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# Department for Work and Pensions

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## Introduction

1. This Estimate covers expenditure on non-contributory benefits, Jobcentre Plus, the Health and Safety Executive, the Rent Service and the Vaccine Damage scheme. It also provides for the cost of administration of benefit schemes in Great Britain, including the cost of other departments which act as agents of DWP in administering various aspects of social security including payments made to the Post Office and National Girobank for the encashment of order books and girocheques. Gross expenditure includes the costs incurred by the DWP in administering the benefits payable from the National Insurance Fund (Contributory). They are reimbursed from the Fund and these receipts are shown as appropriations in aid.

2. The Estimate also provides for Housing Benefit subsidies, Council Tax Benefit subsidies and payments to the National Insurance Fund which comprise of compensation in respect of statutory sick pay and statutory maternity pay. Also payments to the Social Fund which include budgeting and crisis loans, community care grants, maternity and funeral expenses, heating costs in exceptionally cold weather and winter fuel payments. The Estimate also makes provision for the sums payable to the BBC in respect of the over 75's Free TV licence scheme. In addition working capital loans to training and enterprise councils which are interest free rather than charged at a commercial rate of interest.

3. Details of the expenditure contained in this Estimate and of expenditure incurred by the Social Fund are included in the Departmental Report 2005 (Cm 6539).

4. Symbols are explained in the Introduction to this booklet.

## Part I

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<b>Request for Resources 1: Ensuring the best start for all children and ending child poverty in 20 years</b>	<b>308,947,000</b>
<b>Request for Resources 2: Promote work as the best form of welfare for people of working age, whilst protecting the position of those in greatest need</b>	<b>34,259,013,000</b>
<b>Request for Resources 3: Combat poverty and promote security and independence in retirement for today's and tomorrow's pensioners</b>	<b>10,472,640,000</b>
<b>Request for Resources 4: Improve the rights and opportunities for disabled people in a fair and inclusive society</b>	<b>14,188,815,000</b>
<b>Request for Resources 5: Corporate contracts and support services†</b>	<b>2,086,156,000</b>
<b>Total net resource requirement</b>	<b>61,315,571,000</b>
<b>Net cash requirement</b>	<b>61,851,690,000</b>

Amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2006 for expenditure by the Department for Work and Pensions on:

### **RfR 1: Ensuring the best start for all children and ending child poverty in 20 years**

The administration costs of the child support system; and associated non-cash items.

### **RfR 2: Promote work as the best form of welfare for people of working age, whilst protecting the position of those in greatest need**

The administration costs and benefit payments of Severe Disablement Allowance; pensions gratuities and sundry allowances for disablement and specified deaths arising from industrial causes; Income Support for the under 60's; Jobseeker's Allowance (contribution-based); Jobseeker's Allowance (income based); Analogous Industrial Injuries Scheme; earnings top up pilot; job grant; back to work bonus; compensation payments to the National Insurance Fund in respect of Statutory Sick Pay and Statutory Maternity Pay; Family Credit; the provision of training and assessment programmes for adults; the promotion of enterprise and the encouragement of self employment; help for unemployed people and disability rights. Measures to help people, particularly those on welfare and at a disadvantage in the labour market, into work; the administration of, and where appropriate the payment of allowances to people participating in, the Welfare to Work programme, the Job Transition Service and other employment programmes, pilot programmes and new measures to help people into work; temporary subsidies to employers; grants to voluntary bodies and local authorities towards the provision of supported employment; awards for achievements in overcoming barriers to employment; a Grant in Aid and the provision of a temporary loan facility to Remploy Ltd; assistance and advice on employment service and labour market issues to international organisations; research; publicity and associated non-cash items. Subsidies to housing, billing, levying and local authorities towards the costs incurred in administering the Housing Benefit and/or Council Tax Benefit schemes; rent rebate, rent allowance; Council Tax Benefit; payments to local authorities in respect of anti-fraud and similar administrative measures; discretionary housing payments; sums payable for incentive payments in respect of Housing Benefit under occupation schemes; sums payable to third party providers of services to local authorities; compensation for sufferers, or their dependants, of certain dust related diseases; the Rent Service Agency; the Health and Safety Commission (HSC); grants to further health and safety in the workplace; the administration costs of the Children's Client Group and the Disabled People Client Group; payments for education; training and employment projects assisted by the European Union and refunds to the European Union, the UK subscription to the International Labour Organisation, other international educational programmes, payments to local authorities in respect of Local Area Agreements and associated non-cash items.

## **Part I (continued)**

### **RfR 3: Combat poverty and promote security and independence in retirement for today's and tomorrow's pensioners**

The administration costs and benefit payments of non contributory retirement pensions; Christmas Bonus payments to pensioners; Age-related payments 2005; One-off 70+ payment to Pensioners; Income Support for the elderly; Pension Credit; payments made to the BBC in respect of the over 75's free TV licence scheme; expenditure to assist people make plans for their retirement; research into pensions; Private Pensions Industry regulatory work; Grant in Aid for the administration costs of Better Government for Older People; payments in respect of the Pension Protection Fund; expenditure in respect of the Pensions Regulator; the Financial Assistance Scheme; Grant in Aid to the Centre for Policy on Ageing; Grant in Aid to the Pensions Advisory Service; Grant in Aid to the Pensions Ombudsman; sums payable to fund payments and loans made by the Social Fund; and associated non-cash items.

### **RfR 4: Improve the rights and opportunities for disabled people in a fair and inclusive society**

The administration costs and benefit payments of Attendance Allowance; Disability Living Allowance; Disability Working Allowance; Carer's Allowance; Vaccine Damage; Grants in Aid to the Disability Rights Commission, Motability, Independent Living Fund and associated non-cash items.

