Agenda



Corporate Services Committee

Date: Wednesday, 8 February 2017

Time: 14:00

Venue: Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall,

Dumbarton Road, Clydebank

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Dear Member

Please attend a meeting of the Corporate Services Committee as detailed above. The business is shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

JOYCE WHITE

Chief Executive

Distribution:-

Councillor Kath Ryall (Chair)
Councillor George Black
Councillor Gail Casey
Councillor Jim Finn
Councillor David McBride
Councillor Jonathan McColl
Councillor Patrick McGlinchey
Councillor John Mooney
Councillor Lawrence O'Neill
Councillor Tommy Rainey (Vice Chair)
Councillor Gail Robertson
Councillor Martin Rooney

All other Councillors for information

Chief Executive
Strategic Director – Transformation and Public Service Reform
Strategic Director – Regeneration, Environment & Growth
Chief Officer of West Dunbartonshire Health & Social Care Partnership

Date of issue: 27 January 2017

CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 2017

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare if they have an interest in any of the items of business on this agenda and the reasons for such declarations.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

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Submit for approval as a correct record, the Minutes of Meeting of the Corporate Services Committee held on 9 November 2016.

4 MINUTES OF JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM – 8 DECEMBER 2016

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Submit for information and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of Meeting of the JCF held on 8 December 2016.

5. CORPORATE SERVICES BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2016 (PERIOD 9)

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Submit report by the Strategic Director – Transformation & Public Service Reform advising on the performance of the Corporate Services budget for the period to 31 December 2016.

6. WRITE-OFF OF MISCELLANEOUS INCOME DEBTOR ACCOUNTS – QUARTER 3, 2016/17

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Submit report by the Strategic Lead - Resources seeking approval for the write off of debts in respect of miscellaneous income debtor accounts, which have been deemed as irrecoverable during Quarter 3 2016/17, arising from various years and reasons as detailed in the Appendix.

7. WRITE-OFF OF NATIONAL DOMESTIC RATES

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Submit report by the Strategic Lead - Resources seeking approval for the write-off of debts in respect of National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR), which have been deemed as irrecoverable during the financial year 2016/17.

8. ELECTION COUNTING CONTRACT: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION 2017

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Submit report by the Strategic Lead – Regulatory to note retrospectively the decision to award the contract for equipment, supplies and services to permit the conduct of electronic counting for the 2017 Local Government Elections.

9. PEOPLE & TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS AND SPEND 2017-18

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Submit report by the Strategic Lead - People & Technology:-

- (a) providing a detailed breakdown of the planned ICT Capital and Revenue spend on new and existing contracts in excess of £50,000 and seeking approval to procure and contract for the required goods and services; and
- (b) seeking authority to renew or, where appropriate, retender the Council's employee counselling service provision.

10. WORKING WELL TOGETHER – ATTENDANCE MANAGEMENT: QUARTER 3

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Submit report by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology advising on attendance levels across the Council for quarter 3 (October – December 2016) and providing a breakdown of absence performance by Strategic Lead area.

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CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Corporate Services Committee held on Wednesday, 9 November 2016 in Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton at 2.02 p.m.

Present: Councillors George Black, David McBride, Jonathan McColl,

Patrick McGlinchey, John Mooney, Gail Robertson, Martin

Rooney and Kath Ryall.

Attending: Angela Wilson, Strategic Director – Transformation & Public

Service Reform; Peter Hessett, Strategic Lead - Regulatory; Stephen West, Strategic Lead - Resources; Malcolm Bennie – Strategic Lead – Communication, Culture & Communities; Vicki

Rogers, Strategic Lead – People & Technology; Darren

Paterson, Strategic HR Manager; Andrew Gordon, Corporate Procurement Manager (Interim); Stephen Daly, Customer Services Manager; Ryan Chalmers, Section Head, Revenues &

Benefits and Craig Stewart, Committee Officer.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors

Gail Casey, Jim Finn, Lawrence O'Neill and Tommy Rainey.

Councillor Kath Ryall in the Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the Corporate Services Committee held on 10 August 2016 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

MINUTES OF JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM – 1 SEPTEMBER 2016

After discussion, the Minutes of Meeting of the JCF held on 1 September 2016 were submitted and all decisions contained therein were approved.

WRITE-OFF OF MISCELLANEOUS INCOME DEBTOR ACCOUNTS AND COUNCIL TAX – QUARTER 2, 2016/17

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Resources seeking approval of the write-off of debts in respect of miscellaneous income debtor accounts and council tax accounts, which have been deemed as irrecoverable during Quarter 2 2016/17, arising from various years and reasons as detailed in the Appendices to the report.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead – Resources and Section Head, Revenues & Benefits in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to approve the write-off of miscellaneous income debt valued at £1,080.00; and council tax debt of £36,994.86; and
- to note the comments at 4.3 of the report in relation to the proposed increase to the Financial Regulation D4 which gives the Strategic Lead Resources authority to write-off individual debts up to £1,000.

STRATEGIC DELIVERY PLANS 2016/17 - MID-YEAR PROGRESS REPORTS

Reports were submitted by the relevant Strategic Leads in relation to the undernoted four strategic areas, and were dealt with as follows:-

(1) Communications, Culture & Communities

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead – Communications, Culture & Communities and the Customer Services Manager in answer to a Member's questions, the Committee agreed to note the contents of the report and the progress achieved at mid-year.

(2) People & Technology

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead – People & Technology and the Strategic HR Manager in further explanation and in answer to a Member's questions, the Committee agreed to note the contents of the report and the progress achieved at mid-year.

(3) Regulatory

The Strategic Lead – Regulatory advised the Committee of a correction to the report in respect of Paragraph 4.7 under the sub-heading Customer Feedback. Accordingly, it was noted that with regard to Stage 1 complaints, the average figure of 5 working days was incorrect and this figure should read 2.5 days. He also advised that no complaints had been upheld during the period covered by the report.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead – Regulatory in further explanation and in answer to a Member's questions and the Strategic Lead – People & Technology, the Committee agreed to note the contents of this report and the progress achieved at mid-year.

(4) Resources

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead – Resources in further explanation and in answer to a Member's questions, the Committee agreed to note the contents of this report and the progress achieved at mid-year.

CORPORATE SERVICES BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2016 (PERIOD 6)

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Resources advising on the performance of the Corporate Services budget for the period to 30 September 2016.

After discussion, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note that the revenue account currently showed a projected annual favourable variance of £0.015m (0.09% of the total budget); and
- (2) to note that the capital account shows was projecting a nil variance for both the current year and project life.

PROCUREMENT STRATEGY (2015 TO 2017) - ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Resources providing an update on the outcomes achieved relative to the Council's Procurement Strategy, 2015 to 2017 and the areas of focus for the next 12 months.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Director and the Corporate Procurement Manager (Interim) in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

DIGITAL STRATEGY 2016-2021

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Communications, Culture & Communities setting out how the Council will make use of modern technology to provide customer service channels that increase choice, improve satisfaction and reduce costs.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead in further explanation, the Committee agreed to approve the proposed direction of digital transformation at West Dunbartonshire Council on the basis detailed in the Appendix to the report.

JOB EVALUATION POLICY AND PROCEDURE REVIEW

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology providing an update on the review of the Job Evaluation Policy and Procedure.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead in further explanation and in answer to a Member's question, the Committee agreed:-

- (1) to note that the review of the Policy and Procedure had been agreed with Trade Unions at the Employee Liaison Group on 26 October 2016;
- (2) to approve the changes to the Job Evaluation Policy and Procedure; and
- (3) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

EARLY RETIREMENT, VOLUNTARY SEVERANCE AND REDEPLOYMENT – 1 APRIL TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2016

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology advising on early retirements, voluntary severance, and re-deployment during the 6 month period from 1 April to 30 September 2016.

The Committee agreed to note the contents of the report.

TRADE UNION RECOGNITION AND FACILITIES AGREEMENT

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology providing an update on the review of the internal structures that support the efficient and effective partnership working arrangements with the Trade Unions.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead in answer to a Member's question, the Committee agreed to note the contents of the report and approved the amendments to the Trade Union Recognition and Facilities Agreement.

WORKING WELL TOGETHER – ATTENDANCE MANAGEMENT QUARTER 2

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology advising on attendance levels across the Council for Quarter 2 (July to September 2016) and providing a breakdown of absence performance by Strategic Lead area.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Director and the Strategic Lead – People & Technology in further explanation and in answer to a Member's questions, it was agreed:-

- (1) to note, with satisfaction, the content of the report and the attendance results for Q2 2016/17, namely a significant decrease of 2106 FTE days lost (19.3%) compared to the same period last year; and
- (2) to note the supporting verbal commentary from the Director in respect of pertinent points/actions to note for the service areas within the locus of the Committee.

BI-ANNUAL WORKFORCE MONITORING REPORT

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – People & Technology providing employee information relating to the period 1 April to 30 September 2016, including analysis against the same period in 2015.

The Committee agreed to note the following employment information for 1 April to 30 September 2016:-

- (1) Attendance statistics
- (2) Occupational health and counselling
- (3) Accidents/incidents
- (4) Discipline, grievance and dignity at work
- (5) Employee development
- (6) Recruitment monitoring
- (7) Staffing watch as at 11 June 2016

The meeting closed at 3.20 p.m.

JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM

At a Meeting of the Joint Consultative Forum held in Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Thursday, 8 December 2016 at 2.05 p.m.

Present: Councillors Jim Finn, David McBride and Kath Ryall; James

Halfpenny (EIS); David Scott (GMB); Claire Mackenzie (SSTA);

Val Jennings, Andy McCallion, Peter O'Neill and Susan Shannon (UNISON); and James Docherty and Jackaleen

McMonagle* (Unite).

*Arrived later in the meeting.

Attending: Keith Redpath, Chief Officer of the Health & Social Care

Partnership; Angela Wilson, Strategic Director - Transformation and Public Service Reform; Ronnie Dinnie, Strategic Lead - Environment and Neighbourhood; Vicki Rogers, Strategic Lead -

People and Technology; Stephen West, Strategic Lead – Resources; Darren Paterson, Strategic HR Manager; Matthew Boyle, Education Service Manager - Workforce/CPD; Linda Butler, Events and Employee Engagement Lead; Lorraine Mair, Organisational Development and Change Lead; Michelle

McAloon, Lead HR Adviser; Raymond Lynch, Senior Solicitor;

and Scott Kelly, Committee Officer.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors

Gail Robertson and Tommy Rainey; Charlie McDonald (Unite); and Soumen Sengupta, Head of Strategy, Planning and Health

Improvement.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

In the absence of the Chair of the Forum, Councillor McGlinchey, and the Vice Chair, Ms McMonagle, the Senior Solicitor requested that the Management Side nominate a chair for the meeting. Councillor McBride was so nominated and accordingly assumed the Chair.

Councillor David McBride in the Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the Joint Consultative Forum held on 1 September 2016 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

EMPLOYEE SURVEY 2015 – IMPROVEMENT PLAN UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead - People and Technology providing an update on the improvement plan implemented to address the 2015 employee survey results.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead - People and Technology and the Events and Employee Engagement Lead in explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Forum agreed to note the content of the report and the progress outlined in its Appendix.

Note: Ms McMonagle entered the meeting during consideration of this item.

UPDATE ON PERFORMANCE AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING (PDP)

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead - People and Technology:-

- (1) providing an update on employees with a PDP in place for 2016/17, and the measures being taken to achieve target; and
- (2) providing an update on the current review of the PDP process.

There was also submitted (tabled) a revised version of Table 1 contained within the report which showed, by Strategic Lead areas, the up to date position in relation to the percentage of staff for whom a PDP was in place for 2016/17.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Director - Transformation and Public Service Reform, the Strategic Lead - People and Technology, and the Organisational Development and Change Lead in explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Forum agreed to note the contents of the report.

SPECIAL LEAVE SCHEME

The Strategic Lead - People and Technology provided a verbal update in respect of the Special Leave Scheme and was heard in answer to a Member's question.

The Forum agreed:-

(1) to note that agreement had not been reached between Management and the Trades Unions in respect of revisions to the Special Leave Scheme;

- (2) to note that a short life working group had been established to facilitate discussions in respect of this matter;
- (3) to note that the Trades Unions had a particular concern in relation to the use of special leave for hospital appointments;
- (4) to note that the current scheme provided for special leave to be granted for hospital appointments but stated that in certain circumstances employees who used the Flexible Working Hours Scheme may be asked to use flexi leave for such appointments; and
- (5) to note that Management and the Trades Unions would continue to work jointly in an effort to reach agreement in respect of the scheme.

WORKING WELL TOGETHER: QUARTER 2 – 2016/2017

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead - People and Technology providing an update in respect of sickness absence within West Dunbartonshire Council and the actions progressed through the Attendance Working Group, as part of the Working Well Together initiative.

Following discussion and having heard officers in explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Forum agreed:-

- (1) to note that the Strategic Lead People and Technology would provide Mr Halfpenny with information in support of the statement in paragraph 5.1 of the report that "being engaged in gainful employment has tangible health benefits, leads to improved health and wellbeing, and improved performance and engagement"; and
- (2) otherwise to note the contents of the report and the attendance results for Quarter 2 which showed a significant decrease of 2106 days lost (19.3%) compared to the same period last year.

DISCIPLINE AND GRIEVANCE – QUARTER 2 UPDATE (1 JULY 2016 – 30 SEPTEMBER 2016)

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead - People and Technology advising of progress on discipline and grievance for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 September 2016.

After discussion and having heard the Strategic Lead - People and Technology and the Lead HR Adviser in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Forum agreed to note the contents of the report.

TRADES UNIONS ISSUES

Special Leave (item requested by Joint Trades Unions)

The Forum agreed that this matter had been dealt with earlier in the meeting and need not be discussed further.

Anti-Austerity Campaign (item requested by Joint Trades Unions)

Mr O'Neill informed the Forum of the Joint Trades Unions' local anti-austerity campaign which had recently been launched, and intimated that the Trades Unions would lobby Elected Members in respect of the campaign in advance of the meeting of Council to be held on 21 December 2016.

Councillor McBride, Chair, was heard in response and, following discussion, the Forum noted that details of the Scottish Government's settlement funding for local authorities was expected to be announced next week.

The meeting closed at 2.55 p.m.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Strategic Director of Transformation and Public Sector Reform Corporate Services Committee – 8 February 2017

Subject: Corporate Services Budgetary Control Report to 31 December 2016 (Period 9)

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Committee on the performance of the Corporate Services budget for the period to 31 December 2016.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Members are asked to:

- i) note that the revenue account currently shows a projected annual favourable variance of £0.165m (0.87% of the total budget); and
- ii) note that the capital account is projecting a favourable variance of £0.272m for the current year and a nil variance for the project life.

3. Background

Revenue

3.1 At the meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council on 24 February 2016, Members agreed the revenue estimates for 2016/2017, including a total net Corporate Services budget of £18.217m. Budget adjustments have taken place revising the budget to £18.928m as detailed below.

