

Committee: Healthier Communities and Older People
Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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Agenda item: 7

Wards: All

Subject: Community and Housing levels of debt

Lead member: Councillor Suzanne Evans, Chair of the Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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Recommendations:

- A. That the Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel comment on the information that has been provided on the levels of debt within the department.
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 To present data on the level of debt within Community and Housing department as a basis for discussion.

2. DETAILS

- 2.1 The Community and Housing Department has provided data on levels of debt, as requested by this Panel.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 3.1 The information in this report has been provided as a basis for discussion.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED

None for the purposes of this report.

5. FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None for the purposes of this report.

6. LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 None for the purposes of this report.

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7. HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 None for the purposes of this report.

8. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 Data has been provided as a basis for discussion with the Borough Commander.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 None for the purposes of this report.

10. APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 None

**Community & Housing
Outstanding Debt @ 31st March 2013**

Bus. Unit	Bus. Unit Description	Upto 38 £	39 - 183 £	184 - 365 £	366 - 730 £	731 - 9994 £	Outstanding £	Comments
SAE	Adult Education	5,366	18,876	19,974	4,083	1,057	49,356	
SAL	All Saints Day Centre	448	778	150	0	304	1,680	
SCC	Community Care	749,461	1,072,001	652,871	770,710	394,276	3,639,320	Of this sum, £922,081.23 is held under dispute, most of which will be charges against properties. There are 6 invoices over 25k totalling £670,241.99. There is 1 invoice for Sutton and Merton PCT for £341k
SCF	Client Financial	1,910	0	330	0	438	2,677	
SDS	Self directed support	4,581	0	236	38	0	4,855	
SFA	Financial Assessments (home ca	0	0	0	0	3,985	3,985	
SGI	Gifford House	5,928	955	(147)	0	(2,431)	4,304	
SHP	High Path	2,380	1,000	0	(259)	0	3,121	
SIN	Carefirst interface	207,139	142,495	106,131	55,055	220,445	731,264	£142,438.54 is in dispute with another 4 invoices over £25k totalling £204,579.56
SJM	JMC	24,956	20,412	1,549	528	(2,821)	44,624	
SLB	Libraries	21,296	2,273	0	65	0	23,634	
SMA	Mascot Alarms	15,534	5,052	68,421	7,789	4,758	101,554	
SPS	Former Tenants Arrears	0	0	0	1,111	109,825	110,937	This debt has reduced to £110k and a review is currently being undertaken regarding the viability of collection of this debt due to the age and size. External agents are still collecting in respect of some of these debts but the decision may be made to cease collection. It is anticipated that this debt will be finalised by end April 2013.
SRC	Russell Road	0	0	0	0	(19,679)	(19,679)	
SSA	H & SS Accountancy	280,711	141,416	0	0	(23,717)	398,411	1 invoice for Sutton and Merton PCT -£229,907.00 less than 38 days
SSU	Supporting People	0	0	0	(908)	0	(908)	
SWM	Wimbledon District Office	0	0	0	0	43	43	
	Total	1,319,709	1,405,259	849,515	838,211	686,483	5,099,177	

In respect of the individual debt types, the balances not covered by disputes or large outstanding invoices are either being worked on by the staff or cover by arrangements.