

# Calculating Allowances for Tenant Management Organisations

Part 4

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# Introduction

This guidance is given by the Secretary of State under regulation 18 of the Housing (Right to Manage) Regulations 2012 (SI No. 1821) which provides that any person exercising functions under those Regulations shall act in accordance with any guidance given by the Secretary of State.

This guidance sets out the way that allowances must be calculated for Tenant Management Organisations that are exercising the Right to Manage.

#### Self financing for Tenant Management Organisations

The only exception to this is where the council and the Tenant Management Organisation have agreed that the Tenant Management Organisation will be self financing. In this case the Tenant Management Organisation and the council will negotiate and agree an arrangement that reflects the council's own model of self financing i.e. the Tenant Management Organisation will retain the rental and service charge income and will also finance its proportion of the council's capital debt. The Tenant Management Organisation will need to make provision to purchase or pay for services provided by the council.

# Section A

# Methodology

## 1. Calculation of allowances

The calculation of allowances must be based on the council's own level of expenditure on providing the services to the Tenant Management Organisation properties that the Tenant Management Organisation will provide.

Where a periodic review of allowances is being carried out for an operational Tenant Management Organisation, the same methodology shall be used, but the cost base must be established from properties remaining within the council's management. See item 3 – Periodic Reviews.

The checklist at Annex A shall be used and if necessary adapted to reflect local circumstances and arrangements. The accompanying notes 1 to 7 will assist the calculation of allowances. The checklist sets out the potential functions that a Tenant Management Organisation can carry out under the terms of the management agreement. The council should insert the appropriate level of allowance based on the relevant number of dwellings for each of those functions and supply the relevant background information and calculations to indicate how these figures have been arrived at. The allowance must be calculated in accordance with the guidance unless both the Tenant Management Organisation and the council agree an alternative arrangement.

The Tenant Management Organisation allowances should be based on the council's:

- actual\* expenditure in the case of the supervision and management and the running costs (see notes 1, 5 and 6)
- historic expenditure in the case of responsive repairs and planned maintenance (see note 2)

\*actual expenditure shall be calculated with reference to the latest available audited accounts uplifted by inflation to bring them up to current day levels or the current annual budgets. In the case of supervision of a major works contract (Chapter 2, option 6B), the allowance should be based on the council's costs (internal or external) in managing a similar major works contract.

The exceptions to this are:

- a) exceptional repairs (examples listed below) where the council and Tenant Management Organisation need to negotiate an appropriate figure (see note 2a);
  - i) Repairs to the structure of the dwelling or block of dwellings where the cost of rectifying a single defect exceeds an agreed amount.
  - ii) Repairs to void dwellings where the cost exceeds an agreed amount Where the council retains responsibility for these functions, the full cost of the repair should be met by the council

- iii) One-off replacement of items such as: Central heating boilers, Removal of asbestos, Gas fires, Lifts, CCTV equipment, Communal refuse bins, Repairs to disabled adaptations, One-off re-wiring of whole or part of dwelling or communal areas. This list is not exhaustive. There may be other exceptional repairs which relate to the Tenant Management Organisation area which are not reflected in the historic costs.
- b) major works including programmed repairs, lifecycle replacements and improvements which are likely to be carried out as a major works contract, where the council and Tenant Management Organisation need to negotiate an appropriate figure. This will be based on projected costs which are reflected in the council's business plan (see note 3 and 4);
- c) committee administration, training and tenant communication (i.e. **not** office running costs such as rent, business rates, utilities or management costs), where there will be a flat rate payment of £5,000 plus £10 per dwelling (including long leases served by the Tenant Management Organisation). This amount should be increased annually in line with increases applied to the remainder of the allowances.

