

Northern Ireland Office

Introduction

1. This Estimate provides for the salaries of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and his Ministers and for the administration of the Northern Ireland Office in pursuit of its objectives as reflected in its Public Service Agreement (PSA).
2. It provides for the implementation of the Good Friday Agreement; the support and development of the criminal justice system; the enforcement of law (excluding army costs); and the maintenance of a secure and humane prison system.
3. Expenditure of £9,384,000,000 in RfR 2 represents a grant to the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund and transfers of European Union funds and is classified as ‘Non-Budget’.
4. Further information can be found in the Northern Ireland Office Departmental Report 2004 (Cm 6229).
5. Symbols are explained in the Introduction to this booklet.

Part I

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Request for Resources 1: Playing a full part in implementing the Good Friday Agreement and representing the interests of Northern Ireland in the UK Government; supporting and developing an efficient, effective and responsive Criminal Justice System; upholding and sustaining the rule of law and preventing crime; maintaining a secure and humane prison service and reducing the risks of re-offending.	1,104,478,000
Request for Resources 2: Providing appropriate funding to the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund for the delivery of transferred public services as defined by the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and Northern Ireland Act 2000.	9,384,000,000
Total net resource requirement	10,488,478,000
Net cash requirement	10,519,717,000

Amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2005 for expenditure by the Northern Ireland Office on:

RfR 1: Playing a full part in implementing the Good Friday Agreement and representing the interests of Northern Ireland in the UK Government; supporting and developing an efficient, effective and responsive Criminal Justice System; upholding and sustaining the rule of law and preventing crime; maintaining a secure and humane prison service and reducing the risks of re-offending:

expenditure on central administration services; VIP visits to Northern Ireland; the Bloody Sunday Inquiry; Reviews and Commissions arising from the Good Friday Agreement; expenditure on Victims of the Troubles; expenditure arising from the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and Northern Ireland Act 2000; forensic services; services related to crime; criminal justice including juvenile justice services; probation and after-care; state pathology; Crown prosecutions and other legal services; compensation schemes; Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel for Northern Ireland; European Union peace and reconciliation projects; and certain other grants; implementation of the Independent Commission on Police findings; security; the Police Ombudsman; the Independent Assessor of Military Complaints Procedures in Northern Ireland; the Parades Commission; arms decommissioning; policing; prisons including the Prison Service Trust; and associated non-cash items.

RfR 2: Providing appropriate funding to the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund for the delivery of transferred public services as defined by the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and Northern Ireland Act 2000:

grants to the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund and transfers of EU funds.

The Northern Ireland Office will account for this Estimate.

	Net total	Allocated in Vote on Account	Balance to complete
	£	£	£
RfR 1	1,104,478,000	502,653,000	601,825,000
RfR 2	9,384,000,000	3,884,400,000	5,499,600,000
Total net resource requirement	10,488,478,000	4,387,053,000	6,101,425,000
Net cash requirement	10,519,717,000	4,391,370,000	6,128,347,000

Part II: Subhead detail

£'000

2004-05						2003-04 Provision	2002-03 Outturn		
Resources						Capital		Net Total Resources	Net Total Resources
Admin	Other Current	Grants	Gross Total	A in A	Net Total	Capital	Non- operating A in A		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
RfR 1: Playing a full part in implementing the Good Friday Agreement and representing the interests of Northern Ireland in the UK Government; supporting and developing an efficient, effective and responsive Criminal Justice System; upholding and sustaining the rule of law and preventing crime; maintaining a secure and humane prison service and reducing the risks of re-offending									
174,942	93,124	845,056	1,113,122	8,644	1,104,478	20,602	50	1,172,808	1,100,373
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A Central Administration									
32,885	1,171	-	34,056	3,042	31,014	661	-	63,918	27,859
B Ministers									
3,544	-	-	3,544	-	3,544	-	-	3,440	3,441
C Political Directorate									
3,812	8,776	1,300	13,888	230	13,658	877	-	19,967	13,877
D Bloody Sunday									
-	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	36,007	27,037
E Department of the Director of Public Prosecutions									
16,510	6,265	-	22,775	86	22,689	215	-	19,383	14,315
F Forensic Science Northern Ireland									
6,152	-	-	6,152	5,041	1,111	384	50	1,106	784
G Criminal Justice									
10,520	14,172	16,745	41,437	-	41,437	5,140	-	34,236	39,703
H Compensation Agency									
4,197	-1,405	22,378	25,170	180	24,990	22	-	47,043	33,601
I Policing & Security									
4,920	15,010	7,980	27,910	10	27,900	108	-	31,272	27,289
J Policing-Non Severance									
-	2,000	-	2,000	-	2,000	1,000	-	6,809	1,661

