

## **HISTORIC SCOTLAND BOARD**

### **Strategic Spending Review 2007: Progress To Date and Process**

#### **Purpose**

1. To inform the Board of the latest developments in the Spending Review (SSR07) process.

#### **Priority**

2. Routine

#### **Actions required of Historic Scotland Board**

3. The Board is invited to note the proposed process and Historic Scotland action to date.

#### **Background**

4. The SSR07 process is unusual this year because of the Scottish elections and the delay in announcing the Whitehall Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR). This means that the Ministerial priorities are not yet known and the overall level of funding for the Scottish Block will not be settled before October 2007. No formal submission is expected to be prepared in this round but Scottish Executive Finance have identified the areas of work and information on which they base the SSR07 allocations. I have set out in Appendix A the action taken by Historic Scotland as part of this process.

#### **Advice and Conclusions**

5. I will continue to update the Board on the SSR07 process and action by Historic Scotland's as it develops.

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