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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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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