

# Northern Ireland Court Service

## Introduction

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

	<b>Amount £</b>
<b><u>Changes in resources</u></b>	
<b>RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland</b>	
<b>Increases:</b>	
<u>Take up of End Year Flexibility</u>	
Additional grant payable to the Northern Ireland Legal Services Commission for expenditure on publicly funded legal services (subhead B3, near-cash).	454,000
<b>Neutral Changes:</b>	
<u>Additional appropriations in aid</u>	
Increased income of £500,000 to offset 'other current' expenditure on fees and disbursement arising from criminal appeals (subheads A2 and A5).	-
<u>Movement of provision between sections within RfR</u>	
1. £1,746,000 resource from subhead A2 to subhead B3 in respect of expenditure on publicly funded legal services.	-
2. £230,000 resource from subhead A2 to subhead C3 in respect of the Northern Ireland Judicial Appointments Commission.	-
<b>Total change in resources for RfR1</b>	<b>454,000</b>
<b>Total change in resources for Estimate</b>	<b>454,000</b>

### **Changes in capital**

#### **Neutral Changes:**

##### Additional non-operating appropriations in aid

Increased non-operating income of £450,000 to offset capital spending (subheads A7 and A8). -

**Total change in capital for Estimate -**

2. As a result of the above and non-cash adjustments, there is an increase in the net cash requirement of £454,000.

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

**Part I**

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<b>RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland</b>	<b>454,000</b>
Total additional net resource requirement	454,000
<b>Additional net cash requirement</b>	<b>454,000</b>

SUPPLEMENTARY amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2007 for expenditure by the Northern Ireland Court Service on:

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

Operation of the courts; Pensions Appeals Tribunal; Office of the Social Security and Child Support Commissioners; the Traffic Penalty Tribunal; the Northern Ireland Valuation Tribunal; 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; and associated non-cash costs.

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
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### 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	58,334	-1,476	500	-1,976	56,358
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#### Non-Budget

RfR 1 - B	Legal Services Commission	72,800	2,200	-	2,200	75,000
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RfR 1 - C	Judicial Appointments Commission	1,370	230	-	230	1,600
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<b>Total RfR 1</b>		<b>954</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>454</b>		
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<b>Total Changes to RfRs</b>		<b>954</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>454</b>		
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	Present Provision	Change in Provision	New Provision
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#### Capital and Cash

Total Capital Expenditure	6,000	450	6,450
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Non-Operating A in A	-	450	450
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<b>Net cash requirement</b>	<b>122,511</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>122,965</b>
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**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	
<b>RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland</b>								
20,311	54,522	76,625	151,458	18,500	132,958	6,450	450	
<b>Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)</b>								
<i>Central Government spending</i>								
A Court and other legal services								
20,311	54,522	25	74,858	18,500	56,358	6,450	450	
<b>Non-Budget</b>								
B Legal Services Commission								
-	-	75,000	75,000	-	75,000	-	-	
C Judicial Appointments Commission								
-	-	1,600	1,600	-	1,600	-	-	
<b>Total for Estimate:</b>								
20,311	54,522	76,625	151,458	18,500	132,958	6,450	450	

## Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

	<u>Present</u>	Increase (+)/ Decrease (-)	£'000 <u>Revised</u>
<b>Net Resource Requirement</b>	<b>132,504</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>132,958</b>
<b>Voted capital items</b>			
Capital	6,000	450	6,450
<i>Less:</i> Non-operating A in A	-	450	450
<b>Total net voted capital</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,000</b>
<b>Accruals to cash adjustment</b>			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-6,459	-	-6,459
Depreciation	-9,534	-	-9,534
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	-	-	-
<b>Total accruals to cash adjustments</b>	<b>-15,993</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-15,993</b>
<b>Excess cash to be CFERd</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Cash Requirement</b>	<b>122,511</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>122,965</b>

