

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM No. 21 REPORT

To: HOUSING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE	Subject: Demolition of Lock-ups, 147A-D Main Street, Salsburgh
From: DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND PROPERTY SERVICES	
Date: 12 February 2003 Ref: TMcK/DD/Ry	

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Committee of the necessary demolition of 4 lock-ups at 147A-D Main Street, Salsburgh due to extensive vandalism and following a notice being served by Building Control.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Over a period of 12 months the 4 lock-ups had been subjected to vandalism, which has resulted in substantial damage to the fabric of the structures.

2.2 Repairs had previously been undertaken to bring the lock ups back into use. However, further vandalism had recurred despite the involvement of the Police.

3. CONSIDERATIONS

3.1 There was no demand for these lock-ups. Furthermore it had been anticipated that additional repair work would have been a waste of resources as further vandalism would have occurred due to their isolated location. The removal of the lock-ups has greatly enhanced the surrounding area and has stopped youths congregating in the vicinity. Living conditions for surrounding residents have also improved.

3.2 Cost of the demolition work (£4,300) was contained within the existing area office budget.

3.3 Void rent loss of the department has been reduced by approximately £760 per annum. It has also been necessary for the Housing Finance Manager to make an adjustment to reduce the annual rental income of the department by the same amount.

4 RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Committee is requested to note the report and the fact that urgent action was forced on the Council to demolish 4 lock-ups at Main Street, Salsburgh

5 BACKGROUND REPORTS

5.1 Held within the Housing & Property Services Department.



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