

**MINUTE OF LANDLORD SERVICES COMMITTEE (CABINET WORKING GROUP) – 5 JANUARY 2017**

**32 HOUSING ACCOUNT - REVENUE AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME**

Consideration was given to the draft joint report of the Director of Housing and Inclusion and Borough Treasurer that provided a summary of the Housing Account's financial position.

The Group Accountant (HRA) attended the meeting and provided an overview of the report, clarification on issues raised referring to detail as set down in the report and responded to questions.

In discussion comments and questions were raised in relation to:

- Current Investment Plan (Appendix D) – loss of budgets in future years (roofing; void work contingency; garages and minor work) and 17/18 (windows & doors; fencing & paving.)
- Key Business Plan Assumptions 2017/18 to 2021/22 (Appendix A) – predictions in respect of Heating Charges / rents / stock numbers)
- HRA Budget Issues Identified (Appendix C) – budget for control of non-native invasive plants
- Communal Charge – parity across accommodation.
- Refuse bins – appropriateness of type supplied / positioned.

A discussion ensued in relation to investment in longer-term environmental / aesthetic improvements across the “Estates” and the positive impact of improvements on the wider community.

The Property Services Manager provided further clarification on issues raised.

**RESOLVED:** As a consequence of the discussion on this item it was agreed that the recommendations to Cabinet be supported.