Housing and Property Services

Service Description

PROPERTY SERVICE

- Management of all the Council's property assets
- Management, design and delivery of all repairs, maintenance and construction projects

The Property Service Consists of: Building Services (DLO), Asset Management and Design Team

The Property Portfolio consists of:

- 160 Operational Buildings
- 6,380 Residential Properties
- 168 industrial buildings leased out
- · 21.1 hectares of ground leased out

HRA Budget = £22.8M

 We build 50 Council houses per year, and assist Housing Associations to build 70 per year

HOUSING SERVICE

Responsible for strategic planning for housing in all tenures working closely with Planning, Health and Social Care Moray and NHS Grampian

315.73 FTE (

BUDGET

£4.2m [total IJB budget]

Housing Service also responsible for:

- Moray's Homelessness and Housing Options service. (584 homeless presentations in 2023/24)
- Maintaining the Housing List (approx. 3,500 households)
- Allocation of Council house vacancies (464 in 2023/24) and
- Housing Association nominations (107 in 2023/24)
- Providing a full landlord service to 6,380 Council tenants

Key Facts

- Total repairs budget for operational properties £1.910m (split £1.060m Education and £0.850m remaining)
- Total revenue income from leased assets £2.270m per annum (2023/24)
- Total capital income generated from sale of surplus assets in 2023/24 was £0.805m
- DLO turnover for the year 2023/24 was £12.730m
- DLO has a fleet of 94 vehicles
- DLO completed 18,620 repairs in 2023/24
- Our landlord service has the lowest rents in Scotland
- Our landlord service has good performance on rent arrears
- Our landlord service has high tenancy sustainment and satisfaction

Priorities

- Tenant participation
- Repairs Performance
- Property Reviews to ensure best value use of property assets and support new ways of working
- Investment in Housing assets to meet energy efficiency standards
- Investment in Operational assets to meet the needs of service delivery
- Voids performance

Issues / Risks

- Recruitment and retention of craft and manual workers due to the buoyancy of the local construction industry
- Managing competing repair needs with an aging property estate