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Dear Chief Executive

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE SETTLEMENTS: 2001-02, 2002-03 & 2003-04

- **RENEWAL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE** A.
- **B**. **GRANT DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**
- **C.** NON-DOMESTIC RATE 2001-02

D. **CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS**

This Circular provides details of the provisional Scottish Executive revenue and capital 1. allocations for each local authority for the next 3 years. It sets out the structure of the local government finance system following from the reforms agreed by Ministers and the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities at their meeting on 16 November 2000. It details the proposed distribution methodology for revenue grant, the operation of the minimum grant increase floor and other related information.

These proposals have been sent to COSLA today and will form the basis for consultation 2. between Scottish Ministers and the Convention when they meet on 11 January 2001.

3. The Annexes to this Circular are:

- Annex 1: All Scotland aggregate totals;
- Spending Review 2000; Annex 2:

Calculation of grant distribution and notes; Annex 3:

Calculation of the minimum grant increase floor; Annex 4:

- Annex 5: Estimated payments to each local authority from specific grants;
- Single capital allocations and notes; Annex 6:
- Loan Charges methodology and support for approved Ppp projects; Annex 7:

Annex 8:

Operation of the Council Tax Benefit subsidy limitation scheme: Annex 9: Non-Domestic Rates 2001-02 Distributable Amount

PART A - RENEWAL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

4. Earlier this year, Scottish Ministers and COSLA elected members agreed an agenda for renewing the system of local government finance in Scotland. They agreed shared priorities for certainty, stability and simplification. These are reflected in the revised arrangements set out in this circular.

5. The Spending Review announcement on 20 September set out the aggregate totals for Scottish Executive support to local government between 2001-02 and 2003-04 (see annex 1). Subsequent Ministerial announcements described some of the policy outcomes that the additional Spending Review allocations will help to support. These are summarised at annex 2.

6. This circular provides each local authority, for the first time ever, with firm revenue and capital grant allocations for the next 3 years (see annexes 3 and 6). The allocations are not expected to be subject to redistribution during the 3 year settlement period although there will be scope to make adjustments for transfers out of or into the grant totals, for example to reflect new burdens for which additional financial provision is being made. The 3 year revenue allocations will provid councils with the certainty to plan their budgets and council tax figures. At their meeting on 16 November, Scottish Executive Ministers and COSLA agreed that all local authorities would publish, along with their council tax levels for 2001-02, firm council tax figures to their local electors and Scottish Ministers.

7. Ministers also indicated on 16 November that, subject to councils providing 3 year council tax figures, they would no longer issue explicit guidelines for local authority spending. Local authority spending and borrowing counts towards total public expenditure, so Ministers will retain powers to cap or re-introduce guidelines for individual local authorities if they consider their council tax rises or expenditure levels to be excessive. However, Ministers hope that local authorities will continue to show restraint in setting their budgets and council tax levels and that these powers will not be needed.

8. In keeping with the move towards simplification, this circular focuses on each council's total grant allocation, which will inform its budget setting for each of the 3 years. Separate Grant Aided Expenditure (GAE) allocations for individual services are not identified. Details of the assessments which are the building blocks for councils' allocations and the details of the distribution formula for 2001-02 will be set out in the annual local government distribution "Green Book" that will be published later this month.

9. The Council Tax Benefit (CTB) subsidy limitation arrangements will continue to require a local authority to contribute towards the benefits costs of an excessive council tax increase. From 2001-02 the CTB subsidy limitation thresholds will be set with reference to changes in council tax rather than expenditure as in previous years. Details of the operation of these arrangements are set out in annex 8. These thresholds are not intended to be spending guidelines or limits. It is for councils to consider in taking their council tax decisions any subsidy limitation that might apply as a result of exceeding the relevant threshold.

PART B - REVENUE GRANT DISTRIBUTION

10. Ministers agreed with COSLA that the distribution for 2001-02 should be calculated using the current distribution formula. This has been updated to take account of the outcomes of the various

distribution reviews undertaken jointly by the Executive and COSLA this year. For years 2 and 3 of the settlement Ministers have decided that the existing formula will be retained and updated using population projections. The methodology for doing this was that agreed with COSLA earlier in the year. These arrangements root the 3 year allocations in the existing needs-based formula.

11. Annex 3 sets out the distribution of AEF between authorities. The calculations outlined there were broadly as follows. Estimated Service Expenditure (ESE) includes an element of Special Islands Needs Allowance (see paragraph 12). To the assessments of ESE were added allowances for loan and leasing charges; the net costs of housing and council tax benefits rebates and the floor adjustment (see paragraph 13). This produces a figure for Total Estimated Expenditure (TEE) for each authority. AEF totalling £5,962.625 million was then distributed to produce a uniform difference between TEE and AEF per Band D equivalent property across Scotland. Annex 3 also shows the allocation of the 3 elements of AEF for each authority

12. The SINA payments are contained within ESE and include payments to 3 new recipients Highland, Argyll & Bute and North Ayrshire. The payments to these authorities were calculated in line with the recommendations of the review. For the previous recipients of SINA, Orkney, Shetland and Eilean Siar payments were frozen at 2000-01 levels.

13. To ensure that all councils benefit from the significant increases in grant arising from the Spending Review, a "floor" has been incorporated within the settlement calculation, providing a minimum guaranteed grant increase for each year. The level of the minimum increase has been set with reference to the aggregate increase in distributable grant. The "floor" has been set at 5.0% for 2001-02, 4.0% for 2002-03 and 3.4% for 2003-04. The calculation of the floor is detailed at annex 4.

14. Annex 5 gives a breakdown of individual councils' shares of specific grants as used in the calculation of RSG.

PART C - NON-DOMESTIC RATES 2001-02

15. The Minister for Finance and Local Government announced his provisional decision on the national rate poundage for 2001-02 on 7 December in a Scottish Parliamentary statement. The Scottish rate poundage has been set provisionally at 47.0p. An announcement on the final Scottish poundage is expected early next year.

16. Scottish Ministers have decided that the Distributable Amount of NDRI for 2001-02 will be $\pounds 1,553.926$ million. The balance of Distributable AEF comprises (a) an estimated total of $\pounds 602.348$ million for specific grants (including Police Loan Charges specific grant) and (b) RSG for the year of $\pounds 3,806.351$ million.

17. The Distributable Amount of NDRI incorporates a forecast of net income from non-domestic rates in 2001-02. It draws on councils' estimates of the amounts they will contribute to the pool from NDRI in 2000/01. Included in the calculation are: gross income; expected losses from appeals; the expected in-year cost of the transitional relief scheme; estimated expenditure on mandatory and other reliefs as well as write-offs and provisions for bad debts. Adjustments are also made for amounts carried over from previous years. Annex 9 shows how the Distributable Amount was calculated.

PART D - CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS

18. For the first time, this circular also provides each local authority's single capital allocation for the next 3 years. For the past two years the allocation mechanism has taken account of each authority's ability to raise capital receipts. It has been agreed with COSLA that this mechanism should be abolished for the 3 year allocations. As with the revenue settlement a guaranteed increase in capital allocations is provided between this year and next. The 2001-02 allocations have been uprated for the following 2 years so councils will receive the same percentage increase in line with their formula allocation for next year. Details of the single capital allocation and a description of the formula calculation are set out in annex 6.

