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

## 1. STOCK CONDITION SURVEY OF COUNCIL OWNED HOMES (Report CAB2357(HSG) refers)

The Head of Housing Services advised that at its meeting on 9 July 2012, The Overview and Scrutiny Committee would consider the required virement within the HRA (as set out in recommendation 4 of the Report), under its powers of call-in.

The Head of Housing Services advised that the overall cost of £300,000 equated to approximately £60 per property and that the work would create an accurate forward plan for capital expenditure and data base of the condition of the housing stock. A particular survey 'template' was under development and this would achieve as much as possible from the surveys, including a tenant aspiration questionnaire, health and safety and energy efficiency ratings etc.

The Head of Legal Services suggested that Recommendation 3 to the Report be revised so to provide further flexibility in awarding the contract for the survey work. This was agreed.

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

## **RESOLVED**:

- 1. That the approach and proposals outlined in the Report for the commissioning of a new stock condition survey are approved.
- 2. That, in accordance with Contracts Procedure Rule 2.4b), the use of the City West and Liverpool Mutual Homes (LMH) Consultants Framework agreement are approved, subject to the Head of Legal Services being satisfied that the framework complies with EU procurement rules.
- 3. That, delegated authority be given to the Head of Housing Services in consultation with the Portfolio Holder to approve, in accordance with Contracts Procedure Rule 2.4b), the use of an alternative framework if more suitable.
- 4. That delegated authority be given to the Head of Housing Services to select and appoint a framework consultant to provide stock condition surveying services,

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5. 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 to approve a revenue virement within the HRA of £300,000 in 2012/13, with the revenue support to the capital programme (RCCO) being reduced in order to meet the stock survey costs which are a charge to revenue and note that the capital budget for External Envelope Works will be reduced because of the reduction in the RCCO.

6. That a revised Repairs and Renewals programme reflecting these recommendations be brought to this Committee in September 2012.