## Voids and bad debt percentage amount

If the Tenant Management Organisation proposes to manage void properties and collect rent from tenants (Chapter 3, Option 10C of the management agreement), the council will calculate the voids percentage amount on the basis of its own provision within its accounts for loss of rental income from void properties or its actual losses in the most recent financial year. The council will also calculate the bad debt percentage on the basis of its own provision within its accounts for writing off bad debts on rents due or its actual write offs on rent due in the most recent financial year.

If the Tenant Management Organisation proposes to manage void properties and but <u>not</u> to collect rents and has chosen Chapter 3 clause 10B of the management agreement, the council will calculate the Void Losses budget using the same method as set out in the paragraph above.

# 2. Adjusting allowances annually

Allowances should be set, wherever possible, for a 3 to 5 year period but adjusted annually by increasing or decreasing the overall allowances by the same proportion as the council's own overall Housing Revenue Account expenditure (excluding any new build costs).. This should reflect inflation, increases and changes in costs, and increases in income from rents and service charges. The council and the Tenant Management Organisation may agree to use a different mutually agreed index such as inflation or annual uplifts to provider or Arms Length Management Organisation fees or allowances.

The Tenant Management Organisation's allowances should then be reduced or increased pro rata by any Right to Buy sales, voluntary disposals and demolitions or acquisitions affecting the dwellings under Tenant Management Organisation management.

If the Tenant Management Organisation takes over additional functions during the financial year the allowances should be adjusted accordingly by reference to the council's own costs for providing the service.

# **Giving the Tenant Management Organisation notice**

The council must give the Tenant Management Organisation at least <u>three</u> months notice of any change in the amount of the allowance for the following financial year and agree a procedure and timetable for implementing any change. The timetable should allow a sufficient period for negotiation with the Tenant Management Organisation on the proposed change and for agreement to be reached on how it will be implemented.

#### 3. Periodic review of allowances

It will be open to either a council or Tenant Management Organisation to seek a review of allowances where either the council's costs have reduced or increased significantly for a similar mix of dwellings or a Tenant Management Organisation's costs have increased significantly. However Tenant Management Organisations should note that in seeking a review the calculation will be based on the council's costs as described below. A periodic review should not take place more frequently than once every three years unless both parties agree otherwise.

In carrying out a periodic review, the same methodology is to be used as set out in item 1, but necessarily the cost base must be established from properties remaining within the council's management or that of its Arms Length Management Organisation. A comparator area should be identified and agreed with the Tenant Management Organisation. This may be a similar block or estate, or an area or a borough wide comparator area.

#### 4. Variations in the allowances

Where there is a variation in the allowances of 5% or more as a result of an annual or periodic review, this should be phased in over three years or a shorter period where the Tenant Management Organisation and council can agree.

#### 5. Leaseholder Allowance

The initial allowances for the Tenant Management organisation will include an amount for services to be provided to leaseholders based on the council's costs for providing services to leaseholders calculated in accordance with this guidance. All or part of the leaseholder allowance will form the basis of the estimate of leaseholders' service charges as determined by the lease agreement between the council and the leaseholder.

The leaseholder allowance will vary from year to year according to the Tenant Management Organisation's annual estimate of expenditure on leasehold properties and it will be adjusted annually for the Tenant Management Organisation's actual expenditure for the previous financial year. This is unlikely to be available before quarter 3 or 4 of the financial year when the adjustment should be made.

After the initial year of operation, allowances will be calculated as follows:

a) For Tenant Management Organisations that have opted to collect service charges and pay over to the council; and for Tenant Management Organisations that do not collect service charges but provide services to Leaseholders.

The council will pay the Tenant Management Organisation an allowance based on the Tenant Management Organisation's estimated annual budget for the forthcoming financial year. This will be paid in instalments with the Tenant Management Organisations allowances in accordance with Chapter 5 clause 2 of the Management Agreement. This amount will be adjusted annually to reflect the Tenant Management Organisation's actual expenditure on services to leaseholders in the previous financial year as set out in the Tenant Management Organizations' audited accounts.