Revised Budget	18.928
Transfer of Woman's Aid Budget to Sundry Services	-0.150
Central Admin Transfer	1.072
Recurring Variances	-0.195
Services	-0.110
Transfer of Corporate Savings target to Sundry	-0.116
services	0.100
Transfer of Customer Services target to sundry	0.400
Budget Agreed February 2016	18.217

Capital

3.2 At the meeting of Council on 24 February 2016, Members also agreed the updated 10 year General Services Capital Plan. The three years from 2016/17 to 2018/19 have been approved in detail with the remaining seven years from 2019/20 to 2025/26 being indicative at this stage.

4. Main Issues

Revenue

- **4.1** The summary report at Appendix 1 identifies a projected annual favourable variance (underspend) of £0.165m (0.87% of the total budget). Detailed service reports are attached as Appendix 2.
- 4.2 Notes on the projected annual variances in excess of £0.050m are highlighted and noted within Appendix 3, with additional information on action being taken to minimise or mitigate overspends where possible.
- 4.3 Although the report indicates that expenditure is favourable in comparison to that anticipated during the budget exercise, 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.
- 4.4 Agreed savings and management adjustments for 2016/17 are monitored with current indications showing that of the total target being monitored (£2.112m), the majority of actions are currently on target to be achieved (see Appendix 4). It should be noted that any variances are included within the service information and variances identified within this report.

Capital

4.5 The overall Corporate Services programme summary report at Appendix 5 shows that planned expenditure and resource is projected to show a favourable variance of £0.272m in the current year and a nil variance for the project life. There is one project currently at red status and 2 projects at amber status, as described in Appendices 6 and 7.

5. People Implications

5.1 There are no people implications.

6. Financial and Procurement Implications

6.1 Other than the financial position noted above, there are no financial or procurement implications from this budgetary control report.

7. Risk Analysis

- 7.1 The main financial risks to the ongoing financial position relate to unforeseen costs being identified between now and the end of the financial year. This can affect all service areas.
- 8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)
- **8.1** No equalities impact assessment was required in relation to this report.
- 9. Consultation
- **9.1** All departments involved in delivering the revenue and capital budgets have been consulted in the compilation of this report.
- 10. Strategic Assessment
- 10.1 Proper budgetary control and sound financial practice are cornerstones of good governance and support Council and officers to pursue the 5 strategic priorities of the Council's Strategic Plan. This report forms part of the financial governance of the Council.

Angela Wilson

Strategic Director of Transformation and Public Sector Reform

Date: 17 January 2017

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Appendices: Appendix 1 - Revenue Budgetary Control 2016/17

Summary Report

Appendix 2 - Revenue Budgetary Control 2016/17

Service Reports

Appendix 3 - Analysis of Revenue Variances over

£50,000

Appendix 4 - 2016/17 Savings and Management

Adjustments Monitoring

Appendix 5 - Overall Capital Programme Summary

Financials

Appendix 6 - Red Status Capital Projects
Appendix 7 - Amber Status Capital Projects

Background Papers: Ledger output – Period 9

General Services Revenue Estimates 2016/17

General Services Capital Plan 2016/17 to 2018/19 - Council

24 February 2016

Corporate Services Budgetary Control Report to 31 December (Period 9)

Wards Affected All Wards

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL 2016/2017 CORPORATE SERVICES SUMMARY

MONTH END DATE

Service / Subjective Summary	Total Budget 2016/17	Spend to Date 2016/17	% Spend of the Total Budget	e Total Forecast Foreca		Forecast Variance 2016/17	
	£000	£000	%	£000	£000	%	
Audit	353	330	93%	344	(9)	-3%	↑
Finance	1,428	1,137	80%	1,463	35	2%	+
Rent Rebates & Allowances	(15)	(7)	47%	(22)	(7)	-47%	↑
Revenues & Benefits	2,309	1,857	80%	2,259	(50)	-2%	
Debtors & Creditors	330	269	82%	340	10	3%	+
Cost of Collection of Rates	41	3	7%	41	0	0%	→
Cost of Collection of Council Tax	(752)	(155)	21%	(751)	1	0%	+
Procurement	628	669	107%	635	7	1%	+
Administrative & Democratic Services	2,570	2,507	98%	2,474	(96)	-4%	
Environmental Health/ Trading Standards	1,174	818	70%	1,153	(21)	-2%	
Licensing	(155)	(112)	72%	(122)	33	21%	+
Legal Services	664	514	77%	615	(49)	-7%	
Transactional Services	697	508	73%	698	1	0%	+
Human Resources (including risk)	1,305	863	66%	1,257	(48)	-4%	
Information Services	3,189	2,661	83%	3,200	11	0%	+
Change Support	474	338	71%	450	(24)	-5%	
Communications & Marketing	276	206	75%	267	(9)	-3%	
Customer Service	1,190	835	70%	1,170	(20)	-2%	
Policy, Planning and Performance	454	343	76%	446	(8)	-2%	
Working4U	2,038	1,898	93%	2,092	54	3%	+
Communities	730	409	56%	754	24	3%	+
Total Net Expenditure	18,928	15,892	84%	18,763	(165)	-0.87%	↑

Service Summary	Tot Budg 2016/	et YTD Spend		Forecast Annual Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
All Services	£00	00 £000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	19,73	14,006	19,558	(175)	-1%	+
Property		0 67	92	2	2%	+
Transport and Plant	1.	6 57	108	(8)	-7%	+
Supplies, Services and Admin	1,88	1,836	1,938	56	3%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	50,56	66 35,714	48,437	(2,129)	-4%	↑
Other		0 0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	72,38	51,680	70,133	(2,255)	-3%	↑
Income	(53,46	0) (35,789)	(51,370)	2,090	4%	+
Net Expenditure	18,92	15,892	18,763	(165)	-1%	↑
Audit	£00	000£	£000	£000	%	
Employee	43	9 337	459	20	5%	+
Property		0 0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant		1 1	1	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin		3 5	6	3	100%	+
Payments to Other Bodies		0 1	3	(7)	-70%	
Other		0 0	0	Ô	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	45	344	469	16	4%	+
Income	(10	0) (14)	(125)	(25)	-25%	↑
Net Expenditure	35	330	344	(9)	-3%	↑
Finance	£00	000£	£000	£000	%	
Employee	1,54	2 1,140	1,579	37	2%	+
Property		0 0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant		1 1	2	1	100%	+
Supplies, Services and Admin		2 11	17	5	42%	+
Payments to Other Bodies		2 2	2 2	0	0%	→
Other		0 0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	1,55	7 1,154	1,600	43	3%	+
Income	(12	9) (17)	(137)	(8)	-6%	↑
Net Expenditure	1,42	8 1,137	1,463	35	2%	+

Service Summary	Total Budget 2016/17		Forecast Spend 2016/17	Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
Rent Rebates & Allowances	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	0	0	0	0	0%	+
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Payments to Other Bodies	48,003	33,978	45,866	(2,137)	-4%	+
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	48,003	33,978	45,866	(2,137)	-4%	
Income	(48,018)	(33,985)	(45,888)	2,130	4%	+
Net Expenditure	(15)	(7)	(22)	(7)	47%	1
Revenues & Benefits	£000£	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	2,226	1,572	2,162	(64)	-3%	
Property	0	0	0	Ó	0%	→
Transport and Plant	6	4	6	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	36	25	40	4	11%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	870	695	896	26	3%	+
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	3,138	2,296	3,104	(34)	-1%	
Income	(829)	(439)	(845)	(16)	-2%	↑
Net Expenditure	2,309	1,857	2,259	(50)	-2%	1
Debtors & Creditors	£000£	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	277	227	284	7	3%	+
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	53	42	56	3	6%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	330	269	340	10	3%	+
Income	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Net Expenditure	330	269	340	10	3%	+

Service Summary	Total Budget 2016/17	YTD Spend	Forecast Spend 2016/17	Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
Cost of Collection of Rates	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	10	3	10	0	0%	→
Payments to Other Bodies	96	0	96	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	106	3	106	0	0%	→
Income	(65)	0	(65)	0	0%	→
Net Expenditure	41	3	41	0	0%	→
Cost of Collection of Council Tax	£000	£000	£000	£000 %		
Employee	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	79	73	80	1	1%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	46	33	46	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	125	106	126	1	1%	+
Income	(877)	(261)	(877)	0	0%	→
Net Expenditure	(752)	(155)	(751)	1	0%	+
Procurement	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	874	598	839	(35)	-4%	
Property	0	0	0	Ó	0%	→
Transport and Plant	1	1	1	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	1	1	1	0	0%	→
Payments to Other Bodies	69	69	69	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	945	669	910	(35)	-4%	↑
Income	(317)	0	(275)	42	13%	+
Net Expenditure	628	669	635	7	1%	+

Service Summary	Total Budget 2016/17	YTD Spend	Forecast Spend 2016/17	Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
Administrative & Democratic Services	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000 %	
Employee	3,587	2,567	3,514	(73)	-2%	↑
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	5	2	3	(2)	-40%	↑
Supplies, Services and Admin	26	22	27	1	4%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	3,618	2,591	3,544	(74)	-2%	↑
Income	(1,048)	(84)	(1,070)	(22)	-2%	↑
Net Expenditure	2,570	2,507	2,474	(96)	-4%	↑
Environmental Health/ Trading Standards	£000	£000	£000	£000 %		
Employee	1,180	844	1,160	(20)	-2%	↑
Property	9	7	9	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	23	15	25	2	9%	+
Supplies, Services and Admin	46	27	47	1	2%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	87	50	87	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	1,345	943	1,328	(17)	-1%	↑
Income	(171)	(125)	(175)	(4)	-2%	↑
Net Expenditure	1,174	818	1,153	(21)	-2%	1
Licensing	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	188	139	190	2	1%	+
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	1	1	1	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	5	23	35	30	600%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	0	0	3	3	0%	+
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	194	163	229	35	18%	+
Income	(349)	(275)	(351)	(2)	-1%	↑
Net Expenditure	(155)	(112)	(122)	33	-21%	+

Service Summary	Total Budget 2016/17	YTD Spend 2016/17	Forecast Spend 2016/17	Forecast Annual Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
Legal Services	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000 %	
Employee	778	534	726	(52)	-7%	+
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	1	1	1	0	0%	+
Supplies, Services and Admin	16	9	17	1	6%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	795	544	744	(51)	-6%	↑
Income	(131)	(30)	(129)	2	2%	+
Net Expenditure	664	514	615	(49)	-7%	↑
Transactional Services	£000	£000	£000	£000 %		
Employee	689	503	689	0	0%	→
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	8	5	9	1	13%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	697	508	698	1	0%	+
Income	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Net Expenditure	697	508	698	1	0%	+
Human Resources (including risk)	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	1,038	718	994	(44)	-4%	+
Property	16	1	15	(1)	-6%	
Transport and Plant	5	2	4	(1)	-20%	+
Supplies, Services and Admin	12	10	12	Ô	0%	→
Payments to Other Bodies	234	132	232	(2)	-1%	+
Other	0	0	0	Ò	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	1,305	863	1,257	(48)	-4%	
Income	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Net Expenditure	1,305	863	1,257	(48)	-4%	↑

Service Summary	Total Budget 2016/17	YTD Spend 2016/17	Forecast Spend 2016/17	Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
Information Services	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000 %	
Employee	1,784	1,110	1,771	(13)	-1%	↑
Property	0	0	1	1	0%	+
Transport and Plant	7	4	6	(1)	-14%	↑
Supplies, Services and Admin	1,387	1,538	1,412	25	2%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	11	12	13	2	18%	+
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	3,189	2,664	3,203	14	0%	+
Income	0	(3)	(3)	(3)	0%	↑
Net Expenditure	3,189	2,661	3,200	11	0%	+
Change Support	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	473	337	449	(24)	-5%	↑
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	1	1	1	0	0%	→
Payments to Other Bodies	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	474	338	450	(24)	-5%	↑
Income	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Net Expenditure	474	338	450	(24)	-5%	1
Communications & Marketing	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	246	198	243	(3)	-1%	↑
Property	0	0	0	Ó	0%	→
Transport and Plant	1	0	1	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	26	10	24	(2)	-8%	↑
Payments to Other Bodies	3	2	3	Ò	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	276	210	271	(5)	-2%	↑
Income	0	(4)	(4)	(4)	0%	↑
Net Expenditure	276	206	267	(9)	-3%	1

Service Summary	Total Budget 2016/17	YTD Spend 2016/17	Forecast Spend 2016/17	Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
Customer Service	£000	£000	£000	£000 %		
Employee	1,103	771	1,086	(17)	-2%	+
Property	65	58	65	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	2	1	1	(1)	-50%	↑
Supplies, Services and Admin	17	5	17	0	0%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	3	0	1	(2)	-67%	+
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	1,190	835	1,170	(20)	-2%	
Income	0	0	0	0	0%	+
Net Expenditure	1,190	835	1,170	(20)	-2%	↑
Policy, Planning and Performance	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	410	325	420	10	2%	+
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	1	0	1	(0)	-8%	
Supplies, Services and Admin	7	2	2	(5)	-73%	
Payments to Other Bodies	35	16	23	(12)	-34%	
Other	0	0	0	Ó	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	454	343	446	(8)	-2%	↑
Income	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Net Expenditure	454	343	446	(8)	-2%	↑
Working4U	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	2,460	1,779	2,531	71	3%	+
Property	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Transport and Plant	57	23	51	(6)	-11%	
Supplies, Services and Admin	54	20	43	(11)	-20%	
Payments to Other Bodies	746	542	746	Ó	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	+
Gross Expenditure	3,317	2,364	3,371	54	2%	+
Income	(1,279)	(466)	(1,279)	0	0%	+
Net Expenditure	2,038	1,898	2,092	54	3%	+

Service Summary	Total Budget 2016/17	YTD Spend 2016/17	Forecast Spend 2016/17	Variance 2016/17		RAG Status
Communities	£000	£000	£000	£000	%	
Employee	439	307	462	23	5%	+
Property	0	1	2	2	0%	+
Transport and Plant	4	1	4	0	0%	→
Supplies, Services and Admin	83	4	82	(1)	-1%	+
Payments to Other Bodies	351	182	351	0	0%	→
Other	0	0	0	0	0%	→
Gross Expenditure	877	495	901	24	3%	+
Income	(147)	(86)	(147)	0 0%		+
Net Expenditure	730	409	754	24	3%	+

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL 2016/2017 ANALYSIS FOR VARIANCES OVER £50,000

YEAR END DATE

	Variance Analysis					
Budget Details	Total Budget	Forecast Spend	variance		RAG Status	
	£000	£000	£000	%		

Administrative & Democratic Services	2,570	2,474	(96)	-4%	†
Service Description	This services deals wi Services wiithn the Au		ation functions	and Dem	octratic
Main Issues / Reason for Variance	The main resaon for the	ne variance is du	ie to vacancies	S.	
Mitigating Action	No mitigating action ro	quired.			
Anticipated Outcome	It is anticipated that th	e underspend w	ill contiune thro	oughout t	he year.

