4 HOUSING DEPARTMENT - HOMELESS ASSESSMENT/STRATEGY TEAM - EXTENSION OF FIXED TERM POSTS (AN29-2006)

Reference is made to Article VIII of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 14th January 2002, wherein the Committee approved the establishment of a number of posts for a period of 12 months in order to implement the homelessness provision of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001.

At further meetings on 10th March 2003, 9th February 2004 and 14th February 2005 (Articles VIII, VII and VI refer), the Committee approved the extension of these posts until 31st March 2006. The Scottish Executive has now allocated further funding and the requirements of the service have been further reviewed. The Committee is, therefore, asked to approve the following:

- the regrading of the post of Principal Housing Officer, graded PO 3-6 (£27,822 £30,632), to PO 1-4 (£26,379 £28,632) and the extension of this post until 31st March 2007;
- the extension of the post of Senior Housing Officer, graded AP5 (£23,739 £25,857), until 31st March 2007;
- the extension of the post of Housing Officer, graded AP3 (£18,381 £20,169), until 31st March 2007.

The costs, including employer's costs, amount to £92,530 for the financial year 2006/07. These costs will be met from the specific grant awarded by the Scottish Executive. There are no implications for the Housing Revenue Account or Council Tax.