
Postal Services Commission

Introduction

1. The Postal Services Commission was established as a non-Ministerial Government Department on 6 December 2000 under the Postal Services Act 2000.
2. The token net provision reflects the fact that receipts from licences are appropriated in aid rather than surrendered directly to the Consolidated Fund.
3. Symbols are explained in the Introduction to this booklet.

Postal Services Commission

Part I

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Request for Resources 1: Ensuring the provision of a universal postal service at a uniform tariff, protecting consumers and promoting competition	1,000
Total net resource requirement	1,000
Net cash requirement	1,000

Amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2010 for expenditure by the Postal Services Commission on:

RfR 1: Ensuring the provision of a universal postal service at a uniform tariff, protecting consumers and promoting competition

Administrative and operational costs and associated non-cash items.

The **Postal Services Commission** will account for this Estimate.

	Net total	Allocated in Vote on Account	Balance to complete
RfR 1	1,000	-	1,000
Total net resource requirement	1,000	-	1,000
Net cash requirement	1,000	-	1,000

Part II: Subhead detail

£'000

2009-10 Provision						2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn		
Resources						Capital	Non-operating	Net Total	Net Total
Admin	Other Current	Grants	Gross Total	A in A	Net Total	Capital	A in A	Resources	Resources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
RfR 1: Ensuring the provision of a universal postal service at a uniform tariff, protecting consumers and promoting competition									
10,308	-	-	10,308	10,307	1	150	-	3	1
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A Ensuring the provision of a universal postal service at a uniform tariff protecting consumers and promoting competition									
10,308	-	-	10,308	10,307	1	150	-	3	1
Total for Estimate:									
10,308	-	-	10,308	10,307	1	150	-	3	1

Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

£'000

	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Resource Requirement	1	3	1
Voted capital items			
Capital	150	150	389
Less Non-operating A-in-A	-	-	-
Total net voted capital	150	150	389
Accruals to cash adjustment			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-10	-10	49
Depreciation	-578	-530	-252
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions	-	-	-7
Profit/loss on sale of assets	-	-	-3
Prior period adjustments	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	-	-	-36
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in stock	-	-	-
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in debtors	-	-	70
Increase (-) / Decrease (+) in creditors	-	2,220	-22
Use of provisions	-	-	7
Total accruals to cash adjustments	-588	1,680	-194
Excess cash to be CFERd	438	-	-
Net Cash Requirement	1	1,833	196

Part III: Extra receipts payable to the Consolidated Fund

In addition to appropriations in aid the following income relates to the Department and is payable to the Consolidated Fund (cash receipts being shown in italics):

	£'000					
	2009-10 Provision		2008-09 Provision		2007-08 Outturn	
	Income	<i>Receipts</i>	Income	<i>Receipts</i>	Income	<i>Receipts</i>
Operating income not classified as A in A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-operating income not classified as A in A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other amounts collectable on behalf of the Consolidated Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Excess cash receipts to be surrendered to the Consolidated Fund	-	<i>438</i>	-	-	-	-
Total	-	438	-	-	-	-

Forecast Operating Cost Statement

£'000

	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Administration Costs			
RfR 1	1	3	1
Total Net Administration costs	1	3	1
Total Net Operating Cost	1	3	1
<i>of which:</i>			
Net Resource Requirement	1	3	1
Non-voted expenditure	-	-	-
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
Reduction in planned spend unable to be included in Estimate	-	-	-
Resource Budget	1	3	-2

Notes to the Main Estimate

Reconciliation of resource expenditure between Estimates, Accounts and Budgets

£'000

	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Resource Requirement (Estimates)	1	3	1
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
Provision voted for earlier years	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
Non-voted expenditure in the OCS	-	-	-
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts in the OCS	-	-	-
Reductions in planned spend unable to be included in Estimate	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Net Operating Cost (Accounts)	1	3	1
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
Gains / losses from sale of capital assets	-	-	-3
Capital grants	-	-	-
European Union income related to capital grants	-	-	-
Voted expenditure outside the budget	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
Other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
Resource consumption of non departmental public bodies	-	-	-
Unallocated resource provision	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Resource Budget (Budget)	1	3	-2
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	1	3	-2
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

