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REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF PROPERTY SERVICES

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HEALTH AND SAFETY WORKS AT INVERTAY HOUSE

Abstract

This report seeks approval for the funding from the Property Renewal and Repair fund to allow the necessary safety works to be undertaken at Invertay House at an estimated cost of £17,000.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committees for their respective interests are recommended to:-

- 1. note the requirement for the renewal of the fixed electrical installation at Invertay House.
- 2. approve the bid for supplementary funding in the sum of £17,000 from the Property Renewal and Repair Fund.
- 3. instruct the Director of Property Services to progress this urgent renewal immediately.

1 BACKGROUND

The Property Services Department manages a five year programme of electrical inspection and testing of the fixed electrical installations of all Council non-housing buildings in accordance with the requirements of the IEE Regulations and the Electricity at Work Regulations.

An inspection was recently undertaken at Invertay House, as part of this programme, and identified a requirement to undertake significant remedial measures to improve the electrical safety of existing fixed installations and in particular to ensure continuity of supply for the high number of computer workstations in operation.

Interim measures have been introduced to promote a safe working environment but it is considered that the renewal of the electrical installation should be urgently undertaken.

2 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The full cost of the renewal of the electrical installation has been estimated at £17,000.

The cost cannot be contained within the Property Maintenance element of the respective departmental revenue budget for 2000/01 and it is therefore necessary for supplementary funding to be made available from the Property Renewal and Repair Fund.

3 CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, the Director of Law & Administration and the Director of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

4 CONCLUSION

The Committees for their respective interests are recommended to note the requirement for the renewal of the fixed electrical installation at Invertay House, approve the bid for supplementary funding in the sum of £17,000 from the Property Renewal and Repair Fund and instruct the Director of Property Services to progress this urgent renewal immediately.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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.

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