

EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCILCABINET30 October 2025Report by Director of EnvironmentGENERAL FUND CAPITAL PROGRAMME – OVERLEE HOUSE**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of the report is to homologate the decision taken by two Cabinet members in September 2025 to vary the General Fund Capital Programme to address increased tender costs for the development of 5 temporary accommodation properties at Overlee House.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. The Cabinet is asked to:
- a) homologate the decision to increase to the General Fund Capital Programme 2025/26 by £64k; and
 - b) note that this increase in expenditure will be funded from General Fund Revenue underspend.

BACKGROUND

3. Full Council approved the Housing Capital Programme for 2025-2035 on 26 February 2025. The programme approved a total budget of £927k to build 5 new temporary accommodation properties at Overlee House. A copy can be obtained through the following link: [Council Item 10 - 26 February 2025.pdf](#)

REPORT

4. A full tender process has been undertaken to determine a suitable contractor. On completion of the tender process, the tender costs for the project were £107k over the approved budget. Following a review of costs and efficiencies, this overspend has been reduced to £64k.

5. A review of the Housing Services General Fund revenue costs for 2025/26 has identified sufficient capacity to be able to absorb the remaining £64k without any adverse affect on Housing General Fund revenue spend.

6. The contractor agreed to hold their price for a limited period of time, and as a result approval was needed quickly to agree additional budget. The decision to approve this revenue spend was taken by Cllr O'Donnell and Cllr Devlin on 9th September 2025.

PARTNERSHIP WORKING

7. Discussion and consultation have taken place between Housing Service and Procurement and Accountancy colleagues.

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Director of Environment

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