

## Appendix E(ii) - RESERVES AND PROVISIONS - For Consideration by Cabinet on 10 February 2026

	Reason for/purpose	How & when it be used	Management & control	Reviewed	Recommendations
<b>Capital Reserves</b>					
<b>Major Repairs Reserve (MRR)</b>	Set up following the introduction of Resource Accounting in the HRA. Credited with the amount of depreciation charged to the HRA and topped up with additional funds required to finance the capital programme in-year.	Use of reserve to be determined and reported by the Chief Finance Officer (or nominated representative).  Can be applied to capital improvements to HRA housing stock (specifically excluding demolition) and, additionally from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2004, repayment of HRA debt and credit liabilities (including premia on early repayment of PWLB loans).	Housing & Property / Resources	Budget & Outturn	To provide in-year funding for the capital programme as budgeted
<b>Business Support Reserve (BSR)</b>	Established to provide support to additional business plan commitments and planned investment opportunities.	Use of the reserve to be approved by Cabinet.  Contributions to the reserve to be approved annually as part of the budget.	Housing & Property / Resources	Budget & Outturn	Retain as budgeted, noting that the first call will be to support the business plan
<b>Revenue Reserves</b>					
<b>Flats – Planned Maintenance Reserve</b>	Established to smooth the costs of major revenue and capital works to flats funded from Service Charges.	Contributions from Service Charges made to this reserve, together with additional appropriations in lieu of interest.  Reserve to be applied to major works to communal facilities in flats.	Housing & Property / Resources	Budget & Outturn	Retain as budgeted

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<b>Revenue Reserves</b>					
<b>ICT &amp; Systems Improvement Reserve</b>	Established to fund future ICT systems and equipment replacement.	To be applied to future replacements and system / process improvements.	<b>Housing &amp; Property / Resources</b>	<b>Budget &amp; Outturn</b>	Retain as budgeted
<b>Sheltered Equipment Reserve</b>	Established to fund purchases of equipment for Sheltered schemes funded from Service Charges.	Contributions from Service Charges made to this reserve, together with additional appropriations in lieu of interest. Reserve to be applied to purchases of equipment for common area services for Sheltered schemes.	<b>Housing &amp; Property / Resources</b>	<b>Budget &amp; Outturn</b>	Retain as budgeted
<b>Sheltered – Planned Maintenance</b>	Established to smooth the costs of major revenue and capital works to flats funded from Service Charges	Contributions from Service Charges made to this reserve, together with additional appropriations in lieu of interest. Reserve to be applied to major works to communal facilities in Sheltered schemes.	<b>Housing &amp; Property / Resources</b>	<b>Budget &amp; Outturn</b>	Retain as budgeted
<b>Sheltered – Support Grant Maintenance</b>	Established to fund purchases of equipment for Sheltered schemes funded from Service Charges but classed as Support Costs under County Guidelines.	Contributions from Service Charges made to this reserve, together with additional appropriations in lieu of interest. Reserve to be applied to major works to communal facilities in Sheltered schemes.	<b>Housing &amp; Property / Resources</b>	<b>Budget &amp; Outturn</b>	Retain as budgeted

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Use of all reserves with the exception of the BSR and MRR to be approved by the Chief Officer with responsibility for Housing, in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer (or nominated representative) and reported to Cabinet, primarily as part of normal monitoring, budgeting and outturn reporting arrangements.

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<b>Provisions</b>					
<b>Bad Debts</b>	This provision is used to provide cover for all Housing Revenue Account bad and doubtful debts.	Contributions are determined at budget setting and outturn, based on assessment of the level of debt outstanding. Write offs are charged against the provision during the year.	Resources	Budget & Outturn	As reflected in the report

The Bad Debt provision will be applied by the Chief Finance Officer (or nominated representative) and reported to Cabinet, primarily as part of normal monitoring, budgeting and outturn reporting arrangements.