19. A methodological note on the calculation of revenue support for local authorities' loan and leasing charges for servicing relevant debt and level playing field support for approved Ppp projects is provided at annex 7.

Conclusion & Contacts

20. A separate copy of this Circular has been sent by e-mail to your Director of Finance and to Norie Williamson at COSLA.

21. Enquiries relating to this Circular should be addressed to the following:

General queries	(settlement totals)
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ALL SCOTLAND AGGREGATE TOTALS

			£ million
	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Total Aggregate External Finance ¹	5,980.391	6,304.205	6,546.405
% increase over previous year	6.2%	5.4%	3.8%
less Undistributed Excellence Fund	30.874	44.974	50.874
less Undistributed INSET (SEN) Specific Grant	0.000	. 3.500	3.500
plus Police Loan Charge Specific Grant	13.108	13.503	14.077
Distributable Aggregate External Finance ¹	5,962.625	6,269.234	6,506.108
% increase over previous year	6.4%	5.1%	3.8%
¹ excludes Community Care transfer from DSS		•	
Breakdown of Specific Grants			
Police	399.665	417.731	430.395
Civil Protection grant for the Police	0.574	0.574	0.574
Supported Employment	4.348	4.348	4.348
In-Service Training of Teachers (SEN)	4.386	5.749	5.749
Gaelic	2.834	2.834	2.834
Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit Administration	17.482	18.482	19.482
Mental Illness	13.300	13.300	13.300
Social Work Training	2.200	2.200	2.200
Excellence Fund Core Programme ²	126.600	125.000	126.000
Excellence Fund Special Programme ²	30.959	. 27.959	25.559
Total Specific Grants	602.348	618.177	630.441

² The distribution of the presently unallocated amounts in the Excellence Fund of $\pm 30.874/\pm 44.974/\pm 50.874$ million is being considered by the Scottish Executive Education Department. Enquiries on the Excellence Fund should be referred to Peter Allan, 0131 244 0942.

Loan and Leasing Charges

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SPENDING REVIEW 2000 - MINISTERIAL POLICY ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Scottish Executive's Spending Review announcement on 20 September acknowledged the vital role of local government in providing services on which people rely (education, social work, etc.), but also services and facilities that improve the quality of life of Scotland's citizens, such as libraries parks etc. By far the largest proportion of the funding provided through the main local government settlement, including the additional Spending Review allocations, is not ring-fenced or hypothecated. It is for each local authority to establish its spending and investment priorities from its total allocations.

2. However, one of the key objectives of the reform agenda for local government finance was to focus more on service outcomes than on the resource inputs to local authorities. Following the Spending Review announcement, Ministerial statements have been made on a number of initiatives that will be supported through the local government settlement allocations. To assist local authorities in their budget planning process, this annex provides a summary of the policy initiatives that have been recognised in setting the aggregate local government revenue grant and capital allocation totals.

Police & Fire

3. The existing arrangements for funding police services will be maintained, with police grant supporting 51% of local authority expenditure on policing. The 3 year settlement provides additional resources to support a sustainable increases in police numbers to record levels. The settlement will also enable local authorities to keep pace with the needs of the fire service, particularly for meeting pay and pension costs, but also for the expansion of activities such as training and community fire safety.

Community Care

4. The statement by the Minister for Health and Community Care on Thursday 5 October set out the Executive's plans for the care of older people and its response to the Royal Commission on Long Term Care. This includes a series of initiatives to improve services in every area by providing fast, flexible response teams; free home care support for up to 4 weeks following discharge from hospital; additional long term care support packages for those in greatest needs; increased respite care and support services and additional funding for minor household repairs. It is also proposed to alleviate the concerns of older people about selling their homes to pay for care by disregarding the value of a person's home for 3 months following admission to care, making loans available and increasing the upper capital threshold to over £18,000. The Executive will hold further discussions with local government about these measures.

5. Further discussion will also be held on the implementation of the Learning Disability Review recommendations.

6. The settlement provides for an increase to the Mental Illness Specific Grant of ± 1 million (± 0.7 million specific grant and ± 0.3 million RSG) to ± 19 million for the next 3 years.

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Education

7. In addition to provision for cost of living increases for teachers, the local government figures include an element which is intended to meet part of the costs that may arise as a consequence of the implementation of the recommendations contained in the McCrone Report. The eventual costs of implementing the McCrone recommendations are dependent on the outcome of the Implementation Group discussions currently underway. The Implementation Group aims to reach its conclusions by the end of the year, with a view to phasing-in the agreed package from April 2001. The teacher unions also intend to ballot their members on the content of any agreed package during January 2001. The Executive have, however, indicated that they are willing to fund the full cost of the package, provided that the changes secured in teachers' conditions of service are sufficient to justify that cost.

8. It is therefore difficult at this stage to quantify with any accuracy the complete costs of implementing the McCrone package. However, we will revisit the situation when we come to confirm the local government finance settlement figures in January.

9. Additional provision has been included for the Excellence Fund Core Programme and Special Programmes, which are 100% specific grant funded. Local authorities will be advised separately of the details of the allocations for individual programmes.

Drug Rehabilitation

10. Additional provision has been included within the settlement to expand support for drug rehabilitation services. Local authorities should give initial priority to projects receiving allocations from the £1 million drug rehabilitation money being provided in the current year, which were identified as being of the highest priority by local Drug Action Teams. Further guidance will be provided to local authorities about these resources.

Youth Crime

11. Guidance will be provided to local authorities on arrangements for addressing the position of safeguarders appointed under the Children (Scotland) Act 1995.

Transport

12. The Minister for Transport announced on 28 September that additional allowance would be included within the single capital allocation to assist local authorities in tackling the backlog of repairs to local roads and bridges. The expected outputs will be determined in consultation with COSLA.

13. The Minister for Transport's statement also announced proposals to provide free local off-peak bus travel within existing concessionary scheme boundaries from October 2002. A study to examine the likely costs of various options has been finalised recently and copied to local authorities. Provision has been included within the settlements for years 2 and 3 based on the information in the report. The Executive will seek agreement with COSLA on how local authorities can deliver this policy. Maintaining this provision within the settlement is dependent on the successful outcome of these discussions.

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Waste Management

14. Within the local government settlement allowance has been made for the costs to local authorities in delivering improved landfill standards, to fund the development and running of new waste facilities and for the implementation of Area Waste Plans.

Access to the Countryside

15. The Executive's "Programme for Government" includes a commitment to legislate to give a statutory right of access to the countryside. As part of the legislation, local authorities will have a duty to plan for access in their areas, through the creation of core path networks for walking, horse-riding and cycling and powers to manage access to the countryside in their areas.

Strategic Funds

16. Outwith the settlement allocations set out in this circular strategic revenue and capital funding will be provided for a number of policy initiatives, including:

- Strategic Waste Fund, to support improvements in local waste management services;
- Additional investment in school buildings;
- Additional support for deprived communities, through the Better Neighbourhoods Fund; and
- The Children's Change Fund, to encourage better integrated services for vulnerable children.

