

## **HM PROCURATOR GENERAL AND TREASURY SOLICITOR**

### **MAIN ESTIMATE 2018-19 MEMORANDUM**

#### **Introduction**

The HM Procurator General and Treasury Solicitor's Main Estimate for 2018-19 seeks the necessary resources and cash to support the functions of the Government Legal Department (GLD); the Attorney General's Office (AGO); and HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate (HMCPSI). These are continuing functions from previous years and no new functions have been added.

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Select Committee with an explanation of how the resources and cash sought in the Main Estimate will be applied to achieve departmental objectives. This includes information on comparisons with the resources provided in earlier years' Estimates and departmental budgets.

#### **Overview of Estimate**

The cost of the legal services provided by GLD is primarily met by charges to client departments. The provision sought for 2018-19 is to meet the costs of services provided in the wider public interest. Provision is also sought for the administration costs of the Attorney General's Office, including public interest work, and HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate.

The resource DEL is £12.2m. This covers gross expenditure of £194.317m offset by administration income of £182.107m.

Within the resource DEL there is a ring-fenced provision of £3.3m for depreciation.

Capital DEL provision is £4.2m which will meet our requirements for capital expenditure, including preparations for our move to a new Head Office.

The net cash requirement is £14.6m.

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**Explanation of significant changes in provision compared with Spending Review Allocations for 2018-19 and the previous year (2017-18 Main Estimate (ME))**

**Departmental Expenditure Limit**

<b>Resource</b>	2018-19	<b>£12.210m</b>
	Spending Review	<b>£12.210m</b>
	2017-18(ME)	<b>£8.310m</b>

Main Estimate provision for 2018-19 reflects our Spending Review settlement which included funding for the anticipated additional resource costs associated with the GLD move, including dual lease costs/running costs, to a new Head Office Building.

<b>Capital</b>	2018-19	<b>£4.200m</b>
	Spending Review	<b>£4.200m</b>
	2017-18 (ME)	<b>£2.900m</b>

Main Estimate provision for 2018-19 reflects our Spending Review settlement which included funding for the GLD Technology and Accommodation Strategy.

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**Approval of Memorandum**

This memorandum has been prepared with reference to guidance in the *Estimates Manual* provided by HM Treasury and that found on the House of Commons, Scrutiny Unit website. The information in this memorandum has been approved by the departmental Accounting Officer, Jonathan Jones.

Signed:

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Permanent Secretary and Treasury Solicitor

Date: April 18