Working4U	2,038	2,092	54	3%	+	
Service Description	This service incorporates a number of individual services the Council provides to its residents such as Advice services on benefits and debt, as well as community learning and development					
Main Issues / Reason for Variance	This adverse variand target by £70K in ord				_	
Mitigating Action	Management will cor achieve a level of sa			ections ta	ken to	
Anticipated Outcome	At this time, an overs	spend is anticipated	l			

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WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL MONITORING OF SAVINGS 2016/17

Efficiency	reference	Efficiency Detail		Projection of Total Saved £		Comment
2015/16	MA2	Service Rationalisation: Corporate & Community Planning; Advice Services; CLD; Performance and Policy; Anti-Social Behaviour; and potentially others	1,338,000	1,268,000	70,000	This adverse variance is due to the an underachievement of the savings target by £70K in order to maintain adequate welfare rights service
2015/16	MA4	Clerical & Admin Review - Organisation Wide	200,000	200,000	-	on track
2015/16	MA11	New workforce models within Corporate Services through removal of vacant posts, more efficient working practices	124,065	124,065	-	on track
2016/17	MA1	Further service delivery rationalisation in CL&D, Working4U, Community Engagement	50,000	50,000	-	on track
2016/17	MA2	Reduction in Advertising	2,214	2,214	-	on track
2016/17	MA3	Review of staffing structures within Corporate Services	263,357	263,357	-	on track
2016/17	MA4	Introduce Marriage Officers	2,500	2,500	-	on track
2016/17	MA5	Stop provision of bottled water at committee meetings	3,000	3,000	-	on track
2016/17	MA7	Reduction of stationery budgets	5,000	5,000	-	on track
2016/17	MA8	Advertising changes for Elected Member Surgeries	3,000	3,000	-	on track
2016/17	MA10	Employability Service vacates Poplar Road	21,000	21,000	-	on track
TOTAL			2,012,136	1,942,136	70,000	

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME OVERALL PROGRAMME SUMMARY

MONTH	END	DATE
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30 June 2015

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		Project Life St	atus Analysis		Cur	rent Year Proje	ect Status Ana	lysis	Ī		
Project Status Analysis	Ni mala a r of	% Projects at RAG Status	Spend to Date £000	Spend at	Number of Projects at RAG Status	% Projects at	Spend to	% Project Spend at			
Red											
Projects are forecast to be overspent and/or experience material delay to completion	1	8%	0	0%	1	8%	0	0%			
Amber											
Projects are either at risk of being overspent and/or delay in completion (although this is unquantifiable at present) or the project has any issues that require to be reported at this time	2	17%	1,091	15%	2	17%	5	1%			
Green											
Projects are on target both in relation to overall budget and the forecast stages in the project life cycle and no issues are anticipated at this time	9	75%	6,368	85%	9	75%	583	99%			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	12	100%	7,459	100%	12	100%	588	100%			
		Project Life	Financials			Current Year Financials					
	Budget £000	Spend to Date £000	Spend	Forecast Variance £000	Budget £000	Date	Spend	Forecast Variance £000		(Under)	
	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	
Red											
Projects are forecast to be overspent and/or significant delay to completion	1,000	0	1,000	0	500	0	250	(250)	(250)	0	
Amber											
Projects are either at risk of being overspent and/or delay in completion (although this is unquantifiable at present) or the project has any issues that require to be reported at this time	1,115	1,091	1,115	0	29	5	7	(22)	(22)	0	
Green											
Projects are on target both in relation to overall budget and the forecast stages in the project life cycle and no issues are anticipated at this time	7,979	6,368	7,979	0	2,014	583	2,014	(0)	0	(0)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	10,094	7,459	10,094	0	2,543	588	2,271	(272)	(272)	(0)	

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME ANALYSIS OF PROJECTS AT RED ALERT STATUS

MONTH END DATE

31 December 2016

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	Project Life Financials						
Budget Details	Budget	Spend to Date	Forecast Spend	Forecast Variance			
	£000	£000 %	6 £000	£000			

1	Invest in "Your Community	Initiative" (Amanda C	Coulthard)				
	Project Life Financials	1,000	0	0%	1,000	0	0%
	Current Year Financials	500	0	0%	250	(250)	-50%
	Project Description	Capital budget to sup a participatory budge	•		•	•	
	Project Lifecycle	Planned End Date	31-Mar	-18 Fo	recast End Date	31	-Mar-18

Main Issues / Reason for Variance

Project is focused on delivering capital support to localised community empowerment. £0.425m has been allocated to participatory budgeting which will allow local residents to feel ownership of how money is spent in their local area. Applications were recieved towards the end of October, have been assessed and voting sessions have taken place. At this time there is only approximately £0.040m of eligible bids that are appropriate to be funded from capital with the intention that a second round of applications will be opened early in the new year. The remainder of the budget (£0.575m) will be used to invest in areas where an innovative solution of short term remedial action is required based on community led improvement. It is unlikely that spend in this financial year will exceed £0.250m.

Mitigating Action

The opportunity to mitigate is limited due to the leve of applications received.

Anticipated Outcome

Increased community participation and empowerment, in line with aspiration of new legislation. A sense of trust between community and services that action will be taken where it is required, and that services are responsive to varying local needs.

TOTAL PROJECTS AT RED S	STATUS					
Project Life Financials						
Corporate Services	1,000	0	0%	1,000	0	0%
Current Year Financials						
Corporate Services	500	0	0%	250	(250)	-50%
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WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME ANALYSIS OF PROJECTS AT AMBER ALERT STATUS

MONTH END DATE 31 December 2016

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	Project Life Financials					
Budget Details	Budget	Spend to Date		Forecast Spend	Forecast Variance	
	£000	£000	%	£000	£000	%

Workforce Management System (Arun Menon) Project Life Financials 1.085 99% 1.099 (0) **0%** Current Year Financials 15 1 5% 1 -93% (14)Rollout of self service module of existing Workforce Management System Project Description Project Lifecycle Planned End Date 31-Mar-16 Forecast End Date 31-Mar-18

Main Issues / Reason for Variance

There have been issues identified during the testing of the version 8 solution. This has impacted on the implementation timescale and has been raised by all seven LA Heads of Personnel to Frontier. If testing progresses without any further issues, the proposed go-live date is now August 2017. It is unlikely that any further spend on the system would be undertaken this financial year resulting in a requirement to carry forward the funding to FY 2017/18.

Mitigating Action

Any issues are also being raised nationally by officers and through Frontier user groups and the 7 Scottish Local Authority Heads of HR. WDC is also exploring legal options. Until implementation of the latest module is complete, it is challenging to forecast exact timelines.

Anticipated Outcome

This upgrade will improve general system functionality, enable greater self service, reduce manual interventions especially around pay calculations

2	Agresso Upgrade (Adrian G	ray)					
	Project Life Financials	16	7	41%	16	0	2%
	Current Year Financials	14	4	30%	6	(8)	-55%
	Project Description	Upgrade of Agresso System					
	Project Lifecycle	Planned End Date		01-Sep-16 For	recast End Date	;	31-Mar-18

Main Issues / Reason for Variance

This project began in January 2016 and it was always known that it would run into the new financial year. The initial basic upgrade was intended to happen prior to the beginning of March 2016 with subsequent development works to commence after the basic upgrade was completed. We have been working to overcome a number of technical difficulties with the basic upgrade and having resolved the majority of these, the basic system upgrade went ahead on 12th May 2016. Work has commenced on the other planned developments and it is anticipated that the first of these can be completed by the end of November 2016, revised target dates have yet to be agreed for the remaining developments planned.

Mitigating Action

None required. The project is being monitored by the P2P Project Board as this is an enabler project for the wider P2P agenda.

Anticipated Outcome

Upgrade has been successfully implemented with the exception of one system function which is being developed by the supplier, a work-around in now in place in the meantime which is proving to be a satisfactory compromise. Work has commenced on implementation of first of prescribed further developments, anticipated to be completed by end of November 2016. Revised target dates yet to be agreed for the remaining developments but will occur during this financial year. Funding allocated is anticipated to be spent in full at the conclusion of the project.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME ANALYSIS OF PROJECTS AT AMBER ALERT STATUS

MONTH END DATE 31 December 2016

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	Project Life Financials						
Budget Details	Budget	Spend to Date	Forecast Spend	Forecast Variance			
	£000	£000	% £000	£000 %			

TOTAL PROJECTS AT AMBER STATUS						
Project Life Financials						
Corporate Services	1,115	1,091	98%	1,115	0	0%
Current Year Financials						
Corporate Services	29	5	0%	7	(22)	-75%
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WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Strategic Lead - Resources

Corporate Services Committee: 8 February 2017

Subject: Write-Off of Miscellaneous Income Debtor Accounts - Quarter 3, 2016/17

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval for the write off of debts in respect of miscellaneous income debtor accounts, which have been deemed as irrecoverable during Quarter 3 2016/17, arising from various years and reasons as detailed in the appendix.

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approve the write-off of miscellaneous income debt valued at £29,882.21.

3. Background

- 3.1 Miscellaneous income debtor accounts are issued to individuals and organisations for the use of Council services. The Council's annual billing amount for miscellaneous income debtors is £18.5m of which approximately 80% is collected in the year it is billed. In certain circumstances these debts may become uncollectable.
- 3.2 At the Council meeting held on 21 December 2016, Council agreed to increase Financial Regulation D4 which gives the Strategic Lead Resources authority to write-off individual debts. It was agreed to increase this from £1,000 to £5,000.
- 3.3 Individual debts exceeding £5,000 can be written off only with the approval of Committee.

4. Main Issues

4.1 Miscellaneous debts totalling £29,882.21 are submitted for write off. Appendix 1 outlines the dates and reasons for write off.

5. People Implications

5.1 There are no people implications.

6. Financial & Procurement Implications

6.1 The value of miscellaneous income debtor accounts, being written off, can be accommodated within the Council's bad debt provision. There are no procurement implications.

7. Risk Analysis

- **7.1** If write offs are not approved this will affect the monitoring of performance against targets for performance indicators and budget monitoring.
- 7.2 If write offs are not approved the total level of debts would be overstated and by approving the write offs we are able to reflect the true debts that is collectable.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

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

9. Consultation

9.1 The views Legal Services have been requested on this report and have advised there are neither any issues nor concerns with the proposal.

10. Strategic Assessment

10.1 The write-off of uncollectible miscellaneous income debtors accounts forms part of the financial governance of the Council. Sound financial practice and budgetary control are imperative to assist with the governance of the Council and supports officers of the Council in achieving the five strategic priorities

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Stephen West

Strategic Lead - Resources

Date: 9 January 2017

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Appendices: Appendix 1: Summary of Miscellaneous Income Write Off

by Year and Reasons

Background Papers: Detailed list of proposed write offs

Wards Affected: All Council wards.

Appendix 1-Summary of Miscellaneous Income Write Off by Category and Year

	Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous	
	Income Debtors	Income Debtors	
Year	Deceased	Prescribed	Total
2007/08		£6,031.25	£6,031.25
2008/09	£5,878.55		£5,878.55
2009/10	£7,381.95		£7,381.95
2011/12		£10,590.46	£10,590.46
Totals	£13,260.50	£16,621.71	£29,882.21

Note

Deceased:

When someone dies who owes debt we contact the executor of the estate and check records to determine whether any estate exists against which a claim could be made.

Prescribed:

Prescribed is the legal terminology under the Prescription & Limitations (Scotland) Act 1973. This means a debt cannot be enforced after 5 years from the date it became due. The period applies in the absence of a relevant claim e.g. a court decree, summary warrant, or acknowledgement of the debt via letter or payment. Where a relevant claim has been made, statute advises that all debts cannot be legally collected after 20 years of the last payment or acknowledgment of the debt and a debt becomes prescribed at that point.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Strategic Lead - Resources

Corporate Services Committee: 8th February 2017

Subject: Write-off of National Non Domestic Rates

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to recommend for approval the write-off of debts in respect of National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR), which have been deemed as irrecoverable during the financial year 2016/17.

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Committee approve the write-off of NNDR accounts totalling £535,646.48

3. Background

- 3.1 The NNDR is a national rate of non-domestic properties and is determined each year by the Scottish Parliament. All local authorities collect the rates and the monies collected are pooled into a national central fund. The Scottish Government allocates a grant to each authority from this fund through the Local Government Finance settlement. The Council's annual billing amount for NNDR in 2016/17 is £32.5 million. In 2015/16 the Council collected 98.08% of NNDR which had increased from 97.85% in 2014/15.
- 3.2 The grant distribution formula used by the Scottish Government has regard to the amount of NNDR collectable by each local authority. The Council makes an annual return to the Scottish Government detailing the amounts collected for each year. Included in this return is a note of any amounts written off as uncollectable. As such, NNDR collected by a local authority represents a receipt of grant income. Specific debts deemed uncollectable are written off and the reduction in NNDR collected locally is compensated for in future grant settlements.
- 3.3 At the Council meeting held on 21 December 2016, Council agreed to increase Financial Regulation D4 which gives the Strategic Lead Resources authority to write-off individual debts. It was agreed to increase this from £1,000 to £5,000. NNDR debts exceeding £5,000 can be written off only with the approval of Committee.
- 3.4 A report is submitted annually to Committee seeking approval for write-off of irrecoverable debts. The write-offs are not specific to any one year but instead are the debts which have been deemed irrecoverable during 2016/17. The table below shows the distribution of the recommended write off over the

years from which the debts were originally raised. Write off can be due to a number of reasons, for example, a company has ceased trading or a review of outstanding cases has now deemed that the debt is irrecoverable.

Year	Total
1993/1994	£9,198.88
2009/2010	£8,269.25
2010/2011	£22,000.48
2011/2012	£34,145.28
2012/2013	£61,380.55
2013/2014	£55,328.51
2014/2015	£159,876.62
2015/2016	£163,870.49
2016/2017	£21,576.42
Total	£535,646.48

3.5 Where a company has ceased trading through liquidation or administration the Council formally submit a claim to the trustee up to and including the date of liquidation/administration. At this stage the Council would propose this amount for write off. The Council is classed as an unsecured creditor (i.e., secured creditors are organisations such as HMRC and Banks) and in these cases it is extremely unlikely that any recovery of the outstanding monies will be received. If such a recovery was received this would be credited to the rates account and the write off to this value reversed or reduced.

4. Main Issues

4.1 Debts totalling £535,646.48 are submitted for write off. Non-collection of debts and request for write off is predominately due to the companies being liquidated, dissolved or sequestration. The following table identifies the reasons for NNDR write off in more detail.

REASON	TOTAL
Administration	£35,601.37
Dissolved	£356,909.12
Liquidation	£80,329.41
Sheriff Officers – Dissolved	£62,806.58
Total	£535,646.48

The attached appendix provides details of the individual debts involved, these are all limited companies as opposed to individuals or individuals using trading names, and therefore details and corresponding addresses have not been anonymised on account of Data Protection Act.

4.2 Although the debts are treated as written off, should any circumstances change whereby debts can be collected, the Council will pursue them.

