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Introduction

Vote on Account for 2007-08 The Vote on Account provides resources and cash to allow existing services to continue during the early months of the coming financial year, pending Parliament's consideration of the Main Supply Estimates for 2007-08. By 'existing services' is meant services for which Parliament has given approval before 31 March 2007. Statutory authority for the issue of a sum from the Consolidated Fund equal to the Vote on Account will be sought in the Consolidated Fund Bill that follows presentation of winter Supplementary Estimates and the Vote on Account.

2. The Main Supply Estimates for 2007-08 will be presented around the start of that financial year. Parliament normally authorises the provision sought there towards the end of July, when the Appropriation Act is passed.

Amounts required 3. The amounts in the Vote on Account are normally a standard 45 per cent of the amounts already voted for the corresponding services in the current year, taking account of Main Estimates and any Revised or summer Supplementary Estimates (there were no Revised or summer Supplementary Estimates in 2006-07). This should normally be sufficient to ensure that the provision made for each service is not exhausted before the Appropriation Act is passed in the summer, but not so high as to prejudge Parliament's consideration of the Main Supply Estimate for each service.

4. The Vote on Account provision may reflect a higher or a lower amount than the standard proportion in the following cases:

- a. if it is possible to anticipate a change in the structure of a Supply Estimate, for example because of a transfer of responsibility between departments, resources or cash may be adjusted accordingly. (Any further transfers may need to be reflected when the Main Supply Estimates are presented);
- b. if consumption of resources or expenditure of cash during the early months of the financial year is expected to be significantly different from the standard, the amount sought reflects the forecast actual requirements;
- c. if the Supply Estimate is for a token sum of £1,000 for self-financing services, no Vote on Account provision is sought but the continuation of the services in the new financial year is noted.

5. The services covered by the Vote on Account are listed on the following pages and are arranged according to the expected structure of the Supply Estimates for 2007-08. Individual RfR descriptions are normally consistent with the RfR titles in the Supply Estimates for 2006-07, as modified by any changes to that year's Estimates made by Supplementary Estimates in the course of that year, except where there have been changes resulting from subsequent merger or restructuring of Estimates, or where such changes are expected to take effect by the start of 2007-08.

6. The Vote on Account in respect of the House of Commons: Administration is presented today by The Speaker in HC 4.

7. The Vote on Account in respect of the National Audit Office is presented today by the Chairman of the Public Accounts Commission in HC 5.

8. The Vote on Account in respect of the Electoral Commission is presented today by The Speaker in HC 6.

Vote on Account 2007-08

Total net resource requirement	£ 181,057,410,000
Total net cash requirement	£ 171,240,382,000

Amount required for a VOTE ON ACCOUNT for the year ending 31 March 2008 in respect of the several services listed below.

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	2006-07 Total to date on which provision on account is based	2007-08 Required on account
	£'000	£'000
Department for Education and Skills		
RfR 1: To help build a competitive economy and inclusive society by: creating opportunities for everyone to develop their learning; releasing potential in people to make the most of themselves; and achieving excellence in standards of education and levels of skills	56,192,766	26,972,528
RfR 2: Promoting the physical, intellectual and social development of babies and young children through Sure Start, Early Years Provision and Childcare	1,705,843	818,805
RfR 3: Tackling child poverty and social exclusion by helping vulnerable children and young people, and their families, to break the cycle of deprivation and disadvantage through the Children's Fund	190,100	91,248
Net resource requirement	58,088,709	27,882,581
Net cash requirement	60,097,226	28,846,668
Teachers' Pension Scheme (England & Wales)		
RfR 1: Teachers' pensions	8,446,510	3,800,930
Net resource requirement	8,446,510	3,800,930
Net cash requirement	1,289,519	580,284
Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills		
RfR 1: Serving the interests of children and young people, parents, adult learners, employers and the wider community in England by promoting improvement in the quality of education, skills and young people's care through independent inspection, regulation and reporting	204,000	91,800
Net resource requirement	204,000	91,800
Net cash requirement	201,939	90,873
Department of Health		
RfR 1: Securing health care for those who need it	61,670,212	27,751,595
RfR 2: Securing social care and child protection for those who need it and, at national level, protecting, promoting and improving the nation's health	3,330,646	1,498,791
RfR 3: Office of the Independent Regulator for NHS Foundation Trusts	12,324	5,546
Net resource requirement	65,013,182	29,255,932
Net cash requirement	65,085,269	29,288,371
National Health Service Pension Scheme		
RfR 1: National Health Service Pension Scheme	10,181,933	4,581,870
Net resource requirement	10,181,933	4,581,870
Net cash requirement	1	-
Food Standards Agency		
RfR 1: Protecting and promoting public health in relation to food	143,900	64,755
Net resource requirement	143,900	64,755
Net cash requirement	141,739	63,783
Department for Transport		
RfR 1: Promoting transport that works for everybody	13,115,360	5,901,912
Net resource requirement	13,115,360	5,901,912
Net cash requirement	11,199,801	5,039,910
Office of Rail Regulation		
RfR 1: To create a better railway for passengers and freight, and better value for public funding authorities through independent, fair and effective regulation	2	-
Net resource requirement	2	-
Net cash requirement	1	-
Department for Communities and Local Government		
RfR 1: Improving the quality of life by creating thriving, inclusive and sustainable communities in all regions	8,753,299	4,175,235
RfR 2: Providing for effective devolved decision making within a national framework	23,372,915	10,281,562
Net resource requirement	32,126,214	14,456,797
Net cash requirement	32,136,419	14,461,389
Deputy Prime Minister's Office		
RfR 1: Supporting the Deputy Prime Minister in carrying out his ministerial responsibilities	1,160	850
Net resource requirement	1,160	850
Net cash requirement	1,140	840
Home Office		
RfR 1: Building a safe, just and tolerant society	13,801,252	6,210,563
Net resource requirement	13,801,252	6,210,563
Net cash requirement	13,846,274	6,230,823