17. Separate guidance will be provided on the purpose and allocation of these funds.

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	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m		£m	£m	£m	£m	° £m
Abaudaan City	237.890	30,494	2.349	-0.692	270.041	83,826	58.400	211.641	25.142	64.550	121.949
Aberdeen City	266.278	25.021	1.554	-0.757	292.096	86,632	60.355	231.741	20.976	69.039	141.726
Aberdeenshire	133.121	9.826	1.300	-0.381	143.866	39,009	27.177	116.690	11.494	33.342	71.854
Angus	120.230	25.485	1.145	-0.390	146.470	36,953	25.744	120.726	9.931	27.237	83.558
Argyll & Bute	58.314	5.711	0.836	-0.174	64,687	16,576	11.548	53.139	4.927	14.731	33.481
Clackmannanshire	188.495	22.914	1.836	-0.567	212.678	54,948	38.281	174.397	17.005	44.561	112.831
Dumfries & Galloway Dundee City	195.441	24.023	3.514	-0.612	222.366	46,959	32.715	189.651	20.276	43.842	125.533
East Ayrshire	149.165	14.033	1.800	-0.449	164,549	38,654	26.929	137.620	13.999	36.711	86.910
East Dunbartonshire	125.935	11.440	0.767	-0.346	137.796	45,925	31.995	105.801	10.061	33.600	62.140
East Lothian	101.709	12.667	1.079	-0.294	115.161	35,973	25.062	90.100	9.153	27.450	53.497
East Renfrewshire	104.034	9.869	0.659	-0.282	114.280	38,821	27.046	87.234	8.281	27.101	51.852
	497.647	82.364	6.261	-1.482	584,790	188,408	131.259	453.530	55.270	137.116	261.144
Edinburgh, City of	58.111	19.685	0.351	3.772	81.919	8,994	6.266	75.653	4.188	8.366	63.099
Eilean Siar	166.951	23.371	2.184	-0.487	192.019	49,122	34.222	157.797	15.335	43.823	98.639
Falkirk	422.115	34.801	5.196	-1.225	460.887	123,205	85.834	375.052	35.725	105.999	233.328
Fife	422.115 843.319	158.615	16.995	10.406	1,029,335	204,795	142.676	886.659	100.351	185.602	600.706
Glasgow City	283.412	41.813	2.487	-0.881	326.831	80,195	55,870	270.961	26.880	63.320	180.761
Highland	110.605	13.769	1.605	-0.347	125.632	27,875	19.420	106.212	11.204	25.859	69.149
Inverciyde	96.512	11.687	1.036	-0.291	108.944	28,720	20.009	88.935	8.955	24.794	55.186
Midlothian	90.312 102.314	13.780	0.990	-0.311	116.773	29,383	20.470	96.302	8.739	25.865	61.698
Moray North Armshine	172.101	18.158	2.231	-0.520	191.970	47,061	32.787	159.184	14.642	42.318	102.224
North Ayrshire	397.354	39.002	5.891	-1.210	441.037	101,478	70.697	370.340	35.498	99.546	235.296
North Lanarkshire	397.334 39.699	. 7.527	0.184	0.154	47.564	6,793	4.733	42.832	2.312	5.949	34.571
Orkney	158.381	16.352	1.348	-0,445	175.636	54,719	38,122	137.514	14.086	40.685	82.743
Perth & Kinross	212.980	24.655	3.005	0.169	240.809	64,907	45.219	195.590	19.924	53.798	121.868
Renfrewshire	134.943	17.502	1.310	-0.408	153.347	40,724	28.371	124.976	12.529	32.297	80.150
Scottish Borders Shetland	134.943 51.280	14.778	0.157	0.791	67.006	7,341	5.114	61.892	2.602	6.903	52.387
		12.299	1.452	-0.386	149.544	44,875	31.264	118.280	11.374	34.680	72.226
South Ayrshire	136.179		4.786	-1.092	407.661	105,075	73.204	334.457	31.021	93.347	210.089
South Lanarkshire	366.027	37.940		-0.313	120.142	.33,274	23.181	96.961	9.210	25.711	62.040
Stirling	105.293	14.217	0.945	-0.313	145,123	32,647	22.744	122.379	14.188	28.831	79.360
West Dunbartonshire	130.294	13.230	1.999	-0.400	204.595	51,983	36.216	168.379	17.070	46.953	104.356
West Lothian	184.846	17.972	2.327	-0.990	ビリゴッジノ J	01,900					
Scotland	6,350,975	825.000	79.579	0.000	7,255.554	1,855,850	1,292.929	5,962.625	602.348	1,553.926	3,806.351

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Aberdeen City	251.733	31.473	2.423	-0.480	309.000	87,423	64.536	244.464
Aberdeenshire	280.828	27.049	1.603		152.044	39,161	28.909	123.135
Angus	140.708	10.238	1.341	-0.243	154.222	37,088	27.378	126.843
Argyll & Bute	126.377	26.910	1.181	-0.247	154.222 68.665	16,661	12.299	56.366
Clackmannanshire	61.446	6.468	0.862	-0.111		55,153	40.714	184.189
Dumfries & Galloway	199.319	24.051	1.894	-0.361	224.903	46,863	34.594	199.198
Dundee City	205.735	24.822	3.624	-0.388	233.793	38,687	28.559	144.819
East Ayrshire	157.085	14.722	1.856	-0.285	173.378	46,161	34.076	112.411
East Dunbartonshire	132.977	12.940	0.791	-0.221	146.487	36,301	26.797	95.165
East Lothian	107.913	13.125	1.113	-0.188	121.963	39,139	28.893	92.441
East Renfrewshire	109.969	10.865	0.679	-0.180	121.333	190,043	140.290	479.341
Edinburgh, City of	529.605	84.516	6.457	-0.946	619.632		6.672	78.680
Eilean Siar	60.482	20.161	0.362	4.346	85.351	9,038	36.480	166.190
Falkirk	176.482	24.245	2.253	-0.311	202.669	49,417	91.519	395.704
Fife	443.616	39.024	5.359	-0.776	487.223	123,976	152.063	922.358
Glasgow City	888.391	164.447	17.528	4.055	1,074.421	205,991	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	286.852
Highland	299.374	45.140	2.565	-0.561	346.518	80,826	59.666	111.813
Inverciyde	116.248	14.653	1.655	-0.220	132.336	27,801	20.523	92.494
Midlothian	101.959	10.080	1.068	0.707	113.814	28,882	21.321	
Moray	108.324	12.568	1.021	0.009	121.922	29,540	21.807	100.115
North Ayrshire	181.004	18.784	2,301	-0,329	201.760	47,412	. 35.000	166.760
North Lanarkshire	419.067	40.737	6.076	-0.768	465.112	102,161	75.416	389.697
Orkney	41.439	7.864	0.190	0.105	49.598	6,844	5.052	44.546
Perth & Kinross	167.130	16.754	1.390	-0.282	184.992	55,128	40.696	144.296
Renfrewshire	225.476	25.971	3.099	-0.406	254.140	65,253	48.170	205.970
Scottish Borders	143.021	18.310	1.352	-0.261	162.422	40,937	30.220	132.203
Shetland	53.841	15.297	0.162	0.522	69.822	7,390	5.455	64.367
South Ayrshire	143.981	12.870	1.498	-0.246	158.103	45,070	33.271	124.832
South Lanarkshire	385.868	39.371	4.937	-0.693	429.483	105,629	77.976	351.507
Stirling	111.159	15.274	0.974	-0.199	127.208	33,519	24.744	102.464
West Dunbartonshire	136.897	13.820	2.062	-0.253	152.526	32,718	24.153	128.373
West Lothian	195.914	19.451	2.400	-0.350	217.415	52,677	38.886	178.529
Scotland	6,703.369	862.000	82 5	0.000	7,647.445	\$6,982	1,378.211	6,269.234

