EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET

26 March 2015

Report by Deputy Chief Executive

IRRECOVERABLE SUNDRY DEBTOR INCOME

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To seek approval to write-off £54,362.40 of irrecoverable sundry debtor income.

RECOMMENDATION

2. It is recommended that the Cabinet approves the write-off of irrecoverable sundry debtor income up to the value of £54,362.40 without prejudice to subsequent recovery action.

REPORT

REASONS FOR WRITE-OFF

3. The main reasons for seeking approval for write-off together with amounts for each reason are shown below:

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Legal Agents report Low likelihood of recovery	54,202.41
Small balances uneconomic to pursue	<u> 159.99</u>

54,362.40

LEVEL OF COLLECTION

4. The normal annual income recorded through the sundry debtor's system is around £16m and the sum recommended to be written off represents less than 1% of this sum. Last year the Cabinet approved write offs totalling £96,893.46 which was a reduction in the level of accounts approved for write off in previous years. As a result of increased cooperation from billing departments, it has been possible for the last two years to continually reduce both the volume of write offs and the average time debtors accounts are outstanding prior to payment.

IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT

5. There are no specific implications for property, staffing, IT, legal issues or sustainability..

RECOMMENDATION

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KEY WORDS

Irrecoverable Sundry debtor income Write-off