	2006-07 Total to date on which provision on account is based £'000	2007-08 Required on account £'000
Assets Recovery Agency		
RfR 1: Helping to reduce crime by recovering the proceeds of crime through criminal confiscation, civil recovery and taxation	15,551	6,998
Net resource requirement	15,551	6,998
Net cash requirement	15,142	6,814
Charity Commission		
RfR 1: Giving the public confidence in the integrity of charity	30,243	13,609
Net resource requirement	30,243	13,609
Net cash requirement	30,541	13,743
Department for Constitutional Affairs		
RfR 1: To promote the development of a modern, fair, cost effective and efficient system of justice for all	3,792,606	1,706,673
RfR 2: Overseeing the effective operation of the devolution settlement in Scotland and representing the interests of Scotland within the UK Government	22,660,160	10,197,072
RfR 3: To support the Secretary of State in discharging his role of representing Wales in the UK Government, representing the UK Government in Wales and ensuring the smooth working of the devolution settlement in Wales	12,184,327	5,482,947
Net resource requirement	38,637,093	17,386,692
Net cash requirement	38,547,764	17,346,494
Department for Constitutional Affairs: Judicial Pensions Scheme		
RfR 1: Judicial Pensions Scheme	36,660	16,497
Net resource requirement	36,660	16,497
Net cash requirement	1	-
Northern Ireland Court Service		
RfR 1: Supporting the effective and efficient administration of justice in Northern Ireland	122,065	54,929
Net resource requirement	122,065	54,929
Net cash requirement	116,890	52,601
The National Archives		
RfR 1: Promoting the study of the past in order to inform the present and the future by selecting, preserving and making publicly available public records of historical value and by encouraging high standards of care and public access for archives of historical value outside the public records and leading on UK information management and re-use policy, spreading best practice, setting standards and ensuring compliance across the public sector and managing Crown and Parliamentary copyright and delivering cost effective publishing services and advice across government	43,833	19,725
Net resource requirement	43,833	19,725
Net cash requirement	39,862	17,938
The Crown Prosecution Service		
RfR 1: Increasing public confidence in the criminal justice system through fair, firm and effective prosecutions	592,880	266,796
Net resource requirement	592,880	266,796
Net cash requirement	593,418	267,038
Serious Fraud Office		
RfR 1: Reducing fraud and the cost of fraud and delivering justice and the rule of law	35,802	16,111
Net resource requirement	35,802	16,111
Net cash requirement	39,458	17,756
HM Procurator General and Treasury Solicitor		
RfR 1: Providing comprehensive and competitive legal services to government departments and publicly funded bodies	13,169	5,926
Net resource requirement	13,169	5,926
Net cash requirement	16,519	7,434
Revenue and Customs Prosecutions Office		
RfR 1: The effective and efficient prosecution of cases in accordance with the Code for Crown Prosecutors	37,186	16,734
Net resource requirement	37,186	16,734
Net cash requirement	37,186	16,734
Ministry of Defence		
RfR 1: Provision of defence capability	31,985,856	14,393,635
RfR 2: Conflict prevention	47,326	21,297
RfR 3: War Pensions and Allowances, etc	1,029,951	463,478
Net resource requirement	33,063,133	14,878,410
Net cash requirement	31,495,938	14,173,172