### **RfR 5: Corporate contracts and support services†**

Corporate administration, the costs associated with the Appeals Service and associated non-cash items.

The **Department for Work and Pensions** will account for this Estimate.

**Part I (continued)**

	Net total	Allocated in Vote on Account†	Balance to complete
	£	£	£
<b>RfR 1:</b>	308,947,000	113,506,000	195,441,000
<b>RfR 2:</b>	34,259,013,000	15,273,497,000	18,985,516,000
<b>RfR 3:</b>	10,472,640,000	4,291,500,000	6,181,140,000
<b>RfR 4:</b>	14,188,815,000	5,974,713,000	8,214,102,000
<b>RfR 5:</b>	2,086,156,000	650,446,000	1,435,710,000
<b>Total net resource requirement</b>	61,315,571,000	26,303,662,000	35,011,909,000
<b>Net cash requirement</b>	61,851,690,000	26,318,077,000	35,533,613,000

† In the Vote on Account RfR 5 was described as “Modernise welfare delivery so as to improve the accessibility, accuracy and value for money of services to customers, including employers” and there was an RfR 6 described as “Corporate contracts, support services, and administration of the European Social Fund for England.”

What was RfR 5 in the Vote on Account has been removed and what was RfR 6 in the Vote on Account is now RfR 5 in the Main Estimate. The provision for RfRs 5 and 6 in the Vote on Account has been reallocated to RfR 5 in the Main Estimate.

## 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
<b>RfR 1: Ensuring the best start for all children and ending child poverty in 20 years</b>									
309,131	-	-	309,131	184	308,947	14,000	-	257,442	249,236
<b>Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A Administration									
309,131	-	-	309,131	184	308,947	14,000	-	257,442	249,236
<b>RfR 2: Promote work as the best form of welfare for people of working age, whilst protecting the position of those in greatest need</b>									
2,528,137	802,124	33,137,890	36,468,151	2,209,138	34,259,013	221,403	5,874	34,973,406	32,939,748
<b>Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A Administration									
2,226,881	10,638	35,301	2,272,820	922,668	1,350,152	204,302	-	2,097,446	1,642,077
B Employment Programmes									
2,993	723,586	135,000	861,579	345	861,234	-	-	1,097,175	1,333,856
C Health and Safety Executive									
227,319	60,000	-	287,319	54,319	233,000	6,502	475	229,940	200,160
D Health and Safety Laboratory									
27,547	5,351	-	32,898	32,898	-	4,598	398	-	-2,243

**Part II: Subhead detail (continued)**

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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
E	Capital Grants								
-	2,549	5,927	8,476	-	8,476	5,001	5,001	8,476	9,368
F	The Rent Service Executive agency								
43,397	-	-	43,397	-	43,397	1,000	-	39,559	39,664
G	European Social Fund								
-	-	82,936	82,936	-	82,936	-	-	75,415	65,000
H	European Social Fund payments in advance of receipts								
-	-	336,479	336,479	-	336,479	-	-	381,193	465,001
<i>Support for Local Authorities</i>									
I	Employment Programmes								
-	-	37,047	37,047	-	37,047	-	-	37,047	35,791
J	Challenge funding and similar administrative measures - Local Authorities								
-	-	163,464	163,464	-	163,464	-	-	61,500	133,351
K	Housing benefit and council tax benefit administration grants								
-	-	518,236	518,236	-	518,236	-	-	434,081	422,891
L	Third Party providers								
-	-	5,000	5,000	-	5,000	-	-	1,375	-

**Part II: Subhead detail (continued)**

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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
M	Capital grants to Local Authorities								
-	-	2,895	2,895	-	2,895	-	-	2,895	4,230
N	European Social Fund								
-	-	10,367	10,367	-	10,367	-	-	8,650	-
O	European Social Fund payments in advance of receipts								
-	-	72,569	72,569	-	72,569	-	-	63,865	71,905
<b>Spending in Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
P	Severe Disablement Allowance								
-	-	876,704	876,704	-	876,704	-	-	890,959	935,347
Q	Industrial injury benefits								
-	-	800,373	800,373	-	800,373	-	-	764,215	784,241
R	Income support (under 60 years of age)								
-	-	9,587,265	9,587,265	207,196	9,380,069	-	-	9,982,219	10,173,980
S	Jobseekers allowance (income based)								
-	-	1,663,512	1,663,512	-	1,663,512	-	-	1,829,386	2,043,825
T	Jobseekers allowance (contribution based)								
-	-	489,243	489,243	489,243	-	-	-	-	-

**Part II: Subhead detail (continued)**

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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
U	Job Grant								
-	-	35,436	35,436	-	35,436	-	-	16,000	4,994
V	Employment Allowances								
-	-	92,988	92,988	-	92,988	-	-	86,046	139,366
W	Housing and Council tax benefit capital charge								
-	-	3,277	3,277	-	3,277	-	-	3,345	-8,067
X	Non-continuing benefits debt activity								
-	-	35	35	-	35	-	-	35	67
<b>Support for Local Authorities</b>									
Y	Housing benefit and council tax benefit subsidies								
-	-	12,022,829	12,022,829	40	12,022,789	-	-	11,345,864	9,729,835
Z	Rent rebates								
-	-	4,824,387	4,824,387	-	4,824,387	-	-	4,649,839	3,931,915
AA	Discretionary housing payments								
-	-	20,000	20,000	-	20,000	-	-	20,000	12,667
<b>Non-budget</b>									
AB	Statutory benefits (SSP and SMP)								
-	-	1,316,620	1,316,620	82	1,316,538	-	-	1,376,000	1,312,998

