Operational Decision Record

Publication Date	Decision Reference Number
07 August 2024	5158
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Decision Title	
Payment of Housing Ombudsman Annual Fee	
Decision Value	
£210,210	
Revenue or Capital Spend?	
Revenue	
Spend Control Approval	
Has the spend been approved by Spend Control Board? ⊠ Yes ☐ No ☐ n/a	
Spend Control Board approval reference number: ID 4171	
Department	
Growth & City Development	
Contact Officer (Name, job title, and contact details)	
Mark Lowe, Head of Housing & Regeneration, mark.lowe@nottinghamcity.gov.uk	
Decision Taken	
Payment of Housing Ombudsman annual fee	
Reasons for Decision and Background Information	
As an owner and manager of social housing, housing services are required to subscribe to the Housing Ombudsman.	
There is sufficient funds allocated within t	he HRA budget to meet this cost.
Other Options Considered and why these were rejected	
Not to make the payment. This was rejected as a payment is required of the Council as we are a manager of social housing.	
Reasons why this decision is classified as operational	
This is less than £300k and there is an established budget with sufficient funds to meet this spend.	
Additional Information	
Finance Comments:	

This request for a delegated decision is necessary so that the 2024/25 annual subscription to the Housing Ombudsman for £210,210 can be paid. The budget for the Ombudsman will be met from budget code N-12058-901-5163 (£161,000) and the remaining amount of £49,210 from budget code N-12058-901-5169.

The fee is calculated using the membership rate of £8.03 (24/25) as approved by the Secretary of State multiplied by the number of housing units held (26,178). This equates to £210,209.34.

(Finance comments by Geetha Blood, Strategic Finance Business Partner, G&CD & HRA)

Decision Maker (Name and Job Title)

Sajeeda Rose, Acting Chief Executive

Scheme of Delegation Reference Number

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Date Decision Taken

5 August 2024