5. People Implications

5.1 There are no people implications.

6. Financial and Procurement Implications

6.1 The NNDR debts written off totalling £535,646.48 will be notified to the Scottish Government NNDR pool for reimbursement. There are no Procurement implications.

7. Risk Analysis

7.1 The grant distribution formula adopted by the Scottish Government assumes the Council will collect NNDR liabilities. If sums deemed uncollectable are not notified to the Scottish Government, this will have an adverse effect on the Council's cash flow. Prudent financial accounting practice also requires that uncollectable debt should be written-off in a timely manner.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment

8.1 No significant issues were identified in a screening for potential equality impact of this measure.

9. Consultation

9.1 Consultation has taken place with Legal Services and there are neither any issues nor concerns with the proposal.

10. Strategic Assessment

10.1 The write off of uncollectable NNDR debts forms part of the financial governance of the Council. Sound financial practice and budgetary control are imperative to assist with the governance of the Council and support officers of the Council in achieving the five strategic priorities.

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Appendices: Details of debts for write-off

Background Papers: None

Wards Affected: All Council Wards.

Appendix: Details of debts for write-off

1993/1994 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

•			Balance for	
Reference Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
	Spice Of Life Foods			
37029010019417	Ltd	201 Dumbarton Road, Clydebank	£9,198.88	Dissolved
		Total	£9,198.88	

2009/2010 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

			Balance for	
Reference Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
37001981081036	la (Grp2) Limited	85 High Street, Dumbarton	£8,269.25	Dissolved
		Total	£8,269.25	

2010/2011 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

			Balance for	
Reference Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
37001981081133	la (Grp2) Limited	85 High Street, Dumbarton	£7,920.61	Dissolved
	Cawdor Maintenance			
37027093091132	Ltd	9 Dock Street, Clydebank	£6,222.73	Dissolved
	Zumo Juice Bar			
37103652011135	(Clydebank) Ltd	8B Carinthia Way, Clydebank	£7,857.14	Dissolved
		Total	£22,000.48	

2011/2012 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

			Balance for	
Reference				
Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
		Dumbuck Hotel, 11A Dumbuck, Milton,		
37006487071233	Newport Hospitality Ltd	Dumbarton	£10,152.81	Dissolved

	Mfm Management			
37033204071234	Limited	Singers, 68 Dumbarton Road, Clydebank	£9,296.96	Dissolved
	G2 Clothing (Scotland)			
37035762041231	Ltd	72 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£8,454.32	Dissolved
	Dumbarton Car Repair	Unit 26, Broadmeadow Business Park, 2		
37088378101236	Ltd	Birch Road, Dumbarton	£6,241.19	Liquidation
		Total	£34,145.28	

2012/2013 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

			Balance for	
Reference				
Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
37035258151337	TFB (Furniture) Ltd	29 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£49,624.30	Dissolved
	Dumbarton Car Repair	Unit 26, Broadmeadow Business Park, 2		
37088378101333	Ltd	Birch Road, Dumbarton	£11,756.25	Liquidation
		Total	£61,380.55	

2013/2014 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

			Balance for	
Reference				
Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
		John Brown's, 2 Chalmers Street,		
37032674111433	Spinning Pub Ltd	Clydebank	£5,984.06	Liquidation
37035258151434	TFB (Furniture) Ltd	29 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£12,303.81	Dissolved
	Gravity Clothing			
37035762051438	Scotland Ltd	72 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£10,229.27	Dissolved
		Bankys Adventure Zone, 33 John Knox		
37087347071433	Kids Barn (2010) Ltd	Street, Clydebank	£9,152.11	Dissolved
	Dumbarton Car Repair	Unit 26, Broadmeadow Business Park, 2		
37088378101430	Ltd	Birch Road, Dumbarton	£12,069.75	Liquidation
		The Cabin Inn, 474 Dumbarton Road,		
37098659061431	Shoreview Limited	Clydebank	£5,589.51	Dissolved
		Total	£55,328.51	

2014/2015 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

•			Balance for	
Reference				
Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
		John Brown's, 2 Chalmers Street,		
37032674111530	Spinning Pub Ltd	Clydebank	£5,256.98	Liquidation
		The Atlantis, 260 Kilbowie Road,		
37034936061536	Nybor Leisure Ltd	Clydebank	£7,310.68	Liquidation
	Glendale Associates			
37035193131535	Ltd	3 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£16,783.37	Dissolved
37035258181534	Allsorts (UK) Limited	29 Sylvania Way,Clydebank	£37,201.15	Dissolved
37035452141533	No.1 Store Ltd	89 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£12,585.35	Dissolved
				Sheriff Officers -
37035525081531	Clydeway Limited	105 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£23,837.25	Dissolved
				Sheriff Officers -
37035894031534	D Clothing Limited	46 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£14,888.85	Dissolved
		Bankys Adventure Zone, 33 John Knox		
37087347071530	Kids Barn (2010) Ltd	Street, Clydebank	£9,377.61	Dissolved
37088351141536	Partners Vale Ltd	153 High Street, Dumbarton	£5,129.19	Dissolved
	Dumbarton Car Repair	Unit 26, Broadmeadow Business Park, 2		
37088378101536	Ltd	Birch Road, Dumbarton	£12,304.88	Liquidation
	Xtreme Soccer	Xtreme Soccer, 40 Castlegreen Street,		
37098705071537	Dumbarton Ltd	Dumbarton	£7,049.05	Dissolved
				Sheriff Officers -
37113216011534	PBE Facilities Ltd	Unit 3, 15 South Elgin Street, Clydebank	£8,152.26	Dissolved
		Total	£159,876.62	

2015/2016 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

			Balance for	
Reference				
Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
37034936061633	Nybor Leisure Ltd	The Atlantis, 260 Kilbowie Road,	£7,471.20	Liquidation

		Clydebank		
	Glendale Associates	•		
37035193131632	Ltd	3 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£10,740.06	Dissolved
37035258181631	Allsorts (UK) Limited	29 Sylvania Way,Clydebank	£15,324.42	Dissolved
37035452141630	No.1 Store Ltd	89 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£27,786.21	Dissolved
				Sheriff Officers -
37035525081637	Clydeway Limited	105 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£8,075.24	Dissolved
37035525101635	Pink Retail Ltd	105 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£20,672.59	Dissolved
37035762091630	Candy Gate Limited	72 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£10,309.63	Dissolved
				Sheriff Officers -
37035894031631	D Clothing Limited	46 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£7,852.98	Dissolved
37036475041634	A.Levy & Son Limited	90 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£23,322.94	Administration
	Ecosave Insulation	Block 13, Unit 1, 4 South Avenue		
37077295041636	Limtied	Clydebank Business Park, Clydebank	£5,253.27	Liquidation
		Bankys Adventure Zone, 33 John Knox		
37087347071636	Kids Barn (2010) Ltd	Street, Clydebank	£9,556.80	Dissolved
	Dumbarton Car Repair	Unit 26, Broadmeadow Business Park, 2		
37088378101633	Ltd	Birch Road, Dumbarton	£6,681.15	Liquidation
	Xtreme Soccer	Xtreme Soccer, 40 Castlegreen Street,		
37098705071634	Dumbarton Ltd	Dumbarton	£10,824.00	Dissolved
		Total	£163,870.49	

2016/2017 Specific Write-Off List as at 31/03/2017

			Balance for	
Reference				
Number	Name	Address	Write-Off	Reason
37035525101732	Pink Retail Ltd	105 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£9,297.99	Dissolved
37035967011732	British Home Stores	24 Sylvania Way, Clydebank	£12,278.43	Administration
		Total	£21,576.42	

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Strategic Lead - Regulatory

Corporate Services Committee: 8 February 2017

Subject: Electronic Counting Contract: Local Government Election 2017

1. Purpose

1.1 To note retrospectively the decision to award the contract for equipment, supplies and services to permit the conduct of electronic counting for the 2017 Local Government Elections.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Committee is requested to note the decision of the Chief Executive, acting in the capacity of Returning Officer for West Dunbartonshire, to approve the execution of the contractual documentation for the equipment, supplies and services necessary to ensure the proper conduct of the Local Government Elections 2017.

3. Background

- 3.1 Since 2007, Local Government Elections in Scotland have effectively required the use of an electronic counting system in order to efficiently and effectively deliver the election, due to the increased complexity in counting for Single Transferable Vote elections.
- 3.2 In 2012 this was delivered centrally by two companies (Logica and Opt2vote) following a tender by the Scottish Government, for a unified Scotland wide system, ensuring consistency and accuracy throughout the Council areas. The election was generally accepted as having been well run in 2012, and a similar procedure was followed in 2015 /16 for the award of the contract for 2017.
- 3.3 The same two companies, now named CGI and Idox Elections, were again successful, with Idox acting as sub-contractor to CGI.

4. Main Issues

4.1 Whilst the procurement of the system by the Scottish Government was completed by December 2015, the Council was only provided with the contractual framework in October 2016 with costs being confirmed in November, permitting signature by the mid-November deadline.

- 4.2 With the short timeframe for the Council to indicate acceptance of the Contractual Terms and Conditions falling before the Corporate Services Committee in November and the final contract requiring to be signed by 18th November 2016, the decision was taken that it was necessary to proceed by way of a decision by the Chief Executive with a report to the next appropriate Committee seeking to note the award.
- 4.3 The cost of the equipment, supplies, services and ballots amounts to £69,429 with reimbursement being due by the Scottish Government of the Equipment, Services and Software costs amounting to £53 923. The balance of £15,506 relating to the ballots, will be met from the Election Budget in the normal manner.

5. People Implications

5.1 There are no personnel issues associated with the acquisition of the Electronic Counting System.

6. Financial and Procurement Implications

- **6.1** The costs of the contract will be met from the Elections Budget backed off by a contribution by the Scottish Government.
- **6.2** Corporate Procurement were advised of the situation prior to proceeding to accept the Terms and Conditions and placing the Contract.

7. Risk Analysis

7.1 If the system were not acquired, there would have been the likelihood of substantial delay in releasing the Council to announce the results of the Scottish Local Government Elections 2017, with corresponding reputational damage and possibility of challenge by third parties.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

8.1 A screening has been carried out. This report was not found to be relevant to any to equalities issues.

9. Consultation

9.1 Legal and Procurement Officers and the Section 95 Officer have been consulted on the content of this paper.

10. Strategic Assessment

10.1 Through ensuring the accuracy and efficiency of the electoral process, the contract contributes to delivering local democracy and thereby improves

community wellbeing.

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Appendices: None

Background Papers: EIA Screening

Wards Affected: All

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Strategic Lead - People and Technology

Corporate Services Committee 8 February 2017

Subject: People & Technology Contracts and Spend 2017-18

1. Purpose

- **1.1** The purpose of this report is:
 - **1.1.1** To provide the Committee with a detailed breakdown of the planned ICT Capital and Revenue spend on new and existing contracts in excess of £50,000 and seek approval to procure and contract for the required goods and services; and
 - **1.1.2** To seek authority to renew or, where appropriate, retender the Council's employee counselling service provision.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Committee is asked to:

ICT Contracts & Spend

- **2.1.1** Note the ICT Revenue and Capital spend detail including the anticipated procurement method;
- 2.1.2 Note the decision of the Chief Executive to approve the execution of the contractual documentation for the equipment, supplies and services for a 5-year contract for the provision of the Council's Wide Area Network (WAN) to Capita IT Services Limited; and
- 2.1.3 Delegate authority to the Corporate Procurement Manager in consultation with the Strategic Lead People and Technology to instruct the award of contracts for the planned P&T Revenue and Capital spend detailed in this report and associated appendix to suppliers providing the most economically advantageous offer to the Council.

Employee Counselling Provision

2.1.4 Provide authority to proceed in developing a strategy, for the procurement of Employee Counselling services on the basis of existing identified, approved and secured funds, which will consider all procurement options currently available and identify the route to market

and process to be followed.

2.1.5 Provide delegated authority to the Strategic Lead – People & Technology to renew or, where appropriate, retender and award the contract for the Council's employee counselling service provision based on the resulting recommendation.

3. Background

Employee Counselling Provision

- 3.1 The provision of an employee counselling service is central to supporting employee wellbeing and reducing absence levels.
- 3.2 The Council's current contract with Therapeutic Counselling Services commenced on 1st October 2015. That contract was for 12 months with an option to extend for a further 6 months. The 6 month extension commenced on 1st October 2016 and ends on 31st March 2017.

ICT Contracts & Spend

3.3 The Council continues to make a substantial commitment to improving the ICT infrastructure to support service delivery through capital investment as agreed in the Council's Capital plan and summarised below in Table 1.

Table 1 – ICT 2-Year Capital Plan

Capital Bid / Project Title	2017/18	2018/19
ICT Modernisation / Infrastructure	£613,000	£922,000
ICT Core Infrastructure	£0	£200,000
ICT Security and DR	£180,000	£0
Total	£793,000	£1,122,000

- 3.4 The project cost estimates for the capital spend outlined in Table 2 below are based on high level research and may vary but will remain within the existing capital plan approved by Council in February 2016 as outlined in Table 1 above. The scope for each project will include some spend flexibility in each area. The capital projects and spend listed in Table 2 includes £38,000 of capital which will be spent on smaller value works and the appropriate procurement route will be selected.
- 3.5 The investment projects for ICT capital spend as detailed in Table 2 below include the procurement strategy options and the potential year 2 revenue requirement for each project. The revenue impact on technology spend (estimated as £65,600) will form part of ICT revenue planning bids in future years based on the actual spend. The revenue impact of -£105,000 for staffing has already been included in 2017-18 revenue budgeting estimates.

Table 2 - Planned ICT Capital Spend 2017-18

Description	Estimated Capital spend Value	Estimated Revenue Implication From Year 2	Procurement Strategy
Device replacement for Corporate & Education - approximately 1500 devices replaced p.a.	£350,000	£20,000 10% of purchase price for thin client and chromebooks.	Framework
Mobility – VOIP expansion, devices and wireless to other locations	£40,000	£8,000	Existing Contract / Tender / Framework
Increase network bandwidth for Primary schools when required	£40,000	£8,000	Existing Contract / Tender / Framework
Replace end of life servers and switches	£100,000	£16,000 (20% of hardware costs)	Existing Contract / Tender / Framework
Backup Infrastructure	£40,000	none	Existing Contract / Tender / Framework
Webfiltering and Email filtering	£50,000	none	Existing Contract / Tender / Framework
Ransomware protection	£30,000	£6,000	Existing Contract / Tender / Framework
Smaller value works	£38,000	£7,600	Framework / Quotations
Sub Total -Technology Spend	£688,000	£65,600	
ICT Project Resourcing	£105,000	-£105,000	Allocation of existing resources
Total	£793,000		

- 3.6 In addition to the planned Capital spend outlined above, the Council has annual ICT revenue spend of approximately £1,600,000 covering a range of goods and services for example corporate and departmental applications, telephony lines and licenses, network connectivity (wide area network, local area network, wireless network), security and application licenses. The detailed list is included in Appendix 1 of this report.
- 3.7 While many of the annual maintenance and license payments and arrangements have been in place for several years, the introduction of a category management approach to Procurement has provided an opportunity to develop a commodity strategy for ICT. This strategy will be developed and

implemented jointly by Procurement and ICT over the next 12-24 months with the aim of securing better contracts, cashable and non-cashable benefits and improved supplier management practices and monitoring. . As part of this, the Council will explore opportunities for shared contracts and licensing with the aim of securing better deals and contracts.

