#### WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

# Report by Executive Director of Corporate Services Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee: 25 February 2009

# Subject: Dumbarton Common Good Fund - Monitoring Report to 15 January 2009

## 1. Purpose

**1.1** The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with details of income and expenditure on the Common Good Fund Account to 15 January 2009.

# 2. Background

2.1 The 2008/2009 original budget was agreed at a meeting of the Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee on 26 March 2008.

## 3. Main Issues

**3.1** A statement with the following information is attached:-

2008/2009 Approved Budget 2008/2009 Actual Outturn to 15 January 2009 2008/2009 Projected Outturn

- 3.2 The total budgeted expenditure for 2008/09 was originally £243,940. However, as noted within the Appendix, the projected overall spend by 31 March 2009 is now £247,740.
- **3.3** The statement shows projected income of £222,106 for the year.
- 3.4 When the projected expenditure and income are totalled, it is anticipated that the fund will have a net expenditure of £25,634 this year.
- 3.5 When this balance is added to the 2007/08 balance carried forward of £152,612, it is forecast that £126,978 will be carried forward at 31 March 2009 for use in future years.
- 3.6 The Alcoholics Anonymous group is a non profit making self help organisation for alcoholics in the Dumbarton area. The group occupy the hall at 7 Poplar Road, owned by the Common Good Fund and have previously agreed funding of £7,250 per annum (rent £5,250 and utilities £2,000). However, increased costs have determined that the annual utility amount of £2,000 per annum is insufficient. The A.A. (for constitution purposes) is unable to make an application in the normal manner and seeks an increase of grant to £9,250 (being £5,250 rent and £4,000 utilities). Currently, this has not been added to the probable outturn without Members' approval.

#### 4. Personnel Issues

**4.1** There are no personnel issues.

## 5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 The current projection of expenditure to be paid in 2008/09 is £247,740, with £222,106 income anticipated. This leaves a forecast net decrease to the Common Good Fund in 2008/09 of £25,634.
- **5.2** Further grant funding of an additional £2,000 is being requested and as yet has not been taken into account in the year end forecast.
- 6. Risk Analysis
- **6.1** No additional risk analysis was required.

### 7. Conclusions

- **7.1** A net decrease to the Common Good Fund balance of £25,634 is anticipated during 2008/09, leaving an estimated balance available at 31 March 2009 of £126,978.
- 8. Recommendations
- 8.1 The Committee is invited to consider the Statement of Income and Expenditure to 15 January 2009.
- 8.2 The Committee is asked to approve a further grant of £2,000 for the A.A. Group, this has not been taken into the probable outturn balances.

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**Executive Director of Corporate Services** 

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Wards Affected: Dumbarton Wards only

Appendix: Statement of Income and Expenditure

**Background Papers:** Period 9 ledger print

Approved Budget 2008/09

**Minutes Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee** 

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