#### b) For Tenant Management Organisations collecting and retaining service charges.

The council shall advance the Tenant Management Organisation such amount as is deemed necessary for the Tenant Management Organisation to provide such services to leaseholders as required by the Management Agreement, until such time as it collects the service charges due from leaseholders in accordance with local leases. This advance should be repaid to the council by the Tenant Management Organisation when it is financially able to do so – in instalments, if necessary – and by local agreement.

# 6. Where an Arms Length Management Organisation provides the service

Where an Arms Length Management Organisation is providing the service, the allowances should be calculated in the same way as if the council is providing the service but necessarily the Arms Length Management Organisation's staffing costs and any relevant contract costs will need to form the basis of the calculation. Relevant managed budgets (such as council repair or service contracts) will also need to be included in the calculation.

## 7. Providing information

#### a) Exploring the Options 2

The council should provide the tenants' group with an estimate of indicative allowances to enable them to decide if it is financially viable to pursue setting up a Tenant Management Organisation. The number of properties and specifically the number of leasehold properties in the property will have an effect on the viability of a Tenant Management Organisation. The developing Tenant Management Organisation tenants' group will need to make an informed decision on whether to proceed with serving the Right to Manage notice.

# b) Feasibility Development Stage

The council should supply the developing Tenant Management Organisation and its professional advisors with detailed financial information early in this stage to enable them to make an informed choice on the options in the Modular Management Agreement during the negotiation with the council. The council should use the worksheets provided in this guide adapted if necessary to reflect local circumstances. The council should provide all of

the relevant background information and data to support the figures included in the worksheets. Negotiations should be carried in an open and transparent manner.

#### Worksheets

The checklist at Annex A is an aid to calculating the allowances and should be adapted to suit local circumstances. The checklists for each chapter enable all parties to identify the budget costs of each of the functions. The staffing checklist will enable the Tenant Management Organisation to look at how the management and administrative functions relate to the staffing levels.

The guiding principle is that, if a Tenant Management Organisation is to carry out a particular function, then an allowance should be identified for that function.

If the Council proposes to use a method of calculation that does not conform to this guidance for any elements of the allowance (e.g. the council agrees to pay the Tenant Management Organisation's actual office and insurance costs), this is acceptable provided the Tenant Management Organisation agrees and such agreement is documented.

# **Notes**

#### 1. Insurance

Where the Tenant Management Organisation takes on responsibility for insurance, then the allowance should be based their share of the council's insurance costs for all of the relevant headings which are relevant to the Tenant Management Organisation. This is likely to include public liability, employer's liability, and contents insurance as a minimum. This should be calculated on the basis of the proportion of the relevant number of dwellings managed by the Tenant Management Organisation.

## 2. Responsive repairs and maintenance and works to void properties

The allowances for responsive repairs and planned maintenance are based on historical council expenditure for the relevant dwellings. This is calculated by taking the annual expenditure for the previous five years, uplifting the annual amounts to current day levels (by applying relevant inflation). The highest and lowest annual figures should then be removed and an average taken of the remaining three years to arrive at the allowance.

## 2a Exceptional repairs/high cost voids

With large Tenant Management Organisations the allowance for exceptional repairs/high cost voids may be calculated using historical figures. This will be less satisfactory for smaller Tenant Management Organisations under 300 properties where exceptional repairs/high cost voids can have a more significant impact on the Tenant Management Organisations budget. In addition, there may be exceptional repair issues for all Tenant Management Organisations that have arisen that will not have been taken into account in the expenditure for previous years. In this situation an annual estimate of those repair costs should be calculated and included in the allowances.

Most councils should have computer-based repairs systems that record historic repair costs and job details for each dwelling and for communal areas. This should make the calculation of allowances relatively straightforward. In the exceptional circumstances where this is not the case, then paper records should still be kept and these should be used.

