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REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF PROPERTY SERVICES

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## **BRECHIN HIGH SCHOOL – REMEDIAL REPAIRS TO RETAINING WALLS**

### **Abstract**

This report seeks approval to the provision of supplementary funding from the Property Renewal and Repair Fund to cover the cost of urgent repairs to the retaining wall at Brechin High School at an estimated cost of £40,000.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Committees for their respective interests are recommended to:

1. note the requirement for urgent repairs to the retaining wall at Brechin High School,
2. approve the bid for supplementary funding in the sum of £40,000 from the Property Renewal and Repair Fund,
3. instruct the Director of Property Services to undertake these urgent repairs immediately.

### **1 BACKGROUND**

Brechin High School was constructed in 1967/68 on a sloping site which required considerable use of stepped brick loadbearing retaining walls throughout the site.

Over the past 33 years the retaining walls have shown signs of movement and various remedial works have been carried out during this period to stabilise the walls.

During the course of a recent annual inspection of the school it was apparent that one of the retaining walls had cracked. A structural inspection has been completed and it recommends that a number of urgent remedial safety works be undertaken.

### **2 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of the repairs has been estimated at £40,000 and cannot be contained within the Property Maintenance Revenue budget for the Education department.

It is therefore necessary for supplementary funding to be made available from the Property Renewal and Repair fund to carry out the necessary urgent repairs.

The repairs detailed in this report can be contained within the provisions of the Property Renewal and Repair fund for 2001/02.

### **3 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT IMPLICATIONS**

There are no Human Rights Act implications specific to this report.

Any implications, as a consequence of discharging recommendations detailed in this report, will be managed in accordance with the standing procedures and processes established by the Property Services department.

### **4 CONSULTATION**

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

### **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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