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XEF 2003-04	(1) Estimated Service Expenditure 2003-04	(2) Loan Charges Support 2003- 04 including PPP LPFS	(3) Housing and Council Tax Benefit (residual subsidy)	(4) Floor Adjustment 2003-04	(5) Total Estimated Expenditure (TEE) (Cols.1 to 4)	(6) Band D Properties forecast	(7) Deduction for TEE not supported by AEF ((Tot Col 5-Tot Col 8) * Col 6/Tot Col 6)	(8) Total AEF (Col 5-7)
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	£m	£m	£m	Êm	£m		£m	£m
Aberdeen City	261.553	32.648	2.523	-0.061	296,663	84,388	65.967	230.696
Aberdeenshire	291.294	28,786	1.669	0.195	321.944	88,223	68.964	252.980
	146.247	11.728	1.397	-0.267	159.105	39,335	30.748	128.357
Angus Argyll & Bute	130.751	28.955	1.230	-0.273	160.663	37,260	29.126	131.537
Clackmannanshire	64.007	7.243	0.898	-0.124	72.024	16,744	13.089	58.935
Dumfries & Galloway	207.825	25.337	1.972	-0.399	234.735	55,335	43.256	191.480
Duminies & Ganoway Dundee City	213.338	25.936	3.775	-0.427	242.622	46,774	36.563	206.058
East Ayrshire	163.315	15.786	1.933	-0.315	180.719	38,703	30.254	150.464
East Dunbartonshire	137.765	14.497	0.824	-0.244	152.842	46,397	36.269	116.574
East Lothian	112.863	13.914	1.159	-0.208	127.728	36,635	28.638	99.090
East Renfrewshire	114.610	11.678	0.708	-0.198	126.798	39,470	30.854	95.944
Edinburgh, City of	552.879	90.962	6.725	-0.562	650.004	191,825	149.951	500.053
Eilean Siar	62.059	21.100	0.377	4.920	88.456	9,085	7.102	81.355
Falkirk	184.628	25.431	2.346	-0.345	212.060	49,723	38.869	173.191
Fife	460.882	42.741	5.581	-0.854	508.350	124,736	97.507	410.843
Glasgow City	923.626	171.891	18.255	1.753	1,115.525	207,323	162.065	953.460
Highland	310.512	48.210	2.671	-0.617	360.775	81,484	63.696	297.079
Inverclyde	120.382	15.761	1.724	-0.243	137.624	27,711	21.662	115.962
Midlothian	106.018	13.111	1.113	0.705	120.947	29,054	22.712	98,236
Moray	112.921	13.459	1.063	-0.216	127.227	29,675	23.197	104.030
North Ayrshire	188.418	19.878	2.396	-0.362	210.331	47,716	37.300	173.031
North Lanarkshire	436.335	42.331	6.327	-0.845	484.148	102,765	80.332	403.816
Orkney	42.654	8.349	0.197	0.241	51.441	6,885	5.382	46.059
Perth & Kinross	173.990	17.514	1.448	-0.310	192.642	55,528	43.407	149.235
Renfrewshire	235.804	27.655	3.228	-0.450	266.237	65,522	51.219	215.018
Scottish Borders	149.338	19.545	1.408	-0.289	170.002	41,115	32.140	137.862
Shetland	55.577	16.087	0.169	0.544	72.377	7,446	5.821	66.556
South Ayrshire	149.849	13.477	1.560	-0.271	164.615	45,260	35.380	129.235
South Lanarkshire	400.910	40.086	5.141	0.404	446.541	106,122	82.956	363.585
Stirling	116.202	16.097	1.015	-0.220	133.094	33,822	26.439	106.655
West Dunbartonshire	142.018	14.544	2.148	-0.278	158.432	32,787	25.630	132.802
West Lothian	204.250	21.263	2.499	-0.386	227.626	53,340	41.696	185.930
						1,878,188	1,468.189	6,506.108

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EXPLANATORY NOTES TO AEF DISTRIBUTION

The calculations are set out in the table at Annex 3. Column numbers are consistent throughout the separate sections for mainland and islands authorities. Columns 1 to 8 relate to the distributions for 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04. Columns 9 to 11 are relevant to 2001-02 only.

- 1. <u>Column 1</u> of the table is the estimated service expenditure of each authority. This column includes Special Islands Needs Allowance.
- 2. <u>Column 2</u> contains allocations of loan charge support. Capital from current revenue continues to be excluded. The figures were calculated as described in Annex 7.
- 3. <u>Column 3</u> contains an assessment of the expenditure on housing and council tax benefits of each authority, net of DSS subsidy. The figures provide for a proportion of 5.5% of housing and council tax benefit (0.5% relates to incentive area spending) to be met by authorities.
- 4. <u>Column 4</u> is the assessment of the floor adjustments for each authority. The figures were calculated as shown in Annex 5.
- 5. <u>Column 5</u> is the total of columns 1 to 4. That is, it is Total Estimated Expenditure (TEE).
- 6. <u>Column 6</u> is the estimated number of Band D equivalent properties as at September 2000 on which council tax will be levied.
- 7. <u>Column 7</u> represents the portion of adjusted TEE which is <u>not</u> supported through AEF. This amount is distributed among authorities in proportion to their share of the national council tax base. This is achieved by a formula:

(Total adjusted TEE less total AEF) X <u>band D equivalent properties in authority</u> total band D equivalent properties

- 8. <u>Column 8</u> is the difference between columns 5 and 7 being the total amount of AEF. The total of column 8 is AEF of £5,962.625m in 2001-02, (i.e. the total of £5,980.39m, less Excellence Fund Special Programme and SEN specific grant, £30.874m, plus the amount of specific grant on police loan charges, £13.108m, which are supported by grant but are accounted for outside AEF). AEF for 2002-03 and 2003-04 is £6,269.234m and £6,506,108 respectively.
- 9. <u>Column 9</u> shows the amount of specific grants (excluding Police CPS, but including Police specific grant loan charges) for 2001-02. A number of specific grants (e.g. police) are paid directly to joint boards. In these cases, for AEF distribution purposes only, the estimated amount for each force or brigade has been broken down on the same basis as is used for the relevant GAEs. Distribution to constituent council level of common police services and police specific grant loan charges as used in the calculation of Police Specific grant for 2001-02, has been based on advice from treasurers of the Police Boards.

10. <u>Column 10</u> shows the amount of Distributable NDRI. This has been distributed amongst authorities in proportion to 1999 mid-year population estimates.

11. <u>Column 11</u> distributes RSG, being the remainder of AEF after deductions for Specific Grants and NDRI.