# 3. Cyclical maintenance and programmed servicing

Allowances for programmed cyclical repairs or servicing should be calculated by determining the programme cycle (e.g. external redecoration every 5 years, gas appliance inspection and servicing annually, water testing annually, play equipment inspection annually) and estimating the cost of carrying out the work for the relevant dwellings. The annual allowance should then be the cost divided by the number of years in the cycle.

#### 4. Major works

Allowances for programmed major works, lifecycle replacements and improvements (e.g. window replacement and installation of central heating) should be based on an estimate of the cost of the work as reflected in the council's business plan and/or the capital programme. The Tenant Management Organisation and the council may agree that the annual allowance should be calculated by the total cost divided by the programme period agreed between the Tenant Management Organisation and the council. Alternatively the allowance may be paid in the year that the works become due.

In the case of supervision of a major works contract (Chapter 2, option 6B), the allowance should be based on the council's costs (in-house or external) in managing a similar major works contract.

#### 5. Estate Services

Most estate services will be provided on a contract basis with a clearly defined schedule of programmed works. The allowance should be calculated using the cost of the programmed work plus the historic costs of additional one-off orders. If estate services are provided through direct labour (e.g. caretaking and cleaning), the allowance should be calculated by using the relevant staff salaries and on-costs (including employers national insurance, pension contributions, training and development and accommodation costs).

#### 6. Management costs and overheads

Allowances for these services (managing responsive repairs, contracts and estate services, rents and leaseholder service charges, tenancy management) should be based on the actual cost of providing them to the relevant dwellings. The actual cost of each function should take the following into account either in allowances identified for each function or as a separate budget head i.e. office, staffing and overheads budgets:

- a) Direct costs of providing the service:
  - The cost of staff and/or contractors directly providing that service at the local level
  - Where relevant, the running cost of the local housing office accommodation heat, light, cleaning, security etc.
  - The cost of stationery and other consumable materials used by the staff for the running of the service
- b) Departmental overheads either in-house or provided by contract:
  - The cost of staff supporting that service e.g. departmental rent accounting, service development, contract letting and management, customer service, quality assurance, technical staff, allocations staff

- The cost of departmental administration and finance staff
- The cost of departmental personnel staff
- The cost of middle and senior management
- c) Departmental overheads other costs:
  - Recruitment costs
  - Office running costs for the above
  - Cost of stationery and other consumable material for the above
  - Running costs of computer systems and computer support staff and/or contractors
    - repairs, housing management, financial and other systems
- d) Other overheads either in house or provided by contract:
  - The cost of financial control, audit, accounting and payments service
  - Cost of central personnel service
  - · Cost of legal service
  - · Cost of payroll service
  - · Cost of technical service
  - Cost of central computer support services

The proportion of these costs that will form the allowances will be based on the relevant number of dwellings and the scope of the services taken on by the Tenant Management Organisation. The council's Chief Finance Officer should have systems in place for apportioning these costs.

## Housing Management Contractors/Providers

Where all or part of a service is provided by a contractor, the annual allowance should be calculated by taking into account:

- the relevant elements of the contract cost for the provision of the management service for the relevant dwellings
- the cost of commissioning the contract
- the cost of managing and monitoring the contract
- plus other 'in-house' costs associated running the relevant services

## 7. Non housing services

The method of calculating allowances for non-housing services is a matter for negotiation between the council and the Tenant Management Organisation.

# Section B

# Start up costs for Tenant Management Organisations

The Right to Manage regulations require the local authority to provide support and assistance to developing Tenant Management Organisations. This chapter provides more information about what is involved.

In making a determination under regulation 12 of the Housing (Right to Manage) (England) Regulations 2012, a local housing authority shall have regard to the following guidance on resources and assistance to help the Tenant Management Organisation become operational.

