5 HOUSING DEPARTMENT - HOMELESS SERVICES UNIT - EXTENSION OF FIXED TERM POSTS (AN30-2006)

Reference is made to Article II of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 10th November 2003, wherein the Committee approved the establishment of a number of posts until 31st March 2006, in order to assist with the delivery of expanded legislative duties to homeless persons as contained in the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001.

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 extension of the following posts in the Homeless Services Unit until 31st March 2007.

- 1 post of Homeless Persons Officer, graded AP2 (£16,515–£17,877)
- 1 post of Housing Officer, graded AP 2 (£16,515–£17,877)
- 1 post of Homelessness Advice and Development Officer, graded AP4 (£20,808-£23,034)

The costs, including employer's costs, of extending these posts, amount to £73,804 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.