**Part II: Subhead detail (continued)**

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2005-06						2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Outturn		
Resources						Capital		Net Total Resources	Net Total Resources
Admin 1	Other Current 2	Grants 3	Gross Total 4	A in A 5	Net Total 6	Capital 7	Non- operating A in A 8		
AC European Social Fund									
-	-	-	-	502,347	-502,347	-	-	-529,119	-542,471
<b>RfR 3: Combat poverty and promote security and independence in retirement for today's and tomorrow's pensioners</b>									
345,897	24,689	10,399,744	10,770,330	297,690	10,472,640	56,057	-	10,013,543	8,100,988
<b>Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A Administration									
345,897	24,689	-	370,586	297,690	72,896	56,057	-	410,222	287,712
<b>Spending in Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
B Pension benefits									
-	-	1,074,059	1,074,059	-	1,074,059	-	-	783,495	45,710
C Income support for the elderly and Pension Credit									
-	-	6,593,187	6,593,187	-	6,593,187	-	-	6,090,441	5,000,516
D TV licences for the over 75s									
-	-	451,016	451,016	-	451,016	-	-	421,530	409,716
<b>Non-budget</b>									

**Part II: Subhead detail (continued)**

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2005-06						2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Outturn		
Resources						Capital		Net Total Resources	Net Total Resources
Admin 1	Other Current 2	Grants 3	Gross Total 4	A in A 5	Net Total 6	Capital 7	Non- operating A in A 8		
E	Payments to the Social Fund								
-	-	2,233,179	2,233,179	-	2,233,179	-	-	2,286,786	2,340,900
F	Pensions Grants in Aid								
-	-	48,303	48,303	-	48,303	-	-	634	370
	<i>OPRA (grant in aid)</i>								
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,435	16,064
	<b>RfR 4: Improve the rights and opportunities for disabled people in a fair and inclusive society</b>								
186,469	4,500	14,000,921	14,191,890	3,075	14,188,815	-	-	13,391,435	12,467,459
<b>Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A	Administration								
186,469	4,500	-	190,969	415	190,554	-	-	176,258	171,880
B	Motability administration								
-	-	3,060	3,060	160	2,900	-	-	2,379	2,457
<b>Spending in Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
C	Attendance allowance								
-	-	3,901,178	3,901,178	-	3,901,178	-	-	3,698,849	3,452,859

**Part II: Subhead detail (continued)**

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2005-06						2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Outturn		
Resources						Capital		Net Total Resources	Net Total Resources
Admin 1	Other Current 2	Grants 3	Gross Total 4	A in A 5	Net Total 6	Capital 7	Non- operating A in A 8		
D	Disability living allowance								
-	-	8,648,508	8,648,508	-	8,648,508	-	-	8,153,242	7,578,860
E	Invalid Care Allowance								
-	-	1,193,773	1,193,773	-	1,193,773	-	-	1,125,797	1,051,281
F	Vaccine Damage payments								
-	-	500	500	-	500	-	-	500	478
G	Grants to independent bodies								
-	-	236,983	236,983	2,500	234,483	-	-	218,988	194,988
<b>Non-budget</b>									
H	Disability Rights Commission (Grant in Aid)								
-	-	16,919	16,919	-	16,919	-	-	15,422	14,656
<b>RfR 5: Corporate contracts and support services</b>									
2,011,054	137,175	-	2,148,229	62,073	2,086,156	13,975	2,200	1,853,565	1,672,857
<b>Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)</b>									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A	Administration								
2,011,054	137,175	-	2,148,229	62,073	2,086,156	13,975	2,200	1,853,565	1,672,857
<b>Total for Estimate:</b>									
5,380,688	968,488	57,538,555	63,887,731	2,572,160	61,315,571	305,435	8,074	60,489,391	55,430,288

## Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

	£'000		
	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Outturn
<b>Net Total Resources</b>	61,315,571	60,489,391	55,430,288
<b>Voted capital items</b>			
Capital	305,435	303,363	324,375
Less Non-operating A-in-A	8,074	16,601	117,223
<b>Total net voted capital</b>	297,361	286,762	207,152
<b>Accruals to cash adjustment</b>			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-28,009	-13,445	-7,720
Depreciation	-108,628	-116,960	-101,465
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions	-87,010	-257,527	-5,683
Profit (+) / loss (-) on sale of assets	-	3,788	-26,152
Prior period adjustments	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	-23,269	-22,415	-22,835
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in stock	-	-200	-91
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in debtors	316,791	522,859	534,427
Increase (-) / Decrease (+) in creditors	168,883	368,883	1,073,182
Use of provisions	-	30,621	27,718
<b>Total accruals to cash adjustments</b>	238,758	515,604	1,471,381
<b>Excess cash to be CFERd</b>	-	-	-
<b>Net Cash Requirement</b>	61,851,690	61,291,757	57,108,821

## Part III: Extra receipts payable to the Consolidated Fund

In addition to appropriations in aid the following income relates to the Department and is payable to the Consolidated Fund (cash receipts being shown in italics):-

	£'000					
	2005-06 Provision		2004-05 Provision		2003-04 Outturn	
	Income	<i>Receipts</i>	Income	<i>Receipts</i>	Income	<i>Receipts</i>
Operating income not classified as AinA	-	-	3,000	<i>3,000</i>	7,928	<i>7,928</i>
Non-operating income not classified as AinA	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other amounts collectable on behalf of the Consolidated Fund	2,222	<i>2,202</i>	15,532	<i>15,532</i>	17,131	<i>17,131</i>
Excess cash receipts to be surrendered to the Consolidated Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	2,222	<i>2,202</i>	18,532	<i>18,532</i>	25,059	<i>25,059</i>