Following a successful ballot, the Tenant Management Organisation will need resources and assistance from the council to be become operational. This should cover three key elements - people, premises and information systems - all of which are essential for successful start-up:

<u>People</u> - the council should provide funding and support to enable the Tenant Management Organisation to recruit an office manager up to 4 months before it is due to go live, including:

- funding to enable the Tenant Management Organisation to advertise for the post, in line with the council's own recruitment arrangements;
- advice and assistance requested by the Tenant Management Organisation in recruiting and selecting staff,
- training or support to enable Tenant Management Organisation staff to operate the council's information/ computer systems.

<u>Premises</u> - the council should provide fully furnished and equipped premises for the Tenant Management Organisation, including:

- suitable local office premises to enable the Tenant Management Organisation to carry out its functions. Precise requirements will be dependent upon the Tenant Management Organisation's staffing requirements and should be agreed between the council and Tenant Management Organisation, but might typically comprise suitably sized committee room; general office/s to accommodate staff, equipment and files; an interview room; reception area; and kitchen area;
- suitable office equipment for the number of staff and working volunteers, including furniture, photocopier, telephones, and service supplies.
- essential tools and equipment for directly employed staff such as cleaners/handypersons.

In providing these, the council must comply with Equalities and Disability legislation.

<u>Information systems</u> - the Tenant Management Organisation will require finance, housing management and maintenance information systems, possibly as part of an integrated system. The council should ensure that computer and paper based information systems are available to the Tenant Management Organisation at the required time, so that:

- if the Tenant Management Organisation opts to have its own stand alone systems, the council should make available resources for the Tenant Management Organisation to purchase the hardware and appropriate software, and make arrangements to transfer information to these systems before the Tenant Management Organisation goes live. The Council should also provide access to relevant areas of the Council's intranet system;
- if the Tenant Management Organisation opts to use the council's systems, the
  council should provide an adequate number of connected terminals and ensure the
  Tenant Management Organisation has access to the relevant areas of the system
  before it goes live. The Council will still need to provide the Tenant Management
  Organisation with an Information Technology facility for tasks such as financial
  management/ accountancy;

Tenant Management Organisation:		Explanatory notes					
	Costs Council Area	Number of Units	Unit Cost	Applicable to Tenant Management Organisation Y/N	Number of relevant Tenant Management Organisation properties	Tenant Management Organisation allowance	Include explanation of relevant number of council properties and relevant number of Tenant Management Organisation properties
Chapter 1: Insurance cover							
INSURANCE cover for:							
i) Damage to the structure of the property							
ii) Claims by third parties arising out of risks in or on the property							
iii) Claims by employees of the council working in or on the property							
iv) The loss through fire or theft of property belonging to the Council							
v) Other risks (specify)							
INSURANCE cover for:							
vi) Claims by third parties							
vii) Claims by the Tenant Management Organisation staff							
viii) The dishonesty of the Tenant Management Organisation 's staff or the Tenant Management Organisation's officers							
ix) The loss through fire or theft of Tenant Management Organisation property							
x) Other risks (specify)							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE – CHAPTER 1 INSURANCE	£					£	

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	Costs Council Area	Number of Units	Unit Cost	Applicable to Tenant Management Organisation Y/N	Number of relevant Tenant Management Organisation properties	Tenant Management Organisation allowance	Include explanation of relevant number of council properties and relevant number of Tenant Management Organisation properties	
Chapter 2: Responsive repairs and mainten	Insert any value limitation on Tenant Management Organ - isation responsibility works. The council will meet the full cost of repairs or works that are over this limit.							
Chapter 2: Routine repairs							Note 2	
i) Routine repairs and maintenance to the interior and exterior of occupied dwellings (main building trades)								
ii) Routine repairs and maintenance to the interior and exterior of common parts of flats and maisonettes (main building trades)								
iii) Routine electrical repairs to occupied dwellings								
iv) Routine electrical repairs to communal areas								
v) Routine responsive repairs to gas appliances								
vi) Routine responsive repairs to lifts								
vii) Routine responsive repairs to controlled door entry systems								
viii) Routine responsive repairs to communal TV aerial systems								
ix) Routine responsive repairs to CCTV systems								
x) Routine responsive repairs to warden call system								
xi) Routine repairs and maintenance to the interior and exterior of void dwellings								
xii) Decoration allowance for void properties								