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FLOOR CALCULATION

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	Less		t less LPFS	year %				less LPFS 2002-03	excluding		2003-04	tion to	2003-04	excluding
	LPFS	ion to	2001-02	increase		2002-03	ion to		LPFS		(without	floor	(without	LPFS
	2001-02	floor	with floor	excluding		(without	floor	(without	LFF0		floor)	1001	floor)	2110
	(without			LPFS		floor)		floor)			1001)		110017	
	floor)				Ì			407			£M	£M	3.4%	
	£M	£M	5%			£M	£M	4%	E 40	Aberdeen City	230.757	-0.061	230.696	3.40
Aberdeen City	212.333	-0.692	211.641	5.68	Aberdeen City	223.551	-0.440	223.112	5.42	Aberdeenshire	251.386	0.195	251.580	3.40
Aberdeenshire	232.393	-0,757	231.636	6.83	Aberdeenshire	243.788	-0.480	243.309	5.04		127.774	-0.267	127.507	3.55
Angus	117.071	-0.381	116.690	5.58	Angus	123.378	-0.243	123.135	5.52	Angus	130.415	-0.273	130.142	3.73
Argyll & Bute	119.788	-0,390	119.398	5.17	Argyll & Bute	125.707	-0.247	125.460	5.08	Argyll & Bute	59.059	-0.124	58.935	4.56
Clackmannanshire	53.313	-0.174	53.139	7.51	Clackmannanshire	56.477	-0.111	56.366	6.07	Clackmannanshire		-0.124	190.210	3.99
Dumfries & Galloway		-0.567	173.445	5.81 [.]	Dumfries & Galloway		-0.361	182.919	5.46	Dumfries & Galloway	190.609		203.739	3.48
Dundee City	187.945	-0.612	187.333	6.17	Dundee City	197.268	-0.388	196.879	5.10	Dundee City	204.166	-0.427 -0.315	203.739	3.40 3.87
East Ayrshire	138,020	-0.449	137.571	5.14	East Ayrshire	144.935	-0.285	144.650	5.15	East Ayrshire	150.561		116.396	3.66
East Dunbartonshire	106.118	-0.346	105.773	7.98	East Dunbartonshire	112.504	-0.221	112.283	6.15	East Dunbartonshire	116.639	-0.244		
East Lothian	90.393	-0.294	90.099	5.28	East Lothian	95.353	-0.188	95.165	5.62	East Lothian	99.298	-0.208	99.090	4.12
East Renfrewshire	86.658	-0.282	86.376	7.58	East Renfrewshire	91,265	-0.180	91.085	5.45	East Renfrewshire	94.745	-0.198	94.547	3.80
Edinburgh, City of	455.012	-1.482	453,530	5.22	Edinburgh, City of	480.288	-0.946	479.341	5.69	Edinburgh, City of	496.202	-0.562	495.640	3.40
Eilean Siar	71.880	3.772	75.653	5.00	Eilean Siar	74.333	4.346	78.679	4.00	Eilean Siar	76.433	4.920	81.355	3.40
Falkirk	149.644	-0.487	149.157	7.08	Falkirk	157.859	-0.311	157.550	5.63	Falkirk	164.897	-0.345	164.551	4.45
Fife	376.278	-1.225	375.052	6.34	Fife	394.027	-0.776	393.251	4.85	Fife	408.018	-0,854	407.163	3.54
	861.141	10.406	871.547	5.00	Glasgow City	902.354	4.055	906.409	4.00	Glasgow City	935.474	1.753,		3.40
Glasgow City	270.442	-0.881	269.561	6.48	Highland	284.980	-0.561	284.419	5.51	Highland	294.746	-0.617	294.129	3.41
Highland	106.516	-0.347	106,169	5.10	invercivde	111.893	-0.220	111.672	5.18	Inverciyde	116.025	-0.243	115.782	3.68
Inverclyde	89.227	-0.347 -0.291	88.936	8.72	Midlothian	91.787	0.707	92,494	4.00	Midlothian	94.933	0.705	95.639	3.40
Midlothian	. 95.634	-0.291	95.322	6.81	Moray	99.126	0.009	99.136	4.00	Moray	103.266	-0.216	103.051	3.95
Moray		-0.511	159.131	6.33	North Ayrshire	166.898	-0.329	166.569	4.67	North Ayrshire	173,139	-0.362	172.778	3.73
North Ayrshire	159.650	-0.520	370.210	6.43	North Lanarkshire	389.997	-0.768	389.229	5.14	North Lanarkshire	404.044	-0.845	403.199	3.59
North Lanarkshire	371.420			5.00	Orkney	44.440	0.105	44.546	4.00	Orkney	45.818	0.241	46.059	3.40
Orkney	42.677	0.154	42.832	5.23	Perth & Kinross	143.173	-0.282	142.891	4.98	Perth & Kinross	148,139	-0.310	147.830	3.46
Perth & Kinross	136.554	-0.445	136.109		Renfrewshire	206.113	-0.406	205.707	5.21	Renfrewshire	215.123	-0.450	214.674	4.36
Renfrewshire	195.346	0.169	195.515	5.00	Scottish Borders	132.463	-0.261	132.203	5,78	Scottish Borders	138.151	-0.289	137.862	4.28
Scottish Borders	125.384	-0.408	124.976	5.47	Shetland	63.844	0.522	64.367	4.00	Shetland	66.012	0.544	66.556	3.40
Shetland	61.101	0.791	61.891	5.00		124.940	-0.246	124.694	5.46	South Ayrshire	129.326	-0.271	129.055	3.50
South Ayrshire	118.627	-0.386	118.241	.5.37	South Ayrshire	351.784	-0.240	351.090	5.01	South Lanarkshire	362,624	0.404	363.028	3.40
South Lanarkshire	335.439	-1.092	334.346	6.58	South Lanarkshire	101.074	-0.093	100.874	5.19	Stirling	105.284	-0.220	105.065	4.15
Stirling	96.214	-0.313	95.900	6.94	Stirling		-0.155	128.200	4.80	West Dunbartonshire		-0.278	132.586	3.42
West	122.724	-0.400	122,324	8.39	West	128.453	-0.203	120.200	7.00	1				
Dunbartonshire					Dunbartonshire	477.004	0.250	177.571	5,46	West Lothian	184.400	-0.386	184.014	3.63
West Lothian	168.928	-0.550	168.378	5.50	West Lothian	177.921	-0.350	6225.254	5.02	Scotland	6450.331	0.00	6450.331	3.62
Scotland	5927.881	0.00	5927.881	5.94	Scotland	6225.251	0.00	0420.204	20.0	<u>Loonana</u>	0 100.001			

Year on year increases in AEF underlying the floor exclude LPFS, as agreed by the Distribution Committee. Contributions to the floor have been calculated pro-rata councils' AEF totals excluding LPFS before operation of the floor. The floor ensures that all councils receive increases in AEF of 5% in 2001-02, 4% in 2002-03 and 3.4% in 2003-04.

