WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Chief Executive

Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee: 25 November 2009

Subject: Chief Executive Budgetary Control Report: Period 6 2009/10

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee of the performance of the Chief Executive budget for the period to 15 October 2009.

2. Background

2.1 At a meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council on 12 February 2009, Members agreed the revenue estimates for 2009/2010. A total net budget of £1.625m was approved for the Chief Executive's Department.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1 The summary report brings out a favourable variance to date (underspend) of £0.027m (3.33%).
- **3.2** There are two larger variances highlighted in the report (both favourable):
- **3.2.1** Policy Unit mainly due to both staffing vacancies and income generated from Community day.
- **3.2.2** Corporate Communications mainly due to both staffing vacancies and lower than anticipated costs in respect of the Council newspaper.

4. Personnel Issues

4.1 There are no personnel issues.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications.

6. Risk Analysis

6.1 The present variance should be viewed in the knowledge that there are a number of variable factors which could arise between now and 31 March and which could affect the year end results.

7. Officers' conclusions and recommendations

- **7.1** There is a favourable variance of £0.027m in the Chief Executive departmental budget to date.
- **7.2** This report is submitted for Committee's consideration and comment.

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Appendix: Chief Executive Department - Budgetary Control Report Period 6

Background Papers: General Services Revenue Estimates and Council Tax –

Report to Council 12 February 2009

Budget Book 2009/10 Ledger prints – Period 6

Wards Affected: All Wards