

2015/16 Rent Report



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Main Purposes of Report

- To set out the proposed HRA Budget for 2015/16
- To set out proposals for rent increases in 2015/16







- Process
- HRA Budget
- Rent Setting
- HRA Outlook
- Key Messages







- TMO Board
- Tenants Consultative Committee
- Scrutiny Committee
- Key Decision by Cabinet Member



How is the HRA Budget made up?



- Gross Budget £48 million
- TMO Management Fee
- Managed TCC Budgets
- Council managed HRA budgets



TMO Management Fee 2015/16



- Management Fee £10.6m
 - Inflation increase of 1.2% based on Local Government Pay settlement
 - Extend contract for 2 additional welfare officers to mitigate the effect of benefit changes
 - Extend contract of project officer to generate additional HRA income
 - •Management fee and costs of Lancaster West now integrated
- TMO to maintain an operating surplus within the financial framework of the RBKC management fee including Lancaster West



TCC Managed Budgets 2015/16



£85k decrease in costs (0.4%) to £21.148m

- Lancaster West expenditure integrated with expenditure codes
- Responsive Maintenance increased by £207k to reflect inflation
- Electricity, Heating and Hot Water increased by an estimate 1.5% £53k.
- Provision for bad debts reduced by £200k. To be reviewed over the course of the year.
- Planned Maintenance reduced by £217k (after adjustment for carry forward) including £150k individual heating due to increase in capital programme and £50k on estate lighting arising from reprocurement
- Other costs increase by inflation



TCC Managed Budgets 2015/16



Income excluding rents increased by £241k to £14.329m

- Recovery of Leasehold major works now taken to Capital
- Heating & Hot Water reduced by £133k based on lower than forecast gas prices and consumption
- Tenants service charges reduced by £88k
- Leaseholder service charges increased by £230k including increase in maintenance works on communal parts
- Commercial properties rents increased by 219k including £187k from TMO led projects. Income from these projects will increase to £481k p.a. from 2018/19



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Council Budgets 2015/16

Overall Council managed budgets total £16.2m and comprise:

•	Capital Charges	10.8m
•	Depreciation	2.7 m
•	Insurance	1.4m
•	Recharges for Council Services	1.1m
•	Other	0.2m



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- The budgeted income from dwelling rents in 2015/16 is 75% of total income
- Local Rent Policy
- Capital Expenditure requirements



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- Move to Target Rent over 5 years,
 - ignoring the national caps
- Maximum annual increase 10%
- Average rent in 2015/16 £123.81
- An increase of 4.66%

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	All figures in £000	Origina 2014/2015	
	ТМО	10,505	5 10,631
	TCC Managed	-34,600	-37,117
	Council	16,927	7 15,911
	Budgeted Surplus	-7,168	-10,575

6,468

-2,000

-2,700

18,661

+7,272

-814

Contribution to Capital Expenditure

Leaseholder Major Works income

Overall Change to Working

Balance





- HRA working balance estimated to be £12.3m at 31/3/2016
- Over 5 years revenue contributions to the Capital Programme total £72m
- Medium Term Forecast suggests working balance of £35m at 31/3/2020





- Local formula used to calculate rents
- Average rent increase 4.66%
- Healthy Working Balance
- Opportunity to increase capital resources