2001-02 SPECIFIC GI	RANTS ¹				[*] •	31 0 1		استعنت ا		Excellence	Excellence	Total
	_		_	Council Tax	Housing	³ In-Service	Gaelic	Mental	Social Work		Fund	Specific
	² Police	Civil	Supported	Benefit	Benefit	Training of	Gaenc	Illness	Training	Programme	Special Prog	Grants
		Defence	Employment	Admin	Admin	Teachers £000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	159	2000 97	673	90	4,163	2,335	25,142
Aberdeen City	16,655	59	395	249	267 181	204	5	549	75	5,929	1,227	20,976
Aberdeenshire	12,440	44	162	160	151	204 87	29	305	47	2,660	484	11,494
Angus	7,583	13	0	133	133	78	246	297	41	2,009	430	9,931
Argyll & Bute	6,569	4	5	119	96	57	8	105	20	1,344	323	4,927
Clackmannanshire	2,851	9	26	88	217	133	0	355	55	3,629	591	17,005
Dumfries & Galloway	11,626	55	157	187		133	0	324	74	3,300	1,039	20,276
Dundee City	14,108	25	519	355	418	114	100	305	51	3,495	982	13,999
East Ayrshire	8,540	6	14	200	195	98	31	156	31	3,544	1,000	10,061
East Dunbartonshire	5,030	3	. 0	96	72		0	211	35	2,284	819	9,153
East Lothian	5,426	4	76	114	123	61	23	54	27	2,942	664	8,281
East Renfrewshire	4,336	3	• 9	78	67	78	127	1,278	206	8,759	2,059	55,270
City of Edinburgh	40,750	31	409	633	744	274	900	1,278	200	761	279	4,188
Eilean Siar	1,893	4	43	49	27	51	900 7	348	59	3,883	846	15,335
Falkirk	9,329	28	200	241	238	156	0	849	135	8,453	1,426	35,725
Fife	22,520	55	847	577	563	300		2,636	372	12,684	3,872	100,351
City of Glasgow	75,843	50	452	1,780	1,956	529	177	2,030	79	5,261	1,188	26,880
Highland	18,013	44	400	273	273	171	610	184	41	2,380	618	11,204
Inverclyde	7,451	5	33	169	184	80	59	253	26	2,380	615	8,955
Midlothian	5,632	4	57	110	118	61	0		30	2,079	428	8,739
Moray	5,596	20	71	103	115	74	0	152	50 59	2,130 3,896	428	14,642
North Ayrshire	9,065	6	. 24	237	254	128	29	187	128	9,014	1,559	35,498
North Lanarkshire	22,353	15	143	676	616	303	156	535	. 20	508	256	2,312
Orkney	1,279	3	24	19	21	56	0	126			230 916	14,086
Perth & Kinross	9,385	17	0	131	165	99	30	258	51	3,034	910	19,924
Renfrewshire	12,875	8	19	298	363	156	14	356	73	4,812	669	19,924
Scottish Borders	8,551	6	100	127	161	64	4	295	43	2,509	68	2,602
Shetland	1,563	4	_29	18	17	43	0	157	20	683		
South Ayrshire	6,775	4	33	158	161	94	0	286	46	3,031	786	11,374
South Lanarkshire	19,181	13	10	567	482	273	120	713	114	8,365	1,183	31,021
Stirling	5,865	18	29	107	100	87	62	197	33	2,095	617	9,210
West Dunbartonshire	9,666	6	19	219	220	89	0	238	43	2,532	1,156	14,188
West Lothian	10,916	. 8	43	240	271	118	0	194	51	4,412	817	17,070
Scotland	399,665	574	4,348	8,511	8,971	4,386	2,834	13,300	2,200	126,600	30,959	602,348
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¹ All figures are Scottish Executive Estimates
² Includes loan charges of £13.108 million
³ Includes £0.6 million for Educational Psychologists

2002-03 SPECIFIC G	RANTS ¹			Council Tax	Housing	In-Service		Mandal	Social Work	Excellence	Excellence Fund	Total Specific
	² Police	Civil	Supported	Benefit	Benefit	Training of	Gaelic	Mental Illness	Training	Programme	Special Prog	Grants
		Defence	Employment	Admin	Admin	Teacher	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000 97	673	90	4,113	2,135	25,939
Aberdeen City	17,623	59	395	264	282	208	5	549	75	5,843	1,023	21,491
Aberdeenshire	13,160	- 44	162	170	192	268	29	305	47	2,620	484	11,757
Angus	7,843	13	0	141	161	114	29	297	41	1,975	425	10,240
Argyll & Bute	6,879	4	5	126	140	102	240	105	20	1,328	323	5,082
Clackmannanshire	2,994	9	26	93	101	75	0	355	55	3,573	591	17,296
Dumfries & Galloway	11,909	55	157	198	229	174	0	333	74	3,255	1,037	20,794
Dundee City	· 14,594	25	519	375	442	149	100	305	51	3,449	980	14,411
East Ayrshire	8,942	6	- 14	212	206	146	31	156	31	3,497	997	10,288
East Dunbartonshire	5,267	. 3	0	101	76	129		211	35	2,256	623	9,284
East Lothian	5,748	4	76	120	131	80	0	211 54	27	2,904	463	8,278
East Renfrewshire	4,540	3	9	82	71	102	23		206	2,904 8,670	2,069	57,800
City of Edinburgh	43,195	31	409	669	787	359	127	1,278	200	748	2,009	4,247
Eilean Siar	1,933	4	43	52	29	67	900	156	23 59	3,840	646	- 15,637
Falkirk	9,798	. 28	200	255	252	204	7	348		•	1,422	35,944
Fife	22,702	55	847	610	596	393	0	849	135	8,335	3,868	104,203
City of Glasgow	79,419	50	452	1,881	2,068	691	177	2,636	372	12,589	987	27,079
Highland	18,410	44	400	288	289	225	610	568	79	5,179	616	11,569
Inverclyde	7,802	5	33	179	194	105	59	184	41	2,351	415	9,089
Midlothian	5,964	4	57	116	125	80	0	253	26	2,049	413	9,089
Moray	5,922	20	71	109	121	97	0	152	30	2,114	428	9,004 14,886
North Ayrshire	9,493	6	24	250	268	168	29	187	59	3,847		
North Lanarkshire	23,407	. 15	143	714	651	398	156	535	128	8,904	1,354	36,405
Orkney	. 1,307	3	24	20	23	73	0	126	20	497	263	2,356
Perth & Kinross	9,708	17	0	139	175	130	30	258	51	2,992	716	14,216
Renfrewshire	13,482	- 8	19	315	384	205	14	356	73	4,758	749	20,363
Scottish Borders	9,062	6	100	135	170	84	4	295	43	2,469	470	12,838
Shetland	1,595	4	29	19	17	56	0	157	20	674	278	2,849
South Ayrshire	7,095	· 4	33	167	170	124	0	286	46	2,990	585	11,500
South Lanarkshire	20,086	13	. 10	599	509	358	120	713	114	8,265	978	31,765
Stirling	6,159	18	29	113	106	114	62	197	33	2,070	417	9,318
West Dunbartonshire	10,122	6	19	232	232	117	0	238	43	2,497	953	14,459
West Lothian	11,571	8	43	254	287	154	0	194	51	4,349	819	17,730
Scotland	417,731	574	4,348	8,998	9,484	5,749	2,834	13,300	2,200	125,000	27,959	618,177
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¹ All figures are Scottish Executive Estimates ² Includes loan charges of £13.503 million

