

<p>To: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE</p> <hr/> <p>From: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES</p> <hr/> <p>Date: 24th September, 1998 Ref: TL/MC</p>	<p>Subject: The Governments New Contaminated Land Regime Implemented by the Environment Act, 1995, Section 57</p>
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PROPOSED DECISION

To note the Report.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Expenditure will require to be allocated during the Financial Year 1999/2000 to comply with regulations to be made under Section 57 of the Environment Act 1995.

REPORT

1. The Scottish Office have intimated by letter that during the Financial Year 1999/2000 they will make available to local authorities £1.7 million to implement a new contaminated land regime. This £1.7 million will be allocated on a population basis and consequently North Lanarkshire Council's allocation will be £108,000 (approximately).
2. Regulations to be published in early 1999 will set out Local Authorities new responsibilities and duties under the Environment Act, 1995. The Department will require to allocate additional resources to comply with these new statutory duties and responsibilities. It is anticipated that additional staff plus fees for scientific and technical services will be required.
3. Accordingly additional monies have been requested in the Department's budget submission for the next financial year.

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