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Report to:	Corporate Resources Committee
Date of Meeting:	5 April 2006
Report by:	Executive Director (Finance and Information Technology Resources) Executive Director (Corporate Resources)

Subject:	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2005/2006 - Corporate Resources
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ provide information on the actual expenditure measured against the revenue budget for the period 1 April 2005 to 24 February 2006 for Corporate Resources
- ◆ provide a forecast for the year to 31 March 2006

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the underspend on Corporate Resources' revenue budget of £0.002million (0.00%), as detailed in Appendix A of the report, be noted; and
- (2) that following the probable outturn exercise, the forecast to 31 March 2006 of a break even position, be noted.

3. Background

3.1. This is the fifth revenue budget monitoring report presented to the Corporate Resources Committee for the financial year 2005/2006.

3.2. The report details the financial position for Corporate Resources in Appendix A, and then details the individual services, along with variance explanations, in Appendices B to C.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None.

5. Financial Implications

5.1. As at 24 February 2006, the variance from phased budget to date is an underspend of £0.002million (0.00%).

5.2. Following the probable outturn exercise, the financial forecast to 31 March 2006 is a break even position.

6. Other Implications

6.1. None.

7. Consultation

7.1. Not applicable.

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7 March 2006

Link(s) to Council Objectives

- ◆ Managing South Lanarkshire's Wealth of Resources – Financial Control, Corporate Governance

Previous References

- ◆ Corporate Resources Committee 8 February 2006.

List of Background Papers

- ◆ Financial ledger and budget monitoring results to 24 February 2006

Contact for Further Information

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SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

Revenue Budget Monitoring Report

Corporate Resources Committee: Period Ended 24 February 2006 (No.12)

Corporate Resources Summary

	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 24/02/06	Actual 24/02/06	Variance 24/02/06		% Variance 24/02/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
<u>Budget Category</u>									
Employee Costs	7,885	8,150	(265)	7,096	7,394	(298)	over	(4.2%)	
Property Costs	6,365	6,466	(101)	5,902	5,860	42	under	0.7%	
Supplies & Services	774	799	(25)	711	662	49	under	6.9%	
Transport & Plant	47	49	(2)	43	38	5	under	11.6%	
Administration Costs	3,175	3,060	115	2,777	2,671	106	under	3.8%	
Payments to Other Bodies	1,876	1,883	(7)	1,787	1,728	59	under	3.3%	
Payments to Contractors	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Transfer Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Financing Charges	595	606	(11)	587	606	(19)	over	(3.2%)	
Total Controllable Exp.	20,717	21,013	(296)	18,903	18,959	(56)	over	(0.3%)	
Total Controllable Inc.	(3,175)	(3,471)	296	(2,474)	(2,532)	58	over recovery	2.3%	
Net Controllable Exp.	17,542	17,542	0	16,429	16,427	2	under	0.0%	

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Corporate Resources Committee: Period Ended 24 February 2006 (No.12)

Corporate Resources Support

	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 24/02/06	Actual 24/02/06	Variance 24/02/06		% Variance 24/02/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
<u>Budget Category</u>									
Employee Costs	3,431	3,411	20	3,086	3,151	(65)	over	(2.1%)	1
Property Costs	6,189	6,294	(105)	5,743	5,711	32	under	0.6%	
Supplies & Services	97	137	(40)	89	103	(14)	over	(15.7%)	
Transport & Plant	21	21	0	18	19	(1)	over	(5.6%)	
Administration Costs	783	736	47	702	604	98	under	14.0%	2
Payments to Other Bodies	179	208	(29)	149	173	(24)	over	(16.1%)	
Payments to Contractors	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Transfer Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Financing Charges	517	527	(10)	515	532	(17)	over	(3.3%)	
Total Controllable Exp.	11,217	11,334	(117)	10,302	10,293	9	under	0.1%	
Total Controllable Inc.	(1,228)	(1,423)	195	(935)	(977)	42	over recovery	4.5%	3
Net Controllable Exp.	9,989	9,911	78	9,367	9,316	51	under	0.5%	

(Corporate Resources Support incorporates Office Accommodation, Personnel and Mainstream Legal)

Variance Explanations**1. Employee Costs**

The overspend is due to early retirements within Personnel and Legal Services and is partially offset by vacancies in Legal Services.

2. Administration Costs

The underspend is within Personnel and represents the expenditure profile of the Leadership Development Programme for the remainder of the year.

3. Income

The over recovery is partly due to additional income from Sub-lets in Office Accommodation. The remaining over recovery relates to physiotherapy and medicals and is partially offset by additional expenditure in these areas.

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Corporate Resources Services

	Annual Budget	Forecast for Year	Annual Forecast Variance	Budget Proportion 24/02/06	Actual 24/02/06	Variance 24/02/06		% Variance 24/02/06	Note
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000			
<u>Budget Category</u>									
Employee Costs	4,454	4,739	(285)	4,010	4,243	(233)	over	(5.8%)	1
Property Costs	176	172	4	159	149	10	under	6.3%	
Supplies & Services	677	662	15	622	559	63	under	10.1%	2
Transport & Plant	26	28	(2)	25	19	6	under	24.0%	
Administration Costs	2,392	2,324	68	2,075	2,067	8	under	0.4%	
Payments to Other Bodies	1,697	1,675	22	1,638	1,555	83	under	5.1%	3
Payments to Contractors	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Transfer Payments	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0.0%	
Financing Charges	78	79	(1)	72	74	(2)	over	(2.8%)	
Total Controllable Exp.	9,500	9,679	(179)	8,601	8,666	(65)	over	(0.8%)	
Total Controllable Inc.	(1,947)	(2,048)	101	(1,539)	(1,555)	16	over recovery	1.0%	
Net Controllable Exp.	7,553	7,631	(78)	7,062	7,111	(49)	over	(0.7%)	

(Corporate Resources Services incorporates Administration Services, District Court, Licensing & Registration and Corporate Communications & Public Affairs)

Variance Explanations**1 Employee Costs**

The overspend is due to the cost of early retrials across all three Services.

2 Supplies and Services

The underspend is due to reduced expenditure on paper within Printing Services. This will be offset by an under recovery of income.

3 Payments to Other Bodies

The underspend relates to the spend profile of the New Media initiative