## Forecast Operating Cost Statement

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	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Provision	2003-04 Outturn
<b>Net Administration Costs</b>			
RfR 1	308,947	257,442	249,236
RfR 2	2,443,955	2,480,939	2,394,436
RfR 3	343,550	575,125	483,442
RfR 4	186,054	171,258	171,880
RfR 5	<u>1,973,427</u>	<u>2,640,323</u>	<u>2,729,128</u>
<b>Total Net Administration costs</b>	<b>5,255,933</b>	<b>6,125,087</b>	<b>6,028,122</b>
<b>Net Programme Costs</b>			
RfR 1	-	-	-
RfR 2	32,695,509	32,671,638	30,690,881
RfR 3	10,397,774	9,559,169	7,633,202
RfR 4	14,002,761	13,220,177	12,295,579
RfR 5	136,675	-183,014	-259,909
Non voted expenditure	<u>59,794,183</u>	<u>57,666,006</u>	<u>55,257,302</u>
<b>Total Net Programme costs</b>	<b>117,026,902</b>	<b>112,933,976</b>	<b>105,617,055</b>
<b>Total Net Operating Cost</b>	<b>122,282,835</b>	<b>119,059,063</b>	<b>111,645,177</b>
<i>of which:</i>			
<b>Net Resource Outturn</b>	<b>61,315,571</b>	<b>60,489,391</b>	<b>55,430,288</b>
CFERs	-	-3,000	-7,928
Non-voted expenditure	63,200,443	60,859,458	58,563,717
<b>Resource Budget Outturn</b>	<b>123,559,886</b>	<b>119,613,217</b>	<b>112,227,192</b>

## Notes to the Main Estimate

### Reconciliation of resource expenditure between Estimates, Accounts and Budgets

	£'000		
	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04
	Provision	Provision	Outturn
<b>Net Resource Outturn (Estimates)</b>	<b>61,315,571</b>	<b>60,489,391</b>	<b>55,430,288</b>
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
provision voted for earlier years	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
non-voted expenditure in the OCS	63,200,443	60,859,458	58,563,717
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts in the OCS	-	-3,000	-7,928
Other adjustments	-2,233,179	-2,286,786	-2,340,900
<b>Net Operating Cost (Accounts)</b>	<b>122,282,835</b>	<b>119,059,063</b>	<b>111,645,177</b>
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
capital grants to local authorities	-3,095	-3,095	-8,309
capital grants financed from the Capital Modernisation Fund	-	-	-
European Union income and related adjustments	517,547	556,031	578,852
voted expenditure outside the budget	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-22	-22	-22
resource consumption of non departmental public bodies	-877	1,193	1,804
unallocated resource provision	762,564	-	-
Other adjustments	934	47	9,690
<b>Resource Budget Outturn (Budget)</b>	<b>123,559,886</b>	<b>119,613,217</b>	<b>112,227,192</b>
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	8,387,027	8,451,109	8,287,341
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	115,172,859	111,162,108	103,939,851

### Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

	£'000		
	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04
	Provision	Provision	Outturn
<b>Net Voted Capital Outturn (Estimates)</b>	<b>297,361</b>	<b>286,762</b>	<b>207,152</b>
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
gains / losses from sale of capital assets	-	3,788	-26,152
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
capital spending by non-departmental public bodies	9,928	-	755
capital grants to local authorities	2,895	2,895	4,230
capital grants financed by the Capital Modernisation Fund	-	-	-
local authority credit approvals	-	1,202	-
capital spending by levy funded bodies	-	-	-
unallocated capital provision	36,000	-	-
Other adjustments	93,502	94,819	90,455
<b>Capital Budget Outturn (Budget)</b>	<b>439,686</b>	<b>389,466</b>	<b>276,440</b>
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	346,184	294,647	185,985
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	93,502	94,819	90,455

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

### Explanation of Accounting Officer responsibilities

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

<b>Request for Resources 1:</b>	Sir Richard Mottram, Principal Accounting Officer and Permanent Head of Department
<b>Request for Resources 2:</b>	Sir Richard Mottram, Principal Accounting Officer and Permanent Head of Department
<b>Request for Resources 3:</b>	Sir Richard Mottram, Principal Accounting Officer and Permanent Head of Department
<b>Request for Resources 4:</b>	Sir Richard Mottram, Principal Accounting Officer and Permanent Head of Department
<b>Request for Resources 5:</b>	Sir Richard Mottram, Principal Accounting Officer and Permanent Head of Department

Sir Richard Mottram as the Principal Accounting Officer (PAO) of the Department for Work and Pensions has personal responsibility for the proper presentation of the Department for Work and Pensions' 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 Department for Work and Pensions.

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 Department for Work and Pensions' policies, aims, and objectives; and should regularly review the effectiveness of that system.

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

### Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A)

£'000

	2005-06 provision		2004-05 provision		2003-04 outturn	
	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A
<b>RfR 1: Ensuring the best start for all children and ending child poverty in 20 years.</b>						
Services carried out by the Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private						
sector bodies and members of the public	58	—	59	—	—	—
Receipts from non-resident parents following an advance						
payment for maladministered maintenance to a parent with care	115	—	130	—	100	—
Receipts from applicants for services provided by						
Child Support Agency	4	—	4	—	7	—
Receipts from staff for private telephone calls	7	—	3	—	5	—
Receipts from sale of capital items	—	—	—	65	—	65
Profit on asset sale disposal	—	—	—	—	—	—
Family credit	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total RfR 1</b>	<b>184*</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>65</b>

\*Amount that may be applied as appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from receipts from staff for private telephone calls; services carried out by Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public; receipts from the sales of non-capital items; receipts from applicants for services provided by Child Support Agency and receipts from the repayment of maintenance by non-resident parents, where the parent with care is in receipt of income support, reduced by the child maintenance premium paid directly to the parent with care.

