



# Report

Report to: Executive Committee
Date of Meeting: 16 November 2011

Report by: Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject: Trading Services Financial Performance for Period 1

April to 30 September 2011

### 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- provide information on the estimated surplus for each of the Council's Trading Operations
- ♦ provide information on the actual surplus as at 30 September 2011
- ◆ provide an update on the projected results for the financial year 2011/2012

#### 2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):
  - that the surplus achieved to 30 September 2011 of £4.480 million, as detailed in Appendix A of the report, be noted.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1. During the budget exercise an estimated target for Trading Operations' surpluses was set at £9.722 million. In the accounting period to 2 September 2011, this estimated target had been revised to £9.649 million.
- 3.2. Details of the financial performance of each of the individual Trading Operations is provided in Appendix A to this report.
- 3.3. This budgeted surplus figure will continue to be taken as a minimum target for achievement by the Trading Operations. Effort will be maintained to maximise results during the remainder of this financial year.

#### 4. Employee Implications

4.1. None

#### 5. Financial Implications

5.1. As at 30 September 2011, the actual surpluses achieved by the Trading Operations total £4.480 million.

#### 6. Other Implications

- 6.1. The main risk associated with the Trading Operations' Budgets is failure to manage the budget resulting in a significant reduction in the surplus achieved. The risk has been assessed as low given the detailed budget management applied across the Trading Operations. The risk is managed through four weekly Budget Monitoring Meetings at which any variance is analysed. In addition, the probable outturn exercise ensures early warning for corrective action to be taken where appropriate.
- 6.2. There are no implications for sustainability in terms of the information contained in this report.

#### 7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 7.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.
- 7.2. There is also no requirement to undertake any consultation in terms of the information contained in this report.

# Paul Manning Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

10 October 2011

#### Link(s) to Council Values/Improvement Themes/Objectives

♦ Accountable, Effective and Efficient

#### **Previous References**

♦ Executive Committee, 5 October 2011

#### **List of Background Papers**

Financial ledger and budget monitoring results to 30 September 2011

#### **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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#### SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

# **Revenue Budget Monitoring Report**

# Period Ended 30 September 2011

# **Trading Operations**

	2011/2012 Revenue Budget Surplus	2011/2012 Forecast Revenue Budget Surplus	Surplus / (Deficit) at 30/09/11
Trading Service	£m	£m	£m
Facilities Management	693	693	347
Fleet	251	251	136
Grounds Maintenance	929	929	500
Roads	1,823	1,823	984
Property Services	<u>5,953</u>	<u>5,953</u>	<u>2,513</u>
Total	<u>9,649</u>	<u>9,649</u>	<u>4,480</u>