

## WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

### Report by the Director of Development and Environmental Services Planning Committee: 7 December 2005

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**Subject: Development Control – Statement of Planning Applications Determined – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2005 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2005.**

**1.0 Purpose:**

1.1 To inform members of the Councils performance with regard to the determination of planning applications.

**2.0 Background:**

2.1 The Council is required to report the number of planning applications determined over each six month period to the Scottish Executive. The periods are 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> April. These figures are used to measure the performance of West Dunbartonshire Council against all other Scottish authorities and are assessed against the Performance Indicators set out in Scottish Planning Policy 1 – The Planning System (SPP1) – Performance Targets – Planning applications.

**3.0 The Councils Performance 1<sup>st</sup> April 2005 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2005**

3.1 The Council determined 291 planning applications within this six month period, 225 were dealt with in less than the statutory 2 month target (77%). This is slightly below the Scottish Executives expected target of 80%, but substantially above the current Scottish local planning authorities average (66% - 1/4/03 to 1/9/03 – last published figures) and a significant improvement in performance (13%) over the previous six months (64 %).

3.2 This is the highest level of overall performance since 1998 with a substantial increase in the number of planning applications processed.

**4.0 Recommendation:**

4.1 Members are asked to note the contents of the report.



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**Background Papers:** None

**Wards Affected:** All

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