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xiii) Security Boarding of empty dwellings awaiting reletting							
xiv) Out of hours emergency repairs							
xv) Garage repairs - day to day							
Sub total							
Chapter 2: Other repairs							Note 2 & 3
i) Routine repairs to district or group heating systems							
ii) Exceptional repairs to district or group heating systems							
iii) Programmed repairs and servicing to district or group heating systems							
iv) Pest control - Disinfection and Disinfestation							
Sub total							

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One-off replacement of: specify							Note 2a
i) central heating boilers							
ii) gas fires							
iii) Lifts							
iv) CCTV equipment							
v) communal refuse bins							
vi) Removal of asbestos							
vii) Repairs to disabled adaptations							
viii) one-off rewiring of part or whole of dwelling or communal areas							
ix) Other please specify							
Sub total							
Chapter 2: Programmed repairs							Note 3
i) Programmed external decoration							
ii) Programmed decoration of internal communal areas							
iii) Programmed associated works - prepaint works							
Programmed replacement of:							
iv) roofs							
v) windows							
vi) kitchen units							

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vii) bathrooms and WC fittings							
viii) gas fires							
ix) central heating boilers							
x) CCTV systems							
xi) other specify:							
xii) Programmed servicing and safety inspection of gas appliances							
xiii) Programmed inspection and repairs to/replacement of fire safety equipment							
xiv) Programmed inspection and repairs to lightning conductors							
xv) Testing and treating communal water tanks							
xvi) Lift inspection and follow-up repair works							
other programmed replacement work/ servicing/inspections: specify							
Improvement/Modernisation works							Note 4
xvii) Full or partial modernisation of dwellings							
xviii) Improvements to internal and external communal areas of blocks of flats							
xix) Installation of central heating and/or insulation							
Sub total							

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Chapter 2: Estate Services							Note 5
i) Programmed grounds maintenance -grass cutting/ litter picking/ cutting back of planting							
ii) One-off grounds maintenance orders							
iii) Closed Circuit Television monitoring							
iv) Programmed repairs to play equipment							
v) Replacement of play equipment							
vi) Providing a caretaking service to blocks - non staffing costs							
vii) Providing a caretaking service to estates - non staffing costs							
viii) Electricity supply to blocks							
ix) Electricity supply to estates							
x) Water supply to communal areas							
xi) Gas supply to communal areas (district or group heating systems)							
xii) Block Cleaning							
xiii) Estates Cleaning inc unadopted highways, footpaths and hard surfaces							
xiv) Window cleaning							
xv) Abandoned Vehicle Removal							
xvi) Parking enforcement							

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xvii) Repairs to unadopted estate lighting (if not included in Repairs & Management)							
xviii) Providing a concierge service							
xix) Other please specify							
Sub total							
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Chapter 2: Management of repairs and main	tenance						Note 6
i) Receiving and recording repairs							
ii) Pre and post inspection of routine repairs							
iii) Managing programmed repairs							
iv) Preparation of specifications for exceptional and programmed repairs							
v) Preparation of specification for improvements and modernisation							
vi) Letting contracts for:							
a) Routine repairs/ Estate Services							
b) Exceptional repairs							
c) Programmed repairs							
d) Estate services							
e) Improvements and modernisation							
vii) Arranging payments to contractors							

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viii) Legal costs for gas servicing							
ix) Legal costs for disrepair and compensation payments							
x) Supervision of major works (clause 6B)							
Sub total							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE – CHAPTER 2 REPAIRS	£					£	

