

# **WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**

## **Report by the Chief Executive**

**Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee : 25 August 2010**

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### **Subject : Chief Executive Budgetary Control Report : Period 3 2010/11**

#### **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 30 June 2010.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1** At a meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council on 28 January 2010, Members agreed the revenue estimates for 2010/2011. At that time, a total net budget of £1.608m was approved for the Chief Executive's Department.
- 2.2** The reallocation of budgets within the Chief Executive's Department following the restructuring which took effect from 31 May 2010 is in the process of being finalised. For the purpose of this report the previous structure has been used. Future reports will be based on the revised structure.

#### **3. Main Issues**

- 3.1** The summary report brings out a favourable variance to date (underspend) of £0.043m (13.3%).
- 3.2** There is one main variances highlighted in the report –
- 3.3** Policy Unit £32,106 Favourable  
This favourable variance is mainly due to staffing vacancies currently held.
- 3.4** The saving identified due to staffing restructures is partially offset by additional costs which will be chargeable within the Sundry Services budget (e.g. Strain on the fund, pensions, trawl target).

#### **4. People Implications**

- 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. Equalities Impact Assessment**

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

## **8. Conclusions and Recommendations**

- 8.1** There is a favourable variance of £0.043m in the Chief Executive departmental budget to date.
- 8.2** This report is submitted for Committee's consideration and comment.

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**Date: 29 July 2010**

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**Appendix:** Chief Executive - Budgetary Control Report Period 3

**Background Papers:** General Services Revenue Estimates and Council Tax –  
Report to Council 28 January 2010  
Budget Book 2010/11  
Ledger prints – Period 3

**Wards Affected:** All Wards