WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

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

Social Justice Committee: 17 January 2007

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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Wards Affected:	All Wards	
Appendix:	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
Background Papers:	None	
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