£'000

	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Voted Capital (Estimates)	150	150	389
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
Provision voted for earlier years	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
Other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
Capital spending by non-departmental public bodies	-	-	-
Capital grants	-	-	-
European Union income related to capital grants	-	-	-
Supported capital expenditure (revenue)	-	-	-
Capital spending by levy funded bodies	-	-	-
Unallocated capital provision	-	-	-
Reductions in planned spend unable to be included in Estimate	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Capital Budget (Budget)	150	150	389
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	150	150	389
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Explanation of Accounting Officer responsibilities

The Accounting Officer prepares resource accounts for each financial year.

The following Accounting Officer appointments have been made for the Request for Resources within this Estimate:

Request for Resources 1: Tim Brown, Chief Executive of the Commission

Tim Brown, has personal responsibility for the proper presentation of the resource accounts and their transmission to the Comptroller and Auditor General. Tim Brown is also responsible for the use of public money and stewardship of assets.

In discharging these responsibilities particular regard is given to:

- Observing any accounting and disclosure requirements (including any Accounts Direction) and applying suitable accounting policies on a consistent basis;
- making judgements and estimates on a reasonable basis;
- stating whether applicable accounting standards, as set out in the *Financial Reporting Manual* (FReM), or an organisation's version of it, have been followed, and explain any material departures in the accounts; and
- preparing the accounts on a going concern basis.

The responsibilities of an Accounting Officer, including responsibility for the propriety and regularity of the public finances for which an Accounting Officer is answerable, for keeping proper records and safeguarding assets, are set out in chapter 3 of *Managing Public Money* issued by the Treasury.

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Analysis of operating appropriations in aid (A in A)

£'000

	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
RfR 1: Ensuring the provision of a universal postal service at a uniform tariff, protecting consumers and promoting competition			
Administration	10,307	10,250	9,158
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of goods and services	-	214	-
Regulatory licences, fines, penalties and taxes	10,307	10,036	9,158
Total RfR 1	10,307†	10,250	9,158
<i>† Amount that may be applied as operating appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from: income from postal operators, government departments and other central government bodies.</i>			
Total Operating A in A	10,307	10,250	9,158

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)
Analysis of Consolidated Fund extra receipts

£'000

	2009-10		2008-09		2007-08	
	Provision		Provision		Outturn	
	Income	<i>Receipts</i>	Income	<i>Receipts</i>	Income	<i>Receipts</i>
Excess Cash •	-	438	-	-	-	-
Total	-	438	-	-	-	-

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Departmental Expenditure Limits and Administration budgets

	£'000		
	Voted	Non-voted	Total
Resource DEL	1	-	1
<i>of which: †</i>			
Administration budget	1	-	1
Near-cash in RDEL	-587	-	-587
Capital DEL ††	150	-	150
Less Depreciation †††	-578	-	-578
Total DEL	-427	-	-427

† The total of the 'Administration Budget' and 'Near-cash in Resource DEL' figures may well be greater than total resource DEL, due to the definitions overlapping.

†† Capital DEL includes items treated as resource in Estimates and accounts but which are treated as Capital DEL in budgets.

††† Depreciation, which forms part of resource DEL, is excluded from total DEL since capital DEL includes capital spending and to include depreciation of those assets would lead to double counting.

Comparison of provision sought with final provision and forecast outturn for the previous year

The total net resource sought for 2009-10 of £1,000 is 66.7 per cent lower than the final net provision for 2008-09 of £3,000 and the forecast outturn for 2008-09 of £3,000.

Cash which may be retained to offset expenditure

	£'000		
	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Cash which may be retained by the department to offset expenditure in the year due to its relationship with income (operating and non-operating) that has been, or will be, appropriated in aid.	10,307	10,250	9,158