### **RfR 2: Promote work as the best form of welfare for people of working age, whilst protecting the position of those in greatest need.**

Receipts from the National Insurance Fund for the estimated cost of administering National Insurance Benefits	880,451	—	174,817	—	153,484	—
Receipts for services carried out by the						
Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public	711	—	3,526	—	3,800	—
Receipts from other Departments/Organisations in respect of						
outward secondments	6,340	—	6,516	—	8,044	—
Receipts from match funded projects	9	—	—	—	35	—
Recovery of excess programmes	—	—	—	—	37	—
Recovery of the costs of administering allowance payments for						
work based learning for adults in Scotland and Wales	271	—	264	—	1,050	—
Contribution from Scotland and Wales towards Employment Zones	375	—	975	—	1,538	—
Receipts from Local Authorities and partner organisations for						
services provided to them by Departmental Action Teams	1,999	—	898	—	564	—
Receipts for expenses from the EU	1,036	—	260	—	95	—
Repayment of temporary loans to Remploy	—	5,001	—	5,001	—	5,001
Challenge funding and similar measures	—	—	66	—	3,000	—
Industrial injury benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Receipts from the sale of non-capital items	—	—	—	—	—	—
Receipts from staff for private telephone calls	55	—	65	—	43	—

Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A) *(continued)*

£'000

	2005-06 provision		2004-05 provision		2003-04 outturn	
	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A
Receipts from mortgage lenders	1,539	—	1,539	—	—	—
Disability Benefits	—	—	—	—	—	—
Income support (under 60 years of age)	207,196	—	171,719	—	179,805	—
Jobseeker's allowance (income based)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jobseeker's allowance (contribution based)	489,243	—	534,590	—	545,304	—
Receipts from Working Links dividend	—	—	—	—	1,800	—
Receipts from Working Links management fee	100	—	100	—	118	—
Housing benefit and council tax benefit subsidies	40	—	40	—	40	—
Statutory benefits (SSP and SMP)	82	—	—	—	—	—
Profit on asset disposals	—	—	—	1,716	—	1,716
Health and Safety Executive	54,343	475	55,478	740	57,836	363
Health and Safety Laboratory	32,898	398	28,637	4,585	25,325	398
Recovery from the EC of the costs of work on European Employment Services (EURES) and work undertaken on labour market issues in eastern Europe	—	—	—	—	191	—
Receipts from outside bodies in respect of partnership working in New Deal for Community areas	75	—	36	—	—	—
Receipts from sponsors of supported placements in the JSA	—	—	—	—	—	—
Recovery from the Home Office of the costs of administering the Refugee and Asylum Seeker programme	—	—	768	—	1,523	—
Receipts from EU twinning funded projects	177	—	600	—	1,187	—
Payments from Department for Education and Skills for the UK subscription to the International Labour Organisation	—	—	9,638	—	—	—
Payments from Department for Education and Skills for International Programmes	29,506	—	24,247	—	30,772	—
Receipts in respect of the European Social Fund	502,347	—	549,919	—	474,361	—
Joint International Unit administration receipts	—	—	—	—	—	—
LSC ambitions programme	345	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total RfR 2</b>	<b>2,209,138*</b>	<b>5,874**</b>	<b>1,564,698</b>	<b>12,042</b>	<b>1,489,952</b>	<b>7,478</b>

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

### Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A) *(continued)*

\*Amount that may be applied as appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from receipts from the National Insurance Fund for the estimated cost of administering National Insurance benefits; services carried out by Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public; receipts from staff for private telephone calls; receipts from mortgage lenders; receipts from other departments/organisations in respect of outward secondments; receipts from the sale of non-capital items; receipts from EU twinning funded projects; receipts from match funded projects; the recovery of the cost of administering allowance payments for work based learning for adults in Scotland and Wales; contribution from Scotland and Wales towards Employment Zones; receipts from Local Authorities for services provided to them by Departmental Action Teams, including Neighbourhood Renewal Funds, rent and similar receipts; receipts from outside bodies in respect of partnership working in New Deal for Community areas; recovery from Home Office of the costs of administering the Refugee and Asylum Seeker programmes; recovery from the EC of the costs of work on European Employment Services (EURES) and work undertaken on labour market issues in eastern Europe; receipts from the EU for travel expenses, and subsistence allowances incurred by staff on European Union business; receipts from sponsors of supported placements in the ES; receipts in respect of vending machines; receipts from Working Links, Working Links management fee and dividend; receipts from selling services under the Wider Markets Initiative; receipts from partner organisations in respect of action teams; receipts in respect of the LSC ambitions programme; the recovery of excess payments made on Jobcentre Plus employment measures; recoveries from authorities not achieving baseline targets set in respect of anti-fraud measures; recoveries from authorities not achieving targets set in respect of extended payments; receipts from damages payable to recipients of Statutory Sick Pay; receipts via Compensation Recovery Unit in respect of benefits paid in lieu; payments on return to work after a trade dispute made to people who would normally be excluded from Income Support because they are in full time work; payments by liable relatives; amounts collected through a court order or on a voluntary basis from relatives of income support claimants; receipts from the Child Support Agency of payments of maintenance from absent parents for parents with care who are in receipt of Income Support; repayment of Jobseeker's Allowance (contribution based) from the National Insurance Fund; receipts in respect of the Health and Safety Commission (HSC) including fees and charges levied by the HSC, receipts for research, administrative services, testing, fee paying enquiries, dissemination of information, royalties, the loan and hire of equipment, seminars, patent rights, conferences and publications (in print and non-print media) provided by the HSC; payments from other government departments, agencies, non-departmental public bodies and overseas governments to the HSC; sales of land and buildings, water, stores, plant, equipment, machinery and vehicles of the HSC; recoveries of seconded staff salaries of the HSC; receipts for the use of HSC accommodation, rental income, receipts from HSC property and land, sponsorship, including contributions from co-sponsors towards the costs of research and surveys carried out by HSC; recoveries by the HSC from the European Union in respect of travelling expenses and subsistence allowances incurred by HSC staff on European Union business; contributions and recoveries from the European Union of costs of HSC research and projects, legal claims of the HSC, including awards of court costs and out of court settlements; refunds of advance of salaries of HSC staff, and repayment of loans made by the HSC; receipts in respect of the European Fast Stream; receipts from the EC to meet payments to Local Authorities and non-exchequer bodies for education and training and employment projects training assisted by the European Social Fund; receipts from EU Twinning funded projects; Joint International Unit administration receipts; payments from the Department for Education and Skills.

