WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services

Social Justice Committee: 12 April 2006

Subject: House Sales

1. Purpose

1.1 This report provides the Committee with information on West Dunbartonshire Council houses sold under the Right to Buy scheme between 1 April 2005 and 28 February 2006. The appendix to this report gives details of houses sold by type and by area, together with information for the financial year 2004/2005 for comparison purposes.

2. Background

2.1 The number of houses sold to sitting tenants under the Right to Buy scheme has slowed down after a period of activity during 2004/2005. This followed the effects of the "Modernised Right to Buy" scheme, and it is anticipated that sales will continue to decline.

3. Main Issues

- 3.1 The Appendix to this report contains the following two tables: -
 - Table 1 House Sales by Area and Type
 - Table 2 Analysis of House Sales by Estate

Table 1 provides general information on the types of houses being purchased across the three main areas of West Dunbartonshire and Table 2 gives details of sales according to location. There was a 27% drop in sales during this period compared with the same period in 2004/2005, with the most significant reductions being in the sale of semi detached (40%), four in a block (30%), and terraced properties (20%). 52% of sales were in Clydebank, 31% in the Vale of Leven and 18% in Dumbarton.

4. Personnel Issues

4.1 None.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 None.

- 6. Recommendation
- 6.1 The Committee is asked to note the contents of this report.

David McMillan Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services Date: 27 March 2006

| Wards Affected: | All Wards | |
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| Appendix: | Table 1 – | Houses Sold by Area and Type: 01.04.05 – 28.02.06 |
| | Table 2 – | Analysis of Houses Sold by Estate: 01.04.05 - 28.02.06 |
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