 has been spent over two financial years on the projects identified in that report with the exception of the refurbishment of the boiler at Force Headquarters which was funded through the maintenance budget.
- 5.2 The remaining projects totalling £145,000 which were also identified in Report No. PB 55/2000 are to be included within the Force's maintenance programme for completion at the earliest opportunity.



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NOTE: No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.