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2003-04 SPECIFIC GH	RANTS ¹					× 0		Mental	Social Work	Excellence	Excellence	Total
		Civil	Supported	Council Tax	Housing	In-Service	O	Illness	Training	Fund Core	Fund	Specific
	² Police	Defence	Employment	Benefit	Benefit	Training of	Gaelic	miess	Hamme		Special Prog	Grants
				Admin	Admin	Teachers	r000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000 673	£000 90	4,153	1,937	26,018
Aberdeen City	17,831	59	395	278	297	208	97		90 75	4,133 5,890	921	21,603
Aberdeenshire	13,308	44	162	179	202	268	5	549	47	2,641	483	11,957
Angus	8,006	13	0	149	170	114	29	305		1,992	483	10,528
Argyll & Bute	7,139	4	5	133	148	102	246	297	41 20		323	-5,265
Clackmannanshire	3,157	9	26	98	107	75	8	105		1,337	525	17,631
Dumfries & Galloway	12,194	55	157	208	242	174	0	355	55	3,600		21,166
Dundee City	14,896	25	519	395	466	149	0	324	74	3,283	1,035	14,793
East Ayrshire	9,280	6	14	223	217	146	100	305	51	3,473	978	
East Dunbartonshire	5,466	3	0	107	80	129	31	156	31	3,519	993 .	10,515
East Lothian	5,906	4	76	127	138	80	0	211	35	2,273	426	9,276`
East Renfrewshire	4,711	3	9	` 86	74	102	23	54	27	2,921	364	8,374
City of Edinburgh	44,424	31	409	706	829	359	127	1,278	206	8,748	2,078	59,195
Eilean Siar	1,952	4	43	55	30	67	900	156	. 25	754	289	4,275
Falkirk	10,332	28	200	269	265	204	7	348	59	3,867	. 448	16,027
Fife	23,155	55	847	643	628	393	0	849	135	8,405	1,418	36,528
	82,419	50	452	1,983	2,180	691	177	2,636	372	12,709	3,872	107,541
City of Glasgow	18,605	44	400	- 304	305	225	610	568	79	5,221	785	27,146
Highland	8,097	5	33	188	205	105	59	184	41	2,368	614	11,899
Inverclyde		4	~ 57	122	131	80	0	253	26	2,066	314	9,179
Midlothian	6,126	20	71	115	128	.97	0	152	30	2,131	429	9,168
Moray	5,995	20 6	24	264	283	168	29	187	59	3,876	354	15,101
North Ayrshire	9,851	15	143	753	686	398	156	535	128	8,972	1,253	37,330
North Lanarkshire	24,291		· 24	- 21	24	73	0	126	20	499	162	2,273
Orkney	1,321	3	24	146	184	130	30	258	51	3,017	615	14,357
Perth & Kinross	9,909	17		332	405	205	14	356	73	4,793	654	20,851
Renfrewshire	13,992	8	19	142	180	2.05 84	4	295	43	2,488	372	13,029
Scottish Borders	9,315	6	. 100	20	180	56	0	157	20	680	278	2,872
Shetland	1,610	4	29		18	124	0	286	46	3,011	385	11,607
South Ayrshire	7,363	4	33	176		358	120	713	114	8,327	774	32,442
South Lanarkshire	20,844	13	10	632	537		62	197	33	2,087	319	9,585
Stirling	6,495	18	29	119	112	114	02	238	43	2,517	852	14,785
West Dunbartonshire	10,504	6	19	244	245	117	0	238 194	51	4,382	822	18,126
West Lothian	11,901	8	43	268	303	154	•		2,200	126,000	25,559	630,442
Scotland	430,395	574	4,348	9 , 485	9,998	5,749	2,834	13,300	2,200	140,000	43,007	vJV,77#

1 All figures are Scottish Executive Estimates 2 Includes loan charges of £14.077 million

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SINGLE ALLOCATION 2001-04

Single Allocation (formula)

Councils	Allocation 2001-02 £000	Allocation 2002-03 £000	Allocation 2003-04 £000
Aberdeen City	9,574	9,665	10,718
Aberdeenshire	10,570	10,671	11,833
Angus	6,245	6,304	6,991
Argyll & Bute	12,327	12,444	13,799
Clackmannanshire	3,449	3,482	3,861
Dumfries & Galloway	10,315	10,413	11,547
Dundee City	8,409	8,489	9,413
East Ayrshire	6,301	6,360	7,053
East Dunbartonshire	5,722	5,776	6,405
East Lothian	5,477	5,529	6,131
East Renfrewshire	5,145	5,193	5,759
Edinburgh, City of	21,836	22,043	24,444
Eilean Siar	11,542	11,652	12,921
Falkirk	7,679	7,752	8,597
Fife	16,885	17,045	18,902
Glasgow City	35,526	35,863	39,769
Highland	20,689	20,885	23,160
Inverclyde	7,460	7,530	8,351
Midlothian	4,538	4,581	5,080
Moray	5,297	5,348	5,930
North Ayrshire	9,320	9,409	10,434
North Lanarkshire	15,482	15,629	17,331
Orkney Islands	4,417	4,459	4,944
Perth & Kinross	9,055	9,141	10,137
Renfrewshire	9,708	9,800	10,868
Scottish Borders	8,375	8,455	9,376
South Ayrshire	5,763	5,818	6,452
South Lanarkshire	15,821	15,971	17,710
Stirling	5,725	5,779	6,409
West Dunbartonshire	5,259	5,309	5,887
West Lothian	7,378	7,448	8,260
Single Allocation (formula)	311,288	314,246	348,470
Single Allocation (other)			
SPTA	9,000	10,000	11,000
Tay Road Bridge Joint Board*	800	800	800
Scotland Total	321,088	325,046	360,270

* Provisional

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS 2001-04

Spending Plans 2001-04

1. The resources announced in the Spending Plans provide for an increase of 68% in support for local authority capital investment by 2003-04. The table below provides a breakdown of the Spending Plan figures.

			· £	million
	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Scottish Executive support for local authority capital	366.8	470.0	506.8	618.7
Police		24.7	29.7	31.4
Fire *		19.6	· 22.6	23.6
Single Allocation		425.7	454.5	563.7
Revised baselines from Spending Review		425.70	454.50	563.70
Holdback	3	11.70*	13.63	16.91
Available for distribution		414.00	440.90	546.80
Public Transport Fund		40.0	50.0	60.0
Other commitments		48.0	70.8	126.5
Total commitments		88.0	120.8	186.5
Available for distribution as single allocation	258.6	326.0	320.1	360.3
Adjustment (see paragraph 3)		-5.0	5.0	•
Revised total available for distribution as single allocation	9	321.0	325.1	360.3

* Reduced to maintain floor

The above table shows the breakdown of the total support for local authority capital in the Spending Plans for Scotland 2001-02 to 2003-04. Part of the resources currently posted to capital may be subject to reclassification.

2. The announcement of the 3 year allocations is restricted to the single allocation which provides for authorities' mainstream investment needs. Those authorities that were successful in securing support from the 2001-02 Public Transport Fund will have received separate notification of these allocations. Announcements on the allocation of resources for specific policy areas will be made by the relevant Minister in due course.