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Armed Forces retired pay, pensions etc		
RfR 1: Armed Forces retired pay, pensions etc	4,588,662	2,064,898
Net resource requirement	4,588,662	2,064,898
Net cash requirement	1,584,369	712,966
Foreign and Commonwealth Office		
RfR 1: Promoting internationally the interests of the UK and contributing to a strong world community	1,565,765	704,594
RfR 2: Conflict prevention	238,463	107,308
Net resource requirement	1,804,228	811,902
Net cash requirement	1,757,712	790,970
Department for International Development		
RfR 1: Eliminating poverty in poorer countries	4,498,620	2,024,379
RfR 2: Conflict prevention	39,130	17,609
Net resource requirement	4,537,750	2,041,988
Net cash requirement	4,277,984	1,925,093
Department for International Development: Overseas Superannuation		
RfR 1: Overseas superannuation	66,154	29,769
Net resource requirement	66,154	29,769
Net cash requirement	114,596	51,568
Department of Trade and Industry		
RfR 1: Increasing UK competitiveness	2,662,089	1,197,940
RfR 2: Increasing scientific excellence in the UK and maximising its contribution to society	3,050,437	1,372,697
Net resource requirement	5,712,526	2,570,637
Net cash requirement	7,117,972	4,353,087
UK Trade & Investment		
RfR 1: To enhance the competitiveness of companies in the UK through overseas trade and investments; and attract a continuing high level of quality foreign direct investment	95,328	52,430
Net resource requirement	95,328	52,430
Net cash requirement	96,588	53,123
Department of Trade and Industry: UKAEA pension schemes		
RfR 1: Effective management of UKAEA pension schemes	207,198	93,239
Net resource requirement	207,198	93,239
Net cash requirement	66,561	29,952
Export Credits Guarantee Department		
RfR 1: To provide export finance assistance through interest support to benefit the UK economy by facilitating exports	102,807	46,263
RfR 2: To provide export credit guarantees and investment insurance to benefit the UK economy by facilitating exports	1	-
Net resource requirement	102,808	46,263
Net cash requirement	1	-
Office of Fair Trading		
RfR 1: Advancing and safeguarding the economic interests of UK consumers	75,983	34,192
Net resource requirement	75,983	34,192
Net cash requirement	74,491	33,521
Office of Gas and Electricity Markets		
RfR 1: Protecting consumers by regulating monopolies and promoting competition in the electricity and gas industry	1	-
RfR 2: Expenditure in connection with the Climate Change Levy	700	315
Net resource requirement	701	315
Net cash requirement	1,847	831
Postal Services Commission		
RfR 1: Ensuring the provision of a universal postal service at a uniform tariff, protecting consumers and promoting competition	1	-
Net resource requirement	1	-
Net cash requirement	1	-

