

**WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**  
**Report by Executive Director of Corporate Services**  
**Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee: 21 March 2012**

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**Subject: Dumbarton Common Good Fund – 2012/13 Draft Budget**

**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with a draft budget for 2012/2013 for the Dumbarton Common Good Fund.

**2. Background**

- 2.1** A monitoring report is submitted to the Corporate and Efficient Governance Committee on a regular basis and an annual budget is prepared and submitted to Committee for approval before the start of each financial year.

**3. Main Issues**

- 3.1** A statement (Appendix 1) with the draft budget for 2012/2013 is attached.
- 3.2** Committee will note that the 2012/2013 draft budget shows a projected balance brought forward from 2011/12 of £137,897 and a projected balance of £185,896 as at 31 March 2013.
- 3.3** There were a number of one-off grants approved during 2011/12 which have been assumed not to continue into 2012/13.
- 3.4** These balances do not take into account any further grants which may be approved before the year end.
- 3.5** The possibility of identifying appropriate Capital projects, to be funded from the Common Good Fund, is currently being looked into. Officers are currently in the process of identifying community groups/representatives to consult for ideas for investment; and will be placing appropriate information on the Council's website, requesting feedback. Thereafter a report will come to Committee, with specific recommendations.

**4. People Implications**

- 4.1** There are no people implications.

**5. Financial Implications**

- 5.1** The draft budget projects that expenditure in 2012/13 will be lower than income by £48,000. This will increase the overall fund balance expected from that expected at 31 March 2012 of £137,897 to a closing balance at 31 March 2013 to £185,896. Any further allocations of funding, for example for capital projects, will adjust this projection.

## **6. Risk Analysis**

**6.1** No additional risk analysis was required.

## **7. Equalities Impact**

**7.1** No equalities impact assessment was required in relation to this report

## **8. Strategic Assessment**

**8.1** The report does not directly affect any of the strategic priorities.

## **9. Conclusions and Recommendations**

**9.1** The draft budget identifies expected expenditure and income for 2012/13, with a net income of £48,000 likely – increasing the unused balance from £137,897 to £185,896 by the end of the 2012/13 financial year.

**9.2** Ideas for appropriate Capital Investment are currently being sought. No spend has been anticipated in the draft 2012/13 budget, as yet and a further report on this issue will come to a future Committee for consideration.

**9.3** The Committee is invited to consider and approve the draft budget for 2012/2013.

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**Appendix:** Dumbarton Common Good Draft Budget 2012/13

**Background Papers:** No background papers

**Wards Affected:** Dumbarton wards only