

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

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

**Subject: Development Control – Statement of Planning Applications
Determined – 1st April 2005 to 30th 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 1st April to 30th September and 1st October to 31st 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 1st April 2005 – 30th 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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