\*\*Amount that may be applied as non-operating appropriations in aid arising from receipts from sales of obsolete machinery, equipment, official vehicles, furniture and buildings.

£'000

	2005-06		2004-05		2003-04	
	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A
<b>RfR 3: Combat poverty and promote security and independence in retirement for today's and tomorrow's pensioners.</b>						
Receipts from the National Insurance Fund for the cost of administering National Insurance Benefits	256,083	—	186,933	—	198,562	—
Services carried out by the Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public	39,691	—	1,463	—	1,215	—
Receipts from other departments/organisations in respect of outward secondments	202	—	196	—	—	—
Receipts from mortgage lenders	826	—	826	—	—	—
Receipts from staff for private phone calls	1	—	1	—	10	—
Partnership Funding	887	—	834	—	—	—
<b>Total RfR 3</b>	<b>297,690*</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>190,253</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>199,787</b>	<b>—</b>

\*Amount that may be applied as appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from receipts from the National Insurance Fund for the estimated cost of administering NI benefits, services carried out by Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public; receipts from mortgage lenders; receipts from staff for private telephone calls and receipts via Compensation Recovery Unit in respect of benefits paid in lieu.

Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A) *(continued)*

	£'000					
	2005-06 provision		2004-05 provision		2003-04 outturn	
	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A
<b>RfR 4: Improve the rights and opportunities for disabled people in a fair and inclusive society.</b>						
Receipts from the European Union for the European Year of disabled people 2003	—	—	—	—	550	—
Attendance allowance	—	—	—	—	—	—
Disability living allowance	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motability administration	2,660	—	148	—	143	—
Motability Grant	—	—	2,951	—	2,951	—
Services carried out by Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public	413	—	667	—	1,392	—
Receipts from staff for private telephone calls	2	—	2	—	2	—
<b>Total RfR 4</b>	<b>3,075*</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>3,768</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>5,038</b>	<b>—</b>

\*Amount that may be applied as appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from services carried out by Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public; receipts from the European Union for the European year for disabled people 2003; receipts from staff for private telephone calls; receipts via Compensation Recovery Unit in respect of benefits paid in lieu, recoveries of payments from the Department of Social Development (Northern Ireland) towards Motability's car adaption and administration costs and receipts from Tenth Anniversary Trust towards Motability's car adaption costs.

Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*Analysis of appropriations in aid (A in A) *(continued)*

£'000

	2005-06 provision		2004-05 provision		2003-04 outturn	
	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A	Operating A in A	Non- operating A in A
<b>RfR 5: Corporate contracts and support services†</b>						
Receipts from the National Insurance Fund for the estimated cost of administering National Insurance Benefits	23,946	—	795,410	—	1,070,847	—
Services carried out by Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public	11,552	—	20,826	—	16,294	—
Receipts in respect of the European fast stream	—	—	—	—	39	—
Receipts from mortgage lenders	177	—	177	—	2,354	—
Receipts from staff towards the cost of private use of official vehicles	900	—	1,240	—	1,914	—
Receipts from sub-let accommodation	23,291	—	24,520	—	22,001	—
Receipts from staff for private telephone calls	9	—	10	—	12	—
Recovery of law costs from defendants	1,580	—	1,645	—	2,000	—
Receipts from other departments/organisations in respect of outward secondments	500	—	2,129	—	1,385	—
Payments from Department for Education and Skills	—	—	—	—	—	—
Receipts from sales of obsolete machinery, equipment, official vehicles, furniture and buildings	—	2,200	—	2,948	—	149,334
Profit on asset disposal	—	—	—	1,546	—	221
Receipts from third parties for uninsured losses	—	—	—	—	—	—
Early Departures pre-funding interest	118	—	187	—	—	—
<b>Total RfR 5</b>	<b>62,073*</b>	<b>2,200**</b>	<b>846,144</b>	<b>4,494</b>	<b>1,116,846</b>	<b>149,555</b>
*Amount that may be applied as appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from receipts from the National Insurance Fund for the estimated cost of administering NI benefits; services carried out by Department for Work and Pensions on behalf of public and private sector bodies and members of the public; receipts from third parties for uninsured losses; receipts from staff for private telephone calls; recovery of law costs from defendants; receipts from sub-let accommodation; receipts from the sale of non-capital items; receipts from the Department for Education and Skills in respect of Modern Apprenticeships; receipts from other departments/organisations in respect of outward secondments, receipts from staff towards the cost of private use of official vehicles; receipts in respect of the European Fast Stream; receipts from IT services to other government departments, Early Departures pre-funding interest.						
**Amount that may be applied as non-operating appropriations in aid arising from receipts from sales of obsolete machinery, equipment, official vehicles, furniture and buildings.						
<b>Total A in A</b>	<b>2,572,160</b>	<b>8,074</b>	<b>2,605,059</b>	<b>16,601</b>	<b>2,811,735</b>	<b>157,098</b>
<i>of which: Administration Budgets</i>	124,755	—	109,221	—	102,455	—

