
Northern Ireland Court Service

Introduction

1. This Supplementary Estimate is required for the following purposes:

RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland

Increases:

Take up of End Year Flexibility

1. Take up of resource end year flexibility of £12,824,000 (near cash) comprising
£824,000 (section A)
For expenditure on the Integrated Courts Operating System (£655,000) and implementation costs of the Northern Ireland Judicial Appointments Commission (£169,000).
£12,000,000 (section B)
Additional expenditure on publicly funded legal services by the Northern Ireland Legal Services Commission
2. £81,000 (near cash)
Subhead C3
An increase in grant in aid (non budget) to the Northern Ireland Judicial Appointments Commission. The additional expenditure of the Commission is being covered by the take-up of DEL EYF.

Neutral Changes:

Increased spending offset by income

1. £4,558,000
Subheads A2 and A5
Increased income to offset a corresponding amount of "other current" expenditure on judicial salaries, non cash costs and lay magistrates fees.
 2. £750,000
Subheads A2 and A5
Increased income to offset project costs incurred by the Northern Ireland Court Service and Northern Ireland Office in respect of the safety camera netting off scheme
2. As a result of these changes there is an increase in the net cash requirement of £12,905,000.
 3. Symbols are explained in the Introduction to this booklet.

Part I

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RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland	12,905,000
Total additional net resource requirement	12,905,000
Additional net cash requirement	12,905,000

SUPPLEMENTARY amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2006 for expenditure by the Northern Ireland Court Service on:

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Operation of the courts; policy and legislation; accommodation services; grants to sundry bodies and associated non cash items, grant of funding for the provision of publicly funded legal services, grant in aid to support the administration of the Northern Ireland Legal Services Commission, grant in aid to support the administration of the Northern Ireland Judicial Appointments Commission and set up costs associated with the XVII World Congress of the International Association of Youth and Family Judges and Magistrates.

The Northern Ireland Court Service will account for this Estimate.

Part II: Changes proposed

£'000

Resources	Present Net Provision	Change in Gross Provision	Change in A in A	Change in Net Provision	New Net Provision
RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland					
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)					
RfR 1 - A Court and other legal services	53,632	6,132	5,308	824	54,456
Non-budget					
RfR 1 - B Legal Services Commission	41,868	12,000	-	12,000	53,868
RfR 1 - C Judicial Appointments Commission	1,249	81	-	81	1,330
Total RfR 1		18,213	5,308	12,905	

£000

	Present Provision	Change in Provision	New Provision
Capital and Cash			
Total Capital Expenditure	6,000	-	6,000
Non-Operating A in A	-	-	-
Net cash requirement	91,574	12,905	104,479

Part II: Revised subhead detail including additional provision

Resources						Capital		£'000
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Admin	Other current	Grants	Gross Total	A in A	Net Total	Capital	Non-operating A in A	
RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland								
21,256	49,425	55,223	125,904	16,250	109,654	6,000	-	
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)								
<i>Central Government spending</i>								
A Court and other legal services								
21,256	49,425	25	70,706	16,250	54,456	6,000	-	
<i>Publicly funded legal services</i>								
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Non-budget								
B Legal Services Commission								
-	-	53,868	53,868	-	53,868	-	-	
C Judicial Appointments Commission								
-	-	1,330	1,330	-	1,330	-	-	
Total for Estimate:								
21,256	49,425	55,223	125,904	16,250	109,654	6,000	-	

Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Increase (+)/ Decrease (-)</u>	<u>£'000</u> <u>Revised</u>
Net total Resources	96,749	12,905	109,654
Voted capital items			
Capital expenditure	6,000	-	6,000
<i>Less:</i> non-operating A in A	-	-	-
Total net voted capital	6,000	-	6,000
Accruals to cash adjustment			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-5,075	-	-5,075
Depreciation	-6,100	-	-6,100
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions	-	-	-
Profit/loss on sale of assets	-	-	-
Prior period adjustments	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	-	-	-
Increase(+)/decrease (-) in stock	-	-	-
Increase(+)/decrease (-) in debtors	-	-	-
Increase(-)/decrease (+) in creditors	-	-	-
Use of provisions	-	-	-
Total accruals to cash adjustments	-11,175	-	-11,175
Excess cash to be CFERd	-	-	-
Net cash requirement	91,574	12,905	104,479

