#### **Cambridge City Council**

**Item** 

To: Executive Councillor for Customer Services and

Resources: Councillor Julie Smith

Report by: Director Of Resources

Relevant scrutiny Strategy & 20/1/2014

committee: Resources

Scrutiny Committee

Wards affected: Abbey Arbury Castle Cherry Hinton Coleridge

East Chesterton King's Hedges Market Newnham Petersfield Queen Edith's Romsey Trumpington

West Chesterton

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# GENERAL DEBTS - BAD DEBTS FOR WRITE-OFF Not a Key Decision

## 1. Executive summary

The purpose of this report is to inform the Executive Councillor and Members of the Scrutiny Committee of amounts that are deemed not to be collectable and require passing for write-off. The amounts relate to general income.

This report outlines the items recommended for write-off in the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014.

#### 2. Recommendations

The Executive Councillor is recommended to write-off 2 debts totalling £7,674.61 as summarised in the exempt 'Appendix A' to this report.

#### 3. Background

Officers have concluded that there is no further practicable recovery action available to the Council for the recovery of this amount.

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#### 4. Implications

#### (a) Financial Implications

The Council maintains a provision for the write off of bad debts as a consequence of such circumstances as insolvency of a customer. In some cases bad debts are written back to the originating service providers budget and may result in a variance at the year-end. Property Services and the Service Accountant have taken the write-off figure into account within the overall budget projections for 2013/14.

(b) **Staffing Implications** (if not covered in Consultations Section)

N/A

(c) Equal Opportunities Implications

No

(d) Environmental Implications

N/A

(e) Procurement

N/A

(f) Consultation and communication

N/A

(g) Community Safety

N/A

#### 5. Background papers

These background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

N/A

## 6. Appendices

Exempt Appendix A: Schedule of debts to be written off:

# 7. Inspection of papers

To inspect the background papers or if you have a query on the report please contact:

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