3. The table shows the calculation of the total resources classed as the single allocation. The profile of Public Transport Fund and other commitments would have meant a dip in Year 2. To smooth this out, we have moved £5m from Year 1 to Year 2. After the various earmarked sums have been deducted (including the adjustment for year 2) £321/£325/£360 million is available for distribution as the single allocation. This represents growth of 39.3% over the spending review period.

Single Allocation Formula

4. To aid the delivery of firm 3 year allocations, Ministers agreed with COSLA that the process whereby allocations were adjusted to take account of councils' forecast receipts should be abolished but that a compensatory mechanism should be introduced to protect those councils with limited receipt generating capacity. Against an aggregate increase of around 24% in the single allocation formula for 2001-02, a floor of 20% has been introduced.

Methodology

5. The allocations have been determined with reference to the current year's formula allocation and the base formula outcome for 2001-02. Where the increase in a council's base formula allocation for next year < 20%, the allocation has been lifted to +20%. The floor is largely self-financing: the increased resources required to finance the floor have been drawn mainly from those councils with an increase>20%.

6. To maintain relativities, the allocations for years 2 and 3 are based on the year 1 allocation relative to the resources available for distribution in years 2 and 3.

7. The floor guarantees for every council a minimum 20% increase over its formula allocation for the current year. For those councils that gained from the receipts arrangements, the increase is measured against an already enhanced base allocation for the current year.

8. The table also includes 3 year allocations for the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority and the Tay Road Bridge Joint Board. In the time available it has not been possible to finalise the allocation for the Joint Board.

9. The announcement of these firm 3 year allocations means that authorities can now forward plan with a greater degree of certainty and enter into commitments up to the full amount of their allocation for future years.

10. With the abolition of the receipt rules, formula allocations will revert to a net basis. The formal consent letter will continue to issue on an annual basis.

METHODOLOGY NOTE : LOAN AND LEASING CHARGES CALCULATION FOR 2001-02, 2002-03 AND 2003-04

1. LOAN CHARGES ON LOCAL AUTHORITY DEBT

- 1.1 Loan Charges are designed to support the interest payments on Local Authority debt, principal repayments and loans fund expenses. Loan charges amounts are calculated for:
- i) actual relevant service debt incurred by councils prior to March 31 1999
- ii) estimated relevant service debt incurred by councils since March 31 1999
- iii) actual debt incurred by the police and fire services and the Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority
- 1.2 For each category of debt the main components of loan charges are calculated as follows:

Interest Payments: A Scottish average pool interest rate is applied to the average debt. For 2001-02 to 2003-04, the interest rate is 7.2%.

<u>Principal Repayments</u>: For category i) redemptions are as reported. For categories ii) and iii) an average redemption rate is applied to average debt during the period. For ii) the rate is the average all-councils redemption rate for 1998-99. For iii) the rate used for each board is that board's average redemption rate for 1996-97 to 1998-99.

Loans Fund Expenses: An expenses rate is applied to average debt in the period. For 2001-02 to 2003-04, the expenses rate is 0.069%.

1.3 In addition, Orkney Islands Council and Shetland Islands Council receive a notional element of loan charges to support their debt free (or previously debt free) status.

2. LOAN CHARGES FOR PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS

2.1 In addition to the loan and leasing charges detailed above, loan charges are given to provide a 'level playing field' for Public private partnership projects (Ppps). The methodology for this is described in detail in Finance Circular 16/1997. Level Playing Field Support amounts to £34.744m in 2001-02, £43.979m in 2002-03 and £55.777m 2003-04.

3. TOTAL LOAN AND LEASING CHARGES

- 3.1 Total loan charges are the sum of loan charges on Local Authority debt (including notional amounts for Orkney and Shetland), total calculated loan charges amounts are as follows:
- 2001-02 £779.298m

• 2002-03 £811.020m

• 2003-04 £842.171m

COUNCIL TAX BENEFIT SUBSIDY LIMITATION

The Council Tax Benefit (CTB) subsidy limitation arrangements require a local authority to contribute towards the additional CTB costs associated with an increase in council tax above a set threshold. The cost of council tax benefit is roughly proportional to the council tax. An increase in council tax will lead to an increase in benefit costs of approximately the same percentage.

For 2001-02 and the subsequent 2 years, the CTB subsidy limitation arrangements will apply to any council that increases its council tax by more than 5% and £50, to that proportion by which the Band D council level exceeds the all-Scotland average council tax level in that year. The standard rate of benefit subsidy (currently 95%) will be scaled down proportionate to a council's excess increase relative to their previous council tax level.

Therefore where dR is the value of an authority's excess council tax increase above 5% or £50 (whichever is the lower) and CT1 is the authority's previous council tax level, then its benefit subsidy would be scaled by a proportion of:

$1 - \frac{\frac{1}{2}dR}{CT1}$

Where the proportion of an authority's council tax yield met from benefit (B) is above the Scottish average proportion (M), then its benefit subsidy would be scaled by a proportion of:

$1 - \frac{\frac{1}{2}dR^*M}{CT1^*B}$

Where dR is greater than the excess of the authority's council tax level above the all-Scotland average then the subsidy limitation is applied only on the excess above the all-Scotland average. Therefore where CT2 is the authority's new council tax level and CTa is the all-Scotland average, its benefit subsidy would be scaled by a proportion of:

$$1 - \frac{\frac{1}{2}(CT2-CTa)}{CT1}$$

Where a council exceeds the 5% and £50 thresholds but its Band D council tax is still below the all Scotland average then no subsidy limitation is applied.

The 5% assumed average council tax increase within the settlement calculations should provide a guide to councils on the likely level of the average all-Scotland council tax in each of the next 3 years.

2001-02 DISTRIBUTABLE AMOUNT NDRI Balance Sheet to 31.3.01

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1	Balance b.f. 31.3.00 as per DA calc 2000- 01	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m 117.391
2	Closing Balance					117.391
	Final Balance b.f. 31.3.00				<u></u>	
3	Opening Balance					117.391
4 5	Add: PCA Prov Cont Amount 2000-01 Less: Dist Amount 2000-01				1,545.234 1,662.691 -117.457	
6	Reconciliation of 1999-00					-0.066
7 8 9	Add: Notified Amount 1999-00 Less Prov Cont Amount 1999-00			1,497.570 1,505.975 -8.405	- .	
10	Reconciliation of 1998-99					-8.471
11 12 13	Add: Audited Amount 1998-99 Less: Notified Amount 1998-99		1,437.646 1,439.578 -1.932			-10.403
14	Closing Balance 2000-01					-10.403
. 15	Balance b.f. 31.3 01	<u> </u>	<u></u>			-10.403
16 17 18	Opening Balance Add: estimated Prov Cont. Amount 2001-02 Add: Mid Year Estimate 2000-01	1,540.563	1,569.000			
19 20	Less: Prov Cont Amount 2000-01 Add/less Est. reconciliation of 2000-01	1,545.234 -4.671				
21	Estimated movement on Pool 2001-02		~			1,564.329
22	Estimated movement on Pool 2001-02					1,564.329
23	Net Balance on 2000-01 Pool inc. b/fd @ 31/3/01			۰.		1,553.926
24	Less: Distributable Amount for 2001-02					-1,553.926
25	Estimated balance at 31.3.02				• .	0.000
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