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Chapter 3: Rents collection and arrears cor		Note 6					
i) Collection of rents and service charges from tenants							
ii) Collection of rents and service charges from former tenants							
iii) Collection of miscellaneous debts from tenants							
iv) Collection of other charges. Specify: Garages, sheds etc							
v) Control of rent and service charge arrears							
a) Option C: up to passing serious cases to Council							
b) Option D: up to and including requesting council to seek possession and providing evidence file							
c) Option E: taking full responsibility							
vi) Notification of rents and service charges							
vii) Legal costs for possessions							
Sub total							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE – CHAPTER 3 RENTS	£					£	

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Chapter 4: Leaseholder Charges							Paragraph 5
Chapter 4: Leaseholder Service Charges		_					
i) Setting Service Charges							
ii) Billing Service Charges							
iii) Service Charge Collection							
iv) Service Charge Arrears Collection							
v) Billing and collecting ground rent							
vi) Serving section 20 notices							
viii) Compliance with lease covenants							
ix) major works billing and collection etc							
Sub total							
Chapter 4: Breakdown of Leaseholder Service	e Charges						
i) Concierge							
ii) Caretaking							
iii) Estate cleaning							
iv) Block cleaning							
v) General communal repairs							
vi) Door entry systems							
vii) Closed Circuit Television							
viii) Lifts							

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ix) Communal TV aerial							
x) Grounds maintenance							
xi) Estate Lighting							
x) Communal heating and hot water							
xi) Pest control							
xii) Window cleaning							
xiii) Insurance							
xiv) Others specify							
xv)**% management charge							Service charges management fee estimates date/origin
Sub total							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE - CHAPTER 4 LEASEHOLDER CHARGES	£					£	

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Chapter 5: Finance							
i) Audit							
ii) Financial control and accounting							
iii) Financial reporting							
iv) Banking							
v) Finance Support and administration							
vi) Others specify e.g. cashiers where relevant							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE - CHAPTER 5 FINANCE	£					£	

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	Costs Council Area	Number of Units	Unit Cost	Applicable to Tenant Management Organisation Y/N	Number of relevant Tenant Management Organisation properties	Tenant Management Organisation allowance	Include explanation of relevant number of council properties and relevant number of Tenant Management Organisation properties
Chapter 6: Tenancy Management							Note 6
Chapter 6: Tenancy Management					1	1	
i) Clause 2 Introductory meeting /accompanied viewings							
ii) Clause 3B: Tenant Management Organisation considers applicants nominated by the Council							
iii) Clause 3C: Tenant Management Organisation considers applicants in accordance with Local Lettings Policy							
iv) Clause 3 Administration of grant of tenancies							
v) Tenancy audits/visits/checks							
vi) Clause 4 Administration of transfers							
vii) Clause 5 Tenant Management Organisation monitors introductory tenancies							
viii) Clause 6 Varying terms of the tenancy							
ix) Clause 7 Management of the breaches of tenancy							
x) Clause 8 Anti-Social Behaviour and Harassment							
xi) Clause 9 Dealing with residents' disputes							
xii) Clause 10 Dealing with unlawful occupation							
xiii) Clause 11 Management of void dwellings							
xiv) Clause 12 Administration of the Right to Exchange							
xv) Clause 13 Right to assign							
xvi) Clause 14 Dealing with applications to sublet							

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xvii) Clause 15 Succession							
xviii) Clause 16 Giving consent							
xix) Clause 17 Dealing with Right to Buy applications							
xx) Clause 18 Enquiries before exchange of contracts on property sales							
xxi) Legal costs for tenancy management							
xxii) Other: Publication of Tenant Handbook							
Sub Total							
Chapter 6: Other services							
i) specify - Removal Services							Costs for assisting tenants to move when appropriate
ii) specify: Animal warden service							Costs identified for animal warden service.
iii) specify- dwelling clearance and storage							Costs for clearing dwellings (abandoned, deceased) and storage of goods
Sub Total							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE - CHAPTER 6 TENANCY MANAGEMENT	£					£	