3.8 The current revenue spend for individual requirements ranges from as low as £50 pa to £270,000 pa depending on the goods and services being purchased. Appendix 1 includes spend over £1,000 per supplier. The priority will be to focus on the higher value spend and ensure appropriate contracts are in place.

Specific Contract Issue

- 3.9 In 2013, the Council invested in a replacement WAN as part of the ICT Modernisation project which delivered the network connections between 100 council buildings and the connection to our shared data centre at East Dunbartonshire Council (EDC). The workstream to deliver the WAN was delayed due to BT Openreach issues. The final sites were migrated December 2016. In addition to project delays, and as reported to Elected Members, there were major service outages between October 2015 and April 2016.
- 3.10 The ICT Modernisation Board and project team supported by Legal Services have been negotiating a compensation deal with the supplier Capita IT Services Limited in the last 12 months which has included WAN service discounts.
- 3.11 A single year annual service and maintenance contract was purchased covering period from 1 November 2015 31 October 2016 for those sites migrated to the new WAN. During November and December 2016 the Council was officially out of support due to delays by Capita in presenting an acceptable compensation offer although support was being provided by Capita during that period. The technical WAN solution was delivered by Capita at a cost of approximately £800,000 to install and £320,000 annual charge.
- **3.12** Capita's proposal is to discount the annual charge as part of the compensation package. Capita's compensation offer is based on a 5-year contract for the WAN at a reduced price.
- 3.13 At the outset of the original WAN procurement, the intention was to monitor progress and services delivered as part of national frameworks such as Scottish Wide Area Network (SWAN) with a view to making a business case and seeking approval to migrate. The SWAN services and costs do not compare favourably alongside the current WDC costs provided by Capita but this will remain under review by the Council, and if the position improves relative to the then prevailing rates, we reserve the right to migrate to SWAN.

3.14 The tendered annual service and maintenance charge is over the EU procurement threshold and subject to a competitive process unless specific mitigating reasons are identified. The mitigating reason is that the technical solution is a managed service using Capita equipment located in BT Exchanges and configured specifically for the Council. Specific installations and configuration services are also required at all 100 council sites. This equipment could not be used by other providers without express permission of Capita. If another provider were to deliver the WAN services, the Council would be required to go through the WAN project again with work and configuration required at all sites including a period of downtime and disruption at each location. The Council therefore issued a Voluntary Ex Ante Transparency Notices (VEAT) on 30 December 2016 which is a way to reduce the risk of having to cancel a contract due to claims against a direct award of a contract by a contracting authority and no queries or challenges have been received from the market place.

4. Main Issues

ICT Contracts & Spend

- 4.1 Some of the ICT contracts outlined in Appendix 1 are time bound as annual renewal fall due in January/February 2017 and decisions have been taken with support from the Convenor of Corporate Services to renew contracts for a 12 month period prior to Committee approval so that Council IT systems and services are fully maintained and supported during this interim period. These renewals are being undertaken following agreement with Corporate Procurement Manager and in consultation with the Strategic Lead People and Technology to ensure the most appropriate procurement method is employed.
- 4.2 Consideration will be given to multi-year contracts where recurring capital/revenue has been approved and where this would deliver efficiencies and the authority sought in Paragraph 2.1 includes the option to enter into such multi-year arrangements including beyond the second year for those items listed in Section 3 and appendix 1 of this report.
- As noted in paragraph 3.11, the WAN was officially outwith a contract for support, albeit Capita have continued to provide such support whilst negotiations were ongoing on compensation for delays. In order to secure a reduced charge, and to bring the WAN back under active support, it was necessary to conclude the contract by the end of the calendar year. Following agreement with the Convenor of Corporate Services, this was achieved on 30th December 2016, with a new five year contract being signed. This contract provides for the term to be shortened to a year if any challenge arose from the VEAT notice or if the five year period were not accepted by Committee. The extended contract also allows for migration to SWAN if it becomes the more favoured option. Proposed use of VEAT is to cover off our use of Regulation 33, on the grounds of b) ii) or b) iii).

- Clause 33 Use of the negotiated procedure without prior publication:
- (1) A contracting authority may award a public contract following negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice or prior information notice in any of the following cases—
 - (a) where no tenders, no suitable tenders, no requests to participate or no suitable requests to participate have been submitted in response to an open procedure or a restricted procedure, provided that the initial conditions of the contract are not substantially altered and that a report is sent to the Commission where it so requests:
 - (b) where the works, supplies or services can be supplied only by a particular economic operator for any of the following reasons—
 - (i) the aim of the procurement is the creation or acquisition of a unique work of art or artistic performance;
 - (ii) competition is absent for technical reasons;
 - (iii) the protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights,
- **4.4** To mitigate the risks for the Council, we have included two conditions in the WAN contract amendment
 - a. The Council would revert to a period of WAN service and maintenance sufficient to allow us to put in place alternative arrangements in the event that another supplier challenged the VEAT notice; and
 - b. The Council would revert to a period of WAN service and maintenance sufficient to allow us to put in place alternative arrangements in the event that Committee approval is not secured at the February 2017 Corporate Services Committee

In the event of our having to make such interim arrangements, the prices may revert to the full tendered price. The statutory period for any objection to the VEAT notice has now passed without challenge.

4.5 The procurement strategies for each of the Revenue and Capital projects included in this report will be developed on a project by project basis and will include consideration of market testing of existing collaborative framework agreements, running mini competitions as well as full tender processes.

Employee Counselling Provision

- **4.6** On expiry of the current contract on 31st March 2017 there will be no formal provision in place for employee counselling.
- 4.7 The Council's current employee counselling provision supports employees through immediate emotional support over the phone; access to a range of information, advice and guidance over the phone and on the website; assessment and referral to counselling provided on the telephone; online counselling though a live-internet text service as well as emails; and face to face counselling. This includes a variety of counselling interventions including Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT), Person-Centred Counselling and

Mindfulness.

- **4.8** Employees can use the counselling provision for assistance with issues such as anxiety, stress, bullying at work or bereavement, which may be impacting on their performance and/or attendance at work.
- 4.9 Employee counselling is an employee support intervention that is usually short term in nature and provides an independent, specialist resource for people working across all services and in all working environments. Giving all employees access to a free, confidential, counselling service can potentially be viewed as part of an employer's duty of care.

5. People Implications

ICT Contracts & Spend

- 5.1 Existing ICT and Procurement staff will be allocated to the procurement stage of various projects included in this report. Additionally, existing framework agreements will be used where best value can be demonstrated as this will reduce both project timescales and staffing resource requirements.
- 5.2 ICT will continue to consider funding of temporary ICT resources for Capital projects and these temporary posts will be funded from the approved ICT Capital plan.
- 5.3 Some of the identified projects are expected to include design, implementation, skill transfer and project consultancy services as specialist knowledge is required when introducing new technologies. It is expected that in-house ICT staff will gain knowledge and skills during the project to ensure they can deliver the on-going operational services.

Employee Counselling Provision

5.4 The provision of a dedicated employee counselling provision demonstrates investment in the management of employee health and wellbeing.

6. Financial and Procurement Implications

ICT Contracts & Spend

- 6.1 Revenue budget currently exists for all license and maintenance spend and a process exists whereby departments liaise with ICT when introducing new IT systems and services so that related savings and spend can be identified.
- 6.2 The cost estimates for capital spend are based on high level research and may vary due to factors such impact on prices due to Brexit but will remain within the existing capital plan approved by Council in February 2016 as outlined in Table 1 above as projects can be scaled up or down.

- **6.3** Early indication is that Brexit is having a negative impact on the revenue budget through increased annual maintenance renewal costs.
- 6.4 All procurement activity carried out by the Council in excess of £50,000 is subject to contract strategy. The contract strategy for ICT Contracts will be produced by the Corporate Procurement Unit in close consultation with ICT officers. The contract strategy shall include but not be limited to; contract scope, service forward plan, the market, procurement model and routes including existing delivery vehicles, roles and responsibilities, risks, issues and opportunities and on-going contract management.
- 6.5 The tendering and contracting process will continue to identify potential year 2 revenue implications for new capital contracts and where required these will be included as burdens in future ICT revenue budget estimates. An indicative value has been included in Table 2 above however as many of the purchases are for replacement technology, it is anticipated that the current revenue spend on maintenance will off-set some of this.
- 6.6 The ICT Contracts will contribute to delivery of the Council's strategic priorities through the development of a robust contract strategy which will explore the inclusion of possible community benefits which improve economic growth and employability. Further opportunities to maximise the positive social, economic and environmental impact for West Dunbartonshire Council through the contracts will also be explored, e.g. through the use of Community Benefit Clauses and as included in current tender for print devices.

Employee Counselling Provision

- 6.7 The current annual approved budget for the employee counselling provision contract is £18,000. Additional costs relating to individual employees are charged to individual service areas (e.g. where an employee requires further counselling sessions in excess of the standard number covered in the contract).
 - Whilst the proposed duration of any new contract is still to be determined, this report is submitted on the assumption that it may exceed two years, therefore requiring Committee approval to proceed.
- 6.8 All procurement activity carried out by the Council in excess of £50K is subject to a contract strategy. The contract strategy for an employee counselling provision will be produced by the Corporate Procurement Unit in close consultation with officers from the Strategic HR Team. The contract strategy shall include but may not be limited to; contract scope, service forward plan, the market, procurement model and routes including existing delivery vehicles, roles and responsibilities, risks, issues and opportunities and ongoing contract management.

Further opportunities to maximise the positive social, economic and environmental impact for West Dunbartonshire through the contract will also be explored, e.g. through the use of Community Benefit Clauses.

7. Risk Analysis

ICT Contracts & Spend

- 7.1 There is a risk that the capital project actual costs may exceed the capital project estimates as detailed in Table 1. This risk can be mitigated by a range of procurement strategy options being explored as well as building scalability into the tender for example reducing the number of devices being replaced or specification of the device.
- 7.2 Should the Council not approve the 5-year WAN contract, there is a risk regarding timescales and cost to replace the current WAN provider and technology. This can be mitigated by securing a shorter term contract for the WAN support service until a new solution is in place. A tender process should help mitigate the risk of increased revenue costs but is unlikely to negate the risk of further capital investment being required.

Employee Counselling Provision

- 7.3 The requirement for the provision of employee counselling is an integral and critical component in the Council's strategy to reduce sickness absence and support improved attendance levels.
- 7.4 The provision of this counselling service facilitates shorter waiting times, improved access to specialist insight and flexibility of appointment times and locations makes this an attractive option. Counselling often helps employees who are absent from work, and there is evidence that counselling support can accelerate the rehabilitation of an absent employee, saving the organisation money in the long run.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

ICT Contracts & Spend

- **8.1** A screening has been carried out. The IT projects are technology based to support departmental staff in their service delivery. This report on spend is not relevant to equalities.
- 8.2 However the annual device replacement project will include delivery of specialist IT equipment/adaptations for staff and pupils with additional needs as required. This will also apply where public access devices are being replaced. The future procurement process will be carried out in line with the Council's procurement and equality guidance, and implementation planning will consider equality issues.

Employee Counselling Provision

- 8.3 An Equality Impact Assessment has been completed on the decision to tender for the provision of employee counselling and highlights that this provision supports the Council's responsibilities under the Equality Act 2010 and the obligations outlined in the Equality and Human Rights Commission Employment Statutory Code of Practice.
- 9. Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)

ICT Contracts & Spend

9.1 Contract strategies for individual projects will consider a range of sustainability issues including the environmental implications of ICT equipment and services. Decisions on equipment specifications will take account of the need to minimise energy consumption, reduce CO2 emissions and minimise waste at the end of the life cycle.

10. Consultation

10.1 Legal, Procurement and the Section 95 Officer have been consulted on the content of this paper.

11. Strategic Assessment

ICT Contracts & Spend

11.1 High quality IT equipment and services contribute to the Council's strategic priority of delivering fit for purpose estate and facilities and delivers a positive response to staff feedback in the annual ICT Customer Satisfaction Survey.

Employee Counselling Provision

11.2 The provision of employee counselling supports the Council's Strategic priority of developing and retaining a committed and dynamic workforce by improving the health and wellbeing of employees and contributing to effective attendance management.

Name: Vicki Rogers

Designation: Strategic Lead - People and Technology

Date: 24 January 2017

Person to Contact: Patricia Kerr, Manager of ICT

Darren Paterson, Strategic HR Manager

Appendices: ICT Annual Revenue Spend

EIA – ICT Maintenance & Capital Spend EIA – Employee Counselling Provision

24 February 2016 Council - Final Budget Book 2016-17 24 February 2016 Council - General Services 10 Year **Background Papers:**

Capital Plan

Members Briefing to Convenor Corporate Services - WAN annual contract Dec 2016

Wards Affected: None

Category	Company	Product Type	Renewal Date
Software	ARC Logics & Wolters Kluwer Financial Services	TeamMate	03/07/2017
Software	Astech.co.uk	CMIS Council Minutes	30/04/2017
Software	AVD Computing Ltd	Database Homeless Cases	31/03/2017
Software	Bramble.cc Ltd	EDM Mail Room	31/10/2017
Software	Cadassist Ltd	AUTOCAD LT	02/11/2017
Software	Cadassist Ltd	AUTOCAD LT	02/11/2017
Other	Capita IT Services	WAN Circuit Rental Year 2	31/10/2017
Hardware	Capita IT Services	Meraki Cloud Managed Appliance x1000	26/07/2018
Hardware	Capita IT Services	PPP Schools Project	31/08/2017
Software	Capita IT Services	SWSS Upgrade Support	13/12/2017
Hardware	Capita IT Services	Meraki MX84 Cloud Managed Appliance	31/03/2017
Software	Capita IT Services	UC Mgr-9 licence	27/06/2017
Hardware	Capita IT Services	Cisco	20/11/2017
Other	Capita IT Services	Meraki Cloud Managed AP	08/11/2017
Software	Capita IT Services	Cisco - Bellsmyre Campus	17/07/2017
Software	Capita Managed IT Solutions	Oracle Software Support	30/10/2017
Software	Care Monitoring 2000	CMBI Care Monitoring Licence	30/06/2017
Hardware	Caretower IT Security	Firewall	30/11/2017
Software	CIPFA Business Ltd	Asset Management	30/04/2017
Software	Civica Uk Ltd	Hosted ICON Annual Transaction	31/10/2017
Software	Civica Uk Ltd	Civica Flare	31/03/2017
Software	Civica Uk Ltd	Housing Benefits/Allocations	31/03/2017
Software	Civica Uk Ltd	EDM & Workflow Licence, Support & Maintenace	31/03/2017
Software	Civica Uk Ltd	EDM user licences	29/01/2017
Software	Civica Uk Ltd	AFD(Fraud) Licences	30/04/2017
Software	Civica Uk Ltd	EDM & Workflow Licence, Support	31/03/2017
Software	Covalent	Covalent CPM System	03/04/2017
Software	CSMAscent	LP PLUS	20/08/2017
Software	CSMAscent	OM PLUS	11/01/2017
Hardware	DataCard Ltd	Datacard Magna	28/02/2017
Software	Dell Computer Corp	Microsoft Academic EA	30/06/2017
Hardware	Dell Computer Corp	Dell Server	14/11/2017
Hardware	Dell Computer Corp	Wyse Device Software	30/11/2017
Software	Dell Computer Corp	Wyse Device Software	31/07/2017
Hardware	Dell Computer Corp	Dell Server	19/02/2017
Software	Dell Computer Corp	Wyse Device Software	14/06/2017
Hardware	Dell Computer Corp	Dell Server	02/09/2017