Part II: Subhead detail (continued)

£'000

2004-05						2003-04 Provision	2002-03 Outturn		
Resources						Capital		Net Total Resources	Net Total Resources
Admin	Other Current	Grants	Gross Total	A in A	Net Total	Capital	Non- operating A in A		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
K Northern Ireland Prison Service									
92,302	25,268	-	117,570	55	117,515	12,195	-	114,080	149,162
L Youth Justice Agency									
100	20,867	-	20,967	-	20,967	-	-	23,185	-
Spending in Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
M Police Pensions									
-	-	38,000	38,000	-	38,000	-	-	25,000	34,813
Non-budget									
N Police									
-	-	758,653	758,653	-	758,653	-	-	747,362	726,831
RfR 2: Providing appropriate funding to the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund for the delivery of transferred public services as defined by the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and Northern Ireland Act 2000									
-	-	9,384,000	9,384,000	-	9,384,000	-	-	9,186,000	7,799,000
Non-budget									
A Grants to the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund									
-	-	9,384,005	9,384,005	-	9,384,005	-	-	9,186,005	7,798,999
B European Institutions (Net)									
-	-	-5	-5	-	-5	-	-	-5	1
Total for Estimate:									
174,942	93,124	10,229,056	10,497,122	8,644	10,488,478	20,602	50	10,358,808	8,899,373

Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

	£'000		
	2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Provision	2002-03 Outturn
Net Total Resources	10,488,478	10,358,808	8,899,373
Voted capital items			
Capital	20,602	30,278	18,570
Less Non-operating A-in-A	50	165	347
Total net voted capital	20,552	30,113	18,223
Accruals to cash adjustment			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-8,089	-6,223	-13,740
Depreciation	-21,951	-20,492	-33,304
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions	-22,984	-30,988	-49,142
Profit/loss on sale of assets	-	-	-
Prior period adjustments	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	-1,394	-33,170	-1,669
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in stock	-13	-13	-13
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in debtors	-405	-405	639
Increase (-) / Decrease (+) in creditors	-200	-200	5,894
Use of provisions	65,723	83,149	72,883
Total accruals to cash adjustments	10,687	-8,342	-18,452
Excess cash to be CFERd	-	-	-
Net Cash Requirement	10,519,717	10,380,579	8,899,144

Part III: Extra receipts payable to the Consolidated Fund

No CFER income or receipts are expected in 2004-05. None were received in 2003-04 or 2002-03.

Forecast Operating Cost Statement

	2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Provision	2002-03 Outturn	£'000
Net Administration Costs				
RfR 1	166,603	167,791	206,753	
RfR 2	-	-	-	
Total Net Administration costs	166,603	167,791	206,753	
Net Programme Costs				
RfR 1	937,875	1,005,017	893,620	
RfR 2	9,384,000	9,186,000	7,799,000	
Total Net Programme costs	10,321,875	10,191,017	8,692,620	
Total Net Operating Cost	10,488,478	10,358,808	8,899,373	
<i>of which:</i>				
Net Resource Outturn	10,488,478	10,358,808	8,899,373	
CFERs	-	-	-	
Non-voted expenditure	-	-	-	
Resource Budget Outturn	1,187,473	1,168,483	1,135,750	

Notes to the Main Estimate

Reconciliation of resource expenditure between Estimates, Accounts and Budgets

	£'000		
	2004-05	2003-04	2002-03
	Provision	Provision	Outturn
Net Resource Outturn (Estimates)	10,488,478	10,358,808	8,899,373
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
provision voted for earlier years	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
non-voted expenditure in the OCS	-	-	-
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts in the OCS	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Net Operating Cost (Accounts)	10,488,478	10,358,808	8,899,373
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
capital grants to local authorities	-	-	-
capital grants financed from the Capital Modernisation Fund	-	-	-
European Union income and related adjustments	187,129	187,129	305,201
voted expenditure outside the budget	-9,571,129	-9,373,129	-8,104,201
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
resource consumption of non departmental public bodies	44,180	-7,020	35,377
unallocated resource provision	38,815	2,695	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Resource Budget Outturn (Budget)	1,187,473	1,168,483	1,135,750
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	1,149,473	1,143,483	1,100,937
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	38,000	25,000	34,813

Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

	£'000		
	2004-05	2003-04	2002-03
	Provision	Provision	Outturn
Net Voted Capital Outturn (Estimates)	20,552	30,113	18,223
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
gains / losses from sale of capital assets	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
capital spending by non-departmental public bodies	35,800	41,900	35,199
capital grants to local authorities	-	-	-
capital grants financed by the Capital Modernisation Fund	-	-	-
local authority credit approvals	-	-	-
capital spending by levy funded bodies	-	-	-
unallocated capital provision	576	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Capital Budget Outturn (Budget)	56,928	72,013	53,422
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	56,928	72,013	53,422
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Explanation of Accounting Officer responsibilities

The Treasury has appointed the Permanent Under Secretary of the Northern Ireland Office, Sir Joseph Pilling, as Accounting Officer of the Department with responsibility for preparing the Department's Estimate.

The responsibilities of an Accounting Officer, including responsibility for the propriety and regularity of the public finances for which an Accounting Officer is answerable, for keeping proper records and for safeguarding the Department's assets, are set out in the Accounting Officers' Memorandum, issued by the Treasury and published in *Government Accounting*.

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A)

	£'000						
	2004-05		2003-04		2002-03		
	provision		provision		outturn		
	Operating	Non-	Operating	Non-	Operating	Non-	
	A in A	operating	A in A	operating	A in A	operating	A in A
		A in A		A in A		A in A	
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Income from sale of land and buildings	—	—	—	168	—	347	
Income from licences	50	—	50	—	50	—	
Income from fees and charges	60	—	60	—	64	—	
Recovery of costs	8,494	—	10,644	—	9,692	—	
Income from other sales	40	50	33	—	33	—	
Total RfR 1	8,644*	50**	10,787	168	9,839	347	

*Amount that may be applied as operating appropriations in aid in addition to the net total, arising from recoupment of electoral expenses, shared accommodation costs, receipts for the use of video conference facilities, certain pension contributions, receipts for accruing superannuation liability charges, fees and costs recovered or received for work done for other departments, freedom of information receipts, recovery of compensation paid, recovery of costs associated with supplying forensic science services, costs and fees awarded in favour of the Crown, receipts arising from arms decommissioning, proceeds of prison occupational services, sale of surplus stores and catering equipment, creche fees, and tuck shop receipts.

**Amount that may be applied as non operating appropriations in aid, arising from the sale of residential properties, surplus IT and office equipment.

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Administration costs limits and Departmental Expenditure Limits

Administration costs limits £'000

	Gross provision	Income	Total administration costs limit
Gross administration costs limits	179,042	-3,298	175,744
Forensic Science Agency (FSNI)	5,595	-5,041	554
Total Net administration costs limits	5,595	-5,041	554

Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL) £'000

	Voted*	Non-voted	Total
Resource DEL	307,825	841,648	1,149,473
Capital DEL	20,552	36,376	56,928
Less depreciation	-21,951	-27,467	-49,418
Total DEL	306,426	850,557	1,156,983

- * i. Capital DEL includes items treated as resource in Estimates and Accounts, but which are treated as part of Capital DEL, under stage 2 of Resource Accounting and Budgeting, as implemented in the 2002 Spending Review
 ii. Excludes EU receipts included in Estimates, but excluded in Budgets

Comparisons of provision sought with final provision and forecast outturn for the previous year

The total net resource sought for 2004-05 of £10,488,478,000 is 1.3 per cent higher than the final provision for 2003-04 of £10,358,808,000 and 1.8 per cent higher than the forecast outturn of that year of £10,300,630,000.

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Cash which may be retained to offset expenditure

£'000

Cash which may be retained by the department to offset expenditure in the year due to its relationship with income (operating and non-operating) that has been or will be appropriated in aid

	2004-05 provision	2003-04 provision	2002-03 outturn
	8,694	10,955	10,186

Contingent Liabilities

£'000

Miscarriage of justice compensation (difficult to estimate based on court settlements.)	unquantifiable
Equal opportunities and other employment related claims.	unquantifiable

