

# EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

## POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 28 MARCH 2000

### BUDGETARY CONTROL SUMMARY STATEMENT POLICY AND RESOURCES (CENTRAL SERVICES) TO 11 FEBRUARY 2000 (PERIOD 11)

#### Report by Director of Finance

#### **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 (Central Services) for the period ended 11 February 2000 (Period 11).

#### **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.

The Annual Estimate for 1999/2000 reflects the budget adjustments approved by the Policy and Resources Committee on 7 October 1999.

#### **2.2 Budget Performance to Period 11**

The net expenditure to date amounts to £10,636,342 compared to a budget of £10,795,923, resulting in the actual expenditure being less than the budget by £159,581. The budget to 11 February 2000 is based on standard phasing for each period of expenditure and income, except where the Service Department has indicated otherwise. Period variances are mainly attributable to phasing which should level out over the year, but if this is not the case reasons for the anticipated variances are highlighted at Item 3.

#### **2.3 Projected Out-turn**

A projected variance of £211,238 under budget is anticipated at 31 March 2000 after taking account of departmental target efficiencies.

## 2.4 Summary of Objective Codes

	Budget Expend to 11-Feb-00 Period 11	Actual Expend to 11-Feb-00 Period 11	Variance Expend to 11-Feb-00 Period 11	Revised Annual Estimate 1999-00	Projected Actual 1999-00	Variance
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Chief Executive	1,512,748	1,370,518	(142,230)	1,750,655	1,669,113	(81,542)
Finance	3,232,262	3,216,526	(15,736)	3,663,995	3,633,995	(30,000)
Democratic Process	548,864	524,596	(24,268)	639,437	639,437	0
Miscellaneous Services	2,965,478	2,738,553	(226,925)	3,558,351	3,471,155	(87,196)
Housing Benefit Subsidy	1,082,303	1,407,587	325,284	1,694,144	1,694,144	0
Corporate Office Accommodation	1,205,787	1,200,681	(5,106)	1,429,787	1,429,787	0
Urban Aid	248,481	177,881	(70,600)	62,120	49,620	(12,500)
Recharges outwith General Fund	0	0	0	(1,272,425)	(1,272,425)	0
<b>NET EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>10,795,923</b>	<b>10,636,342</b>	<b>(159,581)</b>	<b>11,526,064</b>	<b>11,314,826</b>	<b>(211,238)</b>

## 2.5 Summary of Subjective Codes

	Budget Expend to 11-Feb-00 Period 11	Actual Expend to 11-Feb-00 Period 11	Variance Expend to 11-Feb-00 Period 11	Revised Annual Estimate 1999-00	Projected Actual 1999-00	Variance
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Employee Costs	5,104,087	4,949,531	(154,556)	5,965,005	5,828,471	(136,534)
Property Costs	1,034,218	1,027,397	(6,821)	1,372,891	1,372,891	0
Transport Costs	88,574	77,353	(11,221)	102,185	102,185	0
Supplies & Services	2,616,025	2,510,686	(105,339)	2,855,245	2,808,797	(46,448)
Administration Costs	897,177	870,059	(27,118)	1,108,151	1,095,240	(12,911)
Payments to Other Bodies	709,291	611,821	(97,470)	916,821	882,099	(34,722)
Benefit & Related Payments	18,965,358	19,246,859	281,501	22,192,780	22,192,780	0
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>29,414,730</b>	<b>29,293,706</b>	<b>(121,024)</b>	<b>34,513,078</b>	<b>34,282,463</b>	<b>(230,615)</b>
Total Income	(18,618,807)	(18,657,364)	(38,557)	(21,676,213)	(21,656,836)	19,377
<b>NET EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>10,795,923</b>	<b>10,636,342</b>	<b>(159,581)</b>	<b>12,836,865</b>	<b>12,625,627</b>	<b>(211,238)</b>
Recharges outwith General Fund	0	0	0	(1,272,425)	(1,272,425)	0
Expenditure Reduction Measures	0	0	0	(38,376)	(38,376)	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,795,923</b>	<b>10,636,342</b>	<b>(159,581)</b>	<b>11,526,064</b>	<b>11,314,826</b>	<b>(211,238)</b>

## 3 ANALYSIS OF VARIANCES

### 3.1 Chief Executive

It is projected that this will out-turn at an underspend of £81,542 as at 31 March 2000 as a result of less than anticipated expenditure on Administration Costs, Supplies and Services and Employee costs.

### **3.2 Finance**

It is projected that this will out-turn £30,000 under budget as at 31 March 2000 due to less than anticipated expenditure on Employee Costs.

### **3.3 Miscellaneous Services**

The favourable variance projected to 31 March 2000 of £87,196 is principally comprised of an underspend in respect of Millenium Working and an over recovery of income. The £53,000 set aside for Millenium Working arrangements has not been required and is, therefore, included as a projected under-spend. Miscellaneous income is projected to over recover by £18,123 at 31 March 2000.

### **3.4 Housing Benefits Subsidy**

The variance to period 11 is due to a lower level of income than initially estimated. This is considered to be a timing issue and it is anticipated at this stage that this item will out-turn on budget.

## **4 RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

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## **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS NIL**

**AGENDA**