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Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs		
RfR 1: Ensuring that consumers benefit from competitively priced food, produced to high standards of safety; environmental care and animal welfare from a sustainable, efficient food chain, to contribute to the well-being of rural and coastal communities and funding aspects of the Common Agricultural Policy and England Rural Development Plan Guarantee Section as economically, efficiently and effectively as possible	5,933,717	2,670,173
Net resource requirement	5,933,717	2,670,173
Net cash requirement	5,956,970	3,130,823
Forestry Commission		
RfR 1: To implement the programmes of the England Forestry Strategy	63,158	28,421
RfR 2: To take the lead in development and promotion of sustainable forest management and to support its achievement nationally	17,457	7,856
Net resource requirement	80,615	36,277
Net cash requirement	60,682	27,307
Water Services Regulation Authority		
RfR 1: Regulation of the Water Industry	1	-
Net resource requirement	1	-
Net cash requirement	828	63
Department for Culture, Media and Sport		
RfR 1: Improving the quality of life through cultural and sporting activities	1,617,545	727,895
RfR 2: Broadening access to a rich and varied cultural and sporting life through home broadcasting	2,760,000	1,242,000
Net resource requirement	4,377,545	1,969,895
Net cash requirement	4,375,602	1,969,021
Department for Work and Pensions		
RfR 1: Ensuring the best start for all children and ending child poverty in 20 years	407,897	183,554 (a)
RfR 2: Promote work as the best form of welfare for people of working age, whilst protecting the position of those in greatest need	34,687,595	15,609,418
RfR 3: Combat poverty and promote security and independence in retirement for today's and tomorrow's pensioners	10,322,380	4,645,071
RfR 4: Improve the rights and opportunities for disabled people in a fair and inclusive society	14,954,492	6,729,521
RfR 5: Corporate contracts and support services	2,087,522	939,385
Net resource requirement	62,459,886	28,106,949
Net cash requirement	63,267,912	28,470,560 (a)
Northern Ireland Office		
RfR 1: Playing a full part in implementing the Good Friday Agreement and representing the interests of Northern Ireland in the UK Government; supporting and developing an efficient, effective and responsive Criminal Justice System; upholding and sustaining the rule of law and preventing crime; maintaining a secure and humane prison service and reducing the risks of re-offending	1,180,115	531,052
RfR 2: Providing appropriate funding to the Northern Ireland Consolidated Fund for the delivery of transferred public services as defined by the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and the Northern Ireland Act 2000	10,010,001	4,504,500
Net resource requirement	11,190,116	5,035,552
Net cash requirement	11,357,139	5,110,713
HM Treasury		
RfR 1: Raising the rate of sustainable growth and achieving rising prosperity and a better quality of life, with economic and employment opportunities for all	244,495	110,023
RfR 2: Cost-effective management of the supply of coins and actions to protect the integrity of coinage	38,748	17,437
RfR 3: Obtaining the best value for money from Government's commercial relationships on a sustainable basis	40,699	18,315
Net resource requirement	323,942	145,775
Net cash requirement	229,040	103,068
HM Revenue and Customs		
RfR 1: Administering the tax and customs control systems fairly and efficiently and making it as easy as possible for individuals and businesses to understand and comply with their obligations and receive their tax credit and other entitlements	4,360,160	1,962,072
RfR 2: Growing a contribution to the good management of property where the public interest is involved	1	-
RfR 3: Providing payments in lieu of tax relief to certain bodies	78,000	35,100
RfR 4: Making payments of rates to Local Authorities on behalf of certain bodies	36,871	31,340
RfR 5: Payments of Child Benefit and Child Trust Fund endowments	10,391,462	4,676,158
Net resource requirement	14,866,494	6,704,670
Net cash requirement	14,919,531	6,728,537
National Savings and Investments		
RfR 1: Reducing the costs to the taxpayer of government borrowing now and in the future	165,294	74,382
Net resource requirement	165,294	74,382
Net cash requirement	162,747	73,236

(a) Includes provision for the development of the Employment & Support Allowance (ESA) as part of the Welfare Reform Bill, which is currently before Parliament.

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Office for National Statistics		
RfR 1: Providing statistical and registration services	160,946	72,655
Net resource requirement	160,946	72,655
Net cash requirement	166,083	74,962
Government Actuary's Department		
RfR 1: Providing an actuarial consultancy service	618	278
Net resource requirement	618	278
Net cash requirement	286	129
Crown Estate Office		
RfR 1: To maintain and enhance the value of The Crown Estate and the return obtained from it	2,257	1,016
Net resource requirement	2,257	1,016
Net cash requirement	2,249	1,012
Cabinet Office		
RfR 1: Supporting the Prime Minister's Office closely in ensuring the delivery of Government objectives	367,483	165,367
Net resource requirement	367,483	165,367
Net cash requirement	330,623	153,505
Security and Intelligence Agencies		
RfR 1: Protecting and promoting the national security and economic well being of the UK	1,277,974	575,088
Net resource requirement	1,277,974	575,088
Net cash requirement	1,291,991	581,396
Cabinet Office: Civil superannuation		
RfR 1: Civil superannuation	5,982,596	2,692,168
Net resource requirement	5,982,596	2,692,168
Net cash requirement	495,000	222,750
National School of Government		
RfR 1: To be a centre of excellence for learning and development in support of the strategic business priorities of government	640	288
Net resource requirement	640	288
Net cash requirement	841	378
Central Office of Information		
RfR 1: Achieving maximum communication effectiveness with best value for money	716	322
Net resource requirement	716	322
Net cash requirement	709	319
Privy Council Office		
RfR 1: Ensuring the orderly conduct of Privy Council Office business	6,567	2,955
Net resource requirement	6,567	2,955
Net cash requirement	6,644	2,990
Office of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration and the Health Service Commissioner for England		
RfR 1: To undertake the work of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration and the Health Service Commissioner for England	22,856	10,285
Net resource requirement	22,856	10,285
Net cash requirement	25,371	11,417
House of Lords		
RfR 1: Members' expenses and administration, etc	113,588	51,115
Net resource requirement	113,588	51,115
Net cash requirement	82,545	37,145
House of Commons: Members		
RfR 1: Members' salaries, allowances and other costs	147,000	66,150
Net resource requirement	147,000	66,150
Net cash requirement	149,500	67,275

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