

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development

**Housing, Environment and Economic Development Committee:
2 February 2011**

Subject: HRA Capital Programme 2010/2011 Budgetary Control Report to 30 November 2010 (Period 8)

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to advise Members on the progress of the HRA Capital Programme 2010/2011 and to allow the Committee to monitor performance.

2. Background

- 2.1** Council agreed the 2010/2011 HRA Capital Programme at its meeting on 24 February 2010. At its meeting on 15 December 2010 Council was presented with probable outturn figures for the HRA Capital Programme and approved the revised HRA Capital budget which totals £16.556m. This report details expenditure against the various probable outturn headings up to 30 November 2010.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1** The projected expenditure on the Capital Programme, with matched estimated resources, is £16.556m (see Appendix A).
- 3.2** A summary of the expenditure to 30 November 2010 on each main budget heading is attached at Appendix B. Expenditure to 30 November 2010 totals £7.881m.
- 3.3** Members will note that the actual spend to 30 November 2010 is compared to the phased capital probable outturn at 30 November 2010 amounting to £8.090m, resulting in a favourable variance of £0.209m.
- 3.4** Details of the actual expenditure and phased probable outturn to 30 November 2010 on each detailed budget heading are attached at Appendix C.
- 3.5** An explanation of variances over £100,000 is given below;
- i) Re-roofing/Gutter Improvements - Favourable £0.280m
- The recent prolonged adverse weather has impacted on each contractors ability to carry out works on roofs

- ii) Void House Strategy - Adverse £0.137m

Capitalised void work has been greater than expected following the concerted efforts to maintain the reduction in the number of empty houses

4. People Implications

- 4.1 There are no implications.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 The Council has spent £7.881m to 30 November 2010 against a phased probable outturn of £8.090m resulting in a favourable variance of £0.209m.

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 2011 which could affect the year end spend.

7. Equalities Impact

- 7.1 No significant issues were identified in a screening for potential equality impact of this report.

8. Conclusions and Recommendations

- 8.1 The report identifies a favourable variance against the phased probable outturn as at 30 November 2010 of £0.209m.
- 8.2 Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

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Appendices: Appendix A - Capital Programme Resources
Appendix B - Summary of Expenditure to 30/11/10
Appendix C - Details of Expenditure to 30/11/10

Background Papers: Ledger output - HRA Capital Budgetary Control Report,
Council 15 December 2010

Wards Affected: All