# WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

# Report by the Chief Executive

Council – 20 December 2006

## Subject: General Services Capital Budgetary Control Report: Period 7, 2006/2007

## 1. Purpose

**1.1** The purpose of this report is to update Members on the General Services Capital plan for 2006/2007.

## 2. Background

**2.1** The Council agreed the 2006/07 General Services Capital Programme at its meeting on 22 February 2006 and an updated position was reported to Council in October.

## 3. Main Issues

- **3.1** Appendix I details the current forecast for resources and expenditure (both totalling £25.968m). Included in this figure is a level of slippage identified as required within resources (£3.205m, 14% of the overall anticipated receipts).
- **3.2** Appendix II details the ring fenced funding allocations and highlights expenditure to date totalling £0.945m. When compared to the profiled budget of £0.954m, this indicates an underspend position of £0.009m.
- **3.3** Appendix III details Council funded projects and highlights expenditure to date totalling £4.166m. When compared to the profiled budget of £4.831m, this indicates an underspend position currently of £0.665m.
- **3.4** Overall, the capital budget shows a year to date underspend of £0.674m (12% of the year to date budget, in line with the anticipated slippage identified in 3.1).
- **3.5** The anticipated receipts figure remains unchanged at £7.125m.
- **3.6** The updated capital plan takes into account adjustments required due to information received in relation to the following projects.
- **3.6.1** The Council has been issued with a Health and Safety Executive Improvement Notice in relation to safety glazing. The estimated cost of complying with this notice is £0.300m (shown within Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services), and funding has been identified from various sources within the existing capital budget. This has a nil effect on the net capital budget.

- **3.6.2** Additional expenditure and external resources have been identified within Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services for Discovering Dumbarton of £0.104m. This has a nil effect on the net capital budget.
- **3.6.3** Additional expenditure and external resources have been identified within Education and Cultural Services, which has a nil effect on the net capital budget:

| Kitchen Upgrade to Linnvale Primary | £0.067m |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Whitecrook Primary School           | £0.013m |
| Our Holy Redeemer Primary School    | £0.013m |
| Linnvale Primary School             | £0.007m |
|                                     | £0.100m |

#### 4. Personnel Issues

**4.1** There are no personnel issues.

#### 5. Financial Implications

- **5.1** The capital programme has been updated for additional expenditure. However, due to external ring-fenced funding and identified underspends, there is nil net effect on the capital budget.
- **5.2** Current anticipated receipts from the sale of assets are unchanged at £7.125m. This will continue to be monitored and action taken as necessary.
- **5.3** The report highlights that there are over and underspends within projects to date. Officers are currently reviewing the likely year end position to allow appropriate action to be taken where necessary.

#### 6. Conclusions

**6.1** The 2006/07 capital plan reported to Council in October has been updated for known changes.

#### 7. Recommendations

7.1 Members are asked to approve the updated capital plan as outlined in appendices I, II and III, which incorporate the additional spend as detailed in 3.6.

David McMillan Chief Executive Date: 12 December 2006

| Wards Affected:    | All wards affected  |
|--------------------|---|
| Appendices:        | Available resources<br>Ringfenced Projects<br>Council Funded Projects   |
| Background Papers: | Ledger output.<br>General Services Capital Plan 2006/07 –<br>Council 22 February 2006.<br>General Services Capital Budgetary Control (Period 5) –<br>Council 25 October 2006. |
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