7. CONSOLIDATED BUDGETS

7.1 As a financially autonomous public body, HA funds its public housing programmes with its own resources. A summary of the income and expenditure of HA's 2021/22 Revised Budget and 2022/23 Proposed Budget is set out below –

	2021/22 Revised Budget \$M	2022/23 Proposed Budget \$M
Operating income	33,290	37,889
Operating expenditure	(26,508)	(30,143)
Consolidated Operating Surplus	6,782	7,746
Capital expenditure	21,090	23,012

CONSOLIDATED OPERATING ACCOUNT

- 7.2 The Consolidated Operating Account in the 2022/23 Proposed Budget is projected at a surplus of \$7,746 million which is higher than the 2021/22 Revised Budget of \$6,782 million by \$964 million. The higher surplus is attributable to
 - (a) the slight surplus in the Rental Housing Operating Account mainly due to rent waiver for September 2021 granted by HA partly offset by projected increase in various expenditure items as a result of the addition of new rental flats and assumed price level adjustments; and
 - (b) the higher surplus in the Commercial Operating Account mainly due to the rent concession by HA to eligible non-domestic tenants / licensees in 2021/22, and the projected addition of new premises in 2022/23; partly offset by
 - (c) the lower surplus in the Home Ownership Assistance Operating Account mainly due to less estimated number of TPS flats sold and less alienation premium cases.

7.3 A summary by business operation is set out below –

	2021/22 Revised Budget	2022/23 Proposed Budget
	\$M	\$M
Rental Housing	(400)	193
Commercial	199	1,319
Home Ownership Assistance	6,983	6,234
Consolidated Operating Surplus	6,782	7,746

CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCE

7.4 The projected cash and investment balance at the end of March 2022 and 2023 are summarised below –

	2021/22 Revised Budget	2022/23 Proposed Budget
	\$M	\$M
Cash and Investment Balance		
at year-end	57,076	55,314

7.5 The cash and investment balance in the 2022/23 Proposed Budget is projected to decrease to \$55,314 million, mainly due to higher construction expenditures.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

7.6 The capital expenditure in the 2022/23 Proposed Budget is \$23,012 million. The details are summarised below –

	2021/22 Revised Budget	2022/23 Proposed Budget
	\$M	\$M
Construction expenditure	20,367	22,100
Improvement works	495	689
Computer systems and equipment,	228	223
other equipment and motor vehicles		
Total	21,090	23,012

7.7 Compared with the 2021/22 Revised Budget, the capital expenditure in the 2022/23 Proposed Budget is projected to increase by \$1,922 million, mainly due to higher construction expenditure in the year.