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

As in existing provision

## Forecast Operating Cost Statement

	£'000
	2006-07 provision
<b>Net Administration Costs</b>	
RfR1	1,811
<b>Total Net Administration Costs</b>	<b>1,811</b>
<b>Net Programme Costs</b>	
RfR1	131,147
Non-voted	5,166
<b>Total Net Programme costs</b>	<b>136,313</b>
<b>Total Net Operating Cost</b>	<b>138,124</b>
<i>of which:</i>	
<b>Net Resource Requirement</b>	<b>132,958</b>
Non-voted expenditure	5,166
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-
<b>Resource Budget</b>	<b>158,893</b>

## Notes to the Estimate

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

	£'000
	2006-07 Provision
<b>Net Resource Requirement (Estimates)</b>	<b>132,958</b>
<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 in the OCS	-
Other adjustments	-
<b>Net Operating Costs (Accounts)</b>	<b>138,124</b>
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>	
capital grants	-
European Union income related to capital grants	-
voted expenditure outside the budget	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>	
other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-
resource consumption of non departmental public bodies	20,769
unallocated resource provision	-
Other adjustments	-
<b>Resource Budget (Budget)</b>	<b>158,893</b>
<i>of which:</i>	
Departmental Expenditure Limit (DEL)	158,893
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-

### Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

	£'000
	2006-07 Provision
<b>Net Voted Capital (Estimates)</b>	<b>6,000</b>
<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	-
European Union income related to capital grants	-
supported capital expenditure (revenue)	-
capital spending by levy funded bodies	-
unallocated capital provision	-
Other adjustments	-
<b>Capital Budget (Budget)</b>	<b>6,000</b>
<i>of which:</i>	
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	6,000
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-

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## 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, Director of the Northern Ireland Court Service

David A Lavery as the Accounting Officer of the Northern Ireland Court Service has personal responsibility for the proper presentation of the department's resource accounts as prescribed in legislation, or by the Treasury, and their transmission to the Comptroller and Auditor General. The AO as the permanent head, 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 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 the available resources. In addition, the Accounting Officer must ensure that there is a sound system of internal control to support the achievement of the organisation's policies, aims and objectives and should regularly review the effectiveness of that system.

## Notes to the Estimate (*continued*)

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

	£'000
	<u>2006-07 Provision</u>
<b>RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland</b>	
<b>Administration</b>	<b>18,500</b>
<i>of which:</i>	
Sale of goods and services	18,500
<b>Programme</b>	<b>-</b>
<i>of which:</i>	
Sale of goods and services	-
<b>Total RfR1</b>	<b>18,500 †</b>
† 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.	
<b>Total Operating A in A</b>	<b>18,500</b>

### Analysis of non - operating appropriations in aid (A in A)

	£'000
	<u>2006-07 Provision</u>
<b>RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland</b>	
<b>Programme</b>	<b>450</b>
<i>of which:</i>	
Sale of assets	450
<b>Total RfR1</b>	<b>450 †</b>
† Amounts that may be applied as non-operating appropriations in aid arising from: the disposal of surplus buildings and other assets and from recoupment of expenditure on shared IT developments.	
<b>Total Non - operating A in A</b>	<b>450</b>

## Notes to the Estimate (*continued*)

### Analysis of Consolidated Fund extra receipts

		£'000	
		2006-07 provision	
		Income	Receipts
Fines	●	5,150	5,150
Miscellaneous	●	100	100
Excess appropriations in aid	Φ	250	250
<b>Total</b>		<b>5,500</b>	<b>5,500</b>

### Departmental Expenditure Limits and Administration Budgets

	Change		New DEL		£'000
	Voted	Non-voted	Voted	Non-voted	Total
Resource DEL	-1,976	28,430	56,358	102,535	158,893
<i>of which:</i>					
Administration budget*	-500	-	1,811	-	1,811
Near-cash in RDEL	-1,976	2,430	40,365	81,766	122,131
Capital**	-	-	6,000	-	6,000
Less Depreciation†	-	-	-9,534	-20	-9,554
<b>Total</b>	<b>-1,976</b>	<b>28,430</b>	<b>52,824</b>	<b>102,515</b>	<b>155,339</b>

\*The total of 'Administration budget' and 'Near-cash in Resource DEL' figures may well be greater than total resource DEL, due to the definitions overlapping.

\*\*Capital DEL includes items treated as resource in Estimates and accounts but which are treated as Capital DEL in budgets.

†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	18,950