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

## Analysis of Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts (CFERs)

	£'000					
	2005-06 provision		2004-05 provision		2003-04 outturn	
	Income	Receipts	Income	Receipts	Income	Receipts
Levy on Pensions Industry collected by						
Occupational Pensions Regulatory Authority ●	2,200	2,200	10,510	10,510	12,109	12,109
Headquarters Accommodation Services ●	—	—	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Challenge Funding Recoveries Φ	—	—	—	—	—	—
Miscellaneous receipts Φ	—	—	3,000	3,000	7,928	7,928
Recoveries in respect of previous						
Independent Living Fund scheme △	2	2	2	2	22	22
Recoveries in respect of previous Rent Allowance scheme △	20	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,222</b>	<b>2,202</b>	<b>18,532</b>	<b>18,532</b>	<b>25,059</b>	<b>25,059</b>

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

### Departmental Expenditure Limits and Administration Budgets £'000

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

	Voted*	Non-voted	Total
Resource DEL	6,398,790	1,988,237	8,387,027
<i>of which: Administration Budgets</i>	<i>5,255,933</i>	<i>763,474</i>	<i>6,019,407</i>
Capital DEL**	300,256	45,928	346,184
Less depreciation†	-108,628	-762	-109,390
Total DEL	6,590,418	2,033,403	8,623,821

\* 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 £61,315,571,000 is 1.4 per cent higher than the final net provision for 2004-05 of £60,489,391,000 and 1.9 per cent higher than the forecast outturn for 2004-05 of £60,192,512,000.

### 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

	2005-06 provision	2004-05 provision	2003-04 outturn
	2,580,234	2,621,660	2,968,833

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

### Contingent liabilities

As at 31 March 2005, the following liabilities fell to be met from the Department's Estimate:

**Amount outstanding  
as at 31 March 2005  
(£000)**

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#### Statutory liabilities

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#### Non-Statutory liabilities

<p>From April 1995 some Child Support Agency debt has been deferred and will not be recoverable from clients provided certain conditions are met. This could result in the Child Support Agency taking over such debt from non-resident parents. In 2003-04, £1.21 million (2002-03 £1.81 million) was paid by the Agency to parents with care under this arrangement. The maximum potential liability at 31 March 2004 is £33.7million (31 March 2003 £36.9 million), subject to all cases meeting the criteria. As it is not practicable to estimate the amount that may be paid out, no provision has been made in the accounts.</p>	33,700
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<p>Due to a structural problem, the Department has a future liability to fund the reconstruction of one of its buildings. All the legal implications relating to this liability have been resolved, and it has been determined that this will be funded through Departmental resources.</p>	not known
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<p>In a judicial review brought by a parent with care under the Human Rights Acts 1998, it was judged that the parent with care's human rights had not been breached but that she can apply for damages under the Human Rights Act where the Secretary of State failed, unreasonably, to enforce the collection of maintenance due. The Agency lodged a successful appeal against this decision. As the outcome of this case cannot be predicted any consequential obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability to enable a value to be recognised in the accounts.</p>	Unquantifiable
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<p>During the course of its normal business, Jobcentre Plus frequently enters into large, sometimes long-term contracts with a wide range of private sector suppliers. The changing nature of Jobcentre Plus business, and its obligation to respond to prevailing government priorities, can mean that it is occasionally in the Agency's interests to try to vary, re-negotiate or, in exceptional cases, cancel certain contracts. Where Jobcentre Plus takes such action, it always does so on legal advice and so as to avoid breach of contract. However, disputes occasionally arise which could result in Jobcentre Plus making compensatory payments in response to legal proceedings, or as part of an out of court settlement.</p>	Unquantifiable
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Jobcentre Plus considers that disclosure of such cases in detail, particularly whilst negotiations are still in progress, could seriously prejudice the Agency's position if legal proceedings subsequently develop. There were no such contractual disputes outstanding as at 31 March 2004 where a settlement had been reached and the value of a compensatory payment had been agreed. For cases still under negotiation, the total value of outstanding claims made against Jobcentre Plus by suppliers at the balance sheet date was less than £10 million, but it is not yet known whether Jobcentre Plus will need to make any compensatory payments.

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

### Contingent liabilities *(continued)*

Better Government for Older People (BGOP) is an initiative which is funded by several consortium partners with DWP providing the largest proportion of funds by way of Grant-in-Aid. Since BGOP has no legal identity, the usual “Financial Memorandum” is replaced by a “Consortium Agreement” that has Treasury approval. But in addition to the funding which DWP provides, we have also agreed to indemnify Help the Aged, the host organisation, against any losses arising from BGOP activity to the sum of £5 million (in any one year and in totality).

5,000

The former Department for Education and Employment Ministers gave their agreement that the former Training and Enterprise Councils could be offered indemnities in respect of certain liabilities that arose or continued after the contractual relationship with Government ended on 25 March 2001. The purpose of these indemnities was to give former Training and Enterprise Council Directors, or a liquidator, sufficient assurances to conclude that relationship and either return residual reserves owing to the Secretary of State, or distribute these with the Secretary of State’s agreement at the earliest opportunity. Responsibility for these contingent liabilities transferred to Jobcentre Plus on 1 April 2002 from the Employment Service.

12,000

Consequently, Jobcentre Plus has agreed to offer indemnities of up to £12 million in respect of existing contracts with the former Training and Enterprise Councils that were novated as a result of the former Training and Enterprise Council’s wind up, or in respect of repayments claimed following audit of past contract activity.

Jobcentre Plus is currently in discussions with PCS following the ruling of the Employment Appeal Tribunal in the lead dress standards case where it is hoped that a settlement can be reached and the 7,000 plus compensation claims entered by individuals withdrawn. If the settlement fails there could be a cost to Jobcentre Plus if the lead Employment Tribunal case is contested and lost. Due to the uncertainty regarding the outcome of the discussions and size of any financial remedy it is not possible to provide a reliable estimate of the financial effect.

