

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Executive Director of Corporate Services

Corporate Cultural Sub Committee: 14 September 2010

Subject: Budgetary Monitoring Report : Period 4 (2010/11)

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to advise the Sub Committee of the performance of the Corporate Cultural budgets for the period to 31 July 2010.

2. Background

- 2.1** At a meeting of the Sub Committee on 4 August 2008, Members agreed the budgets thought to be relevant for the Sub Committee.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1** The budgets being monitored, both capital and revenue, are held in various departments and are also subject to monitoring by various Committees, as well as Council.

- 3.2** At present, the allocated revenue budgets being monitored per appendix A indicate a net favourable position of £0.011m.

- 3.3** The halls and events budget includes project based spend, but is rolled up within the larger halls and events budget and, as such, does not have individual formal budget allocations. The spend on the halls and events cultural projects to date is £0.077m, as indicated in appendix A.

- 3.4** The Educational Services culture budget includes project based spend with various ring fenced monies also being allocated within it. The spend on the Educational Services cultural projects to date is £0.732m, as indicated in appendix A.

- 3.5** Both project based spend levels – as noted in 3.3 and 3.4 above - are currently within expected budget levels.

- 3.6** The spending restrictions the Council currently has in place should be noted by Members. The CMT is scrutinising all spend to ensure that only essential items are ordered. It is important that the Council remains consistent in its approach to such matters.

4. People Implications

- 4.1** There are no people implications.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 There is a favourable variance of £0.011m within the Corporate Cultural budgets

6. Risk Analysis

- 6.1 The present position 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 Recommendation

- 8.1 For those net revenue budgets being monitored, there is an overall favourable variance of £0.011m.
- 8.2 This report is submitted for the Sub-Committee's consideration and comment.

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Appendix:	Corporate Cultural budgets - Budgetary Control Report Period 4
Background Papers:	Budget Book 2010/11 Ledger prints – Period 4
Wards Affected:	All Wards