WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Chief Executive

Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee: 23 November 2011

Subject: Chief Executive Budgetary Control Report: Period 6 2011/12

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Committee of the performance of the Chief Executive's budget for the period to 30 September 2011.

2. Background

2.1 At a meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council on 9 February 2011, Members agreed the revenue estimates for 2011/2012. At that time, a total net budget of £4.657m was approved for the Chief Executive's Department.

3. Main Issues

- **3.1** Since period 4 report, there has been a transfer of budget from Chief Executive Services to the contingency fund of £0.054m in respect of underlying underspends identified by the CMT during a review of the 2010/11 year end and 2011/12 budgets.
- **3.2** The summary report identifies a favourable variance to date (underspend) of £0.095m (4.57%).
- **3.3** There are three main variances highlighted in the report:
 - <u>Internal Audit £31,273 Favourable</u> This favourable variance is mainly due to staffing vacancies currently held.
 - <u>Welfare Rights & CPP Investment £35,230 Favourable</u> This favourable variance is mainly due to additional income received from the NHS and MacMillan Cancer Support which was unbudgeted.
 - <u>Community Learning & Development £32,830 Favourable</u> This favourable variance is mainly due to restructuring of sessional staff.

4. People Implications

4.1 There are no personnel issues.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications.

6. Risk Analysis

6.1 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.

7. Equalities Impact Assessment

7.1 There are no equalities issues linked to this report.

8. Strategic Assessment

8.1 The report is for noting and, therefore, does not directly affect any of the strategic priorities.

9. Conclusions and Recommendations

- **9.1** There is a favourable variance of £0.095m in the Chief Executive departmental budget to date.
- **9.2** This report is submitted for Committee's consideration and comment.

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Appendix:	Chief Executive's Department - Budgetary Control Report Period 6
Background Papers:	General Services Revenue Estimates and Council Tax – Report to Council 9 February 2011 Budget Book 2011/12 Ledger prints – Period 6
Wards Affected:	All Wards