

NORTHERN JOINT POLICE BOARD

15 JUNE 2007

Agenda Item	
Report No	

ESTATE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

Report by the Chief Constable

SUMMARY

This report will provide Members with a summary of capital development works on the Police Estate.

Introduction

As this is the first meeting of the newly elected Board, the report will be restricted to presenting a summary of Capital Projects in progress. The outgoing Board has previously approved all scheduled projects for progress, capital allocation and programme. This report will not present any new projects for approval although there is a considerable volume of work in progress to bring projects to design and procurement approval stage. The purpose of the report is to give members a summary of capital development works on the Police Estate. More detailed reports will be presented to future Board meetings.

The report will present two summary schedules. The first schedule will present projects developed to contract and construction works; the second will present projects in development for progress to tendering and construction contract.

Schedule One

Station	Project Scope
Dingwall Cell	Renovation of six cells Contractor on site upgrading six cells to a modern and safe standard for custody management. The construction works in this phased development will complete in early June 2007 returning all six cells to full function.
Grantown-on-Spey	Remodelling, upgrading and extension of existing Station. The Police Station is temporarily relocated to a vacant NJPB residential property on Castle Street for the duration of construction works. It is planned to complete works in early 2008 returning the Station to full operational use by the end of March 2008.
Lairg	Remodelling, upgrading and extension of existing Station. Portable office accommodation is being provided on site to form a temporary Police Station allowing service access for the duration of the contract works. Planned completion of works is May 2008.
Whalsay	Provision of new Police Station A new Police Station will be erected adjacent to the Council's Community Centre.

Schedule Two

Project Title	Project Scope
Central Custody Management	<p>Rationalisation of custody holding facilities in the Highland area leading to the provision of new modern custody suites.</p> <p>This project is in Business Case Development phase reviewing options and appraising investment. It is intended to complete the Full Business Case in early July 2007. A phased construction programme will follow later this year beginning with the extension to the custody facilities at Burnett Road Police Station, Inverness. The capital allocated to the project for this financial year is for project development, design, pre-tender administration and the necessary planning and building control consents for development.</p>
HQ Reception –	<p>DDA compliance and security upgrading of Police Headquarters.</p> <p>Minor works to enhance the security of the Headquarters building and improve reception facilities for disabled persons.</p>
Nairn	<p>Redevelopment of Nairn Police Station on another site in Nairn or alternatively on the existing site.</p> <p>Feasibility and investment appraisal in progress with a view to developing the best option to pre-construction stage later in this financial year.</p>
Rhiconich	<p>Provision of Station and House to replace existing.</p> <p>Due to shortage of suitable sites and planning constraints, this project is making slow progress. The two options of acquisition and redevelopment on existing site remain open. Negotiations are ongoing for the acquisition of an alternative site and, if this is successful, there will be a definite outcome to determine the scope of development in early June 2007.</p>
Stornoway	<p>Upgrading of custody suite and extension of office facilities.</p> <p>The Stornoway custody suite is the main holding centre for Lewis and Harris and requires upgrading to a modern safe standard. The office space is inadequate for the current requirements of service and needs to be extended.</p>

RECOMMENDATION

Members are invited to note the progress to date.

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Chief Constable

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