

REPORT TO: Cabinet

DATE: 14th January 2010

SUBJECT: Proposed Health and Social Care Directorate Office (DAT facility)
221 to 223 Knowsley Road, Bootle

WARDS AFFECTED: Linacre

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**EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL:** No

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

This report is to seek approval for the inclusion of grant funding in the Capital Programme in order to be able to undertake the provision of the proposed facility.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

To authorise acceptance of grant funding into the Capital Programme.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

It is recommended that:

- (i) Cabinet approves acceptance of the £80,000 in specific grant funding for inclusion in the Health and Social Care Capital Programme.
- (ii) Subject to (i) above and to Planning Consent, authorise the Head of Technical services and Regeneration to proceed with the works as proposed.

KEY DECISION: No

FORWARD PLAN: Not Appropriate

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Immediately following expiry of the call in period

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

All alternative options have been considered and have been discounted.

IMPLICATIONS:**Budget/Policy Framework:**

Specific Grant funding of £120,000 has been provided to the Council in order to provide the requirements of this project.

The sum of £80,000 has already been deposited with the Authority in order to meet the capital cost of the refurbishment works. The balance of £40,000 will be utilised to meet initial revenue costs.

Financial

Subject to Cabinet approval the Head of Technical Services and Regeneration will proceed with the works as proposed.

The cost of the initial Building Works phase has been established at £54,939.

<u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u>	2009/ 2010 £	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure	£80,000			
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources	£80,000			
<u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure	£40,000			
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources	£40,000			
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	March 2010			
How will the service be funded post expiry?	N/A			

Legal: Not appropriate

Risk Assessment: Not appropriate

Asset Management: The proposals have been considered and approved by the Strategic Asset Management Group at its meeting held on 3rd November 2009.

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN / VIEWS

The Finance & Information Services Director has been consulted and any comments have been taken into account in preparing this report – FD284.

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community	√		
2	Creating Safe Communities		√	
3	Jobs and Prosperity		√	
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	√		
5	Environmental Sustainability	√		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities	√		
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy	√		
8	Children and Young People	√		

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

Capital Programme

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Sefton Drug Action Team (DAT) are in receipt of a government grant of £120,000 in order to provide an out reach facility offering a first point of contact and assessment of needs for drug users in the South of the borough.
- 1.2 Under the terms of the partnership arrangement, with Merseyside Police and Sefton NHS among others, Sefton MBC has undertaken to provide the necessary accommodation for the team.
- 1.3 A property, 231 - 233 Knowsley Road, Bootle, has been identified as being suitable to meet the DAT's requirements for the new facility and heads of terms have been agreed with the properties landlord.
- 1.4 It will however be necessary to undertake certain refurbishment, alteration and fit out works in order for the facility to fully meet the DAT's requirements.
- 1.5 A scheme of proposed building works has been identified and a total cost of £54,939 has been established.

2.0 ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2.1 The grant funding for the scheme was originally provided to the Council's partner organisation, and the DAT's accountable body, Sefton NHS.
- 2.2 Sefton NHS have however now deposited £80,000 of the funding with Sefton in order that the Authority can meet the capital cost of the refurbishment works. The £40,000 balance of funding will also be deposited with the Authority and will be utilised to meet initial revenue costs.
- 2.3 Members are requested to consider approving the inclusion in the Health and Social Care Directorate Capital Programme the sum of £80,000 in specific grant funding with which to meet the capital costs of providing the new facility.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- (i) Cabinet approves acceptance of the £80,000 in specific grant funding for inclusion in the Health and Social Care Capital Programme.
- (ii) Subject to (i) above and to Planning Consent, authorise the Head of Technical services and Regeneration to proceed with the works as proposed.

Alan Moore
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