Category	Company	Product Type	Renewal Date
Hardware	Egton	LAN Co-Term Mod Proj	30/04/2017
Hardware	Egton	LAN Co-Term Mod Proj	31/08/2017
Hardware	Egton	Switch	31/08/2017
Hardware	Egton	Dumbarton Academy New Build	31/07/2017
Software	Firmstep (Business Web Software)	Achieve Forms	30/11/2017
Software	Frontier Software PLC	CHRIS21	07/10/2017
Software	Full Control Networks Distribution Ltd	AirMagnet Wlan Design & Analysis Suite	18/07/2017
Hardware	Full Control Networks Distribution Ltd	Fluke LinkRunner	20/06/2017
Software	GGP	GGP GIS	31/03/2017
Software	Glasgow City Council	Education Gateway	06/06/2017
Software	Grey Matter Ltd	Yammer Ent Open Shrd Server Lic	22/11/2017
Software	Grey Matter Ltd	Yammer Ent Open Shrd Server Lic	31/03/2017
Software	Halarose Ltd	Elections Postal Votes/AvantGuard	28/02/2017
Software	Heriot Watt University	SCHOLAR Subscription	15/09/2017
Software	IDOX Software Limited	ORB-it Service Agreement	31/03/2017
Software	IDOX Software Limited	Spatially Enabled	31/03/2017
Software	IDOX Software Limited	Scottish Planning Connector	31/03/2017
Software	IDOX Software Limited	Maint- UNI-form Map Loader	31/03/2017
Software	IDOX Software Limited	Building Standards Connector	31/03/2017
Software	IDOX Software Limited	UFM GMS Exchange Connector - Enterprise	31/03/2017
Software	IDOX Software Limited	UFM DDE Link	31/03/2017
Software	Insight Direct (UK) Ltd	Citrix & Remote Access	30/05/2017
Software	Insight Direct (UK) Ltd	Microsoft New Corp ESA	31/12/2017
Software	IT2U Limited	SourceOne Email Management	17/03/2017
Hardware	IT2U Limited	Data Domain Expansion	17/11/2017
Hardware	IT2U Limited	Data Domain	30/12/2017
Software	IT2U Limited	Data Domain	15/04/2017
Hardware	IT2U Limited	Data Domain	31/03/2017
Other	Jumoo Ltd	Website	30/04/2017
Software	Kana Software Ltd	GTX Licence	31/03/2017
Software	Kana Software Ltd	GTX Licence	31/03/2017
Software	Magnet Solutions	LoCTA Annual Renewal	30/08/2017
Software	MTI Technology	Webfiltering	24/02/2017
Hardware	MTI Technology	Webfiltering	12/03/2017
Software	MTI Technology	Cloud Authentication Service	12/07/2019
Software	MTI Technology	Remote Access Co-Term	31/03/2017
Software	Mosaic Software	Bascomp	21/08/2017

Category	Company	Product Type	Renewal Date
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Dell Storage	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Dell Storage	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Server	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	StorEdge 12TB Disk Array	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Quantum Scalar	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Tape Library	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Dell Server	02/09/2017
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Hardware	Maindec Computer	Dell Server	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Dell Server	02/09/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Scanner	11/05/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Scanner	11/05/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Scanner	11/05/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Scanner	11/05/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Scanner	11/05/2017
Hardware	Maindec Computer	Scanner	11/05/2017
Software	Merchant Software Ltd.	CARS -Corporate Arrears	31/05/2017
Software	Netopian Ltd	Netopian	14/02/2018
Software	NetSupport	NetSupport	31/03/2017
Software	Northgate IS	Orbis NDR	31/03/2017
Software	Northgate IS	Social Fund Software	31/03/2017
Software	Northgate Public	Revs & Bens	31/03/2017
	Services	Consolidated	

Category	Company	Product Type	Renewal Date
Software	Ogilvie Communications Ltd	Endpoint Encryption	22/06/2017
Software	OLM Systems Ltd	CareFirst	31/03/2017
Software	OLM Systems Ltd	Care Monitoring 2000	30/06/2017
Software	OLM Systems Ltd	CareAssess Data Library	31/03/2017
Hardware	Oracle Corporation Ltd	Server	21/04/2017
Hardware	Oracle Corporation Ltd	Disk Array	21/04/2017
Hardware	Oracle Corporation Ltd	DDR2-667 DIMMs	02/09/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	MS Office Pro Plus	30/04/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	Messaging Gateway	26/01/2018
Software	Phoenix Software	Protection Entperprise	16/10/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	Scanning software	11/11/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	VMWare	21/03/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	AutoCad Revit	18/08/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	Jeff-Net Report Runner	06/07/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	Backup software Server	15/10/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	Backups software	02/02/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	VRTS Netbackup	27/09/2017
Software	Phoenix Software	TreeSize	17/09/2017
Software	Pillar Software Ltd	PROFESS	31/03/2017
Other	Pillar Software Ltd	Roads Support Fees	31/03/2017
Hardware	Pitney Bowes Ltd	Enveloper	16/09/2017
Other	PSS Ltd	Playground Monitoring	03/12/2017
Software	QoLcom	MDM software	11/09/2017
Software	RIBA Enterprises Ltd	NBS Building	31/03/2017
Other	RICS Books	BICS On-line	31/05/2017
Software	Room Booking System Ltd	Room Booking System	31/07/2017
Hardware	Scan Coin Ltd	Scan Coin	01/04/2017
Hardware	SCC	Sparc server	06/06/2017
Hardware	Schneider Electric IT UK Ltd	Galaxy 5000 60 Kva	08/07/2017
Software	Service Level Management Ltd	FormsMaster	26/11/2017
Software	SirsiDynix UK	SirsiDynix Symphony Software	30/11/2017
Software	Smarterways	Antivirus	25/06/2017
Software	Smarterways	Anti Virus (Education)	25/06/2017
Other	SOCITM Ltd.	Socitm User Satisfaction	28/02/2017
Other	SOCITM Ltd.	Subscription	31/12/2017
Software	South Lanarkshire Council	SEEMIS	17/04/2017
Software	Specialist Computer Centre (Elcom)	VMware	28/11/2017
Software	Sphere International Ltd	InfoAware	25/06/2017
Hardware	Stanley Security Solutions	Flexi System	31/12/2017

Category	Company	Product Type	Renewal Date
Software	Switchshop Limited	Firewall	22/03/2017
Software	Symantec (UK) Ltd	SECURE SITE PRO	19/05/2017
Software	Symantec (UK) Ltd	SSL Certificate	18/06/2018
Software	Symantec (UK) Ltd	SSL Certificate	18/05/2017
Software	Trapeze Group (UK) Ltd	Fleetmaster Telephone	31/03/2017
Software	UNIT4	Agresso - Bronze (BR1)	30/11/2017
Hardware	UNIT4	Agresso - Silver Uplift	30/11/2017
Other	West Lothian Council	L Gov Digital Transformation Partnership	14/05/2017
Software	ZOHO Corp	ADAudit Licence	27/10/2017
Software	ZOHO Corp	ADSelf Service	01/11/2017

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EQUALITY IMPACT: SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT FORM

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Section	1: Policy/Function/D	ecision (PFD) Details				
			e of functions, activities and decisions the council is			
responsibl						
Name of F		ICT Maintenance Renewals and Capital Spend				
Lead Department & other						
departments/ partners involved:		Corporate Services				
Responsible Officer		Patricia Kerr				
Impact Assessment Team		Patricia Kerr				
Is this a new or existing PFD?		New: achieved through resignation and restructure of duties				
Start date: 01/01/2017		End date: 31/03/2018				
	he main target groups/					
who will be	e affected by the PFD ?	None – renewal of 3 rd party technology support contracts and Capital Spend approval				
Is the PFD	Relevant to the General	duty to eliminate				
discrimination, promote equal opporelations? Please enter brief detail		rtunities or foster good	No – section 8 & 9 completed.			
Yes:	If yes, complete all sections, 2-9					
No:	If no, complete only sections 8-9 If don't know, complete sections 2 & 3 to help assess relevance					
Section 8: Signatures						
The following signatures are required:						

Lead/ Responsible Officer:	Signature: Patricia Kerr	Date:				
		16-1-17				
EIA Trained Officer:	Signature: Patricia Kerr	Date: 16-1-17				
Section 9: Follow up action						
Publishing: Forward to community Planning and Policy for inclusion on intranet/internet pages	Signature:	Date:				
Service planning: Link to service planning/ covalent – update your service plan/ covalent actions accordingly	Signature:	Date:				
Give details, insert name and number of covalent action and or related PI: Will be incorporated within 2014/15 service plan						
Committee Reporting: complete relevant paragraph on committee report and provide further information as necessary	Signature:	Date:				
Completed form: completed forms retained within department and copy passed to Policy Development Officer (Equality) within the CPP team	Signature:	Date:				

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Section	1. Policy/Function/D	ocision (PFD) Details				
	1: Policy/Function/Decision (PFD) Details understood in the broad sense including the full range of functions, activities and decisions the council is responsible for.					
	me of PFD: P & T Contracts & Spend 2017-18 (Employee Counselling Provision)					
	partment & other	People & Technology	2017-10 (Employee Counselling Frovision)			
	ents/ partners involved:	T copic a recimology				
	ible Officer	Darren Paterson				
Impact As	ssessment Team	Darren Paterson, Suzann	e Callaghan			
Is this a n	new or existing PFD?	Existing				
	e of EIA:18/01/17		End date of EIA: 18/01/17			
	the main target groups/ be affected by the PFD ?	Committee Report is seek	ne Employee Counselling Provision support. The corresponding king approval to undertake a procurement exercise to secure a new (the existing contract coming to an end in March 2017)			
discrimina	D Relevant to the General ation, promote equal opport Please enter brief detail		Yes. The Employee Counselling Provision may support employees seeking counselling linked to a protected characteristic (particularly mental health conditions which may meet the definition of 'disability' under the Equality Act 2010)			
Yes:	If yes, complete all sec	tions, 2-8	and the Equality Not 2010)			
No:	If no, complete only se	no, complete only sections 1 and 8				
	If don't know, complete sections 2 & 3 to help assess relevance					

Section 2: Evidence	
	evidence used to assess the impact of this PFD, including the sources listed below. Please also identify any
	at will be done to address this.
Available evidence:	
Consultation/ Involvement with community, including individuals or groups or staff as relevant	
Research and relevant information	Employee Counselling Provision is recognised as a workplace initiative which can help employees to deal with issues (particularly those relating to mental health) that might otherwise adversely impact their health and wellness, or work performance.
Officer knowledge	
Equality Monitoring	
information – including	
service and employee	
monitoring	
Feedback from service	
users, partner or other	
organisation as relevant	
Other	
Are there any gaps in ev	vidence? Please indicate how these will be addressed
Gaps identified	
Measure to address these	

Note: Link to Section 6 below Action Plan to address any gaps in evidence					
Section 3: Involvement	nt and Consi	ultation			
			has already been done and what is required to be done, how		
this will be taken and result					
			arried out, protected characteristics. Also include		
Details of consultations		out as part of the developing and	Characteristics		
Details of consultations	Dates	Findings	Characteristics		
			Race		
			Sex		
			Gender Reassignment		
			Di Liiri		
			Disability		
			Ago		
			Age		
			Religion/ Belief		
			Tronglor Bollor		
			Sexual Orientation		
			Civil Partnership/ Marriage		
			Pregnancy/ Maternity		

	Cross cutting

Note: Link to Section 6 below Action Plan

Section 4: Analysis of positive and Negative Impacts

Protected Characteristic	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	No impact
Race	There may be circumstances in		
	which support is sought		
	regarding issues which relate to		
	the wider protected		
	characteristics		
Sex	There may be circumstances in		
	which support is sought		
	regarding issues which relate to		
	the wider protected		
	characteristics		
Gender	There may be circumstances in		
Re-assignment	which support is sought		
	regarding issues which relate to		
	the wider protected characteristics		
Disability	An employee counselling		
	. ,		
	provision may support those		
	employees with a disability,		
	particularly related to mental		
	health.		
Age	There may be circumstances in		
	which support is sought		
	regarding issues which relate to		

	the wider protected		
	characteristics		
Religion/ Belief	There may be circumstances in		
	which support is sought		
	regarding issues which relate to		
	the wider protected		
	characteristics		
Sexual Orientation	There may be circumstances in		
	which support is sought		
	regarding issues which relate to		
	the wider protected		
	characteristics		
Civil Partnership/ Marriage; this PC i	s There may be circumstances in		
not listed as relevant for Specific	which support is sought		
Duties; however under the General	regarding issues which relate to		
Duty we are required to eliminate an			
discrimination for this PC.	characteristics		
Note: Link to Section 6 below Action	Plan in terms of addressing impacts		
Section E. Addressing impac	to.		
Section 5: Addressing impac		us a brief avalenction	to be expended in Coetion 6: Action
	use can choose more than one) and gi	re a brief explanation -	- to be expanded in Section 6: Action
Plan	· · ·		
1. No major change No	major change		

2. Continue the PFD

	.		
3. Adjust the PFD			
o. Adjust the LLB			
4. Stop and remove the PFD			
Give reasons:			
Note: Link to Section 6 below Action Plan			

Section 6: Action Plan describe action which will be taken following the assessment in order to; reduce or remove any negative impacts, promote any positive impacts, or gather further information or evidence or further consultation					
Action		Intended outcome	Date	Protected Characteristic	
Action	person	intended outcome	Date	r rotected orial acteristic	
Continue to seek feedback from users of the service to evaluate impact (including from an equalities	Strategic HR Manager	To demonstrate the benefits achieved through this provision, to employees and to the organisation	Ongoing	Disability	

perspective)		
See above		Gender
See above		Gender Reassignment
See above		Race
See above		Age
See above		Religion/ Belief
See above		Sexual Orientation
See above		Civil Partnership/ Marriage
See above		Pregnancy/ Maternity
See above		Cross cutting
Are there any negative impact	ts which cannot be reduced or rem	oved? please outline the reasons for continuing the PFD
		·

Section 6a: Procurement Actions, Record of Equality issues for Procurement.

