

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

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MEETING: WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

**WEDNESDAY 15 DECEMBER 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CLYDEBANK TOWN HALL
DUMBARTON ROAD
CLYDEBANK**

Dear Member,

Please attend a Meeting of **West Dunbartonshire Council** to be held in the **Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank, on Wednesday, 15 December 2010 at 6.00 p.m.**

The business is as shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

DAVID MCMILLAN

Chief Executive

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All Members of West Dunbartonshire Council.

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All Executive Directors
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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to declare if they have an interest in any of the items of business on this agenda and state the reasons for such declarations.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Submit for approval as a correct record, the Minutes of Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council held on 24 November 2010.

4. CLYDEBANK INDEPENDENT RESOURCE CENTRE - PRESENTATION

The Council will receive a DVD presentation by the Clydebank Independent Resource Centre on the experiences and challenges of people who live in poverty in Clydebank.

5. OPEN FORUM

The Council is asked to note that no open forum questions have been submitted by members of the public.

6. MINUTES OF THE JOINT CONSULTATIVE FORUM ON 23 SEPTEMBER 2010

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Joint Consultative Forum held on 23 September 2010.

7. MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE ON 10 NOVEMBER 2010

Submit for information, and where necessary ratification, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Audit and Performance Review Committee held on 10 November 2010.

8. TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID YEAR REPORT 2010/11

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services providing the Council with an update on treasury management and prudential indicators during 2010/11.

9. GENERAL SERVICES REVENUE BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT: PERIOD 7 (2010/11)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services informing the Council of the performance of the General Services Revenue budget for the period ending 31 October 2010.

10. GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT: PERIOD 7 (2010/11)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Corporate Services providing the Council with an update on the Capital Plan for 2010/2011.

11. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT 2010/11 - BUDGETARY CONTROL STATEMENT TO 31 OCTOBER 2010 (PERIOD 7)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development providing the Council with an update on the financial performance of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) for the period ending 31 October 2010.

12. HRA CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2010/11 BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT TO 31 OCTOBER 2010 (PERIOD 7)

Submit report by the Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development advising the Council of the progress made on the HRA Capital Programme 2010/11.

13. QUESTION

Question by Councillor John Millar to Spokesperson for Housing, Environment and Economic Development

Council notes that materials for winter maintenance were cut by the SNP Administration from £170,940 to £87,570.

The SNP offset the cut by political enhancement of £100,000.

However, this £100,000 enhancement was deleted in the emergency budget on 14 October 2010.

Can the Spokesperson inform Council what is the impact of the SNP Administration's removal of the £100,000 from the Roads Gritting budget?

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

Motion by Councillor Jim Bollan – Winter Gritting and Maintenance Programme

Council is concerned at the amount of impassable pavements and roads in our housing estates during the recent cold weather. This has stopped people getting to work, the elderly attending hospital appointments, children getting to school, and has resulted in cars being abandoned across the area. Many elderly and disabled citizens are housebound.

Council therefore agrees to abandon the current inadequate winter gritting and maintenance programme and institute a 24/7 programme of road and pavement gritting and snow clearance throughout West Dunbartonshire, with all available personnel used. Council recognises the excellent work done to date by staff currently employed in the winter maintenance programme but appreciates that they are working with limited resources. The additional costs of the new programme to be funded from the £4m + reserves.