11 HOUSING DEPARTMENT - ESTABLISHMENT OF POST (AN148-2004)

Reference is made to Article V of the minute of meeting of the Housing Committee of 21st October, 2002 wherein the Committee approved arrangements for preparing the Local Housing Strategy. In this connection, the Director of Housing identified the need for a temporary post of Senior Housing Officer, graded AP5 (£22,398 - £24,396), to co-ordinate research to identify housing needs and aspirations in the city. The Chief Executive approved the establishment of the post for a 12-month period until 31st March, 2004.

Further funding has now become available to allow the continuation of research and the production of information which will inform the development of Dundee's Local Housing Strategy. The Committee is therefore asked to approve the extension of the post for a fixed term period until 31st January, 2005.

The cost of implementing this proposal is £30,002 in a full financial year. This will be met from the Local Housing Strategy fund from the Scottish Executive.