Complete this section if there is any procurement involved in this Policy which may require action to eliminate discrimination, advancing equality or fostering good relations: **If there is no procurement involved go straight to section 7.**

Question	Measure	Specification
What attitudes / skills should staff have to meet needs of the range of people from equality groups	n/a	Statement in Specification Documents
What measures are required to ensure that the supplies, services or works are accessible for to people from equality groups (this includes physical access and access to information/ communication)	n/a	Statement in Specification Documents
What arrangements are required to ensure that the supplies, services or works respond to particular religious or cultural requirements?	n/a	Statement in Specification Documents
What arrangements are required to ensure that the supplies, services or works meet the needs of equality groups	n/a	Statement in Specification Documents

Section 7: Monitoring and review

Please detail the arrangements for review and monitoring of the policy

How will the PFD be monitored? What equalities monitoring will be put in place? Through provision and review of performance information and completed employee evaluation

When will the PFD be reviewed?		Ongoing	
Is there any procurement involved in this PFD? If yes please confirm that you have read the WDC Equality and Diversity guidance on procurement		Yes	
Section 8: Signatures			
The following signatures are required:			
Lead/ Responsible Officer:	Signatu	ıre: Darren Paterson	Date: 18/01/17
EIA Trained Officer: Signature		ıre: Darren Paterson	Date: 18/01/17

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Strategic Lead – People and Technology

Corporate Services Committee: 8 February 2017

Subject: Working Well Together - Attendance Management: Quarter 3

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Committee on attendance levels across the Council for quarter 3 (October - December 2016). The report provides a breakdown of absence performance by Strategic Lead area.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the content of the report and the attendance results for Q3 2016/17, namely a decrease of 337 FTE days lost (3.3%) compared to the same period last year.
- 2.2 The Committee is further directed to Appendices 1-4 which provides a breakdown of results for the Strategic Lead area(s) covered by this Committee.
- 2.3 The Committee is also asked to note the supporting verbal commentary from the Director in respect of pertinent points / actions to note for the service areas within the locus of this Committee.

3. Background

- 3.1 Improving attendance at work is a key strategic priority for the Council requiring commitment from elected members, Strategic Leadership Group, Trades Unions, individual managers and employees.
- 3.2 The Council has made a commitment to improving attendance levels by setting ambitious targets of reducing days lost for Local Government Employees to 7 FTE days lost per employee by 2017, and 5 FTE days lost for Teachers. Table 1 below shows individual targets by Strategic Lead area and provides a projected year end figure based upon the first 9 months of this year.

Table 1 – Strategic Lead Targets (FTE days lost per employee)

Strategic Lead	2016/2017	Projected Year End 16/17
Council Wide	7	10.19
CH&CJustice	9	11.82
CH&Care	10.5	17.68
MHA&LD	8.5	17.35
SP&HI	4.5	6.21

Resources	7	11.95
P&T	4.5	3.55
Regulatory	6	5.62
CCC	6.5	4.36
Ed Support	8.5	8.9
Ed T	5	4.76
Env & Neighbourhood Services	8	10.20
H & E	6.5	8
Regeneration	8.5	11.52

Main Issues

Quarter 3 Performance

4.1 Council Wide Absence was reported as 2.97 FTE days lost per employee representing a 3.3% improvement on quarter 3 last year. Chart 1 below shows the monthly trend for the last 12 months (January 2016 – December 2016) and compares with the same period last year. The results show that absence is following the usual seasonal trend and there has been a consistent improvement month on month until November 2016.

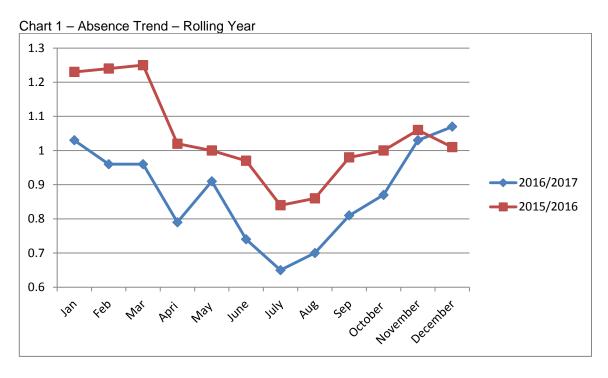


Table 2 shows the service breakdown across the Council. The results highlighted are those strategic lead areas whose absence was above the Council average of 2.97 FTE days lost per employee.

Table 2 – Strategic Breakdown Quarter 3

Strategic Lead Area Quarter 3	No of FTE e/ees	Days Lost FTE* (2016/17)
Council Wide	4461.05	2.97
Child Healthcare & Criminal Justice	232.16	<mark>3.13</mark>
Community Health & Care	751.56	<mark>5.22</mark>
Mental Health, Addiction & Learning Disabilities	145.90	<mark>4.62</mark>
Strategy, Planning & Health Improvement	26.91	2.94
Environment & Neighbourhood	631.02	2.84
Housing & Employability	239.66	2.64
Regeneration	415.45	<mark>3.12</mark>
Communications, Culture & Communities	153.26	1.35
Education – Support	112.75	2.45
People & Technology	175.87	1.56
Regulatory	175.69	2.11
Resources	522.43	<mark>3.25</mark>
Education - Teachers	865.72	1.75

^{*}Total number of FTE days lost divided by the number of FTE employees

Absence Duration

4.2 Table 3 shows the duration breakdown for quarter 3 and compares to the same period last year. Long term absence has reduced overall and we are now seeing a more balanced picture, with long term absence accounting for 52% of days lost. This is consistent with the significant reduction in days lost due to Acute Medical Conditions, Recurring Medical Conditions and Stress, which tend to be long term in nature.

Table 3 – Absence Duration – Council Wide

Quarter 3	2016/17	2015/16
Short Term (under 20 days)	48%	43%
Long Term (over 20 days)	52%	57%

Absence Reasons

4.3 Table 4 shows the reasons for absence recorded in quarter 3 this year and last year. Minor Illness accounted for most days lost in the quarter, with an additional 490 days lost compared to Q3 last year. The second highest reason was Acute Medical Conditions followed closely by MSK. Although days lost due to Stress fell compared to quarter 3 last year, the number of Stress absences was higher in December, compared to December last year.

Major transformational change across the organisation has had an impact upon stress related absence. All stress is being addressed through early use of the Stress Policy, including stress risk assessment procedures, early referral to Occupational Health and referral to the employee counselling

service. In addition, managers are and HR are looking to identify hotspot areas and to devise a targeted approach using the HSE management standards.

Table 4 – Reasons analysis

Q3	2016	6/17		2015	5/16	
	Reason	Work	% of	Reason	Work	% of
AR		Days	days		Days	days
Code		lost	lost		lost	lost
1	Minor Illness	4,757.5	<mark>28.95%</mark>	Minor Illness	4,267.5	24.58%
2	Back Pain	580.5	3.53%	Back Pain	774.5	4.46%
3	Musculo-skeletal			Musculo-skeletal		
	Injuries	2,600.0	<mark>15.82%</mark>	Injuries	2,639.5	15.21%
4	Stress	1,936.0	11.78%	Stress	2,879.5	16.59%
5	Recur Medical			Recur Medical		
	Conditions	1,174.0	7.14%	Conditions	1,186.0	6.83%
6	Non Work Related			Non Work Related		
	Accidents / Injuries	430.0 2.62%		Accidents / Injuries	271.5	1.56%
7	Work Related			Work Related		
	Accidents / Injuries	227.0	1.38%	Accidents / Injuries	303.0	1.75%
8	Mental Health	892.0	5.43%	Mental Health	1,336.0	7.70%
9	Acute Medical			Acute Medical		
	Conditions	2,577.0	<mark>15.68%</mark>	Conditions	3,010.0	17.34%
10	Pregnancy Related			Pregnancy Related		
	Absence	310.0	1.89%	Absence	275.0	1.58%
11	Drink or Drug			Drink or Drug		
	Related Condition	7.0	0.04%	Related Condition	84.0	0.48%
12	Stress - Work	0046	5.07 0/	NI/A		
	Related	834.0	5.07%	N/A		
13	Decem Not			Danson Not	222.2	4.040/
	Reason Not	100.0	0.669/	Reason Not	332.0	1.91%
	Disclosed	109.0	0.66%	Disclosed		

Employee Wellbeing Group

4.4 The Attendance Working Group has now been disbanded with the Employee Wellbeing Group aiming to commence in February. Nominations from Strategic Lead areas and Trades Unions are currently being sought. In the interim period, the activities and initiatives are discussed and/or progressed through the Employee Liaison Group (ELG). Throughout the lifespan of the Attendance Working Group (January 2013 – October 2016) there have been a number of achievements, some of which are discussed below.

Communication

- **4.4.1** The following initiatives were undertaking to encourage collective ownership of attendance and to consider alternatives to absence, such as:
 - Poster campaigns Cost of a day's absence / "...can you give 90%?" / "Can you work from home?"
 - Absence results published on intranet

- Disclosing Your Disability
- Promoting Flexible Working as an alternative to absence

Policy Development

- **4.4.2** The following policies, schemes and were revised, or introduced by the Attendance Working Group:
 - Attendance Management Policy
 - Disability Leave Scheme
 - Tailored Adjustment Agreements
 - Carer's Leave Scheme
 - Cancer Support Policy
 - No Smoking Policy (Smoke-free grounds)
 - Personal Days
 - Bereavement Leave Scheme

Employee / Manager Engagement

- **4.4.3** The AWG also introduced a number of employee / manager engagement and upskilling activities including:
 - Employee Carer's Support Network
 - Absence presentations at employee events to reinforce communication messages
 - Manager Masterclasses
 - Employee Absence Workshops (for irregular attenders)
 - Employee Charter

Recognition

- **4.4.4** As a result of the initiatives developed and implemented by the Attendance Working Group, the Council has been asked by various external partners to share their good practice, through invitations to speak at events and the sharing of policies. In addition, the Council has received the following formal recognition:
 - 2015 Winners, Scottish Top Employers for Working Families Best for all stages of Fatherhood
 - 2016 Winners, Scottish Top Employers for Working Families Best for Carers and Eldercare
 - 2016 Winners, UK Working Families Special Award Best for Carers and Eldercare
 - Carers UK (Kitemark) awarded Exemplary status (first local authority in Scotland).

5. People Implications

5.1 Absence impacts not only those who are absent from work due to illness or injury but also those remaining at work. The absence levels experienced within our services leads to significant additional burdens on our attending

workforce. Striving to reduce absence through the appropriate support to those with health issues as well as ensuring that we provide the right assistance to those at work is fundamental to the successful achievement of our annual target.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 Significant absence levels impact on the Council in terms of cost, service delivery and motivation. In quarter 3, the Council lost a total of 13,241.95 FTE working days of productivity to sickness absence which is a small improvement of 3.3% compared to quarter 3 last year. Based upon the nominal daily cost of a day's absence (£118.00), it is estimated that the cost of absence for the Council in the quarter was £1.56m. This figure does not take into account the indirect costs of absence such as overtime, loss of productivity, reduced team performance.

7. Risk Analysis

7.1 Compared with quarter 3 last year, there continues to be a significant improvement in absence performance, however, there is still a risk that if the focus and attention by all stakeholders is not maintained, absence rates could rise making it difficult to achieve the Council's target of 7 FTE days for 2016/17. This would contribute adversely to the Council's overall performance.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

8.1 An Equalities Impact Assessment Screening has been undertaken and noted that a high level of employees on long term sickness absence will be covered by the Equality Act 2010. Measures to mitigate impact include reasonable adjustments, introduction of Tailored Adjustment Agreements, Disability Leave, Carers' Leave and the provision of Occupational Health advice.

9. Consultation

- **9.1** Consultation is on-going with Trade unions through the ELG, JCF and JCCs to identify and address attendance issues.
- **9.2** Strategic Leads continued to be consulted through regular meetings with HR Business Partners.

10. Strategic Assessment

10.1 Effective attendance management will support the Council's aim to make best use of both financial and human resources resulting in a positive impact upon service provision.

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Appendices: Appendix 1 – Quarter 3 – P&T Absence

Appendix 2 – Quarter 3 – Resources Appendix 3 – Quarter 3 – Regulatory

Appendix 4 – Quarter 3 – Communications, Culture and

Communities

Background Papers: None

Wards Affected: None

Strategic Area: People & Technology Period: Quarter 3 - 2016/17



TABLE 1 - Days Lost per Employee

		Intermittent (1-3 days)		Short Term (4-5 days)		Medium Term (6 days - 4 weeks)		Long Term (over 4 weeks)				Total FTE
Strategic Area	FTE Employees	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Total Working Days Lost	Total FTE Days Lost	Days Lost by FTE
HR Service Centre	11.50	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Pay & Remuneration	9.00	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	1.00	0.11
Business Support Total	20.50	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	1.00	0.05
ICT Connect	40.85	21	23.20%	5	5.52%	43.5	48.07%	21	23.20%	90.5	90.50	2.22
ICT Infrastructure Development	12.00	3	25.00%	0	0.00%	9	75.00%	0	0.00%	12	12.00	1.00
ICT Management	4.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
ICT Total	56.85	24	23.41%	5	4.88%	52.5	51.22%	21	20.49%	102.5	102.50	1.80
Organisational Development	12.83	5.5	52.38%	0	0.00%	5	47.62%	0	0.00%	10.5	10.50	0.82
Organisational Development & Change Total	12.83	5.5	52.38%	0	0.00%	5	47.62%	0	0.00%	10.5	10.50	0.82
Health & Safety	4.83	3	4.84%	0	0.00%	16	25.81%	43	69.35%	62	62.00	12.84
Strategic HR	17.73	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Strategic HR Total	22.56	3	4.84%	0	0.00%	16	25.81%	43	69.35%	62	62.00	2.75
People & Technology TOTAL	112.74	33.5	19.03%	5	2.84%	73.5	41.76%	64	36.36%	176	176.00	1.56

TABLE 2 - Breakdown of Days Lost by Duration Category

Duration	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Intermittent (1-3 days)	33.5	19.03%
Short Term (4-5 days)	5.0	2.84%
Medium Term (6 days-4 weeks)	73.5	41.76%
Long Term (over 4 weeks)	64.0	36.36%
TOTAL	176.0	100%

TABLE 3 - Absence Reasons

Strategic Area	FTE Employees	Minor Illness	Back Pain	Musculo- skeletal Injuries	Stress	Recurring Medical Conditions	Non Work Related Accident / Injuries	Work Related Accidents / Injuries	Mental Health	Acute Medical Conditions	Pregnancy Related Absence	Drink or Drug Related Condition		Reason Not Disclosed	Total Working Days Lost	FTE Days Lost	Total FTE Days Lost by FTE Employee
HR Service Centre	11.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Pay & Remuneration	9.00	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.00	0.11
Business Support Total	20.50	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.00	0.05
ICT Connect	40.85	27	9	2	0	40	0	0	0	7.5	0	0	5	0	90.5	90.50	2.22
ICT Infrastructure Development	12.00	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12.00	1.00
ICT Management	4.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
ICT Total	56.85	39	9	2	0	40	0	0	0	7.5	0	0	5	0	102.5	102.50	1.80
Organisational Development	12.83	10.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.5	10.50	0.82
Organisational Development & Change Total	12.83	10.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10.5	10.50	0.82
Health & Safety	4.83	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	62	62.00	12.84
Strategic HR	17.73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Strategic HR Total	22.56	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	62	62.00	2.75
People & Technology TOTAL	112.74	53.5	9	2	0	40	0	0	0	66.5	0	0	5	0	176	176.00	1.56

