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EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF CABINET (HOUSING) COMMITTEE HELD 20 JUNE 2012

1. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) 2011/12 BUDGET OUTTURN (Report CAB2354(HSG) refers)

Councillor Stallard declared personal (but non-prejudicial) interests in actions taken or proposed with regard to this item, because of her position as a County Councillor and the joint working with the County Council as referred to in the report. She remained in the room and spoke and voted thereon.

The Committee noted that at its meeting on 9 July 2012, The Overview and Scrutiny Committee would consider the proposal to approve a supplementary capital estimate of £300,000 required for the estates improvement works under its rights of call-in.

In response to questions, the Head of Housing Services advised that a supplementary capital estimate was required to supplement the current programme of estate improvement works, and was necessary due to the current capital programme being fully committed. He confirmed that there was a clear set of criteria for bids for funds and that the scheme did not take precedence over on-going comprehensive stock repairs programmes. Furthermore, the supplementary estimate would also help ensure that the benefits of estate improvements programme could be equitably spread across other priority areas in the District, albeit several of the rural areas were not greatly tenanted. The 'priority areas' (and expected milestones for improvements to the lives of their residents) were set out in the Council's Change Plans. A report would be brought to a future meeting of the Committee detailing the progress of the estate improvements programme to date.

The Committee agreed to the following for the reasons set out above and outlined in the Report.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the financial performance information in the Report be noted.
- 2. That it be recommended to Cabinet and Council that the revenue carry forwards amounting to £75,780 be agreed as set out in paragraph 3.1 of the report.
- 3. That the decision of Cabinet on 13 June 2012 to recommend to Council approval of Capital carry forwards

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amounting to £71,000, as detailed in paragraph 3.2 of the Report, be noted.

4. That subject to the matter being considered by The Overview and Scrutiny Committee under its rights of callin, the Committee recommends to Cabinet and Council that a supplementary capital estimate of £300,000 be approved to fund Estate Improvement works on Stanmore and the associated Engineering resources required to deliver the programme.