Unquantifiable

Jobcentre Plus is currently involved with 32 applications to Employment Tribunal from individuals who were previously employed on temporary contracts, which were subject to early termination. There is a potential liability of £320,000, based on a maximum figure of compensation to be paid for any proven breach of Employment Law. However, should discrimination be cited then compensation payments, if the case were proven, do not have an upper limit.

Unquantifiable

HSE is currently defending two equal pay cases. HSE successfully appealed against an equal pay employment Tribunal decision in June 2003. That appeal is now the subject of a cross appeal. Arguments in the case may be referred to Europe and the litigation process could continue for a further two years or more. HSE won another appeal case in December 2003 as a result of the appeal decision but that case is also subject to a cross appeal but this has been stayed pending the outcome of the first case. If we were to lose these cases, the financial consequences would depend on the nature of the judgement in relation to employees who brought the cases, and the degree to which the judgements would apply to the other members of staff, including the extent to which any awards made are backdated.

Unquantifiable

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

### Contingent liabilities *(continued)*

Important changes to the Vaccine Damage Payments Scheme have been introduced. The level of disablement that is defined as severe has been reduced from 80% to 60% and the period of time during which a claim can be made has been extended. These changes mean that some people who have been disallowed in the past may be able to make another claim under these new rules. These further claims must be received before 16 June 2005. It is not currently possible to estimate the value of these claims and so no provision has been made in these accounts.

Unquantifiable

In October 2001, a claim from Thames Trains Ltd following the Ladbroke Grove railway disaster was filed against HSE and Her Majesty's Railway Inspectorate for an amount in excess of £5 million. The basis of the claim is that HSE was negligent in connection with the railway infrastructure at the location of the crash. This claim will be rigorously defended and whilst the outcome of these matters cannot readily be determined or foreseen, it is considered that it is likely that the claim will be defended successfully.

Unquantifiable

The Department has a potential liability in respect of ineligible claims for ESF programmes that operated during 1994-99. The Department estimates that it is highly likely that we will be unable to claim from the European Commission £15.140 million already paid to contractors and a provision for this has been created in the accounts. The Department is negotiating a final settlement with the European Commission and there is the potential that a further liability could arise, however this figure cannot be estimated with any certainty at this point in time.

Unquantifiable

A customer has been given leave to appeal to the House of Lords (due to be heard in 2005) regarding the Retirement Pension rate being frozen for overseas customers living outside the European Economic Area. Should the hearing rule in the customer's favour, the total number of customers that may be affected by the decision is approximately 500,000, but at this stage we cannot be certain of the cost of any compensation payments.

Unquantifiable

A customer is currently pursuing an appeal challenging the disallowance of a claim for a Winter Fuel Payment under European Economic Area law, and should they be successful customers will not have to acquire entitlement before they move overseas in order to qualify for Winter Fuel Payment. Also a customer has contended that it is unlawful not to allow retrospective Winter Fuel Payment claims to European Economic Area customers. The value of any compensation payments in relation to these cannot be measured until outcome of findings and extent of any additional action deemed necessary are determined.

Unquantifiable

Following the Suspension of Deficiency Notices from 1996-97 there is a significant number of people who are unaware of a possible shortfall in the level of the state pension. This was highlighted in 2003-04 and the Reinstatement of Deficiency Notices project was created to address this issue. The project intends to notify those pensioners who reached State Pension age since 1997 who may be able to improve their basic State Pension, or qualify for a basic State Pension, by paying voluntary class 3 National Insurance contributions. The costs attributable to restoring customers to the position they would have been in but for maladministration cannot be measured with sufficient reliability to enable a value to be placed upon it until the pilot has been evaluated.

Unquantifiable

## Notes to the Main Estimate *(continued)*

An estimate for the staff related costs of the HSL relocation to Buxton in the Autumn has been made based on the information available. However, qualifying staff have a period of 6 months from the date of their transfer to decide on relocation, and a higher number of individuals may ultimately take this option, although at this stage this is considered to be sufficiently unlikely and difficult to quantify. In addition, the likely costs of the physical move of assets to Buxton is, at the present time, difficult to estimate with any reasonable degree of certainty, given the unusual type of assets involved and the specialist nature of some of the work required.

Unquantifiable

The London Borough of Lambeth, between April 1991 and March 1997, had problems in administering the payments of Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit and as a consequence subsidies of £31.5 million were overpaid. Following negotiations, agreement was reached for the overpaid subsidy to be repaid over a 10 year period commencing April 1996. Following the introduction of new policy regarding the recovery of overpaid subsidy, Lambeth requested that the recovery of the outstanding £6.7m overpaid subsidy cease forthwith and that the Secretary of State repays £20 million of monies already recovered. Although the Secretary of State is to refuse the request there is a strong possibility that Lambeth will seek to overturn the decision by judicial review. A successful challenge by Lambeth would enable other local authorities to similarly request that their recovery decisions be reviewed. It is not possible to quantify the amount of the additional subsidy, which potentially could be paid out.

Unquantifiable

### Grants in Aid over £1 million (£'000)

Independent Living Fund ♥ 226,359; Motability ♥ 10,624; Disability Rights Commission ♥ 16,919; The Pension Regulator ♥ 23,670; Pension Protection Fund 19,963; Pensions Advisory Service 2,300; Pensions Ombudsman 1,900; TOTAL 301,735.

### Expenditure resting on the sole authority of the Appropriation Act

RfR 2 and RfR 3 contain provision sought under the sole authority of Part I of the Estimate and of the confirming Appropriation Act:

Subhead	Service	£'000
RfR 2:	Awards for achievements in overcoming barriers to unemployment ■	300
RfR 3:	Payments in respect of Better Government for Older People ■	400
RfR 3:	Payment to the Centre for Policy on Ageing ■	70