TABLE 4 - Days Lost by Absence Category

Absence Reason	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Minor Illness	53.5	30.40%
Back Pain	9.0	5.11%
Musculo-skeletal Injuries	2.0	1.14%
Stress	0.0	0.00%
Recurring Medical Conditions	40.0	22.73%
Non Work Related Accidents / Injuries	0.0	0.00%
Work Related Accidents / Injuries	0.0	0.00%
Mental Health	0.0	0.00%
Acute Medical Conditions	66.5	37.78%
Pregnancy Related Absence	0.0	0.00%
Drink or Drug Related Condition	0.0	0.00%
Stress - Work Related	5.0	2.84%
Reason Not Disclosed	0.0	0.00%
TOTAL	176.0	100%

Strategic Area: Resources Period: Quarter 3 - 2016/17



TABLE 1 - Days Lost per Employee

		Intermi (1-3 da			Short Term (4-5 days)		Medium Term (6 days - 4 weeks)		Term weeks)			
Strategic Area	FTE Employees	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Total Working Days Lost	Total FTE Days Lost	Total FTE Days Lost by FTE Employees
Audit & Fraud	10.60	5	16.13%	0	0.00%	26	83.87%	0	0.00%	31	31.00	2.92
Audit & Fraud Total	10.60	5	16.13%	0	0.00%	26	83.87%	0	0.00%	31	31.00	2.92
Benefits	21.31	11	8.59%	0	0.00%	42	32.81%	75	58.59%	128	117.93	5.53
Business Support	3.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Corporate Debt Team	45.62	16	9.76%	4	2.44%	81	49.39%	63	38.41%	164	158.81	3.48
Council Tax	13.07	2	2.78%	5	6.94%	44	61.11%	21	29.17%	72	62.77	4.80
Council Tax & Benefits	1.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Creditors	3.61	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	64	100.00%	64	64.00	17.73
Debtors	8.00	7	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	7	5.26	0.66
Revenues & Benefits	2.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Support/Cont Development	6.00	0	0.00%	4	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	4	4.00	0.67
Business Support Total	103.61	36	8.20%	13	2.96%	167	38.04%	223	50.80%	439	412.77	3.98
Capital Projects	1.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Cash & Banking	5.76	2	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2	2.00	0.35
HSCP Finance	1.73	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Corporate Finance	6.25	5	12.50%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	35	87.50%	40	32.71	5.23
Development & Support	2.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Education Finance	8.60	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	3	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	2.63	0.31
Finance & Treasury Management	2.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Governance	0.50	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
HEED Finance	7.30	2	7.41%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	25	92.59%	27	14.50	1.99
Insurance	2.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Reconciliations	2.47	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Finance & Treasury Total	39.61	9	12.50%	0	0.00%	3	4.17%	60	83.33%	72	51.84	1.31
Procurement	21.86	1	1.33%	4	5.33%	28	37.33%	42	56.00%	75	75.00	3.43
Procurement Total	21.86	1	1.33%	4	5.33%	28	37.33%	42	56.00%	75	75.00	3.43
Resources TOTAL	175.68	51	8.27%	17	2.76%	224	36.30%	325	52.67%	617	570.61	3.25

TABLE 2 - Breakdown of Days Lost by Duration Category

Duration	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Intermittent (1-3 days)	51.0	8.27%
Short Term (4-5 days)	17.0	2.76%
Medium Term (6 days-4 weeks)	224.0	36.30%
Long Term (over 4 weeks)	325.0	52.67%
TOTAL	617.0	100%

TABLE 3 - Absence Reasons

Strategic Area	FTE Employees	Minor Illness	Back Pain	Musculo- skeletal Iniuries	Stress	Recurring Medical Conditions	Non Work Related Accident / Injuries	Work Related Accidents / Injuries	Mental Health	Acute Medical	Pregnancy Related Absence	Drink or Drug Related Condition	Stress - Work Related	Reason Not Disclosed	Total Working Days Lost	FTE Days Lost	Total FTE Days Lost by FTE Employee
Audit & Fraud	10.60	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	31	31.00	2.92
Audit & Fraud Total	10.60	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	31	31.00	2.92
Benefits	21.31	49	0	0	1	0	0	0	45	33	0	0	0	0	128	117.93	5.53
Business Support	3.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Corporate Debt Team	45.62	31	0	0	48	26	0	0	39	20	0	0	0	0	164	158.81	3.48
Council Tax	13.07	22	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	72	62.77	4.80
Council Tax & Benefits	1.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Creditors	3.61	0	0	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64	64.00	17.73
Debtors	8.00	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	5.26	0.66
Revenues & Benefits	2.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Support/Cont Development	6.00	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4.00	0.67
Business Support Total	103.61	113	0	64	66	26	0	0	84	86	0	0	0	0	439	412.77	3.98
Capital Projects	1.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Cash & Banking	5.76	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.00	0.35
HSCP Finance	1.73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Corporate Finance	6.25	2	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	40	32.71	5.23
Development & Support	2.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Education Finance	8.60	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2.63	0.31
Finance & Treasury Management	2.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Governance	0.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
HEED Finance	7.30	2	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	14.50	1.99
Insurance	2.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Reconciliations	2.47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Finance & Treasury Total	39.61	4	3	2	25	35	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	72	51.84	1.31
Procurement	21.86	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	18	0	0	0	75	75.00	3.43
Procurement Total	21.86	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	18	0	0	0	75	75.00	3.43
Resources TOTAL	175.68	127	3	66	91	61	0	0	84	167	18	0	0	0	617	570.61	3.25

TABLE 4 - Days Lost by Absence Category

Absence Reason	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Minor Illness	127.0	20.58%
Back Pain	3.0	0.49%
Musculo-skeletal Injuries	66.0	10.70%
Stress	91.0	14.75%
Recurring Medical Conditions	61.0	9.89%
Non Work Related Accidents / Injuries	0.0	0.00%
Work Related Accidents / Injuries	0.0	0.00%
Mental Health	84.0	13.61%
Acute Medical Conditions	167.0	27.07%
Pregnancy Related Absence	18.0	2.92%
Drink or Drug Related Condition	0.0	0.00%
Stress - Work Related	0.0	0.00%
Reason Not Disclosed	0.0	0.00%
TOTAL	617.0	100%

Strategic Area: Regulatory Period: Quarter 3 - 2016/17



TABLE 1 - Days Lost per Employee

TABLE 1 - Day's Lost per Employee			ntermittent Short Te (1-3 days) (4-5 day						Term weeks)			Total FTE
Strategic Area	FTE Employees	Working Days Lost	Days Lost	Working Days Lost	Days Lost	Working Days Lost	Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Total Working Days Lost	Total FTE Days Lost	Days Lost by FTE Employees
Corporate Admin Support	43.88	15	13.64%	4	3.64%	26	23.64%	65	59.09%	110	102.19	2.33
Business Support Total	43.88	15	13.64%	4	3.64%	26	23.64%	65	59.09%	110	102.19	2.33
Admin Support Unit	38.55	7.5	4.25%	0	0.00%	45	25.50%	124	70.25%	176.5	149.51	3.88
Democratic Services	7.34	1	2.56%	0	0.00%	38	97.44%	0	0.00%	39	39.00	5.31
Leadership Support Team	7.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Registration	7.67	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	5	100.00%	0	0.00%	5	3.00	0.39
Democratic Services Total	60.56	8.5	3.85%	0	0.00%	88	39.91%	124	56.24%	220.5	191.51	3.16
Community Health Protection	8.00	3	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	3	3.00	0.38
Environmental Pollution	6.30	3	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	3	3.00	0.48
Food & Business	6.43	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	9	100.00%	0	0.00%	9	7.00	1.09
Trading Standards	7.00	3	10.71%	4	14.29%	0	0.00%	21	75.00%	28	28.00	4.00
Environmental Health & Trading Standards Total	27.73	9	20.93%	4	9.30%	9	20.93%	21	48.84%	43	41.00	1.48
Contracts & Property	7.46	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	24	100.00%	0	0.00%	24	24.00	3.22
Licensing	6.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Litigation & Support	3.76	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Records Management	2.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Legal, Licensing & Registration Total	19.22	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	24	100.00%	0	0.00%	24	24.00	1.25
Building Standards	4.50	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Development Management	4.80	2	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2	2.00	0.42
Forward Planning	4.35	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Planning & Building Control Management	1.00	2	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2	2.00	2.00
Technical Support Team	6.83	8	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	8	8.00	1.17
Planning & Building Control Total	21.48	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	12	12.00	0.56
Regulatory Management	3.00	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00	0.00
Regulatory TOTAL	175.87	44.5	10.87%	8	1.95%	147	35.90%	210	51.28%	409.5	370.70	2.11

TABLE 2 - Breakdown of Days Lost by Duration Category

Duration	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Intermittent (1-3 days)	44.5	10.87%
Short Term (4-5 days)	8.0	1.95%
Medium Term (6 days-4 weeks)	147.0	35.90%
Long Term (over 4 weeks)	210.0	51.28%
TOTAL	409.5	100%

TABLE 3 - Absence Reasons

TABLE 3 - Absence Reasons	FTE			Musculo- skeletal		Recurring Medical	Non Work Related Accident /	Work Related Accidents /		Acute Medical	Pregnancy Related	Drink or Drug Related	Stress - Work		Total Working	FTE Days	Total FTE Days Lost by FTE
Strategic Area	Employees	Minor Illness	Back Pain	Injuries	Stress	Conditions	Injuries	Injuries	Mental Health		Absence	Condition	Related	Disclosed	Days Lost	Lost	Employee
Corporate Admin Support	43.88	42	0	0	35	0	5	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	110	102.19	2.33
Business Support Total	43.88	42	0	0	35	0	5	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	110	102.19	2.33
Admin Support Unit	38.55	39.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	18	0	39	0	176.5	149.51	3.88
Democratic Services	7.34	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	39	39.00	5.31
Leadership Support Team	7.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Registration	7.67	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3.00	0.39
Democratic Services Total	60.56	44.5	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	100	18	0	39	0	220.5	191.51	3.16
Community Health Protection	8.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.00	0.38
Environmental Pollution	6.30	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.00	0.48
Food & Business	6.43	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	7.00	1.09
Trading Standards	7.00	7	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	28.00	4.00
Environmental Health & Trading Standards Total	27.73	17	5	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	41.00	1.48
Contracts & Property	7.46	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	24	24.00	3.22
Licensing	6.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Litigation & Support	3.76	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Records Management	2.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Legal, Licensing & Registration Total	19.22	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	24	24.00	1.25
Building Standards	4.50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Development Management	4.80	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.00	0.42
Forward Planning	4.35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Planning & Building Control Management	1.00	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.00	2.00
Technical Support Team	6.83	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8.00	1.17
Planning & Building Control Total	21.48	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12.00	0.56
Regulatory Management	3.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
Regulatory TOTAL	175.87	131.5	5	19	35	0	26	0	8	128	18	0	39	0	409.5	370.70	2.11

TABLE 4 - Days Lost by Absence Category

Absence Reason	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Minor Illness	131.5	32.11%
Back Pain	5.0	1.22%
Musculo-skeletal Injuries	19.0	4.64%
Stress	35.0	8.55%
Recurring Medical Conditions	0.0	0.00%
Non Work Related Accidents / Injuries	26.0	6.35%
Work Related Accidents / Injuries	0.0	0.00%
Mental Health	8.0	1.95%
Acute Medical Conditions	128.0	31.26%
Pregnancy Related Absence	18.0	4.40%
Drink or Drug Related Condition	0.0	0.00%
Stress - Work Related	39.0	9.52%
Reason Not Disclosed	0.0	0.00%
TOTAL	409.5	100%

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TABLE 1 - Days Lost per Employee

		Intermi (1-3 da		Short (4-5 c		Medium (6 days - 4		Long (over 4				
Strategic Area	FTE Employees		% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost	Working Days Lost	% of Total Days Lost			Total Working Days Lost		
Communications, Events & Engagement	5.72	3	27.27%	8	72.73%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	11	9.50	1.66
Customer Services	41.47	0	0.00%	4	4.37%	52.5	57.38%	35	38.25%	91.5	82.41	1.99
Libraries & Cultural	96.45	41	33.61%	8	6.56%	48	39.34%	25	20.49%	122	96.52	1.00
Strat Org Pol & Perform	9.62	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	19	100.00%	0	0.00%	19	19.00	1.98
Communications, Culture & Communities TOTAL	153.26	44	18.07%	20	8.21%	119.5	49.08%	60	24.64%	243.5	207.43	1.35

TABLE 2 - Breakdown of Days Lost by Duration Category

Duration	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Intermittent (1-3 days)	44.0	18.07%
Short Term (4-5 days)	20.0	8.21%
Medium Term (6 days-4 weeks)	119.5	49.08%
Long Term (over 4 weeks)	60.0	24.64%
TOTAL	243.5	100%

TABLE 3 - Absence Reasons

Strategic Area	FTE Employees	Minor Illness	Back Pain	Musculo- skeletal Injuries	Stress	Recurring Medical Conditions	Accident /	Work Related Accidents /		Acute Medical Conditions		Drink or Drug Related Condition	Stress - Work Related		Total Working Days Lost	FTE Days Lost	Total FTE Days Lost by FTE Employee
Communications, Events & Engagement	5.72	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	9.50	1.66
Customer Services	41.47	21.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	35	0	91.5	82.41	1.99
Libraries & Cultural	96.45	63	0	0	28	7	3	0	19	2	0	0	0	0	122	96.52	1.00
Strat Org Pol & Perform	9.62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	19	19.00	1.98
Communications, Culture & Communities TOTAL	153.26	95.5	0	0	28	7	3	0	19	21	35	0	35	0	243.5	207.43	1.35

TABLE 4 - Days Lost by Absence Category

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Absence Reason	Working Days Lost	Percentage of Lost Days
Minor Illness	95.5	39.22%
Back Pain	0.0	0.00%
Musculo-skeletal Injuries	0.0	0.00%
Stress	28.0	11.50%
Recurring Medical Conditions	7.0	2.87%
Non Work Related Accidents / Injuries	3.0	1.23%
Work Related Accidents / Injuries	0.0	0.00%
Mental Health	19.0	7.80%
Acute Medical Conditions	21.0	8.62%
Pregnancy Related Absence	35.0	14.37%
Drink or Drug Related Condition	0.0	0.00%
Stress - Work Related	35.0	14.37%
Reason Not Disclosed	0.0	0.00%
TOTAL	243.5	100%