WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services

Social Justice Committee: 13 September 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 2006 and 30 June 2006. The appendices 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 tables: -
 - Table 1 House Sales by Area and Type
 - Table 2 Analysis of House Sales by Estate
 - Table 3 List of addresses
 - Chart 1 Analysis of house sales by town
 - Chart 2 House sales per quarter

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 38% 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 houses (92%). However sales of four in a block (7%), and terraced houses (7%) increased. 58% of sales were in Clydebank, 25% in the Vale of Leven and 17% in Dumbarton. There were sales in 18 letting areas with Drumry, Duntocher and Whitecoook having the highest level of sales with four each.

4. Personnel Issues

4.1 There are no personnel issues.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications.

6. Conclusion

6.1 Last year's trend of a reduction in Right to Buy sales continues into 2006/2007 with the most significant drop in sales being in the Vale of Leven area when compared with the previous year.

7. Recommendation

7.1 The Committee is asked to note the contents of this report.

David McMillan Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services Date: 28 August 2006

Wards Affected:	All Wards	
Appendix:	Table 1	Houses Sold by Area and Type: 01.04.06 - 30.06.06
	Table 2	Analysis of Houses Sold by Estate: 01.04.06 - 30.06.06
	Table 3	List of addresses
	Chart 1	Analysis of house sales by town
	Chart 2	Analysis of house sales per quarter
Background Papers:	None	
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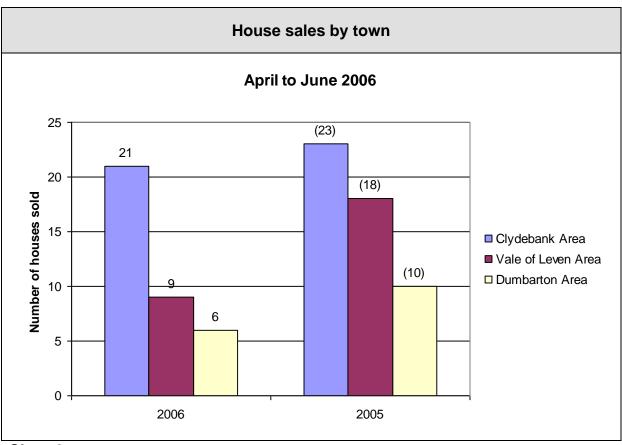


Chart 2

