

## WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

### Report by the Acting Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services (Housing and Regeneration Services)

Social Justice Committee: 17 January 2007

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**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 November 2006. The appendix to this report gives details of houses sold by type and by area, together with information for the financial year 2005/06 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 2004/05. 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 Monthly house sales

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 4% drop in sales during this period compared with the same period in 2005/06, with the most significant reductions being in the sale of semi detached (23%) and tenement (25%) houses. However, sales in terraced houses increased by 13%. 51% of sales were in Clydebank, 33% in the Vale of Leven and 16% in Dumbarton.

#### **4. Financial Implications**

4.1 There are no financial implications.

#### **5. Personnel Issues**

5.1 There are no personnel issues.

#### **6. Conclusion**

6.1 There was a 4% drop in house sales in the period April – November 2006 when compared with the previous year.

#### **7. Recommendation**

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

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<b>Wards Affected:</b>	All Wards	
<b>Appendix:</b>	Table 1	Houses Sold by Area and Type: 01.04.06 – 30.11.06
	Table 2	Analysis of Houses Sold by Estate: 01.04.06 - 30.11.06
	Table 3	List of addresses
	Chart 1	Analysis of house sales by town
	Chart 2	Analysis of monthly house sales
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