REPORT TO: HOUSING COMMITTEE - 18 AUGUST 2003

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF HOUSING

REPORT ON: LOCK-UPS AT ST. MONANCE PLACE, ST. MARY'S, DUNDEE.

REPORT NO.: 516-2003

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek approval for the demolition of ten lock-up garages at St. Monance Place, St. Mary's, Dundee. (See Appendix 1).

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

- 2.1. The ten lock-up garages be demolished.
- 2.2. Limited post demolition treatment works be undertaken, if required, to ensure that the site is rendered safe and has minimal ongoing maintenance costs.
- 2.3. The City Engineer is remitted to include the lock-up garages in the tender for the demolition of the surplus flats in St. Fillans Road, St. Mary's.
- 2.4. The Director of Housing terminate the remaining tenancies in accordance with letting agreements.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The demolition of the lock-up garages will be included in a larger scale project regarding the demolition of the tenements in St. Fillans Road which was reported to Committee on 17 February 2003. The costs for demolishing the lock-ups will be met within the overall approved budget.

4. LOCAL AGENDA IMPLICATIONS

Local needs are met locally.

5. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

None.

6. **BACKGROUND**

Of the ten lock-up garages, two are occupied and eight have been vacant for a considerable time. The lock-ups require considerable repair and there is no expressed demand for new lets of these units.

Five of the lock-ups are adjacent to 87 St. Fillans Road and the other five adjacent to 97 St. Fillans Road. The demolition of all the tenement blocks in St. Fillans Road is due to be carried out once rehousing is complete. It is felt that removal of the lock-ups would help to improve the environment and prevent them from becoming a target for vandalism and wilful fire-raising causing great concern to the neighbouring residents.

7. **CONSULTATION**

- 7.1. The local elected member has been consulted.
- 7.2. All Chief Officers have been consulted.

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25 July 2003