Part III: Extra receipts payable to the Consolidated Fund

As in existing provision

Forecast Operating Cost Statement

		£'000
		2005-06 provision
Net Administration Costs		
RfR 1	5,006	
Total Net Administration Costs		5,006
Net Programme Costs		
RfR 1	104,648	
Net non-voted programme costs	5,166	
Total Net Programme costs		109,814
Total Net Operating Cost		114,820
<i>of which:</i>		
Net Resource Outturn		109,654
CFERs		-
Non-voted expenditure		5,166
Resource Budget Outturn		123,244

Notes to the Estimate

Reconciliation of resource expenditure between Estimates, Accounts and Budgets

	£'000
	2005-06 Provision
Net Resource Outturn (Estimates)	109,654
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>	
provision voted for earlier years	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>	
non-voted expenditure in the OCS	5,166
Consolidated Fund extra receipts (CFERS) in the OCS	-
Other adjustments	-
Net Operating Costs (Accounts)	114,820
<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	8,424
unallocated resource provision	-
Other adjustments	-
Resource Budget Outturn (Budget)	123,244
<i>of which:</i>	
Departmental Expenditure Limit (DEL)	123,244
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-

Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

	£'000
	2005-06 Provision
Net Voted Capital Outturn (Estimates)	6,000
<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)	6,000
<i>of which:</i>	
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	6,000
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-

Notes to the Estimate (*continued*)

Explanation of Accounting Officer responsibilities

In accordance with the Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000 the Treasury has made the following Accounting Officer appointments for the Requests for Resources within this Estimate.

Request for Resources 1

David A Lavery, Principal Accounting Officer and Director of the Northern Ireland Court Service

David A Lavery, as the Principal Accounting Officer (PAO) of the Northern Ireland Court Service has personal responsibility for the proper presentation of the Northern Ireland Court Service's resource accounts as prescribed in legislation or by the Treasury and their transmission to the Comptroller and Auditor General. The PAO as the permanent head, in addition to the responsibilities for the assigned RfR, remains in general overall charge of the Northern Ireland Court Service.

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 Northern Ireland Court Service's policies, aims, and objectives and should regularly review the effectiveness of that system.

Notes to the Estimate (*continued*)

Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A)

	£'000	
	2005-06 Provision	
	Operating A in A	Non operating A in A
RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland		
Income from fees	15,950	-
Miscellaneous income	300	-
Disposal of land	-	-
Total RfR 1	16,250 *	-
<p>*Amount that may be applied as appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from court fees paid by litigants in civil proceedings, fine monies arising from the payment of certain conditional offer fixed penalty notices to cover project costs incurred by the Northern Ireland Court Service and Northern Ireland Office, administration fees paid in respect of funds in court, monies recovered in respect of third party claims, recoveries from the National Insurance Fund for the costs of the Office of the Social Security and Child Support Commissioners and other fees and receipts received.</p>		
Total A in A	16,250	-
<i>of which: Administration budgets</i>	<i>16,250</i>	<i>-</i>

Notes to the Estimate (*continued*)

Departmental Expenditure Limits and Administration Budgets

As announced to the House of Commons, the Northern Ireland Court Service's Departmental Expenditure Limit will change as follows:

	Change	New DEL		£'000
		Voted	Non-voted	Total
Resource	12,905	54,456	68,788	123,244
<i>of which :Administration Budget</i>	<i>-4,484</i>	<i>5,006</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>5,006</i>
Capital	-	6,000	-	6,000
Depreciation*	-	-6,100	-20	-6,120
Total	12,905	54,356	68,768	123,124

**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.*

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	16,250