

## **FC72. HOUSING INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2015/16 – 2017/18**

Council considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Neighbourhood Services presenting the proposed Housing Investment Programme for the financial years 2015/16 to 2017/18.

Over the 3 year period, expenditure of £85.7m was proposed. Of this £51.45m will be allocated to improving and maintaining current council housing stock to the Scottish Housing Quality Standard, with £34.2m to be spent in delivering a range of initiatives, such as property buybacks, to deliver new and affordable homes and to expand the scope of housing options to meet tenants' housing needs.

Councillor G Goldie, seconded by Councillor D Goldie, that Council agrees the expenditure proposals outlined in the 2015/16 to 2017/18 Housing Investment Programme in appendix 1 of the report.

As an amendment, Councillor Carleschi, seconded by Councillor Balfour, moved an addendum to the motion, that Council agrees to:-

Enhance provision within section 4.7 of the report, Priority Areas, by £300,000, to be taken from reserves under a spend to save initiative to develop a pilot project for the installation of photo voltaic and/or thermal panels on suitable Council properties. This is in alignment with the Scottish Government energy efficiency policy and will provide lower fuel bills to the tenant and an income stream to Council by selling excess energy back to the grid excess energy.

Following a commitment from Councillor G Goldie, as portfolio holder for Housing, that an assessment of the initiatives described in the amendment would be carried out with a report back to Committee, Councillor Carleschi, with the consent of the Provost, and Councillor Balfour, as his seconder, withdrew his amendment.

### **Decision**

**Council agreed the expenditure proposals outlined in the 2015/16 to 2017/18 Housing Investment Programme in appendix 1 of the report.**