

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 12 APRIL 2005

BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT POLICY AND RESOURCES (CORPORATE SUPPORT)

Joint Report by Executive Head of Finance and Executive Director of Corporate Support

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise Members of the current budgetary control position and the projected out-turn for the year for the services within the remit of Policy and Resources (Corporate Support).

2 OVERALL POSITION

- 2.1 The following report relates to services and income directly controlled by the department and excludes rechargeable costs for central services charges and debt charges.

2.2 Projected Out-turn

There is a favourable variance of £615,000 anticipated to 31 March 2005 for the Department of Corporate Support. The projected out-turn figures represent the views of the service director and are based on all currently available information.

2.3 Summary of Objective Costs

Actual Expend to 06-Mar-04 Period 12	Actual as % of Ann Est		Annual Estimate 2004/2005	Projected Actual 2004/2005	Variance
£	%		£	£	£
404,655	87.1%	Chief Executive	464,380	434,380	(30,000)
99,542	63.3%	Central Management Support	157,270	117,270	(40,000)
539,296	78.5%	Corporate Development & Communication	687,250	602,250	(85,000)
997,054	84.3%	Personnel	1,182,070	1,182,070	-
1,704,928	94.2%	Legal & Administration	1,810,300	1,750,300	(60,000)
2,327,673	83.3%	Information Technology	2,792,720	2,792,720	-
2,842,258	71.2%	Finance	3,990,530	3,590,530	(400,000)
29,643	96.1%	Other	30,830	30,830	-
-	0.0%	Recharges outwith General Fund	(2,117,090)	(2,117,090)	-
8,945,049	99.4%	NET EXPENDITURE	8,998,260	8,383,260	(615,000)

2.4 Summary of Subjective Costs

Actual			Revised	Projected	
Expend to	Actual		Annual	Actual	
06-Mar-04	as % of		Estimate	2004/2005	Variance
Period 12	Ann Est		2004/2005	2004/2005	
£	%		£	£	£
9,170,558	85.1%	Employee Costs	10,780,120	10,165,120	(615,000)
6,081	29.6%	Premises Costs	20,570	20,570	-
59,957	64.1%	Transport Costs	93,522	93,522	-
1,745,866	67.2%	Supplies & Services	2,597,448	2,597,448	-
74,105	73.7%	Third Party Payments	100,610	100,610	-
-	0.0%	Transfer Payments	0	0	-
11,056,567	81.3%	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	13,592,270	12,977,270	(615,000)
(2,111,518)	85.2%	Total Income	(2,476,920)	(2,476,920)	-
8,945,049	80.5%	NET EXPENDITURE	11,115,350	10,500,350	(615,000)
0	0.0%	Recharges outwith General Fund	(2,117,090)	(2,117,090)	-
8,945,049	99.4%	TOTAL	8,998,260	8,383,260	(615,000)

3 ANALYSIS OF VARIANCES

3.1 Chief Executive's Office

There is a favourable variance of £30,000 anticipated to 31 March 2005 due to the timing of the filling of the post of Chief Executive.

3.2 Central Management Support

There is a favourable variance of £40,000 anticipated to 31 March 2005 due to the timing of the filling of the post of Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support, as well as clerical support within the section.

3.3 Corporate Development and Communication

There is a favourable variance of £85,000 anticipated to 31 March 2005 due to a delay in implementation and utilisation of resources set aside in the Local Government Finance Settlement identified for Best Value implications.

3.4 Personnel

There are no anticipated material variances to report.

3.5 Legal and Administration Services

It is anticipated there will be a favourable variance of £60,000 at 31 March 2005 which is principally due to the timing of filling of vacancies.

3.6 Information Technology

There are no anticipated material variances to report.

3.7 Finance

There is an anticipated favourable variance of £400,000 at 31 March 2005 arising from the timing of filling of vacancies, some of which have been delayed pending the completion of a Service Review.

3.8 Other

There are no anticipated material variances to report.

3.9 Social Inclusion Partnership

The budget for 2004-05 is £2,343,123. There are no material variances projected at the year-end although some re-allocation of planned spend has been undertaken.

4 FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

5 RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 It is recommended that Members note the contents of this report.

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**LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS
NIL**

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