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Chapter 7: Staffing							Note 6
Chapter 7: Breakdown of staffing							(inc National Insurance, pension contributions, overtime identified)
i) Manager							
ii) Housing officers							
iii) Office administration, reception, support							
iv) Finance services							
v) Other housing services							
vi) Temporary/Agency staff							
vii) Training							
viii) Other specify: Ex Gratia Payments							
Sub total							
Chapter 7: Technical Staff							
Involved in:							
i) Responsive repairs and maintenance							
ii) Void properties							
iii) Programmed and exceptional repairs							
v) Emergency out of house repairs							

vi) Improvement and modernisation works

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vii) Management support and administration							
viii) Temporary and agency staff							
ix) Call Centre							
x) Others please specify:							
Sub total							
Chapter 7: Estate Services Staff							
i) Grounds maintenance staff							
ii) Play equipment inspection, repair and maintenance							
iii) Concierge service - permanent and temporary staff							
iv) Caretaking service for blocks							
iv) Caretaking service for estates							
v) Estate Services monitoring staff							
vii) Cleaning of block							
vii) Cleaning of estate							
viii) Temporary and agency staff							
ix) Others please specify:							
Sub total							

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Chapter 7: Indirect employee costs					
i) Recruitment					
ii) Uniforms and protective clothing					
iii) Training and staff development					
iv) Personnel / Human Recourses					
v) Payroll					
vi) Others specify ex gratia payments					
vii) Others specify: VDU Eye Tests, Health and Safety					
viii) Others: special benefit packages					
Sub total					
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE - CHAPTER 7 STAFFING	£			£	

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WORKSHEET: OFFICE COSTS										
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i) Rent										
ii) Business rates										
iii) Water and sewerage rates										
iv) Building insurance										
v) Gas										
vi) Electricity										
Sub total										
WORKSHEET: Fixtures & fittings										
i) Purchase										
ii) Repair										
Sub total										
WORKSHEET: Security										
i) Security Contract										
ii) Alarms system maintenance										
iii) Cash collection contract										
Sub total										

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WORKSHEET: Office Cleaning									
i) Office cleaning									
ii) Cleaning materials									
iii) Domestic supplies for office									
iv) Hygiene supplies contract/supplies									
Sub total									
WORKSHEET: Transport									
i) Hire/leasing/purchase of vehicles									
ii) Vehicle maintenance costs - specify (fuel, insurance, road tax)									
iii) Essential car users allowance									
iv) Casual car users allowance									
v) Bus and train fares									
vi) taxis and cabs									
vii) Couriers									
Sub total									
WORKSHEET: Office Supplies and Services	WORKSHEET: Office Supplies and Services								
i) Equipment and furniture:									
a) Purchase									

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b) Repair							
c) Stationery							
d) Books and periodicals							
e) Subscriptions							
f) Postage							
ii) Telephones							
a) Landline rentals and call charges							
b) Mobiles - rentals and call charges							
iii) Hospitality/entertaining							
iv) Translation services							
v) Mediation services							
vi) Others specify:							
Sub total							
WORKSHEET: Information Technology							
i) Computer equipment							
a) Purchase/lease							
b) Repair							
ii) Computer software							
a) Purchases and licenses							

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b) Maintenance/help desk and upgrades							
iii) Photocopier/purchase/leasing and supplies							
iv) Printing costs							
v) Fax machines							
a) Purchase/leasing							
b) Maintenance agreements							
vi) Others specify: IT staffing							
Sub total							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE – OFFICE COSTS	£					£	
WORKSHEET: Tenant Management Organis	ation Costs						
i) Committee and communication allowance							
a) £5,000 plus £10 per tenant and leasehold dwelling							
b) Annual increases							
TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE – Committee & Communication	£					£	
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TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCE			YEAR	
CALCULATION				
TOTAL COSTS COUNCIL AREA	£	TOTAL TENANT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION ALLOWANCES	£	Equals sum of chapters 1 to 7, Tenant Management Organisation Office costs and Committee and communication allowances