

House of Lords

Introduction

1. This Estimate covers the reimbursement of Members' expenses incurred by them for the purpose of their parliamentary duty together with the administrative and accommodation costs of the House of Lords. It includes the payment of staff salaries and pensions, supplies, catering services, the House of Lords' share of the accommodation and security costs for the Parliamentary Estate shared with the House of Commons, financial assistance to opposition parties and a grant in aid to the History of Parliament Trust.
2. Control is vested in the House of Lords' House Committee, appointed each session. The spending plans provide for a uniform level of service to the House and its Committees.
3. Symbols are explained in the Introduction to this booklet.

Part I

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Request for Resources 1: Members' expenses and administration, etc.	107,856,000
Total net resource requirement	107,856,000
Net cash requirement	73,191,000

Amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2006 for expenditure by the House of Lords on:

RfR 1: Members' expenses and administration, etc.

Members' expenses, administrative and accommodation costs, including staff salaries and pensions, security, stationery, printing, financial assistance to opposition parties, a grant in aid to the History of Parliament Trust, and associated non-cash items.

The **House of Lords Administration** will account for this Estimate.

	Net total	Allocated in Vote on Account	Balance to complete
	£	£	£
RfR 1	107,856,000	42,476,000	65,380,000
Total net resource requirement	107,856,000	42,476,000	65,380,000
Net cash requirement	73,191,000	34,519,000	38,672,000

Part II: Subhead detail

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2005-06						2004-05 Provision	2003-04 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: Members' expenses and administration, etc									
-	112,820	289	113,109	5,253	107,856	4,780	30	94,391	81,119
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A Administration									
-	58,024	289	58,313	3,944	54,369	2,022	25	46,331	42,834
B Works Services									
-	52,996	-	52,996	1,309	51,687	2,758	5	45,593	36,984
Spending in Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
C Administration									
-	1,800	-	1,800	-	1,800	-	-	2,467	1,301
Total for Estimate:									
-	112,820	289	113,109	5,253	107,856	4,780	30	94,391	81,119

Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

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	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Outturn
Net Total Resources	107,856	94,391	81,119
Voted capital items			
Capital	4,780	55,559	3,200
Less Non-operating A-in-A	30	65	16
Total net voted capital	4,750	55,494	3,184
Accruals to cash adjustment			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-18,400	-17,150	-14,387
Depreciation	-12,150	-6,500	-5,024
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions	-7,129	-6,284	-5,593
Profit (+) / loss (-) on sale of assets	-	-	-
Prior period adjustments	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	-130	-120	-105
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in stock	-20	30	-59
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in debtors	-3,806	3,756	-491
Increase (-) / Decrease (+) in creditors	-200	3,200	-2,604
Use of provisions	2,420	2,044	2,364
Total accruals to cash adjustments	-39,415	-21,024	-25,899
Excess cash to be CFERd	-	-	-
Net Cash Requirement	73,191	128,861	58,404

Part III: Extra receipts payable to the Consolidated Fund

No CFER income or receipts are expected in 2005-06. None were received in 2004-05 or 2003-04.

Forecast Operating Cost Statement

	£'000		
	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Outturn
Net administration costs:			
RfR 1	-	-	-
Net programme costs:			
RfR 1	107,856	94,391	81,119
Total net programme costs	<u>107,856</u>	<u>94,391</u>	<u>81,119</u>
Total Net Operating Cost	107,856	94,391	81,119
<i>of which:</i>			
Net Resource Outturn	107,856	94,391	81,119
CFERs	-	-	-
Non-voted expenditure	-	-	-
Resource Budget Outturn	107,856	94,391	81,119

Notes to the Main Estimate

Reconciliation of resource expenditure between Estimates, Accounts and Budgets

	£'000		
	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04
	Provision	Provision	Outturn
Net Resource Outturn (Estimates)	107,856	94,391	81,119
<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)	107,856	94,391	81,119
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
capital grants to local authorities	-	-	-
capital grants financed from the Capital Modernisation Fund	-	-	-
European Union income and related adjustments	-	-	-
voted expenditure outside the budget	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
resource consumption of non departmental public bodies	-	-	-
unallocated resource provision	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Resource Budget Outturn (Budget)	107,856	94,391	81,119
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	106,056	91,924	79,818
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	1,800	2,467	1,301

Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

	£'000		
	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04
	Provision	Provision	Outturn
Net Voted Capital Outturn (Estimates)	4,750	55,494	3,184
<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	-	-	-
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	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Capital Budget Outturn (Budget)	4,750	55,494	3,184
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	4,750	55,494	3,184
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

Explanation of Accounting Officer responsibilities

The Clerk of the Parliaments is appointed by Her Majesty by Letters Patent and is ex-officio Accounting Officer for the Request for Resources within the House of Lords Estimate.

Request for Resources 1: Paul Hayter, Clerk of the Parliaments

Paul Hayter, as the Principal Accounting Officer (PAO) of the House of Lords has personal responsibility for the proper presentation of the House of Lords' resource accounts and their transmission to the Comptroller and Auditor General. In addition to the responsibilities for the assigned RfR, the PAO remains in general overall charge of the House of Lords administration.

The responsibilities of an Accounting Officer are set out in Annex 4.1 of Government Accounting. In essence these responsibilities include a personal responsibility for the propriety and regularity of the public finances for which they are answerable; for the keeping of proper accounts; for prudent and economical administration; for the avoidance of waste and extravagance; and for the efficient and effective use of all available resources. In addition, the Accounting Officer must ensure that there is a sound system of internal control to support the achievement of the House of Lords' policies, aims and objectives; and should regularly review the effectiveness of that system.

Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A)

	£'000						
	2005-06		2004-05		2003-04		
	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	A in A	A in A	A in A	A in A
RfR 1: Members' expenses and administration, etc.							
Income from fees and charges	4,399	—	4,117	—	4,003	—	
Pension scheme income	854	—	811	—	1,039	—	
Other sales of equipment	—	30	—	65	—	16	
Total RfR 1	5,253*	30**	4,928	65	5,042	16	
<i>of which: Administration Budgets</i>	—	—	—	—	—	—	

*Amount that may be applied as appropriations in aid in addition to the net total, arising from judicial proceedings, private bills, taxation of costs, reproduction of works of art, fees etc., Refreshment Department sales, rental income and other charges.

**Amount that may be applied as non-operating appropriations in aid in addition to the net total, arising from proceeds from the sale of surplus equipment.

Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

Departmental Expenditure Limits and Administration Budgets

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Details of 2005-06 Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL) and Administration budgets limits

	Voted*	Non-voted	Total
Resource DEL	106,056	—	106,056
<i>of which: Administration budget</i>	—	—	—
Capital DEL**	4,750	—	4,750
Less depreciation†	-12,150	—	-12,150
Total DEL	98,656	—	98,656

* Excludes EU receipts included in Estimates, but excluded in Budgets.

** 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.

† Depreciation, which forms part of resource DEL, is excluded from total DEL since capital DEL includes capital spending and to include depreciation of those assets would lead to double counting.

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

The total net resource sought for 2005-06 of £107,856,000 is 14.2 per cent higher than the final provision and forecast outturn for 2004-05 of £94,391,000.

Cash which may be retained to offset expenditure

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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

	2005-06 provision	2004-05 provision	2003-04 outturn
	5,253	4,928	5,042