APPENDIX C

Melton Borough Council

"Project Mandate"

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1 Purpose of report

Allocation of R and R funds for the initial phase upgrade of the Northgate server infrastructure.

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2 Recommendations

Approve the allocation of R & R funds for the upgrade of the Northgate infrastructure to ensure a supported environment.

R&R fund currently has an allocation of £34k for a replacement server in 2020-21 – the recommendation is to approve the allocation of £18k in 2018-19 and the an additional £16k in 2020-21.

3	Background

The Northgate product version currently is 6.16.
The next major version 6.17 is due out Dec/Jan and will be for annual billing/year end.

Northgate version 6.18 is currently marked as '?' against Solaris 10 in the latest Northgate roadmap. There is no release date for v6.18 yet, but typically it would be Aug/Sep 2018 (usually 2 major product versions a year).

Work is required to ensure that the infrastructure is in place to support the v6.18. This would be to upgrade Solaris 10 or migrate to a windows version.

Premier support for Solaris 10 from Oracle ends Jan 2018. Extended support ends Jan 2021

4	Legal, financial and IT implications (please identity any system admin responsibilities)

An essential upgrade to the application database for Northgate Revs and Bens - to support the version 6.17 final release (solaris 10 environment) (then 6.18) – and prepare to migrate MBC operating system or migrate to windows o/s by 2020_21

5	Initial Assessment of risk

Failure to invest increases risk of unsupported versions and associated risks. Without the upgrade, regulatory and statutory services including reporting to bodies may not be possible.

6	Equalities and diversity and staffing implications

None