

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of Special MEETING of the **NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Tuesday 12 February 2008 at 4.00 pm.

Present: Councillors JIM MILLAR, COLIN BROWN, ALISON ANDREWS, FRANK ELLIS, MARIE EVANS, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, DAVID MAY, BILL MIDDLETON, DONALD MORRISON, JOHN RYMER, MARK SALMOND, MARGARET THOMSON, SHEENA WELSH and SANDY WEST.

Councillor MILLAR, Convener, in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES/SUBSTITUTES

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Peter Nield and Bob Spink with Councillor John Rymer substituting for Councillor Nield.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee agreed to note that no declarations of interest were made.

3. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT ESTIMATES INCORPORATING RENTS AND CHARGES 2008/2009 AND TAYOCK SITE RENTALS 2008/2009

There was submitted [Joint Report No 169/08](#) by the Director of Neighbourhood Services, the Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Finance which presented estimates of expenditure and income on the Housing Revenue Account for the financial year 2008/2009 and gave background for the review of rents and charges for the year.

The Committee agreed:-

- (i) to approve the capital estimates as detailed in Appendix 1 to the Report subject to making proper provision for financing costs in the revenue estimates for 2008/2009;
- (ii) to approve the revenue estimates for 2008/2009 as detailed in Appendix 2 to the Report (Column 4);
- (iii)
 - (a) to approve an average rent increase of 4.9% on all dwellings including sheltered and homelessness accommodation;
 - (b) to approve the increase in garage rents to £197.84 per annum (4.9%);
 - (c) to increase all garage site rentals to £64.86 per annum (4.9%);
 - (d) to increase all rentals of stores adjacent to garages to £175.06 per annum (4.9%);
- (iv) that with regard to the rentals and service charges at St Christopher's Site for travelling people at Tayock:-
 - (a) a single pitch including service charge be increased to £35.28 per week (4.9%); and
 - (b) a double pitch including service charge be increased to £38.54 per week (4.9%)
- (v) to note and approve the prudential indicators as shown in Appendix 4 of the Report and confirm that the capital programme and associated borrowing, estimated to be no more than £1,300,000 in the financial year 2008/2009, was affordable, sustainable and prudent.